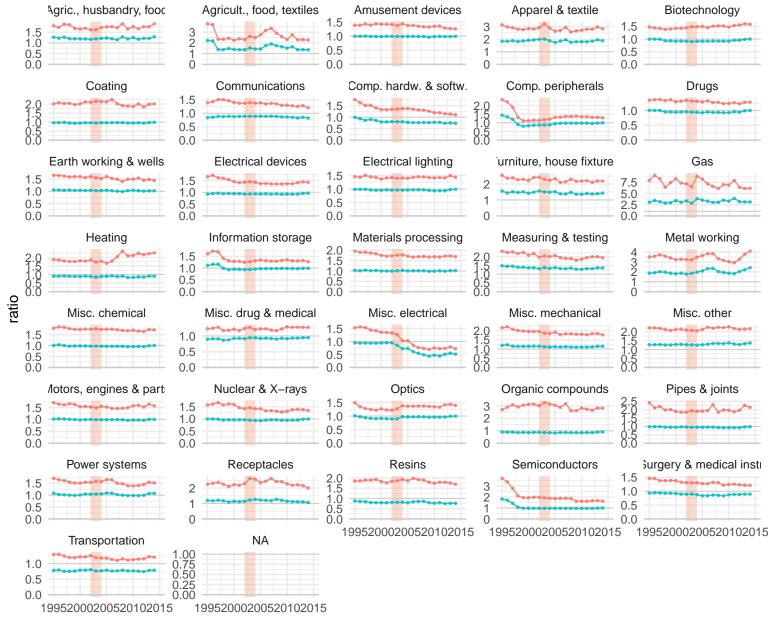
Patent numbers: USPTO vs. our dataset 1995–2014, annually. The potentially problematic "bump": 2002, 2003 and 2004.



Counting of patents — no duplicates — origin in USPTO data:

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