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FEC RELEASES NEW PAC COUNT

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has released its semi-annual count of political action committees. Increasing slightly over the number registered at year's end, the total number of PAC's now stands at 4,092, as of July 1, 1986.

Figures below represent PAC growth over the past twelve years.



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"PAC" GROWTH -- FROM 1974

July 1986

Date	Committee Type						Total
	Corporate	Labor	Trade/ Membership/ Health	Non- Connected	Cooperative	Corporation Without Stock	
12/31/74	89	201	318*				608
11/24/75 ^{1/}	139	226	357*				722
05/10/76 ^{2/}	294	246	452*				992
12/31/76	433	224	489*				1,146
12/31/77	550	234	438	110	8	20	1,360
12/31/78	785	217	453	162	12	24	1,653
08/00/79	885	226	483	206	13	27	1,840
12/31/79	950	240	514	247	17	32	2,000
07/01/80	1,107	255	544	309	23	41	2,279
12/31/80	1,206	297	576	374	42	56	2,551
07/01/81	1,253	303	579	441	38	64	2,678
12/31/81	1,329	318	614	531	41	68	2,901
07/01/82	1,417	350	627	628	45	82	3,149
12/31/82	1,469	380	649	723	47	103	3,371
07/01/83	1,514	379	664	740	50	114	3,461
12/31/83	1,538	378	643	793	51	122	3,525
07/01/84	1,642	381	662	940	53	125	3,803
12/31/84	1,682	394	698	1,053	52	130	4,009
07/01/85	1,687	393	694	1,039	54	133	4,000
12/31/85	1,710	388	695	1,003	54	142	3,992
07/01/86	1,734	386	707	1,063	56	146	4,092

^{1/} On November 24, 1975, the Commission issued Advisory Opinion 1975-23 "SUNPAC".

^{2/} On May 11, 1976, the President signed the Federal Election Campaign Act Amendments of 1976, P.L. 94-283.

* For the years 1974-1976, these numbers represent all other political committees...no further categorization is available.

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