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An independent inventor, also called an individual inventor, is one whose patent, at the time of grant, is unassigned or assigned to an individual (i.e., ownership of the patent is not assigned to an organization).

The counts in this report represent the number of times inventors from particular states are named on unassigned patents or on patents assigned to individuals. If the patent has more than one inventor, each inventor is counted according to his or her state of residence. If an inventor has more than one patent he or she is counted for each patent.

This report covers utility patents (i.e., "patents for inventions") granted between January 1975 and December 2003.

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STATE	STATE NAME	1975 -																			TOTAL
		1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003		
AK	ALASKA	192	13	12	26	23	36	29	36	34	18	34	37	51	45	28	39	40	33	726	
AL	ALABAMA	826	86	89	118	124	151	109	114	95	124	140	123	173	158	141	177	176	154	3078	
AR	ARKANSAS	506	40	47	61	81	73	53	57	76	70	70	69	63	85	84	81	79	81	1676	
AS	U.S. PACIFIC IS.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
AZ	ARIZONA	2464	303	311	359	296	351	336	308	310	360	338	323	442	415	432	419	414	407	8588	
CA	CALIFORNIA	25369	2434	2356	2917	2721	2949	2951	2880	2967	3010	3554	3174	4097	4216	4045	4015	3674	3790	81119	
CO	COLORADO	2239	230	248	331	325	321	379	364	372	371	427	353	465	452	439	431	452	382	8581	
CT	CONNECTICUT	2687	247	250	302	333	376	317	327	326	344	305	296	430	432	375	392	326	346	8411	
DC	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	443	28	25	26	29	28	36	32	30	36	27	28	46	32	35	33	26	11	951	
DE	DELAWARE	289	28	22	33	37	41	32	47	40	52	55	35	37	46	50	60	59	56	1019	
FL	FLORIDA	6480	706	730	901	875	900	986	919	948	974	1154	1136	1395	1466	1368	1287	1204	1247	24676	
GA	GEORGIA	1821	174	150	203	267	247	258	261	264	278	310	280	428	409	431	464	366	354	6965	
GU	GUAM	3	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	4	4	1	1	1	0	20	
HI	HAWAII	346	33	46	54	67	50	51	63	51	47	45	60	60	53	58	71	43	41	1239	
IA	IOWA	1219	112	123	150	114	117	134	78	119	125	96	126	191	178	149	163	113	116	3423	
ID	IDAHO	590	51	49	113	100	83	85	83	79	86	85	103	96	139	145	135	126	130	2278	
IL	ILLINOIS	7103	604	543	759	651	736	646	705	629	772	813	704	978	883	918	787	769	683	19683	
IN	INDIANA	2238	181	189	208	213	223	200	199	201	213	250	234	288	327	366	271	257	268	6326	
KS	KANSAS	1213	99	91	135	114	124	129	88	123	91	120	110	139	176	158	128	140	146	3324	
KY	KENTUCKY	840	77	66	113	92	121	92	82	118	107	90	109	126	141	110	124	126	124	2658	
LA	LOUISIANA	1674	214	200	230	242	235	249	233	212	199	245	234	287	302	329	311	278	217	5891	
MA	MASSACHUSETTS	4225	395	362	456	446	445	462	472	494	511	562	577	720	689	707	643	591	649	13406	
MD	MARYLAND	3027	254	228	329	265	264	332	323	350	373	362	443	463	489	429	424	366	327	9048	
ME	MAINE	346	46	35	45	43	34	55	62	66	64	54	38	66	58	68	65	61	49	1255	
MI	MICHIGAN	6302	554	536	677	676	732	722	646	726	680	676	617	749	874	838	768	698	641	18112	
MN	MINNESOTA	2665	313	275	369	347	392	347	331	321	305	343	386	499	395	462	419	425	446	9040	
MO	MISSOURI	1974	197	152	241	223	254	258	192	235	216	246	328	351	344	325	279	361	265	6441	
MS	MISSISSIPPI	412	45	61	61	82	60	73	75	80	54	73	73	84	117	81	89	70	68	1658	
MT	MONTANA	480	98	52	93	69	74	84	79	61	100	77	65	91	85	81	72	79	49	1789	
NC	NORTH CAROLINA	1818	210	194	279	230	302	249	278	295	301	340	367	391	414	411	462	389	388	7318	
ND	NORTH DAKOTA	273	40	30	41	27	35	37	45	43	44	42	30	36	42	55	61	47	25	953	
NE	NEBRASKA	815	72	67	77	84	80	95	88	94	97	69	76	92	73	91	88	64	75	2197	
NH	NEW HAMPSHIRE	555	54	63	77	113	83	94	82	119	124	129	107	117	144	125	131	109	122	2348	
NJ	NEW JERSEY	5968	533	466	644	522	602	551	605	569	577	680	724	913	846	770	727	624	607	16928	
NM	NEW MEXICO	679	90	68	89	78	77	113	112	89	102	107	112	105	122	113	124	107	96	2383	
NV	NEVADA	716	61	61	95	84	139	115	114	120	119	132	128	194	232	232	246	208	217	3213	
NY	NEW YORK	11752	1056	923	1196	1275	1319	1146	1148	1237	1296	1305	1166	1599	1482	1423	1254	1280	1106	32963	
OH	OHIO	5422	466	449	492	519	529	570	519	529	519	520	503	657	763	588	605	637	562	14849	
OK	OKLAHOMA	1897	192	157	201	239	230	215	191	179	176	188	168	166	162	178	166	150	160	5015	
OR	OREGON	2141	250	190	268	244	241	217	232	221	224	241	232	289	292	261	317	279	286	6425	
PA	PENNSYLVANIA	5710	547	439	598	621	586	608	590	676	610	706	621	933	930	869	784	722	683	17233	
PR	PUERTO RICO	124	8	13	20	9	13	10	8	13	10	10	8	12	14	24	10	7	17	330	
RI	RHODE ISLAND	459	38	35	73	43	67	62	64	63	68	73	79	64	54	61	52	46	49	1450	
SC	SOUTH CAROLINA	942	111	93	135	138	131	172	154	169	129	178	123	208	195	196	189	190	168	3621	
SD	SOUTH DAKOTA	236	33	23	17	25	14	27	31	33	24	23	35	32	39	40	39	37	28	736	
TN	TENNESSEE	1254	127	151	189	200	193	228	184	182	171	217	188	279	302	259	233	230	223	4810	
TX	TEXAS	7058	779	694	890	918	970	957	907	985	1035	1149	975	1306	1338	1345	1295	1179	1093	24873	
US	UNITED STATES	0	0	0	0	0	2	7	2	3	1	3	3	2	2	0	1	0	1	27	
UT	UTAH	1167	107	108	142	148	192	154	213	177	182	198	186	273	242	236	249	252	203	4429	
VA	VIRGINIA	2332	211	182	285	315	316	306	290	296	312	316	292	430	423	421	428	385	420	7960	

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VI	VIRGIN (U.S.) ISLANDS	27	1	2	0	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	3	3	1	3	55
VT	VERMONT	216	27	17	27	38	20	43	36	57	50	61	71	44	55	47	71	33	35	948
WA	WASHINGTON	2734	303	304	388	383	416	333	366	410	366	377	373	465	389	452	446	432	436	9373
WI	WISCONSIN	2055	271	231	273	279	306	263	253	259	292	328	287	368	392	392	381	367	300	7297
WV	WEST VIRGINIA	402	42	36	43	41	36	46	32	41	46	36	44	54	55	48	44	40	38	1124
WY	WYOMING	277	30	14	17	26	37	27	21	40	41	22	27	35	39	42	38	30	43	806
U.S. TOTAL		135003		12258		15456		16051		16229		18003		21885		21335		19165		431047
		13221		15867		16356		15624		16497		16989		22052		20592		18464		
ALL COUNTRIES		205697		17955		22555		22357		22330		24176		30390		30041		28139		625065
		19216		23016		23495		21578		22646		23483		30744		29770		27477		