

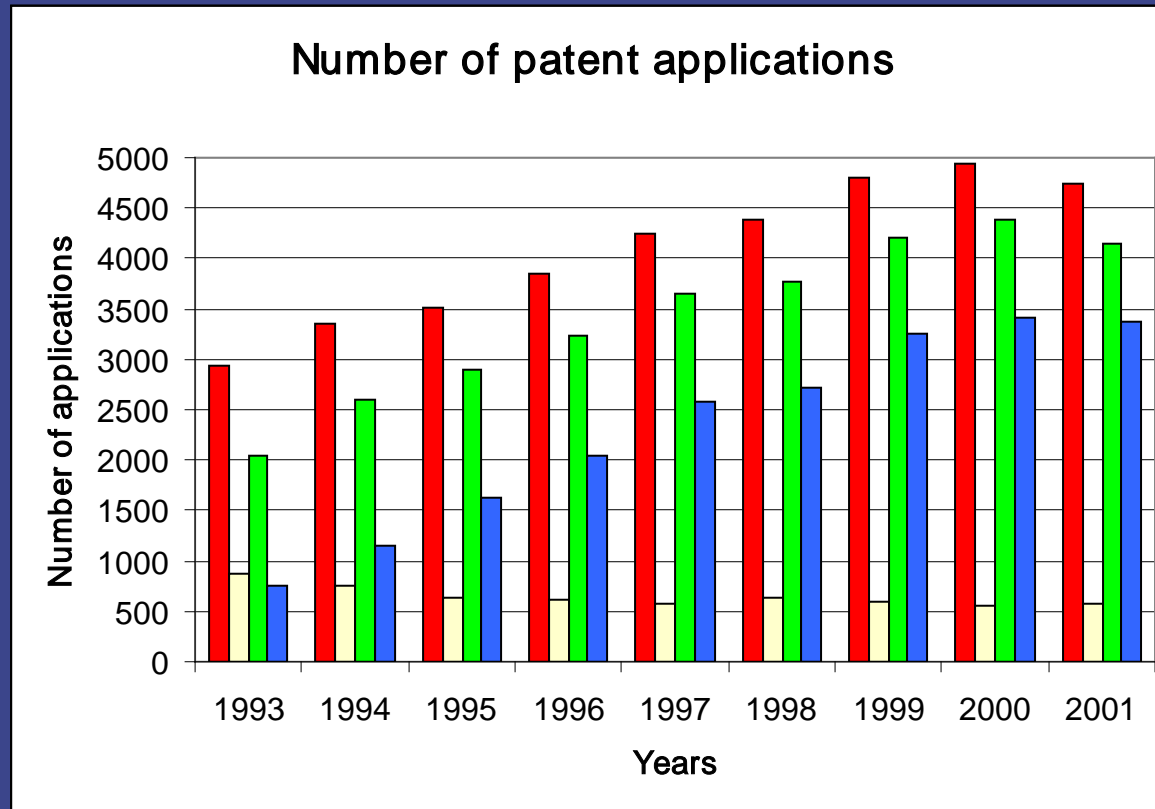
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## The most important changes in the Czech Republic concerning patent protection

- 1st January 1991 new Patent Act
- 20th June 1991 joining Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)
- 1st July 1991 Act on Patent Attorneys  
free profession of Patent Attorneys ceased to exist in 1952
- 1st January 1992 Integrated Circuits Designs Protection Act
- 26th October 1992 Utility Model Act
- 1st January 1993 Transitional Act adapting all valid Acts to the fact that Czechoslovakia has been split into Czech Republic and Slovak Republic
- 1st December 1999 Anti Piracy Act
- 10th May 2000 Amendments of Patent Act incorporating Articles concerning European Patents
- 1st July 2002 joining the European Patent Organization.

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Number of Czech Patent Applications in the years 1993 to 2001



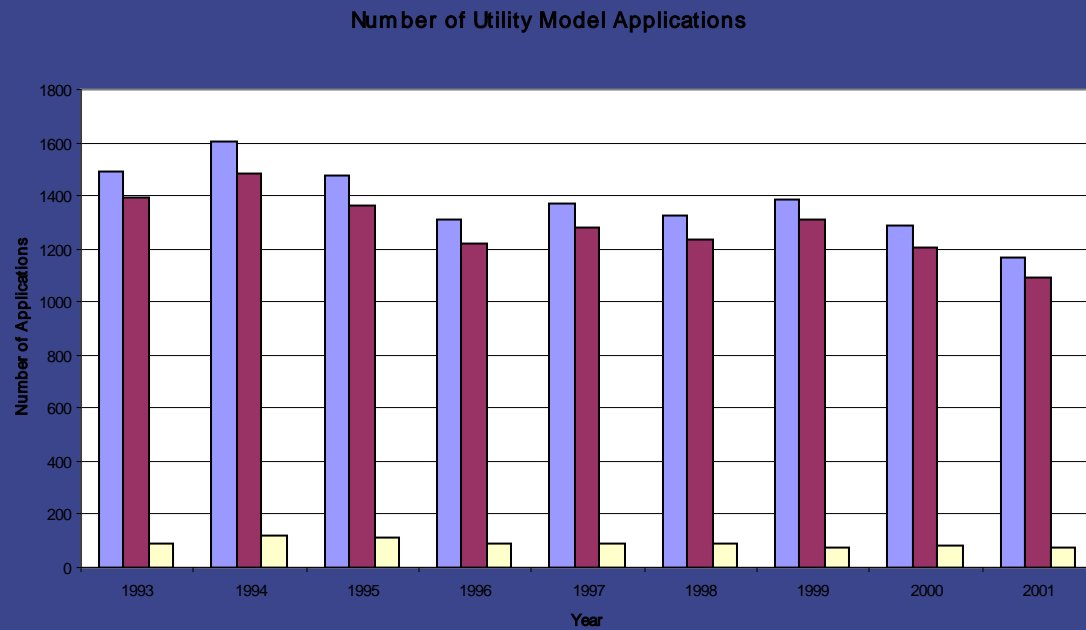
red – total number of Patent Applications

yellow - number of Patent Applications of local applicants

green - number of Patent Applications of foreign applicants, and therefrom:

blue – number of national phases of PCT international applications

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blue – total number of Utility Model applications  
brown - number of Utility Model applications filed by Czech subjects  
yellow - number of Utility Model applications filed by foreign subjects

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International application according to PCT filed  
at the Czech Patent Office as receiving office

Number	31	28	31	25	44	55	52	92	76
Year	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001

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European patent applications of Czech applicants including Euro-PCT applications  
(except unpublished applications)

Number	8	3	2	7	14	31	35	39	
Year	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	

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European patent applications having a Czech resident inventor  
and a non-Czech resident applicant (except unpublished applications)

Number	14	9	7	24	31	40	39	28	
Year	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	