

Table #1
U.S. Patents Issued per Year by Selected Companies Containing the
Words 'Microprocessor', 'Processor', or 'CPU' in their Abstract

	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998*	Total
AMD	8	13	14	8	7	12	13	14	30	51	98	268
DEC	6	17	18	23	35	38	46	31	40	22	28	304
Hewlett Packard	12	10	15	19	17	26	31	38	46	37	55	306
Hitachi	37	45	56	54	70	58	82	81	91	74	102	750
IBM	60	68	73	67	99	149	149	162	221	228	307	1,583
IDT	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	4	3	3	14
Intel	4	9	4	10	14	23	45	69	114	112	146	550
Motorola	27	24	27	32	27	41	42	75	71	86	123	575
National/Cyrix	1	2	1	2	3	9	10	8	17	38	30	121
Rise Technology	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Silicon Graphics	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	2	8	11	10	36
STMicroelectronics	0	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	9	6	13	39
Sun Microsystems	1	4	3	2	7	18	17	13	24	29	54	172
Texas Instruments	17	13	9	15	24	27	29	33	51	54	60	332
Total U.S. Patents**	1,326	1,771	1,549	1,681	1,820	2,128	2,323	2,686	3,241	3,234	4,714	26,473

**Individual company counts for 1998 only include patents issued prior to October 31, 1998. Total U.S. patents reported for 1998 includes the entire year.*

***Total U.S. Patents refers to all patents issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, not just those received by the companies listed in this table.*

Source: Data gathered from U.S. Patent and Trademark Office web site(<http://www.uspto.gov>). Year refers to patent issue date.