

NCR Expands Lead in Global Shipments of POS Stationary Bar Code Scanners

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ATLANTA, Aug. 15 /PRNewswire/ -- NCR Corporation (NYSE: NCR) remains the global market leader in shipments of retail point-of-sale (POS) stationary bar code scanners, according to the latest report from marketing research firm Venture Development Corporation (VDC). The VDC study shows NCR as number one, with a 37-percent share of worldwide shipments during 2000, increasing from 31 percent in 1999.

NCR expanded its lead in every geographic region defined by VDC. "We're particularly pleased with NCR's strong showing in Europe, the Middle East and Africa, as well as our commanding 47-percent share of shipments in North America," said Pierre Abboud, vice president and general manager of scanners for NCR's Retail Solutions Division. "Our European growth was paced by sales of our bi-optic scanners, which include the NCR 7872 - the world's thinnest bi-optic scanner, offering high-performance scanning within retailers' ergonomic and budgetary constraints."

Ever since NCR installed the first bar code scanner in a supermarket in 1974, retailers around the world have turned to NCR scanners for their store automation needs. NCR's best selling bi-optic scanners -- which also can read the new Reduced Space Symbology (RSS) bar codes -- lead the industry in their ability to read bar codes on the first pass, improving checkout efficiency and customer satisfaction.

"Scanners have become extremely reliable and easy to use," Abboud said. "Even consumers are 'getting in the act.' For example, we've seen a dramatic increase in sales of NCR self-checkout systems, which incorporate our bi-optic scanner/scale."

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