



This diagram depicts the overall process flow for the creation of MAPS files, and on-demand MAPS-XML files.

Some detail has been omitted to help convey the basic steps involved in the creation of MAPS files. Some examples of the details omitted include:

1. WO files are delivered in 3 parts, and only one is shown.
2. Steps involved in filtering and tracking US WATHDRAWN patents are not shown.
3. Some timing is involved since DOCDB files are not ready when the XML files from the Authorities are ready, so the As-Published temporary storage can be from 2 to as many as 9 days delayed except for US Data which already includes CPC data and are always ready the day published with CPC and IPCR data.