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## [The Story of Google and Its 3500 Linux Computers](#)

*As the Nostalgia Wikipedia says*

Back in 2001, the famous open source encyclopedia Wikipedia was just a website that provided access to a considerable amount of information. Because the page evolved a lot, Wikipedia archived the entire collection of old articles and posted them on a separate domain entitled Nostalgia Wikipedia. The information displayed by Google is at least interesting because the Mountain View giant is described as a company that owns 3500 computers equipped with Linux platforms. As Google Blogscoped reports, the current number of Google's computers is not known but the users are talking about hundreds of thousands."Google is an Internet search engine founded in 1998 by Larry Page and Sergey Brin, two Stanford candidates, who developed a technologically advanced method for finding information on the Internet. Google employs a farm of about 3500 Linux computers to answer search requests and to index the web about once a month. The index database is several terabytes large. Google uses an algorithm called PageRank to rank web pages that match a given search string," it is mentioned in the Nostalgia Wikipedia. At this time, Google is the largest company on the Internet with millions of users coming from every corner of the world. And that's not all. The Mountain View officials are continuously planning new moves such as the opening of new offices or the launching of new flavors for its products that are meant to increase the company's presence into certain countries of the world. It's not quite clear how many employees are working at the Googleplex but the number is somehow close to 12.000. According to the new Wikipedia, Google recorded no less than 10.604 billion in 2006 while 3.077 billion represents only the net income. It's obvious that Google is one of the Internet giants and the main thing that helped Larry and Sergey become popular is surely the search technology that revolutionized the Internet world.