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Graco manufactures and markets premium equipment to move, measure, control, dispense and spray a wide variety of fluid and powder materials. We employ approximately 4,000 people worldwide and serve thousands of customers in over 100 countries. In 2022, net sales were more than \$2.1 billion. We base our success on Graco's unwavering commitment to technical excellence, world-class manufacturing and customer service. To that end, we work closely with specialized distributors and offer products that set high-quality standards in a broad range of fluid handling applications: spray finishing and paint circulation, lubrication, sealants and adhesives, sanitary processing and power application equipment for contractors. Additionally, Graco's ongoing investments in fluid management and controls continue to provide innovative solutions to a diverse global market. We have our headquarters in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and employ approximately 4,000 people worldwide. Find Graco stock on the New York Stock Exchange (ticker symbol: GGG). American manufacturer of fluid-handling systems Not to be confused with Graco (baby products). Graco Inc. Headquarters in Minneapolis Company type Public Traded as NYSE: GGS&P 400 component Founded 1926; 99 years ago (1926) Founder Russell Gray Headquarters Minneapolis, Minnesota, United States Area served Worldwide Key people Mark W. Sheahan (President and CEO) Kevin Gilligan (Chairman) Products Fluid and Powder Handling Equipment Revenue US\$2.11 billion (2024) Operating income US\$570 million (2024) Net income US\$486 million (2024) Total assets US\$3.14 billion (2024) Total equity US\$2.58 billion (2024) Number of employees 4,300 (2024) Divisions Contractor, Industrial, Process Website graco.com Footnotes / references [1][2] Graco Inc. is an American industrial company that specializes in the development and manufacturing of fluid-handling systems and products. The company is headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and markets its products to customers worldwide. [3] Russell Gray, a Minneapolis parking lot attendant, founded Gray Company, Inc. in 1926 with his brother Leil Gray to produce and sell Russell's air-powered grease gun, invented in response to cold weather making hand-powered grease guns inoperable. [3] Sales their first year of operation were \$35,000. [3] By 1941, annual sales had reached \$1 million. [3] They capitalized on opportunities in defense-based lubricating needs during World War II. After World War II, Graco began expanding outside of lubricant handling, developing a paint pump and direct-from-drum industrial fluids pumps. By the mid-1950s they had expanded to \$5 million in sales and 400 employees, and were servicing fluid handling needs in a wide variety of industries. [3] Leil Gray died in 1958, and was succeeded as president by Harry A. Murphy. [3] He was succeeded in turn by David A Koch in 1962. [3] The company continued to expand, helped by the 1957 introduction of the airless spray gun. By 1969, when Gray Company went public and changed its name to Graco, it had annual sales of \$33 million. [3] After acquiring H. G. Fischer & Co, a manufacturer of electrostatic finishing products, sales continued to climb, reflecting an industry-wide shift in automobile painting from air-based to electrostatic technologies. [3] By 1979, sales had climbed to \$100 million. [3] In 1981, Graco started a joint-venture called Graco Robotics, Inc. (GRI) with Edon Finishing Systems. [3] Graco currently has airless sprayers, line striping units, fine finish equipment, texture sprayers, roof coating rigs, and pressure washers on the Contractor Equipment Division (CED). [4] In the Lubrication Equipment Division (LED), Graco produces automatic lubrication equipment, vehicle lubrication maintenance and repair equipment, and a variety of activators and switches for the lubrication process. [5] In Graco's Industrial Products Division (IPD), there are a wide range of pneumatic, hydraulic, and electric pumps created to withstand tough finishing applications. IPD also has different fine-finish pump packages which can spray with air, assisted by air, or airless. [6] This section does not cite any sources. Please help improve this section by adding citations to reliable sources. Unsourced material may be challenged and removed. (June 2024) (Learn how and when to remove this message) A Graco product: Husky 515 diaphragm pump, in Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (2025) Graco is a company that specializes in fluid handling systems and equipment. They are known for producing a wide range of products used in various industries, including manufacturing, construction, automotive, and more. Some of their main product categories include: Fluid Transfer Systems: Graco manufactures pumps, hoses, reels, and other equipment used for transferring fluids like paints, oils, chemicals, and lubricants. Spray Equipment: Graco is well known for its spray painting and coating equipment. This includes airless paint sprayers, texture sprayers, line striping equipment, and more. Dispensing Equipment: They produce dispensing solutions for precise application of fluids in industries like automotive manufacturing, electronics, and food processing. Foam and Polyurethane Equipment: Graco manufactures equipment used in the production of foam and polyurethane products, such as insulation, packaging materials, and more. Lubrication Systems: Graco designs and manufactures lubrication systems and equipment for various applications, ensuring machinery and equipment run smoothly. Sealant and Adhesive Application: They provide equipment for applying sealants, adhesives, and other bonding materials in industries like construction and automotive assembly. Process Control Systems: Graco's process control equipment is used for monitoring and managing various industrial processes, ensuring quality and efficiency. Cleaners and Sanitizers: They produce equipment for cleaning and sanitizing applications, including pressure washers, sanitizing sprayers, and more. TOP of Graco products is: Graco mark 5 Graco duty Max Graco reactor Graco king Graco Graco serves a wide variety of markets, including painting, anti-corrosion, fluid transfer, gluing and sanitary applications, automotive, aeronautic, body refinsh, wood, building and construction, and marine. [7] They distribute through a global network of equipment dealers and retail stores. [8] ^ "2024 Annual Report (Form 10-K)". U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. February 18, 2025. ^ "Mark Sheahan | Global Officers | Graco". ^ a b c d e f g h i j k "Graco Inc". ^ "Graco Products & Support for Contractors". www.graco.com. ^ "Lubrication Equipment for Machinery and Vehicles | Graco". www.graco.com. Retrieved 2016-12-09. ^ "Graco Inc., Industrial Products Division". Products Finishing. Retrieved 2016-12-09. ^ "Home". contractorclub.eu. ^ "GGG - Graco Inc. Profile | Reuters". Reuters. The historical corporate records of Graco are available for research use at the Minnesota Historical Society. uia Official dealer in Russian Federation Retrieved from " > Graco About Graco Since 1926, Graco Inc. has been a leading provider of premium pumps and spray equipment for fluid handling in the construction, manufacturing, processing and maintenance industries. Headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Graco works closely with distributors around the world to offer innovative products that set the quality standard for spray finishing, paint circulation, lubrication, sealant and adhesives dispensing, process application, and contractor power equipment. These best-in-class products are manufactured in the U.S. and China and supplied through our distribution centers in Minnesota, Belgium, Japan, Korea, China and Australia. What sets us apart from our competitors is our history, a focus on highly-engineered, quality products, industry-leading innovation and the solid partnerships we form with customers and suppliers around the world. Graco is publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange (ticker: GGG). With 2012 net sales surpassing the \$1 billion mark for the first time in company history, Graco employs over 3,000 people worldwide. EcoQuip 2 Vapor Abrasive Blasting Equipment Vapor abrasive blasting (also known as wet abrasive blasting) removes coatings, contaminants, corrosion and residues from hard surfaces. It's similar to dry blasting, except that the blast media is moistened prior to impacting the surface, reducing dust significantly and also reducing the amount of water used when compared to traditional wet blasting. EcoQuip vs. Other wet abrasive blasting equipment Some might claim that their products are "dustless" or "dust-free," but the reality is there is no such thing. Sure, using a wet abrasive blasting machine will cut down on the plume of dust you get from dry blasting, but you're also left with a puddle of water. Make sure you understand the facts around dustless blasting. With Graco's EcoQuip 2 Vapor Abrasive blast equipment, you will see up to 92% dust suppression over dry blasting without the wet, slurry mess you get from traditional wet abrasive blasters. Blast Cleaning - Dirt, mold, paint and coatings Graffiti Removal - Graffiti from building surfaces Marine Maintenance - Barnacles, biofilm, corrosion and coatings Restoration - Corrosion, grime, coatings and surface dirt Surface Preparation - Use EcoQuip 2 to prepare steel surfaces to be free of grease, dirt, dust, mill scale, rust and paint EcoQuip vs. GreenerBlast EcoQuip vs. Dustless DB-800 EcoQuip vs. Dry Blasting How does wet abrasive blasting work? Water and abrasive are combined in a pot under water pressure and then precisely metered into the airflow. When wet abrasive impacts a surface, the additional water weighs the particles down and creates a "dustless" effect. Since EcoQuip 2 uses less water than slurry or other water-based technologies, pools of water aren't left behind so there is less need to worry about toxic runoff. Dust suppression with EcoQuip 2 - Up to 92% less dust If reducing dust is critical to your business and you are in the market for a new blast machine, be sure to research the claims manufacturers are making to ensure you are buying from a reputable company. Graco tests 100% of our products internally and has third party qualification tests to make sure we provide customers with best-in-class products and support. Learn more about the testing we did with EcoQuip in this Dust Suppression Report Summary. What are the benefits? Consumes far less media Eliminates up to 92% of airborne dust Saves on clean-up and disposal costs A quick and powerful alternative to dry blasting Adjustable to a wide range of blast pressures Works on virtually any surface Won't damage substrates* Works with all job-appropriate media Effective in rain and high humidity Uses far less media Uses far less water No toxic wastewater runoff** No large slurry mess to clean up Adjustable to a wide range of blast pressures Effective in virtually any application environment *When blasting with recommended media at appropriate pressure ** Assumes blasting without hazardous media or target surface. If hazardous materials are involved, more PPE may be needed and containment or clean-up may be required. Two brothers, a garage and the tenacious pursuit for an exceptional solution. That's where the Graco story began. For nearly 100 years, Graco has expertly engineered products that support the movement of the world's materials, from the paint that makes a house feel like a home to the food that fuels us for the day ahead. Moving the materials that matter is vital work. This can only be done right with a dedicated partner and products that keep their promises to the customers who use them. Join a team that moves what matters, no matter what. Graco offers opportunities to support the people moving the world forward with our industry-leading manufacturing and technology. Outstanding Customer Service for any Graco product is only a call or email away.