

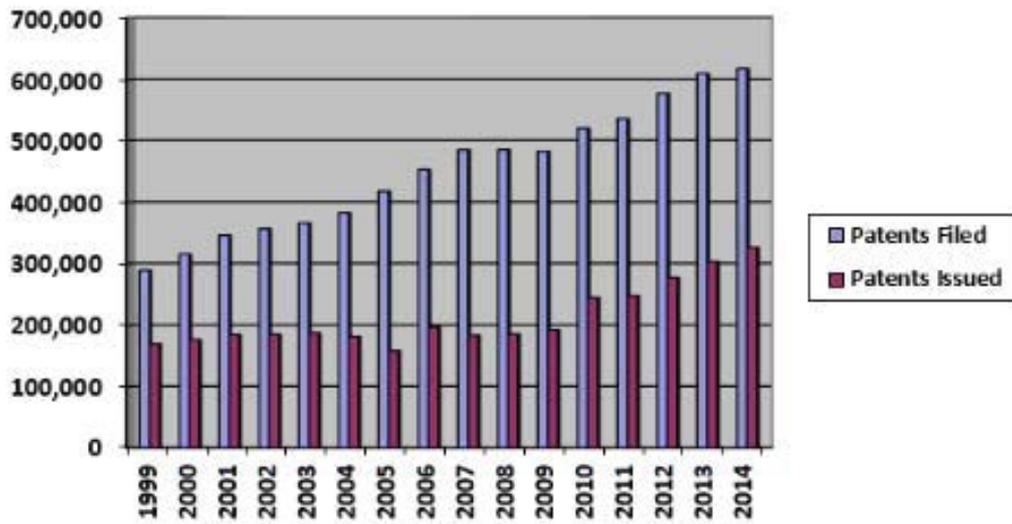
# The Surprising Resilience of the Patent System

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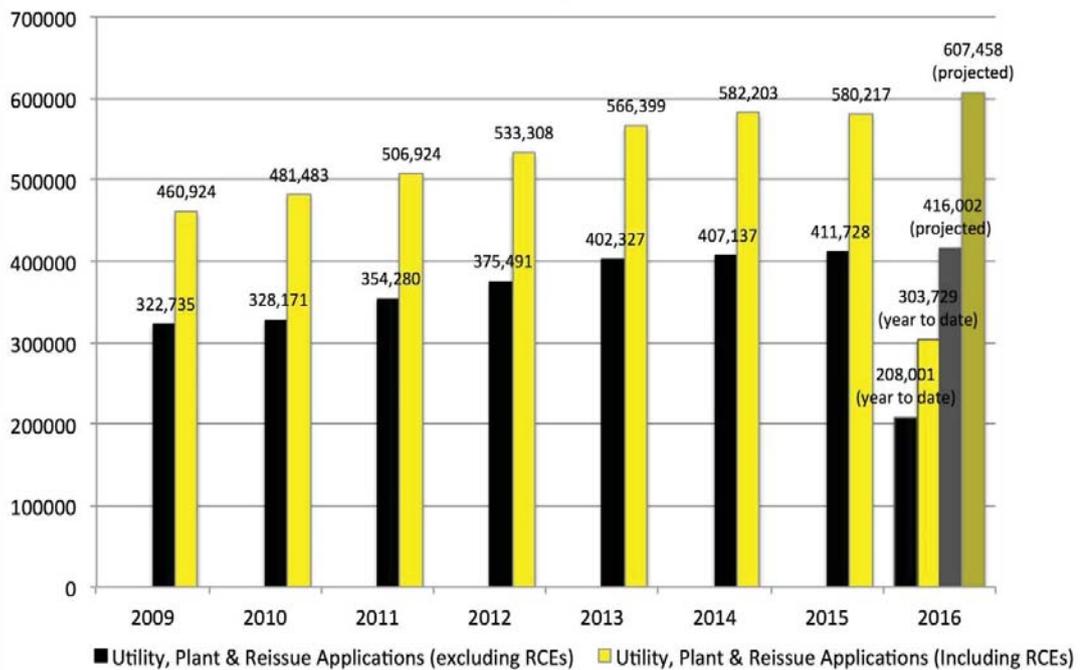
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- Lots of changes in the patent system over the past 40 years
- Major changes in patent law
- The overprotection “crisis” of the 2000s
- The underprotection “crisis” of 2016

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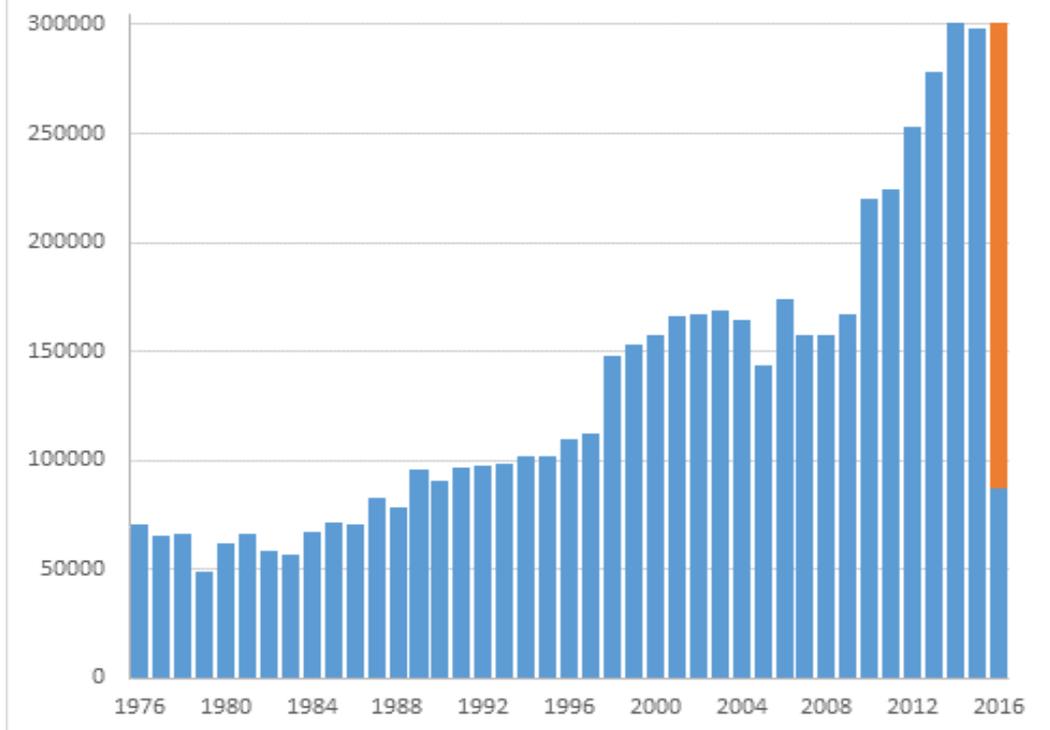
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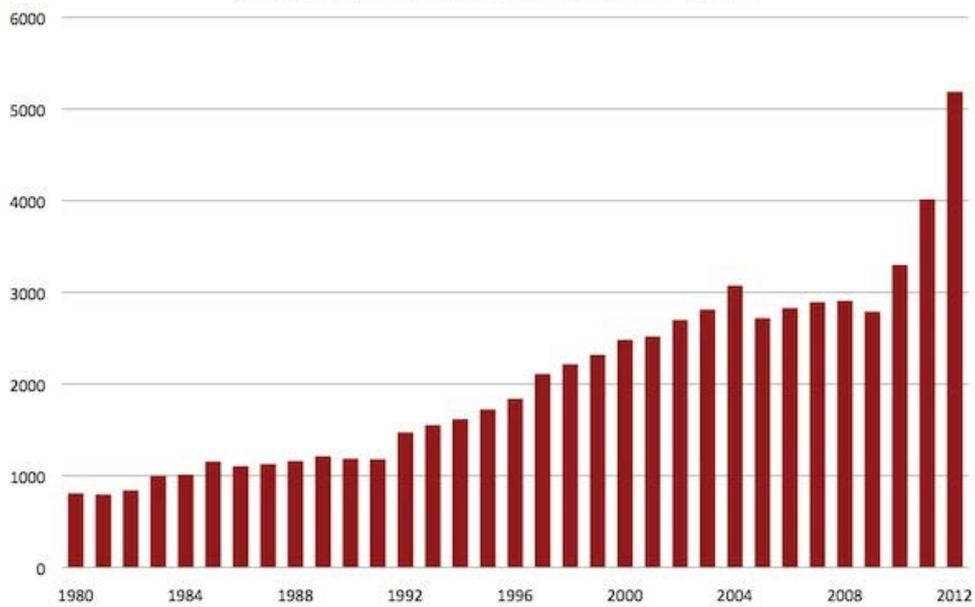
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