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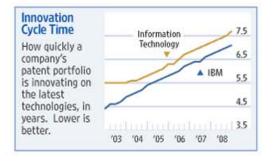
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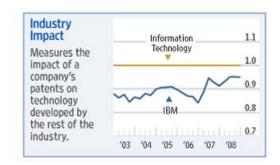
Patent Board has developed more than 50 indicators that track global patent activity relating to companies' innovation, technology, and science strengths. This week's graphic looks at the information Technology industry. Multi-industry companies are ranked on patents related to the featured industry only

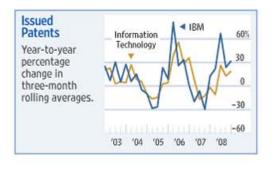
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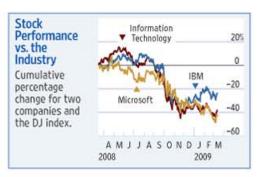
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How the leaders by technology strength compared with Information Technology industry, by Patent Board's rankings and stock-market performance.









Sources: www.PatentBoard.com; WSJ Market Data Group

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FROM TOP TO BOTTOM, BY TECHNOLOGY STRENGTH

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Below, companies and private research firms are grouped by their Patent Board technology strength ranking which is based on the scale, quality, impact, and nearness to core science of a company's patent-based intellectual property. This overall strength rating factors in both qualitative and quantitative aspects of a company's patent portfolio. The charts help to spot the leaders in each group and across the board. All indicators based on 13-week rolling averages.

PATENT BOARD'S RANKING MEASURES:

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