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CRAIN'S INNOVATION WEEK

These companies crank out the most patents per employee



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Workers in Radio Flyer's model shop.

Check out who is punching way above their weight when it comes to innovation. These are the companies that produce the most patents per employee. To return to our most innovative companies list, [click here](#).

MOST PATENTS PER 100 EMPLOYEES

Company	Patents per 100 employees
Isco International	52.1
Flex Lighting	50
Vasco Data Security Systems	23.7
Elevance Renewable Sciences	20.2
Radio Flyer	18.5
Dawn Equipment	15
Geofeedia	11.7
Clover Holdings	7.2
Peerless Industries	6.8
Panduit	4.9
Trading Technologies	4.2
Mattersight	3.7
Fellowes	2.6
Methode Electronics	2.5
University of Chicago/Argonne	2.1
Midtronics	1.9
Videojet Technologies	1.8
Sram	1.7
RTC	1.6
Cummins Allison	1.6

Flexible Steel Lacing	1.5
Wilson Sporting Goods	1.4
Flexera Software	1.3
Nielsen	1.3
Provisur Technologies	1.3
Amsted Rail	1.1
Continental Automotive Systems	1
Motorola Solutions	0.9
Acco Brands	0.8
Cabot Microelectronics	0.8
Gogo	0.8
Northwestern University	0.7
Zebra Technologies	0.6
Ecolab	0.5
Signode	0.5
Boeing	0.5
USG	0.5
Brunswick	0.4
Illinois Tool Works	0.4
Medline Industries	0.3
Deere	0.3
Dover	0.3
John Bean Technologies	0.2
CME	0.2
Tribune Broadcasting	0.2
Navistar International	0.2
Caterpillar	0.1
University of Illinois System	0.1
AGL Resources	0.1
ADM	0.1
Mondelez	0.1
Allstate	0.1
Hospira	0.1
R.R. Donnelley & Sons	0

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