

# Guide to the National Presto Industries, Inc. Annual Reports, 1957-2005

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National Presto Industries, Inc. was founded in Eau Claire, Wisconsin as Northwestern Steel and Iron Works in 1905. Initially the company manufactured industrial-size pressure canners only. By 1915 its product line had expanded to include hotel and home use pressure cookers for use in canning. In 1939 the company introduced its first saucepan-style pressure cooker under the trade name "Presto." National Presto Industries began manufacturing electric appliances, including steam irons, electric skillets, and coffee makers, after World War II. The company was admitted to the New York Stock Exchange in 1969. As of 2006, the company remains headquartered in Eau Claire.

# Content Description

The annual reports contain open letters to stock holders, a summary of annual operations of the company and its subsidiaries, product descriptions, and financial statements and statistics.

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