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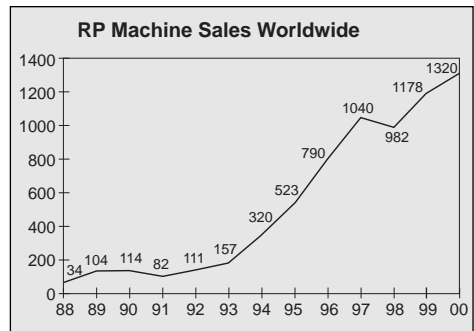
Rapid Prototyping & Tooling
State of the Industry
Annual Worldwide Progress Report

Terry Wohlers

State of the Industry

Revenue and unit sales growth in the rapid prototyping (RP) industry have not returned to mid-1990 levels, but the growth percentages remain in the double digits.

“Unit sales of 1,320 RP machines worldwide yielded 12.1% growth and a cumulative total of 6,755 installations in 58 countries,” said Terry Wohlers, president of Wohlers Associates, Inc. and author of *Wohlers Report 2001*. “These machines produced an impressive 3,004,006 models and prototype parts in 2000,” he said.



Source: Wohlers Associates, Inc.

About the Report

This annual market study has established a tradition of offering high-quality analyses that cover all facets of rapid prototyping, including business, product, market, technology, and applications. Fifty-three experts, 43 service providers, 23 system manufacturers, and countless others assisted with its development. The 250-page softbound publication includes 26 charts and graphs, 32 tables, and 80 photographs and illustrations.

“Very comprehensive and well organized and written. We will be pouring over the details for some time to come.”

—Mike Rynerson, Extrude Hone

“It’s my owner’s manual to the RP industry.”

—Todd Grimm, Accelerated Technologies, Inc.

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