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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 at the time of patent grant. If an inventor has more than one patent, he or she is counted once for each patent.

This report covers utility patents (i.e., "patents for inventions") granted between January 1975 and December 2006.

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STATE	STATE NAME	1975-																		TOTAL
		1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
AK	ALASKA	243	23	36	29	36	34	18	34	37	51	45	27	38	40	33	28	38	32	822
AL	ALABAMA	1119	124	151	109	114	95	124	140	123	173	158	141	176	176	154	144	114	127	3462
AR	ARKANSAS	654	81	73	53	57	76	70	70	69	63	85	85	82	79	81	62	59	54	1853
AS	U.S. PACIFIC IS.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
AZ	ARIZONA	3437	296	351	336	308	310	360	338	323	442	415	432	419	414	407	361	305	347	9601
CA	CALIFORNIA	33076	2731	2977	2958	2880	2967	3010	3554	3174	4097	4216	4043	4016	3674	3789	3438	2857	3564	91021
CO	COLORADO	3048	325	321	379	364	372	371	427	353	465	452	439	431	452	382	340	270	344	9535
CT	CONNECTICUT	3486	333	376	317	327	326	344	305	296	430	432	375	390	326	346	248	224	388	9269
DC	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	522	29	28	36	32	30	36	27	28	46	32	35	33	26	11	23	13	15	1002
DE	DELAWARE	372	37	42	32	47	40	52	55	35	37	46	50	60	59	56	49	54	45	1168
FL	FLORIDA	8817	875	900	986	919	948	974	1154	1136	1395	1466	1370	1287	1204	1248	1169	1044	1044	27936
GA	GEORGIA	2348	267	247	258	261	264	278	310	280	428	409	431	462	366	354	285	295	328	7871
GU	GUAM	4	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	4	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	20
HI	HAWAII	479	67	50	51	63	51	47	45	60	60	53	58	71	43	41	45	35	55	1374
IA	IOWA	1604	114	117	134	78	119	125	96	126	191	178	148	163	113	116	117	85	112	3736
ID	IDAHO	803	100	83	85	83	79	86	85	103	96	139	145	135	126	130	103	79	123	2583
IL	ILLINOIS	9009	652	737	647	705	629	772	813	704	978	883	917	785	769	683	616	525	615	21439
IN	INDIANA	2816	213	223	200	199	201	213	250	234	288	327	367	272	257	268	219	195	200	6942
KS	KANSAS	1538	114	124	129	88	123	91	120	110	139	176	158	128	140	146	114	101	97	3636
KY	KENTUCKY	1096	92	121	92	82	118	107	90	109	126	141	110	124	126	123	93	76	83	2909
LA	LOUISIANA	2318	242	235	249	233	212	199	245	234	287	302	329	311	278	217	198	165	173	6427
MA	MASSACHUSETTS	5438	446	445	463	472	494	511	562	577	720	689	707	643	591	648	472	390	549	14817
MD	MARYLAND	3838	265	264	332	323	350	373	362	443	463	489	431	425	366	327	305	256	316	9928
ME	MAINE	472	43	34	55	62	66	64	54	38	66	58	68	65	61	50	47	45	49	1397
MI	MICHIGAN	8069	676	732	722	646	726	680	676	617	749	874	834	766	698	641	571	501	549	19727
MN	MINNESOTA	3622	347	392	347	331	321	305	343	386	499	395	461	419	425	445	384	325	423	10170
MO	MISSOURI	2564	223	254	258	192	235	216	246	328	351	344	325	280	361	265	194	216	187	7039
MS	MISSISSIPPI	579	82	60	73	75	80	54	73	73	84	117	85	90	70	68	62	50	42	1817
MT	MONTANA	723	69	74	84	79	61	100	77	65	91	85	81	73	79	49	46	42	44	1922
NC	NORTH CAROLINA	2501	230	302	249	278	295	301	340	367	391	414	410	462	389	388	359	277	279	8232
ND	NORTH DAKOTA	384	27	35	37	45	43	44	42	30	36	42	55	61	47	25	26	37	29	1045
NE	NEBRASKA	1031	84	80	95	88	94	97	69	76	92	73	92	88	64	74	71	76	64	2408
NH	NEW HAMPSHIRE	749	113	83	94	82	119	124	129	107	117	144	125	131	109	122	105	90	110	2653
NJ	NEW JERSEY	7611	522	602	551	605	569	577	680	724	913	846	767	728	624	606	641	495	547	18608
NM	NEW MEXICO	926	78	77	113	112	89	102	107	112	105	122	113	124	107	95	95	63	88	2628
NV	NEVADA	933	84	139	115	114	120	119	132	128	194	232	232	246	208	220	169	182	201	3768
NY	NEW YORK	14927	1275	1319	1146	1148	1237	1296	1305	1166	1599	1482	1427	1255	1280	1106	1066	905	951	35890
OH	OHIO	6829	519	529	570	519	529	519	520	503	657	763	589	605	637	563	523	431	502	16307
OK	OKLAHOMA	2447	239	230	215	191	179	176	188	168	166	162	178	166	150	160	130	113	145	5403
OR	OREGON	2849	244	241	217	232	221	224	241	232	289	292	261	317	279	286	268	232	269	7194
PA	PENNSYLVANIA	7294	622	590	608	590	676	610	706	621	933	930	869	783	722	684	594	495	621	18948
PR	PUERTO RICO	165	9	13	10	8	13	10	10	8	12	14	24	10	7	17	11	9	19	369
RI	RHODE ISLAND	605	43	67	62	64	63	68	73	79	64	54	61	52	46	49	45	41	51	1587
SC	SOUTH CAROLINA	1281	138	131	172	154	169	129	178	123	208	195	197	189	190	168	164	127	139	4052
SD	SOUTH DAKOTA	309	25	14	27	31	33	24	23	35	32	39	40	39	37	28	34	29	36	835
TN	TENNESSEE	1721	200	193	228	184	182	171	217	188	279	302	259	233	230	222	205	145	193	5352
TX	TEXAS	9421	918	970	957	907	985	1035	1149	975	1306	1338	1345	1295	1179	1094	958	866	1001	27699
US	UNITED STATES	0	0	2	7	2	3	1	3	3	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	30
UT	UTAH	1524	148	192	154	213	177	182	198	186	273	242	236	249	252	203	207	161	193	4990
VA	VIRGINIA	3010	315	316	306	290	296	312	316	292	430	423	417	428	385	419	312	279	327	8873

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VI	VIRGIN (U.S.) ISLANDS	30	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	3	3	1	3	2	4	1	62	
VT	VERMONT	287	38	20	43	36	57	50	61	71	44	55	47	71	33	35	39	30	42	1059	
WA	WASHINGTON	3729	383	416	333	366	410	366	377	373	465	389	452	445	432	436	378	311	422	10483	
WI	WISCONSIN	2830	279	306	263	253	259	292	328	287	368	392	392	380	367	300	309	223	265	8093	
WV	WEST VIRGINIA	523	41	36	46	32	41	46	36	44	54	55	49	44	40	38	42	28	50	1245	
WY	WYOMING	338	26	37	27	21	40	41	22	27	35	39	42	38	30	43	31	29	26	892	
U.S. TOTAL		176349	16390		15624		16497		16989		22052		20588		18462		14039		478130		
		15468		16060		16229		18003		21885		21335		19165		16517		16478			
ALL COUNTRIES		265884	23495		21578		22646		23483		30744		29767		27472		20241		693017		
		22555		22357		22330		24176		30390		30041		28139		24314		23405			