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A few Foster facts and figures ...

- 1946 - Foster Refrigerator Corporation is launched in New York by Larry H. Foster
- 1968 - Foster opened factory in the UK (King's Lynn)
- 1970 - Plant 1 of King's Lynn site is extended
- 1977 - Coldroom panel factory opened
- 1978 - Foster opens branches in Epinay sur Seine, France and Frankfurt, Germany
- 1980 - Foster wins coveted CEMA Export Award
- 1985 - The new 'Gastronorm 90' range wins Caterer & Hotelkeeper's "Most Innovative New Product Award"
- 1991 - Finished goods warehouse and training centre opened at King's Lynn
- 1994 - Royal Warrant granted to Foster
- 1999 - Foster purchased by Illinois Tool Works (ITW) as part of a \$3.5 bn acquisition
- 2000 - Following £6million factory investment 'Premier' cabinets launched
- 2001 - 'Premier' counters launched
- 2005 - First ISO14001 manufacturer in commercial refrigeration industry
- 2008 - New environmentally friendly & energy efficient Gastro Eco Pro Cabinet & Counter ranges launched
- 2008 - Awarded prestigious FCSI 'Green Award'
- 2010 - Awarded the National EEF Climate Change Opportunity Manufacturing Award
- 2011 - Crowned National Winner of Winners at the EEF Future Manufacturing Awards, seeing off competition from the likes of Carl Zeiss, Rolls Royce and Siemens
- 2012 - Following £4million factory investment, revolutionary EcoPro G2 Cabinet range launched at Hotelympia

Foster Firsts...

- First manufacturer to produce a commercial refrigerator in the UK
- First pioneer of blast chilling and blast freezing in commercial catering
- First to promote aluminium & stainless steel refrigerators
- First ISO9001 manufacturer in the commercial refrigeration industry
- First ISO14001 manufacturer in the commercial refrigeration industry
- First fully CFC-free manufacturer of commercial refrigeration
- First and only refrigeration manufacturer to hold The Royal Warrant of Appointment
- First commercial refrigeration company to introduce Hydrocarbon technology
- First refrigeration manufacturer on the ECA (Enhanced Capital Allowance) scheme
- First and only commercial refrigeration company to attain the Carbon Trust Standard