

HISTORY



1969 P&H (after founders, George Paikos & Jim Hicks) begins operations in Los Angeles, California selling specialty fasteners and metal hardware.



1975 Jim Hicks expands the company product line to include casters and wheels, selling to supermarkets.



P&H begins manufacturing its own products, having grown into a major supplier of shopping cart wheels and casters to the retail industry. In deference to the knowledge gained to take the step to become a manufacturer, the company branded its products with the name given to its first injection molding plant – "PolyU". Even today, P&H products still bear the PolyU stamp.

1969

1975



The new wheels are an overwhelming success and begin to infiltrate grocery stores all over the U.S. Jim Hicks' polyurethane shopping cart wheels are now being used in countries all over the globe.

The "wheel revolution" at P&H Casters comes when Jim Hicks introduces the first ever liquid die cast Polyurethane shopping cart wheel to the market. These innovative wheels replaced the retail industry's standard black rubber shopping cart wheels that wear out quickly and left unsightly black marks on store floors.



1980



1982

1981

P&H introduces the first "friction" shopping wheel that automatically slows shopping carts. Shoppers with new cars are grateful!

1984



P&H relocates its manufacturing operations to Texas, and expands the product line to include wheels and casters that would fit a broad range of retail equipment applications.



P&H adds dedicated contract manufacturing in China, expanding its capacity to meet the growing demand for its products in the US retail market.

1992

1996



P&H further expands its product line to include material handling wheels and casters for the logistics, material handling and distribution industries.



David Hicks, son of Jim Hicks, is named President of P&H Casters Company.



P&H ventures into international markets in Europe.

2002

2000



P&H continues to grow in the retail sector, improving its products year after year.

2003



P&H introduces their line of High Temperature wheels and casters for the food service industry. With these wheels, bakeries and food service operations can take racks from freezer to oven and back again!



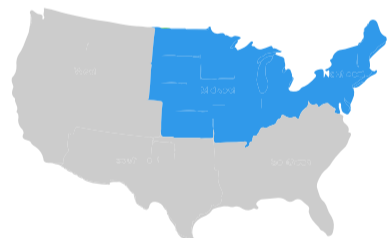
P&H expands its engineering and design capabilities and expands its QA/QC department in the US.

2005

2006



Awarded patent 7,011,317 for P&H PolyU® line of wheels.



P&H adds regional sales in the US northeast and Midwest



P&H expands its Texas operations and opens 44,000 sq. ft. warehouse facility and corporate offices.



Jesse Peltier is named Vice President of Sales worldwide.

2009

2008

P&H introduces its travelator shopping "trolley" wheels to address the needs of its international customers in regions like Australia and Latin America.

2010



P&H increases their online presence with new website.

P&H unveils the "Super Wheel". Made from a proprietary rubber compound, this wheel is the most abrasion resistant shopping cart wheel ever introduced to the market. Retailers everywhere rejoice that wheels with flat spots will soon become a part of history.



2011

2012



P&H opens U.S. east coast distribution center to provide better service and lower transportation costs for its customers in the U.S. east coast states.

Jesse Peltier takes a position in the company and becomes a partner in P&H.

P&H shows off its new metric product line at Euroshop in Dusseldorf, Germany.



P&H expands its territorial sales representation with a dedicated sales manager for Latin America and Mexico.

2015

2013

P&H launches new institutional line of products to further expand their product offerings to customers in retail, hospitality, food service and other commercial and light industrial applications.

2016



David Hicks becomes CEO and Jesse Peltier, VP of Sales is named President P&H impressive growth is driven by its dedication to delivering the best customer service possible.

P&H future: Continue to be the #1 supplier of wheels and casters to the US retail industry