Top Patentees in 2017

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SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS  7019
INTEL CORP  3486
CANON KK  3367
LG ELECTRONICS INC  3108
GOOGLE INC  2885
QUALCOMM INC  2726
APPLE INC  2556
TSMC  2431
SAMSUNG DISPLAY  2314
TOYOTA MOTOR  2313
SONY CORP  2187
MICROSOFT  2056
AMAZON  1992
FORD GLOBAL TECH  1969
PANASONIC  1848
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TOSHIBA  1762
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FUJITSU LTD  1539
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APPAREL/HABERDASHERY  1848
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Top University Patentees

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UNIV TSINGUA  296
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KAIST  130
UNIV SOUTH FLORIDA  121
YONSEI UNIV  119
CORNELL UNIV  118
UNIV PENNSYLVANIA  111
NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIV  110
UNIV FLORIDA  110
352,585 Patents Granted in 2017

- Utility: 320,001
- Design: 30,879
- Plant: 1,311
- Reissue: 394

374,731 US Applications Published in 2017

90.8% Utility Patents
8.8% Design Patents
<1% Plant Patents
<1% Reissue Patents
Annual Patenting Trends

17,912 more patents granted in 2017 than in 2016. A jump of 5.4 percent!
Top Law Firms 2017

Top 20 Patent Agents and Firms in 2017

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UI / UX
User Interface once again topped the list of design patents granted in 2017

“Sitagliptin tannate complex”
Shortest Claim 1 in 2017
By the Numbers (Some patents that stood out in 2017)

381 Claims
Number of Claims in patent US9801712 by WL Gore & Assoc

12,348 Words
Number of words in Claim 1 in patent US9725453

11,493 Days
Filed in 1986, US9702669 took over 30 years to grant

121 Applications
Forward Rejections caused by patent US9820658 (it also impacted 82 assignees)

588 Documents
Largest file wrapper by number of documents is patent US9773877

538 Members
Largest patent family in 2017, by Angle North America Inc.

1,085,318 Words
Number of words in patent US9585906 (about twice as long as War and Peace)

53 Inventors
Number of Inventors Intralinks named on patent US9613190

35 Applications
Novelty (§102) rejections by patent US9846323

4,342 Days
Longest delay before first Office Action for patent US9814559