



Canadian Patent Number Guide

1st Series, 1824-1871

Year	1st Patent	Year	1st Patent
1824	1	1865	1,777
1825	4	1866	1,937
1826	5	1867	2,203
1827	-	1868	2,401
1828	-	1869	2,947
1829	8	1870	3,324
1830	10	1871	3,325
1831	17		
1832	30		
1833	32		
1834	148		
1835	151		
1836	156		
1837	158		
1838	-		
1839	160		
1840	161		
1841	166		
1842	169		
1843	182		
1844	192		
1845	197		
1846	206		
1847	223		
1848	238		
1849	253		
1850	270		
1851	304		
1852	343		
1853	384		
1854	436		
1855	490		
1856	583		
1857	693		
1858	809		
1859	912		
1860	1,041		
1861	1,177		
1862	1,313		
1863	1,476		
1864	1,634		

Note

The Legislature of Lower Canada (Quebec) enacted the first British North America patent law in 1824. The first patent law in Upper Canada (Ontario) was passed in 1826. Other provinces followed in the 1820s and 1830s. Patents issued under various Lower Canada statutes were designated the 1st series.

The Patent Act of 1869, the first federal patent law enacted following Canadian Confederation in 1867, established the 2nd number series. The last patent registered under previous statutes issued in 1871.

Industrial designs were first registered in Canada in 1849. The first federal design statute was enacted in 1868. Designs are numbered in a continuous series beginning with design No. 1 issued in 1868.

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2nd Series, 1869-

Year	1st Patent	Year	1st Patent	Year	1st Patent	Year	1st Patent
1869	1	1910	123,028	1951	470,425	1992	1,293,841
1870	205	1911	130,220	1952	479,806	1993	1,312,175
1871	761	1912	137,628	1953	489,328	1994	1,325,696
1872	1,270	1913	145,113	1954	498,937	1995	1,333,741
1873	1,645	1914	152,992	1955	508,680	1996	1,337,842
1874	3,244	1915	159,890	1956	520,167	1997	1,338,825
1875	4,217	1916	166,922	1957	535,086	1998	1,339,614
1876	5,540	1917	174,249	1958	551,115	1999	1,340,298
1877	6,923	1918	181,348	1959	568,367	2000	1,340,867
1878	8,275	1919	188,100	1960	589,997	2001	1,341,159
1879	9,539	1920	195,677	1961	611,607	2002	1,341,330
1880	10,778	1921	207,056	1962	633,657	2003	1,341,415
1881	12,185	1922	214,900	1963	654,892	2004	1,341,450
1882	13,917	1923	227,509	1964	677,332	2005	1,341,470
1883	16,054	1924	236,683	1965	701,061	2006	1,341,492
1884	18,377	1925	245,827	1966	724,836	2007	1,341,519
1885	20,833	1926	256,870	1967	749,586	2008	-
1886	23,066	1927	267,194	1968	774,786	2009	-
1887	25,676	1928	276,715	1969	803,101	2010	-
1888	28,272	1929	285,986	1970	831,201	2011	-
1889	30,529	1930	296,249	1971	859,951	2012	-
1890	33,254	1931	307,242	1972	889,551	2013	-
1891	35,682	1932	318,529	1973	917,851	2014	-
1892	38,025	1933	328,955	1974	939,101	2015	-
1893	41,442	1934	338,255	1975	960,401		
1894	44,990	1935	347,097	1976	980,951		
1895	47,790	1936	355,104	1977	1,002,701		
1896	50,942	1937	363,089	1978	1,023,501		
1897	54,468	1938	370,945	1979	1,045,301		
1898	58,530	1939	378,621	1980	1,068,851		
1899	62,175	1940	385,972	1981	1,092,751		
1900	65,595	1941	393,603	1982	1,115,415		
1901	69,781	1942	401,921	1983	1,138,601		
1902	74,326	1943	409,713	1984	1,159,601		
1903	78,877	1944	417,494	1985	1,180,151		
1904	84,670	1945	424,778	1986	1,198,851		
1905	90,765	1946	432,211	1987	1,216,101		
1906	96,786	1947	438,966	1988	1,230,951		
1907	102,813	1948	445,931	1989	1,247,801		
1908	109,540	1949	453,746	1990	1,264,101		
1909	115,916	1950	462,146	1991	1,278,401		

1st Canadian Patent

On 30 April 1791, the Legislature of Lower Canada granted American inventor Samuel Hopkins a patent for a new method of making potash and pearl ash. Some experts consider this to be the first Canadian patent.

Hopkins also received the first U.S. patent (for the same invention) granted under the Patent Act of April 1790, the first federal patent law. Hopkins' U.S. patent issued on 31 July 1790.

3rd Series, 1990- (Patents and Laid-Open Applications)

Year	1st Patent	Year	1st App
1991	2,008,110	1990	2,000,131
1992	2,003,534	1991	2,001,137
1993	2,001,760	1992	2,020,279
1994	2,000,224	1993	2,051,892
1995	2,000,302	1994	2,072,904
1996	2,001,879	1995	2,092,586
1997	2,002,889	1996	2,103,501
1998	2,002,917	1997	2,180,036
1999	2,000,185	1998	2,180,293
2000	2,000,719	1999	2,209,390
2001	2,001,215	2000	2,245,604
2002	2,010,160	2001	2,274,873
2003	2,028,229	2002	2,348,343
2004	2,008,931	2003	2,390,042
2005	2,018,798	2004	2,389,682
2006	2,064,179	2005	2,432,981
2007	2,055,020	2006	2,472,208
2008	2,104,111	2007	2,507,238
2009	-	2008	2,549,115
2010	-	2009	-
2011	-	2010	-
2012	-	2011	-
2013	-	2012	-
2014	-	2013	-
2015	-	2014	-

◀ **Note**
The Patent Act of 1989 established a new numbering system, the 3rd Series, for patents. Patent applications filed on or after Oct. 1, 1989 were assigned serial numbers starting with 2,000,001. Issued patents are identified by their application numbers.

New document kind codes were implemented in 1989 to accommodate "laid-open" or published applications. Laid-open applications are identified by their application numbers.

Industrial Designs, 1868-

Year	1st Design	Year	1st Design	Year	1st Design
1868	1	1917	4,174	1966	27,846
1869	6	1918	4,347	1967	28,960
1870	17	1919	4,527	1968	30,159
1871	38	1920	4,696	1969	31,062
1872	65	1921	4,968	1970	38,770
1873	81	1922	5,300	1971	33,376
1874	111	1923	5,670	1972	34,925
1875	144	1924	6,045	1973	36,108
1876	176	1925	6,494	1974	37,400
1877	233	1926	7,004	1975	38,607
1878	274	1927	7,364	1976	40,112
1879	315	1928	7,829	1977	41,567
1880	355	1929	8,150	1978	43,069
1881	396	1930	8,569	1979	44,786
1882	434	1931	9,023	1980	46,421
1883	480	1932	9,445	1981	47,736
1884	546	1933	9,842	1982	49,178
1885	614	1934	10,170	1983	50,702
1886	662	1935	10,568	1984	52,286
1887	710	1936	10,982	1985	53,791
1888	814	1937	11,265	1986	55,484
1889	885	1938	11,815	1987	57,786
1890	943	1939	12,219	1988	59,944
1891	1,011	1940	12,572	1989	62,220
1892	1,041	1941	12,929	1990	65,009
1893	1,075	1942	13,211	1991	67,710
1894	1,115	1943	13,397	1992	69,813
1895	1,162	1944	13,579	1993	72,080
1896	1,214	1945	13,960	1994	73,718
1897	1,283	1946	14,428	1995	75,406
1898	1,361	1947	15,067	1996	77,819
1899	1,493	1948	15,935	1997	79,717
1900	1,606	1949	16,662	1998	82,778
1901	1,735	1950	17,302	1999	85,485
1902	1,893	1951	17,979	2000	88,491
1903	2,045	1952	18,459	2001	91,253
1904	2,131	1953	18,845	2002	94,344
1905	2,264	1954	19,443	2003	96,502
1906	2,390	1955	19,716	2004	95,521
1907	2,503	1956	20,297	2005	95,735
1908	2,698	1957	20,867	2006	103,076
1909	2,847	1958	21,554	2007	109,750
1910	2,989	1959	22,199	2008	105,565
1911	3,125	1960	23,038	2009	-
1912	3,239	1961	23,774	2010	-
1913	3,397	1962	24,470	2011	-
1914	3,557	1963	25,229	2012	-
1915	3,771	1964	26,063	2013	-
1916	3,958	1965	26,886	2014	-

Patent Document Kind Codes

Code	Document Type
A	Patent, before Oct. 1, 1989
A	Laid-open application, Oct. 1, 1989-present
B	Reissue patent, before Oct. 1, 1989
C	Patent, Oct. 1989-present
E	Reissue patent, Oct. 1, 1989-present
F	Certificate for reexamined patent

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