

U.S. PATENT STATISTICS, CALENDAR YEARS 1963 - 2006

	APPLICATIONS *								GRANTS								
YEAR (CY)	UTILITY				DESIGN	PLANT	TOTAL *		UTILITY				DESIGN	PLANT	REISSUE	TOTAL	% FOREIGN OF TOTAL
	U.S.	FOREIGN	(%)	TOTAL UTILITY					U.S.	FOREIGN	(%)	TOTAL UTILITY					
1963	66,715	19,154 (23.3)		85,869	4,968	145	90,982		37,174	8,505 (18.6)		45,679	2,965	129	198	48,971	18 *
1964	67,013	20,579 (23.5)		87,592	5,259	120	92,971		38,410	8,965 (18.9)		47,375	2,686	128	200	50,389	18 *
1965	72,317	22,312 (23.6)		94,629	5,413	108	100,150		50,331	12,526 (19.9)		62,857	3,424	120	246	66,647	19 *
1966	66,855	21,670 (24.5)		88,525	4,853	104	93,482		54,634	13,771 (20.1)		68,405	3,188	114	179	71,886	20 *
1967	61,651	24,046 (28.0)		85,697	4,744	103	90,544		51,273	14,379 (21.9)		65,652	3,165	85	196	69,098	21 *
1968	67,180	26,291 (28.1)		93,471	5,171	95	98,737		45,780	13,323 (22.5)		59,103	3,352	72	186	62,713	22 *
1969	68,243	30,507 (30.9)		98,750	5,496	111	104,357		50,394	17,165 (25.4)		67,559	3,335	103	233	71,230	25 *
1970	72,343	30,832 (29.9)		103,175	5,996	188	109,359		47,072	17,357 (26.9)		64,429	3,214	52	269	67,964	26
1971	71,089	33,640 (32.1)		104,729	6,211	155	111,095		55,976	22,341 (28.5)		78,317	3,156	71	246	81,790	28
1972	65,943	33,355 (33.6)		99,298	5,867	135	105,300		51,518	23,292 (31.1)		74,810	2,901	199	275	78,185	30
1973	66,935	37,144 (35.7)		104,079	5,425	118	109,622		51,500	22,643 (30.5)		74,143	4,033	132	314	78,622	30
1974	64,093	38,445 (37.5)		102,538	5,318	155	108,011		50,645	25,633 (33.6)		76,278	4,304	261	435	81,278	33
1975	64,445	36,569 (36.2)		101,014	6,292	150	107,456		46,715	25,285 (35.1)		72,000	4,282	150	378	76,810	
1976	65,050	37,294 (36.4)		102,344	7,061	175	109,580		44,280	25,946 (36.9)		70,226	4,564	176	422	75,388	
1977	62,863	38,068 (37.7)		100,931	7,258	188	108,377		41,484	23,785 (36.4)		65,269	3,929	173	407	69,778	36
1978	61,441	39,475 (39.1)		100,916	7,538	194	108,648		41,255	24,847 (37.6)		66,102	3,862	186	363	70,513	37
1979	60,535	39,959 (39.8)		100,494	7,519	196	108,209		30,078	18,776 (38.4)		48,854	3,119	131	308	52,412	37
1980	62,098	42,231 (40.5)		104,329	7,830	220	112,379		37,355	24,464 (39.6)		61,819	3,949	117	285	66,170	38
1981	62,404	44,009 (41.4)		106,413	7,375	178	113,966		39,223	26,548 (40.4)		65,771	4,745	183	364	71,063	39
1982	63,316	46,309 (42.2)		109,625	8,174	188	117,987		33,896	23,992 (41.4)		57,888	4,944	173	271	63,276	40
1983	59,390	44,313 (42.7)		103,703	8,082	255	112,040		32,871	23,989 (42.2)		56,860	4,563	197	362	61,982	41
1984	61,841	49,443 (44.4)		111,284	8,739	253	120,276		38,367	28,833 (42.9)		67,200	4,938	212	300	72,650	42
1985	63,874	53,132 (45.4)		117,006	9,551	231	126,788		39,555	32,106 (44.8)		71,661	5,066	242	276	77,245	44
1986	65,487	56,946 (46.5)		122,433	9,912	320	132,665		38,126	32,734 (46.2)		70,860	5,518	224	260	76,862	45
1987	68,315	59,602 (46.6)		127,917	11,153	385	139,455		43,520	39,432 (47.5)		82,952	5,959	229	245	89,385	47
1988	75,192	64,633 (46.2)		139,825	11,289	377	151,491		40,497	37,427 (48.0)		77,924	5,679	425	244	84,272	47
1989	82,370	70,380 (46.1)		152,750	12,615	383	165,748		50,185	45,352 (47.5)		95,537	6,092	587	317	102,533	47
1990	90,643	73,915 (44.9)		164,558	11,288	418	176,264		47,391	42,974 (47.6)		90,365	8,024	318	370	99,077	47
1991	87,955	76,351 (46.5)		164,306	13,061	463	177,830		51,177	45,334 (47.0)		96,511	9,569	353	263	106,696	46
1992	92,425	80,650 (46.6)		173,075	13,078	354	186,507		52,253	45,191 (46.4)		97,444	9,269	321	360	107,394	45
1993	99,955	74,788 (42.8)		174,743	13,635	361	188,739		53,231	45,111 (45.9)		98,342	10,630	442	332	109,746	44
1994	107,233	82,624 (43.5)		189,857	15,774	459	206,090		56,066	45,610 (44.9)		101,676	11,095	499	317	113,587	43
1995	123,958	88,419 (41.6)		212,377	15,409	452	228,238		55,739	45,680 (45.0)		101,419	11,712	387	316	113,834	43
1996	106,892	88,295 (45.2)		195,187	15,161	665	211,013		61,104	48,541 (44.3)		109,645	11,410	362	279	121,696	43
1997	120,445	94,812 (44.0)		215,257	16,546	621	232,424		61,708	50,276 (44.9)		111,984	11,414	394	277	124,069	44
1998	135,483	107,579 (44.3)		243,062	17,107	720	260,889		80,289	67,229 (45.6)		147,518	14,766	561	298	163,144	44
1999	149,825	120,362 (44.5)		270,187	17,761	863	288,811		83,905	69,580 (45.3)		153,485	14,732	420	448	169,086	44
2000	164,795	131,131 (44.3)		295,926	18,292	797	315,015		85,068	72,426 (46.0)		157,494	17,413	548	524	175,979	45
2001	177,511	148,997 (45.6)		326,508	18,280	944	345,732		87,600	78,436 (47.2)		166,036	16,871	584	480	183,972	46
2002	184,245	150,200 (44.9)		334,445	20,904	1,144	356,493		86,971	80,360 (48.0)		167,331	15,451	1,133	460	184,376	47
2003	188,941	153,500 (44.8)		342,441	22,602	1,000	366,043		87,893	81,130 (48.0)		169,023	16,574	994	421	187,015	47
2004	189,536	167,407 (46.9)		356,943	23,975	1,221	382,139		84,271	80,020 (48.7)		164,291	15,695	1,016	298	181,300	48
2005	207,867	182,866 (46.8)		390,733	25,553	1,222	417,508		74,637	69,169 (48.1)		143,806	12,951	716	245	157,718	48
2006	221,784	204,183 (47.9)		425,967	25,515	1,151	452,633		89,823	83,948 (48.3)		173,771	20,965	1,149	519	196,404	48
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