

Patent Filings | Corporations, Universities and Governments recognize the increasing importance of filing patents to protect their most valuable assets. As the rate of patent filing increases, so does the importance of understanding the competitive landscape. IP Checkups helps enterprises and investors navigate complex patent landscapes.

<u>Overview</u> | <u>Tanqibles vs. Intanqibles</u> | Patent Filings IP Organizational Structure

Worldwide, more than 70,000 patent applications are filed each month. As the number of utility patent application filings continues to grow at these astronomical rates, (Figure 2) it has become essential for businesses to understand the competitive landscapes surrounding patent activity. The most successful international enterprises thrive because of their ability to treat their intellectual property as both revenue producing and strategically leveragable business assets.

Historical Patent Filing Activity in the US

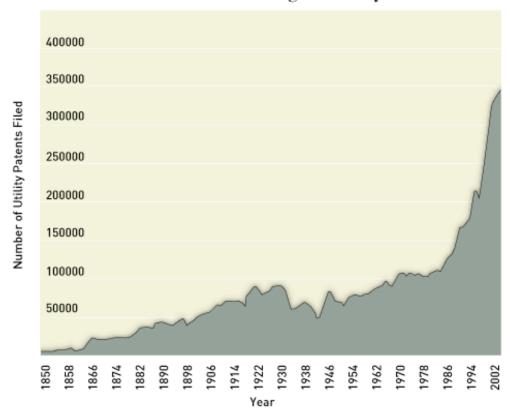


Figure 2 Companies and individuals are currently filing utility patent applications at a rate of more than 300,000 documents per year in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office alone.

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