

Appendix table 6-34

Share of USPTO patents granted to U.S. states: Selected years, 1980–97

(Percent distribution)

Rank/state	1980	1985	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997
All states (number).....	37,353	39,556	43,520	50,185	51,177	53,231	55,739	61,708
All states	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
1 California	13.53	13.43	14.59	15.07	15.08	15.34	16.62	18.29
2 Texas	4.85	5.97	6.25	6.41	6.21	6.37	6.97	6.71
3 New York	8.98	8.41	8.13	8.18	8.73	8.81	8.40	7.80
4 Michigan	5.68	5.22	5.08	5.22	5.48	5.40	4.99	4.60
5 Massachusetts	4.11	4.03	4.12	3.95	3.98	4.15	3.88	4.17
6 New Jersey	7.93	7.55	6.51	6.13	5.92	5.47	4.94	5.16
7 Illinois	7.29	6.48	5.98	5.67	5.44	5.35	5.16	4.87
8 Pennsylvania	6.73	5.92	6.63	5.59	5.29	5.03	4.74	4.37
9 Ohio	5.77	5.84	5.47	5.17	4.99	4.75	4.34	4.40
10 Minnesota	2.14	2.62	2.63	2.67	2.63	2.91	2.97	2.97
11 Florida	2.81	2.85	3.14	3.39	3.30	3.34	3.59	3.50
12 Washington	1.35	1.49	1.60	1.84	1.86	1.68	1.85	2.19
13 Colorado	1.27	1.35	1.47	1.57	1.49	1.71	1.97	1.98
14 North Carolina	1.27	1.35	1.51	1.58	1.72	1.71	1.86	2.05
15 Wisconsin	1.99	2.06	2.15	2.32	2.13	2.14	2.17	2.11
16 Connecticut	2.88	3.32	3.21	3.12	2.74	2.90	2.77	2.27
17 Idaho	0.21	0.16	0.20	0.32	0.40	0.63	0.55	0.92
18 Arizona	1.17	1.38	1.54	1.48	1.62	1.59	1.79	1.70
19 Oregon	0.80	0.93	1.13	1.22	1.08	1.11	1.26	1.29
20 Maryland	1.93	1.73	1.62	1.61	1.66	1.87	1.77	1.90
21 Indiana	2.29	2.28	2.21	1.95	2.00	1.82	1.99	1.97
22 Georgia	0.88	1.00	1.13	1.29	1.25	1.32	1.52	1.57
23 Virginia	1.37	1.52	1.31	1.44	1.62	1.64	1.47	1.33
24 Missouri	1.61	1.21	1.25	1.28	1.41	1.19	1.20	1.18
25 Tennessee	0.99	0.90	0.80	1.03	1.01	1.04	1.06	1.04
26 Utah	0.54	0.61	0.63	0.66	0.72	0.79	0.91	0.99
27 Iowa	0.83	0.85	0.82	0.79	0.73	0.69	0.76	0.64
28 New Hampshire	0.43	0.51	0.53	0.57	0.62	0.68	0.73	0.74
29 South Carolina	0.59	0.78	0.66	0.82	0.80	0.79	0.79	0.70
30 Oklahoma	1.62	1.81	1.42	1.19	1.11	1.12	0.85	0.67
31 Kentucky	0.71	0.81	0.59	0.49	0.63	0.52	0.49	0.47
32 Vermont	0.14	0.21	0.20	0.24	0.20	0.24	0.27	0.45
33 Louisiana	0.76	1.00	0.94	0.89	0.92	0.81	0.66	0.61
34 Kansas	0.66	0.52	0.47	0.52	0.48	0.45	0.44	0.42
35 Alabama	0.50	0.65	0.61	0.59	0.62	0.51	0.51	0.49
36 Delaware	0.75	0.71	0.79	0.88	1.01	0.95	0.77	0.58
37 Nevada	0.24	0.15	0.19	0.24	0.32	0.26	0.30	0.29
38 New Mexico	0.29	0.40	0.40	0.35	0.45	0.44	0.46	0.42
39 Rhode Island	0.32	0.30	0.24	0.31	0.38	0.41	0.37	0.40
40 Nebraska	0.24	0.27	0.28	0.25	0.28	0.32	0.24	0.27
41 Arkansas	0.19	0.16	0.17	0.21	0.23	0.22	0.19	0.20
42 Mississippi	0.16	0.16	0.18	0.20	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.25
43 Maine	0.16	0.19	0.19	0.22	0.18	0.22	0.20	0.15
44 West Virginia	0.36	0.28	0.30	0.31	0.32	0.32	0.24	0.24
45 Montana	0.14	0.18	0.19	0.17	0.16	0.17	0.22	0.14
46 South Dakota	0.06	0.09	0.09	0.07	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.07
47 Hawaii	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.13	0.12	0.15	0.12	0.12
48 North Dakota	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.11	0.12	0.11	0.10	0.07
49 District of Columbia	0.13	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.12	0.10	0.10	0.08
50 Wyoming	0.09	0.06	0.10	0.06	0.08	0.07	0.09	0.08
51 Alaska	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.07	0.07
52 Puerto Rico	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.02
53 Other	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01

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NOTES: Patents assigned to state based on residence of first-named inventor. States ranked by 2005 share of U.S. patents issued to United States. Other includes U.S. territories.

SOURCES: USPTO, Historic Patents by Country, State, and Year 1963–2005; and Historic Patents by Country, State, and Year, Utility Patents, http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/ac/ido/oeip/taf/cst_uth.htm, accessed 15 December 2006.