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An independent inventor (also called an individual inventor), for purposes of this report, is an inventor whose patent, at the time of grant, has ownership that 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 a 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 counts the number of times inventors from particular states are named on patent documents of the following types, granted between January 1977 and December 2013: utility, design, plant, and reissue patents, defensive publications, and statutory invention registrations. Counts of inventors and their patent grants are broken out by calendar year.

The source of the data used for this report is the TAF database, maintained by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

COUNTS OF INDEPENDENT INVENTORS BY STATE, BY YEAR

		1977-																		
STATE	STATE NAME	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	TOTAL
AK	ALASKA	513	52	65	60	42	48	47	41	37	39	41	20	21	44	23	29	40	44	1206
AL	ALABAMA	2359	160	206	237	209	246	207	213	171	148	168	109	132	156	202	159	169	191	5442
AR	ARKANSAS	1336	87	83	112	102	110	96	100	80	81	93	73	75	75	113	70	93	94	2873
AS	U.S. PACIFIC ISLANDS	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
AZ	ARIZONA	6255	417	569	491	526	500	472	463	425	357	418	410	405	356	462	450	487	560	14023
CA	CALIFORNIA	61656	4160	5325	5264	5215	5062	4828	4819	4306	3556	4636	4069	3883	3696	5104	4282	4799	5125	139785
CO	COLORADO	6343	438	564	541	540	487	517	449	418	325	424	393	337	336	464	408	528	517	14029
CT	CONNECTICUT	6133	346	528	523	438	444	372	398	298	253	424	277	244	266	313	285	305	361	12208
DC	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	728	35	56	43	37	38	29	12	26	16	17	27	18	20	24	41	46	41	1254
DE	DELAWARE	726	40	46	53	53	65	67	59	63	60	54	36	25	43	42	52	47	33	1564
FL	FLORIDA	17531	1404	1719	1749	1725	1590	1466	1575	1452	1233	1379	1316	1294	1263	1516	1575	1713	1846	43346
GA	GEORGIA	4955	353	537	507	522	548	473	424	359	366	440	383	360	363	497	570	565	568	12790
GU	GUAM	13	2	4	4	2	6	2	0	0	0	0	1	4	1	0	0	0	1	40
HI	HAWAII	984	76	70	70	76	87	51	54	52	45	69	55	58	48	72	59	68	76	2070
IA	IOWA	2693	150	226	197	173	191	124	134	128	112	141	83	105	110	146	162	126	143	5144
ID	IDAHO	1562	125	113	162	173	163	149	159	122	87	151	106	96	95	129	116	108	130	3746
IL	ILLINOIS	14875	870	1206	1083	1110	978	896	859	767	670	785	741	607	593	745	663	675	826	28949
IN	INDIANA	4845	290	343	384	430	353	336	346	282	234	279	247	197	195	299	270	294	320	9944
KS	KANSAS	2535	141	161	210	201	155	171	175	145	118	115	108	101	95	158	142	113	149	4993
KY	KENTUCKY	1931	129	151	161	133	151	141	141	114	85	101	113	109	94	128	109	127	141	4059
LA	LOUISIANA	4080	260	341	334	381	344	317	252	229	196	201	167	183	191	196	195	256	216	8339
MA	MASSACHUSETTS	9233	663	870	793	833	733	691	748	561	467	634	529	499	534	690	756	712	744	20690
MD	MARYLAND	6506	485	545	550	482	468	416	363	351	280	365	326	274	335	424	341	397	428	13336
ME	MAINE	979	53	76	74	82	70	70	53	50	48	56	38	33	39	42	57	44	46	1910
MI	MICHIGAN	13652	741	893	1038	974	882	868	802	717	611	699	611	616	557	639	629	665	693	26287
MN	MINNESOTA	6751	461	655	474	592	538	514	569	468	382	537	413	338	340	392	461	426	478	14789
MO	MISSOURI	4610	393	441	416	403	344	420	325	239	262	226	224	230	254	267	230	245	260	9789
MP	NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
MS	MISSISSIPPI	1179	99	102	141	107	102	84	88	77	57	48	82	41	54	40	54	73	64	2492
MT	MONTANA	1366	83	110	94	105	87	88	53	54	58	55	61	55	45	52	61	55	73	2555
NC	NORTH CAROLINA	5201	461	489	520	547	583	526	498	451	330	358	343	280	321	420	440	385	430	12583
ND	NORTH DAKOTA	708	37	42	47	57	61	49	25	33	39	39	36	31	36	25	22	25	29	1341
NE	NEBRASKA	1756	90	104	92	113	97	82	106	80	85	81	90	86	63	91	89	142	109	3356
NH	NEW HAMPSHIRE	1647	135	131	165	150	147	121	135	123	108	118	90	68	100	148	114	121	136	3757
NJ	NEW JERSEY	12447	839	1122	1024	943	868	730	734	740	602	679	619	557	550	865	690	728	920	25657
NM	NEW MEXICO	1690	126	121	139	135	135	120	103	105	69	97	85	86	76	128	116	119	136	3586
NV	NEVADA	2028	161	245	279	307	293	252	275	200	215	225	172	166	147	221	186	228	261	5861
NY	NEW YORK	25305	1456	1979	1802	1773	1585	1555	1358	1349	1116	1251	1267	1107	1067	1408	1282	1359	1490	49509
OH	OHIO	11491	672	844	936	814	791	791	772	667	545	673	539	550	432	673	557	587	633	22967
OK	OKLAHOMA	4302	192	206	196	225	195	193	203	152	125	171	157	123	135	143	139	180	193	7230
OR	OREGON	5034	312	384	384	366	421	392	336	332	280	326	353	467	374	408	355	318	393	11235
PA	PENNSYLVANIA	12380	776	1163	1091	1011	900	840	804	708	581	718	586	515	503	733	654	678	668	25309
PR	PUERTO RICO	274	13	13	25	29	11	11	18	11	16	20	18	11	12	20	20	31	11	564
RI	RHODE ISLAND	1267	105	91	81	82	65	62	81	63	65	80	72	72	70	72	54	72	82	2536
SC	SOUTH CAROLINA	2582	156	261	236	246	236	237	198	195	169	196	158	158	179	157	174	210	201	5949
SD	SOUTH DAKOTA	537	41	32	47	50	47	43	33	38	31	39	27	26	35	42	50	82	67	1267
TN	TENNESSEE	3575	252	337	373	327	292	296	281	257	181	253	236	210	208	226	300	328	280	8212
TX	TEXAS	17940	1163	1564	1572	1608	1490	1314	1239	1144	1050	1168	1084	1010	984	1408	1214	1338	1465	39755
US	U.S. UNSPECIFIED REGION	29	4	2	6	1	1	0	0	0	2	2	3	2	0	1	1	0	0	54
UT	UTAH	3138	224	322	287	286	287	292	233	237	195	229	309	366	392	423	379	357	419	8375

