



**Thomas Alva Edison  
(1847-1931)**

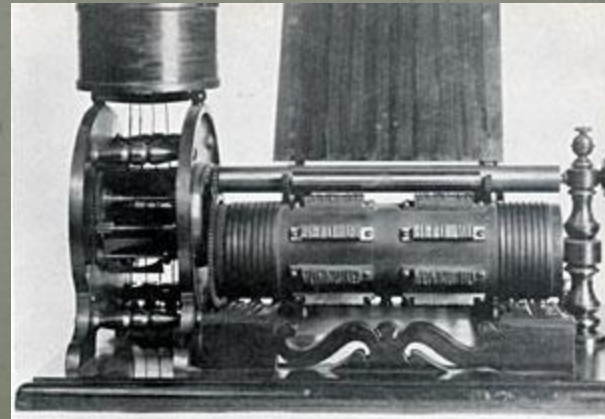
# Early Years

- Thomas Edison was born on Feb. 11, 1847
- In 1854, his family moved to the vibrant city of Port Huron, Michigan
- At age seven, Edison was taken out of school and home-schooled by his mother for the rest of his childhood.



# Thomas Edison: The Inventor

- After holding a position as a full time Telegrapher, Edison arrived in Boston in 1868 where he changed his profession.
- Edison received his first patent on an electric vote recorder.



# Edison's Inventions

- Edison earned 1,093 United States patents, a record number for one person that still stands.
- Some of his inventions include the Cylinder Phonograph, Kinetoscope, the incandescent lightbulb, alkaline battery and many others that changed society.

