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Mastercam® Retains Top Ranking Worldwide

Mastercam is the most widely used CAM for the 24th year in a row

Tolland, Conn. – According to CIMdata’s latest report, Mastercam is the number one CAM software used worldwide. CIMdata also ranked Mastercam’s global support network as the largest in the field of CAM.

Mastercam topped the list in both the educational and industrial categories, with nearly twice as many installed seats as the nearest competitor*. Meghan West, President and CEO of CNC Software, Inc., stressed the importance of Mastercam’s leadership in both categories.

“Mastercam provides incomparable access and support for shops and programmers. As a manufacturer, if you’re looking to expand, you can find experienced talent, and as a programmer, you can always find a shop that uses Mastercam.

“With more shops using Mastercam and more schools teaching Mastercam, students are being prepared for a fluid transition to the job market with practical skills and reduced learning curve. This is a win-win situation for education and industry to contend with the skills gap and fill the glut of jobs available in manufacturing.”

West also shared that Mastercam’s dominance in the educational market, more than the next two competitors combined*, is a strong indicator of continued leadership in the field of CAM software.

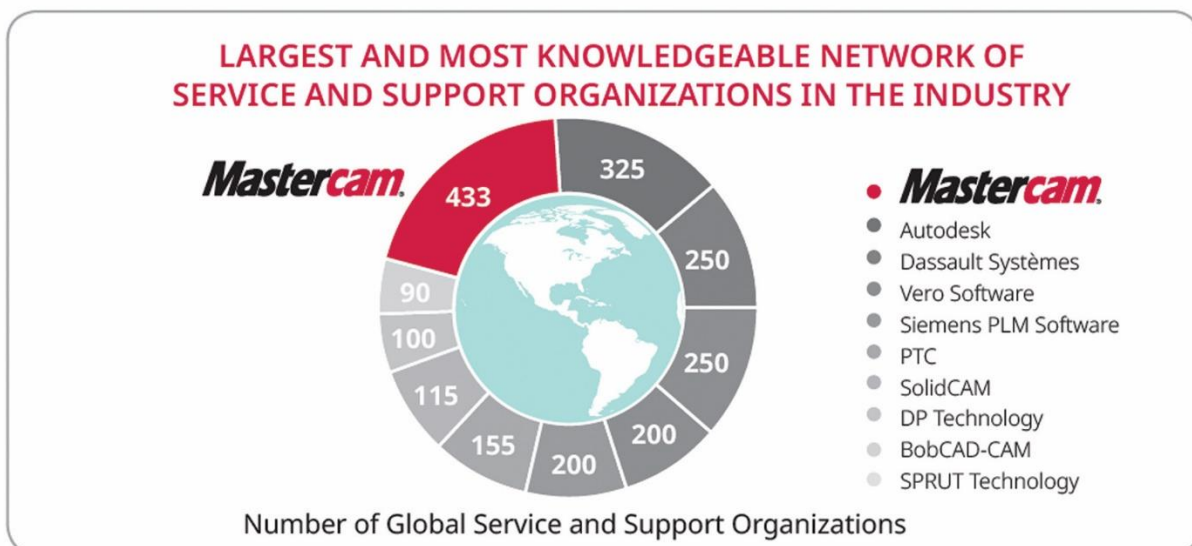
“When we say that Mastercam is *Shaping the Future of Manufacturing*[™], we are talking about more than technological advancements. We are talking about our commitment to an incredible array of schools, educators and organizations, working with our global support network to make sure students of all ages are introduced to opportunities in manufacturing and taught the programming skills necessary for meaningful employment.”

However, according to West, driving productivity and innovation in industry is still an important aspect of Mastercam’s appeal. “This accomplishment really demonstrates our complete dedication to the worldwide manufacturing community. And while it’s an honor to be recognized as leaders in the global market, I’m excited for the opportunity to thank our users. It’s their feedback and input that helps us develop Mastercam responsively—to stay at the forefront of manufacturing technology and productivity year after year. We wouldn’t be number one without them!”

* According to CIMdata, Inc.

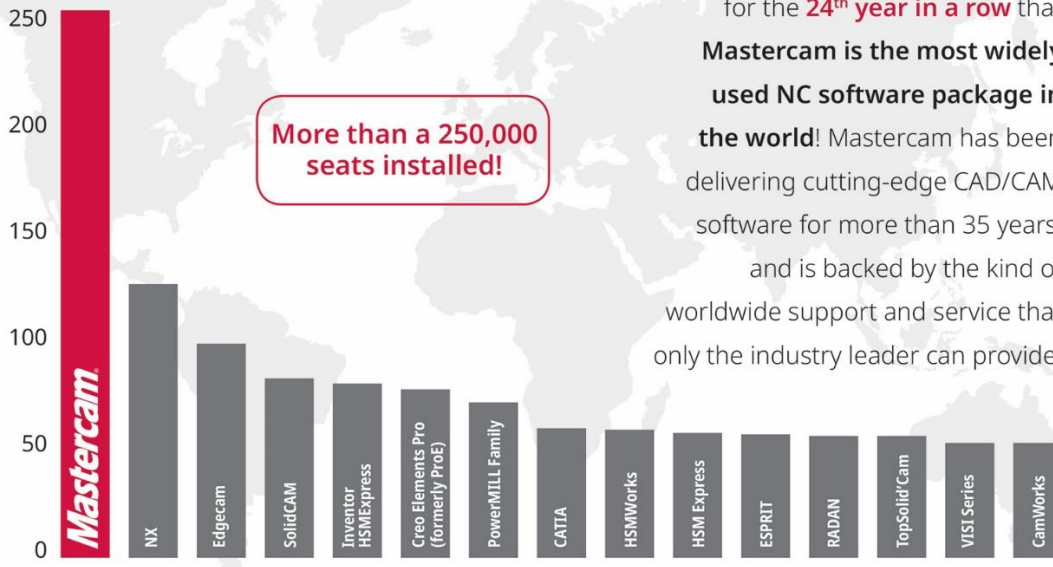
About Mastercam

Founded in 1983, CNC Software, Inc. is a privately held company headquartered in Tolland, Connecticut, with corporate offices in Switzerland and China. The company develops Mastercam, a suite of CAD/CAM software created to reduce production time and expense with efficient machining strategies and advanced toolpath technologies. Mastercam is the world’s #1 CAM software, with more than 250,000 installations in industries such as moldmaking, automotive, medical, aerospace, consumer products, education, and prototyping. It is distributed through an international channel of authorized Mastercam Resellers in 75 countries, providing localized sales, training, and support for 2- through 5-axis routing, milling, and turning; 2- and 4-axis wire EDM; 2D and 3D design; surface and solid modeling; artistic relief cutting; and Swiss machining. For more information, visit www.mastercam.com.



#1 WORLDWIDE in NC Programming

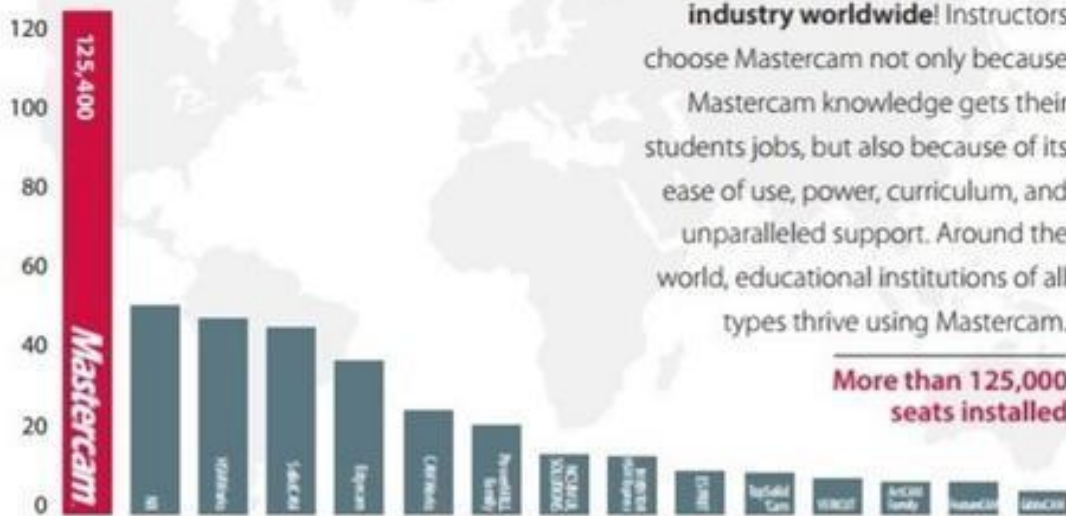
Installed Seats
(in thousands)



CIMdata, Inc. has reported for the **24th year in a row** that **Mastercam is the most widely used NC software package in the world!** Mastercam has been delivering cutting-edge CAD/CAM software for more than 35 years, and is backed by the kind of worldwide support and service that only the industry leader can provide.

The WORLDWIDE LEADER in Education

Educational installed seats (in thousands)



Mastercam is the most widely used CAM software in education and industry worldwide! Instructors choose Mastercam not only because Mastercam knowledge gets their students jobs, but also because of its ease of use, power, curriculum, and unparalleled support. Around the world, educational institutions of all types thrive using Mastercam.