

Hercules Engine News

Including Economy, Arco, Jaeger & Thermoil

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Have you ever wondered just how many Hercules and related engines are still around? Some 400,000 were manufactured over a 20-plus year period. It is likely that we'll never know how many are still around; however, quite a number are known. There surely must be several thousand more out there that yours truly hasn't seen or heard about. For the past ten or twelve years I have been gathering information on the Hercules and related engines. Following is a somewhat haphazard breakdown of those known at this time.

Model D (all brands)

1½ HP 13

2½ HP 7
4 HP 8
6 HP 5

Models E through S (all brands)

1½, 1¾, 2 HP (3¼ x 5) 821
2, 2¼, 2½ HP (3⅝ x 5) 98
2½ to 3½ HP (4 or 4¼ x 6) 261
5 and 6 HP (5 x 7½) 179
7 and 8 HP (5¾ x 9) 100
9 and 10 HP (6½ x 11) 38
12 and 14 HP (7½ x 12) 35

Model N

1½ HP (3¼ x 4) 37

All X Models

104

All J Models

77

Model T Thermoils

1½ HP One reported
but not verified
2½ HP 9
5 HP 7
7 HP 6
9 HP One reported
but not verified

Model U Thermoils

1½ HP mfd. by Cummins 11
3 HP mfd. by Cummins 11
6 HP mfd. by Hercules 18
8 HP mfd. by Hercules 16

Model UA Thermoils

7 HP 8
9 HP 17

Sparta Economy

(Models A, B, C, CA and CX)

1 and 1½ HP 51
2 HP 116
4 HP 49
6 HP 51
8 HP 11
10 HP 3

Again, it should be pointed out that these are the ones that your author has learned about over the past ten or so years. There are many more out there. If you have engines that you wish to add to the list, you may send the HP, model (letters after HP) and the serial number to the address above.

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