

## 54LS161A/DM54LS161A/DM74LS161A, 54LS163A/DM54LS163A/DM74LS163A Synchronous 4-Bit Binary Counters

### General Description

These synchronous, presettable counters feature an internal carry look-ahead for application in high-speed counting designs. The LS161A and LS163A are 4-bit binary counters. The carry output is decoded by means of a NOR gate, thus preventing spikes during the normal counting mode of operation. Synchronous operation is provided by having all flip-flops clocked simultaneously so that the outputs change coincident with each other when so instructed by the count-enable inputs and internal gating. This mode of operation eliminates the output counting spikes which are normally associated with asynchronous (ripple clock) counters. A buffered clock input triggers the four flip-flops on the rising (positive-going) edge of the clock input waveform.

These counters are fully programmable; that is, the outputs may be preset to either level. As presetting is synchronous, setting up a low level at the load input disables the counter and causes the outputs to agree with the setup data after the next clock pulse, regardless of the levels of the enable input. The clear function for the LS161A is asynchronous; and a low level at the clear input sets all four of the flip-flop outputs low, regardless of the levels of clock, load, or enable inputs. The clear function for the LS163A is synchronous; and a low level at the clear inputs sets all four of the flip-flop outputs low after the next clock pulse, regardless of the levels of the enable inputs. This synchronous clear allows the count length to be modified easily, as decoding the maximum count desired can be accomplished with one external NAND gate. The gate output is connected to the clear input to synchronously clear the counter to all low outputs.

The carry look-ahead circuitry provides for cascading counters for n-bit synchronous applications without additional

gating. Instrumental in accomplishing this function are two count-enable inputs (P and T) must be high to count, and input T is fed forward to enable the ripple carry output.

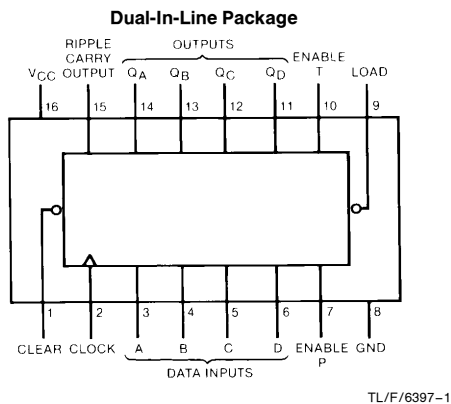
Both count-enable inputs (P and T) must be high to count, and input T is fed forward to enable the ripple carry output. The ripple carry output thus enabled will produce a high-level output pulse with a duration approximately equal to the high-level portion of the  $Q_A$  output. This high-level overflow ripple carry pulse can be used to enable successive cascaded stages. High-to-low level transitions at the enable P or T inputs may occur, regardless of the logic level of the clock.

These counters feature a fully independent clock circuit. Changes made to control inputs (enable P or T or load) that will modify the operating mode have no effect until clocking occurs. The function of the counter (whether enabled, disabled, loading, or counting) will be dictated solely by the conditions meeting the stable set-up and hold times.

### Features

- Synchronously programmable
- Internal look-ahead for fast counting
- Carry output for n-bit cascading
- Synchronous counting
- Load control line
- Diode-clamped inputs
- Typical propagation time, clock to Q output 14 ns
- Typical clock frequency 32 MHz
- Typical power dissipation 93 mW
- Alternate Military/Aerospace device (54LS161, 54LS163) is available. Contact a National Semiconductor Sales Office/Distributor for specifications.

### Connection Diagram



**Order Numbers 54LS161ADMQB, 54LS161AFMQB,  
54LS161ALMQB, 54LS163ADMQB, 54LS163AFMQB,  
54LS163ALMQB, DM54LS161AJ, DM54LS161AW,  
DM54LS163AJ, DM54LS163AW, DM74LS161AM,  
DM74LS161AN, DM74LS163AM or DM74LS163AN**  
See NS Package Number E20A, J16A,  
M16A, N16E or W16A

## Absolute Maximum Ratings (Note)

If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the National Semiconductor Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.

Supply Voltage	7V
Input Voltage	7V
Operating Free Air Temperature Range	
DM54LS and 54LS	−55°C to +125°C
DM74LS	0°C to +70°C
Storage Temperature Range	−65°C to +150°C

Note: The "Absolute Maximum Ratings" are those values beyond which the safety of the device cannot be guaranteed. The device should not be operated at these limits. The parametric values defined in the "Electrical Characteristics" table are not guaranteed at the absolute maximum ratings. The "Recommended Operating Conditions" table will define the conditions for actual device operation.

## Recommended Operating Conditions

Symbol	Parameter		DM54LS161A			DM74LS161A			Units
			Min	Nom	Max	Min	Nom	Max	
V <sub>CC</sub>	Supply Voltage		4.5	5	5.5	4.75	5	5.25	V
V <sub>IH</sub>	High Level Input Voltage		2			2			V
V <sub>IL</sub>	Low Level Input Voltage				0.7			0.8	V
I <sub>OH</sub>	High Level Output Current				−0.4			−0.4	mA
I <sub>OL</sub>	Low Level Output Current				4			8	mA
f <sub>CLK</sub>	Clock Frequency (Note 1)		0		25	0		25	MHz
	Clock Frequency (Note 2)		0		20	0		20	MHz
t <sub>w</sub>	Pulse Width (Note 1)	Clock	20	6		20	6		ns
		Clear	20	9		20	9		
	Pulse Width (Note 2)	Clock	25			25			ns
		Clear	25			25			
t <sub>SU</sub>	Setup Time (Note 1)	Data	20	8		20	8		ns
		Enable P	25	17		25	17		
		Load	25	15		25	15		
	Setup Time (Note 2)	Data	20			20			ns
		Enable P	30			30			
		Load	30			30			
t <sub>H</sub>	Hold Time (Note 1)	Data	0	−3		0	−3		ns
		Others	0	−3		0	−3		
	Hold Time (Note 2)	Data	5			5			ns
		Others	5			5			
t <sub>REL</sub>	Clear Release Time (Note 1)		20			20			ns
	Clear Release Time (Note 2)		25			25			ns
T <sub>A</sub>	Free Air Operating Temperature		−55		125	0		70	°C

Note 1: C<sub>L</sub> = 15 pF, R<sub>L</sub> = 2 kΩ, T<sub>A</sub> = 25°C and V<sub>CC</sub> = 5.5V.

Note 2: C<sub>L</sub> = 50 pF, R<sub>L</sub> = 2 kΩ, T<sub>A</sub> = 25°C and V<sub>CC</sub> = 5.5V.

## 'LS161 Electrical Characteristics

over recommended operating free air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ (Note 1)	Max	Units
$V_I$	Input Clamp Voltage	$V_{CC} = \text{Min}, I_I = -18 \text{ mA}$			-1.5	V
$V_{OH}$	High Level Output Voltage	$V_{CC} = \text{Min}, I_{OH} = \text{Max}$ $V_{IL} = \text{Max}, V_{IH} = \text{Min}$	DM54	2.5	3.4	V
			DM74	2.7	3.4	
$V_{OL}$	Low Level Output Voltage	$V_{CC} = \text{Min}, I_{OL} = \text{Max}$ $V_{IL} = \text{Max}, V_{IH} = \text{Min}$	DM54		0.25	V
			DM74		0.35	
			$I_{OL} = 4 \text{ mA}, V_{CC} = \text{Min}$	DM74		0.25
$I_I$	Input Current @ Max Input Voltage	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ $V_I = 7 \text{ V}$	Enable T		0.2	mA
			Clock		0.2	
			Load		0.2	
			Others		0.1	
$I_{IH}$	High Level Input Current	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ $V_I = 2.7 \text{ V}$	Enable T		40	$\mu\text{A}$
			Clock		40	
			Load		40	
			Others		20	
$I_{IL}$	Low Level Input Current	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ $V_I = 0.4 \text{ V}$	Enable T		-0.8	mA
			Clock		-0.8	
			Load		-0.8	
			Others		-0.4	
$I_{OS}$	Short Circuit Output Current	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ (Note 2)	DM54	-20	-100	mA
			DM74	-20	-100	
$I_{CCH}$	Supply Current with Outputs High	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ (Note 3)		18	31	mA
$I_{CCL}$	Supply Current with Outputs Low	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ (Note 4)		19	32	mA

**Note 1:** All typicals are at  $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}, T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ .

**Note 2:** Not more than one output should be shorted at a time, and the duration should not exceed one second.

**Note 3:**  $I_{CCH}$  is measured with the load high, then again with the load low, with all other inputs high and all outputs open.

**Note 4:**  $I_{CCL}$  is measured with the clock input high, then again with the clock input low, with all other inputs low and all outputs open.

## 'LS161 Switching Characteristics

at  $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}$  and  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$  (See Section 1 for Test Waveforms and Output Load)

Symbol	Parameter	From (Input) To (Output)	$R_L = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$				Units
			$C_L = 15 \text{ pF}$		$C_L = 50 \text{ pF}$		
			Min	Max	Min	Max	
$f_{MAX}$	Maximum Clock Frequency		25		20		MHz
$t_{PLH}$	Propagation Delay Time Low to High Level Output	Clock to Ripple Carry		25		30	ns
$t_{PHL}$	Propagation Delay Time High to Low Level Output	Clock to Ripple Carry		30		38	ns
$t_{PLH}$	Propagation Delay Time Low to High Level Output	Clock to Any Q (Load High)		22		27	ns
$t_{PHL}$	Propagation Delay Time High to Low Level Output	Clock to Any Q (Load High)		27		38	ns

## 'LS161 Switching Characteristics

at  $V_{CC} = 5V$  and  $T_A = 25^\circ C$  (See Section 1 for Test Waveforms and Output Load) (Continued)

Symbol	Parameter	From (Input) To (Output)	$R_L = 2\text{ k}\Omega$				Units
			$C_L = 15\text{ pF}$		$C_L = 50\text{ pF}$		
			Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{PLH}$	Propagation Delay Time Low to High Level Output	Clock to Any Q (Load Low)		24		30	ns
$t_{PHL}$	Propagation Delay Time High to Low Level Output	Clock to Any Q (Load Low)		27		38	ns
$t_{PLH}$	Propagation Delay Time Low to High Level Output	Enable T to Ripple Carry		14		27	ns
$t_{PHL}$	Propagation Delay Time High to Low Level Output	Enable T to Ripple Carry		15		27	ns
$t_{PHL}$	Propagation Delay Time High to Low Level Output	Clear to Any Q		28		45	ns

## Recommended Operating Conditions

Symbol	Parameter		DM54LS163A			DM74LS163A			Units
			Min	Nom	Max	Min	Nom	Max	
$V_{CC}$	Supply Voltage		4.5	5	5.5	4.75	5	5.25	V
$V_{IH}$	High Level Input Voltage		2			2			V
$V_{IL}$	Low Level Input Voltage				0.7			0.8	V
$I_{OH}$	High Level Output Current				-0.4			-0.4	mA
$I_{OL}$	Low Level Output Current				4			8	mA
$f_{CLK}$	Clock Frequency (Note 1)		0		25	0		25	MHz
	Clock Frequency (Note 2)		0		20	0		20	MHz
$t_W$	Pulse Width (Note 1)	Clock	20	6		20	6		ns
		Clear	20	9		20	9		
	Pulse Width (Note 2)	Clock	25			25			ns
		Clear	25			25			
$t_{SU}$	Setup Time (Note 1)	Data	20	8		20	8		ns
		Enable P	25	17		25	17		
		Load	25	15		25	15		
	Setup Time (Note 2)	Data	20			20			ns
		Enable P	30			30			
		Load	30			30			
$t_H$	Hold Time (Note 1)	Data	0	-3		0	-3		ns
		Others	0	-3		0	-3		
	Hold Time (Note 2)	Data	5			5			ns
		Others	5			5			
$t_{REL}$	Clear Release Time (Note 1)		20			20			ns
	Clear Release Time (Note 2)		25			25			ns
$T_A$	Free Air Operating Temperature		-55		125	0		70	$^\circ C$

**Note 1:**  $C_L = 15\text{ pF}$ ,  $R_L = 2\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $T_A = 25^\circ C$  and  $V_{CC} = 5V$ .

**Note 2:**  $C_L = 50\text{ pF}$ ,  $R_L = 2\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $T_A = 25^\circ C$  and  $V_{CC} = 5V$ .

## 'LS163 Electrical Characteristics

over recommended operating free air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ (Note 1)	Max	Units
$V_I$	Input Clamp Voltage	$V_{CC} = \text{Min}, I_I = -18 \text{ mA}$			-1.5	V
$V_{OH}$	High Level Output Voltage	$V_{CC} = \text{Min}, I_{OH} = \text{Max}$ $V_{IL} = \text{Max}, V_{IH} = \text{Min}$	DM54	2.5	3.4	V
			DM74	2.7	3.4	
$V_{OL}$	Low Level Output Voltage	$V_{CC} = \text{Min}, I_{OL} = \text{Max}$ $V_{IL} = \text{Max}, V_{IH} = \text{Min}$	DM54		0.25	V
			DM74		0.35	
			$I_{OL} = 4 \text{ mA}, V_{CC} = \text{Min}$	DM74		
$I_I$	Input Current @ Max Input Voltage	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ $V_I = 7V$	Enable T		0.2	mA
			Clock, Clear		0.2	
			Load		0.2	
			Others		0.1	
$I_{IH}$	High Level Input Current	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ $V_I = 2.7V$	Enable T		40	$\mu\text{A}$
			Load		40	
			Clock, Clear		40	
			Others		20	
$I_{IL}$	Low Level Input Current	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ $V_I = 0.4V$	Enable T		-0.8	mA
			Clock, Clear		-0.8	
			Load		-0.8	
			Others		-0.4	
$I_{OS}$	Short Circuit Output Current	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ (Note 2)	DM54	-20	-100	mA
			DM74	-20	-100	
$I_{CCH}$	Supply Current with Outputs High	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ (Note 3)		18	31	mA
$I_{CCL}$	Supply Current with Outputs Low	$V_{CC} = \text{Max}$ (Note 4)		18	32	mA

**Note 1:** All typicals are at  $V_{CC} = 5V, T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ .

**Note 2:** Not more than one output should be shorted at a time, and the duration should not exceed one second.

**Note 3:**  $I_{CCH}$  is measured with the load high, then again with the load low, with all other inputs high and all outputs open.

**Note 4:**  $I_{CCL}$  is measured with the clock input high, then again with the clock input low, with all other inputs low and all outputs open.

## 'LS163 Switching Characteristics

at  $V_{CC} = 5V$  and  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$  (See Section 1 for Test Waveforms and Output Load)

Symbol	Parameter	From (Input) To (Output)	$R_L = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$				Units
			$C_L = 15 \text{ pF}$		$C_L = 50 \text{ pF}$		
			Min	Max	Min	Max	
$f_{MAX}$	Maximum Clock Frequency		25		20		MHz
$t_{PLH}$	Propagation Delay Time Low to High Level Output	Clock to Ripple Carry		25		30	ns
$t_{PHL}$	Propagation Delay Time High to Low Level Output	Clock to Ripple Carry		30		38	ns
$t_{PLH}$	Propagation Delay Time Low to High Level Output	Clock to Any Q (Load High)		22		27	ns
$t_{PHL}$	Propagation Delay Time High to Low Level Output	Clock to Any Q (Load High)		27		38	ns

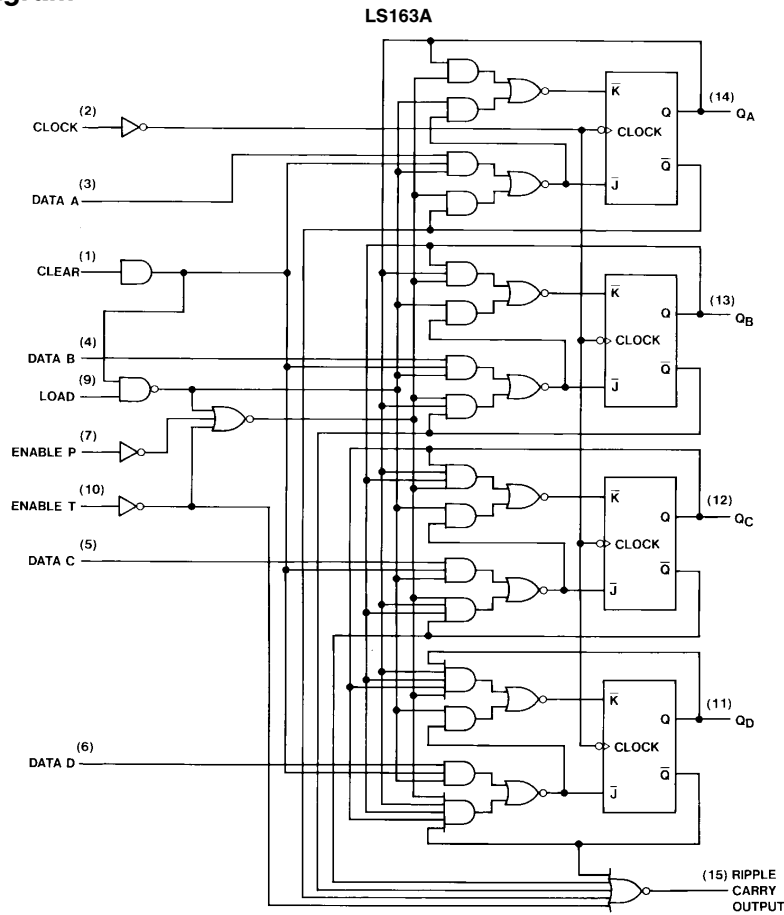
## 'LS163 Switching Characteristics

at  $V_{CC} = 5V$  and  $T_A = 25^\circ C$  (See Section 1 for Test Waveforms and Output Load) (Continued)

Symbol	Parameter	From (Input) To (Output)	$R_L = 2\text{ k}\Omega$				Units
			$C_L = 15\text{ pF}$		$C_L = 50\text{ pF}$		
			Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{PLH}$	Propagation Delay Time Low to High Level Output	Clock to Any Q (Load Low)		24		30	ns
$t_{PHL}$	Propagation Delay Time High to Low Level Output	Clock to Any Q (Load Low)		27		38	ns
$t_{PLH}$	Propagation Delay Time Low to High Level Output	Enable T to Ripple Carry		14		27	ns
$t_{PHL}$	Propagation Delay Time High to Low Level Output	Enable T to Ripple Carry		15		27	ns
$t_{PHL}$	Propagation Delay Time High to Low Level Output	Clear to Any Q (Note 1)		28		45	ns

**Note 1:** The propagation delay clear to output is measured from the clock input transition.

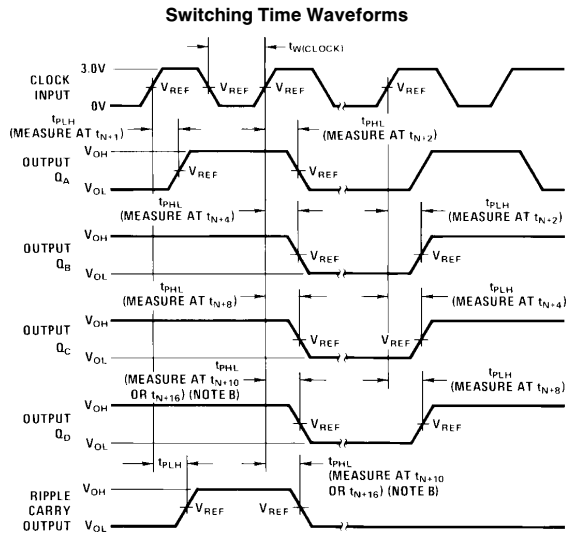
## Logic Diagram



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The LS161A is similar, however, the clear buffer is connected directly to the flip flops.

## Parameter Measurement Information

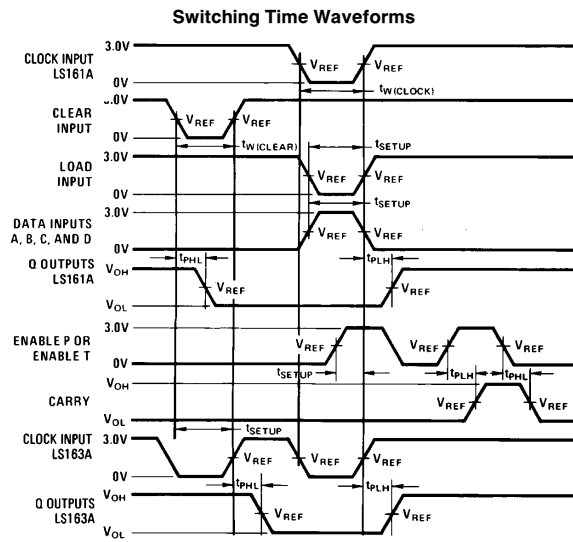


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**Note A:** The input pulses are supplied by generators having the following characteristics:  $PRR \leq 1$  MHz, duty cycle  $\leq 50\%$ ,  $Z_{OUT} \approx 50\Omega$ ,  $t_r \leq 10$  ns,  $t_f \leq 10$  ns. Vary PRR to measure  $f_{MAX}$ .

**Note B:** Outputs  $Q_D$  and carry are tested at  $t_{n+16}$  where  $t_n$  is the bit time when all outputs are low.

**Note C:**  $V_{REF} = 1.5V$ .



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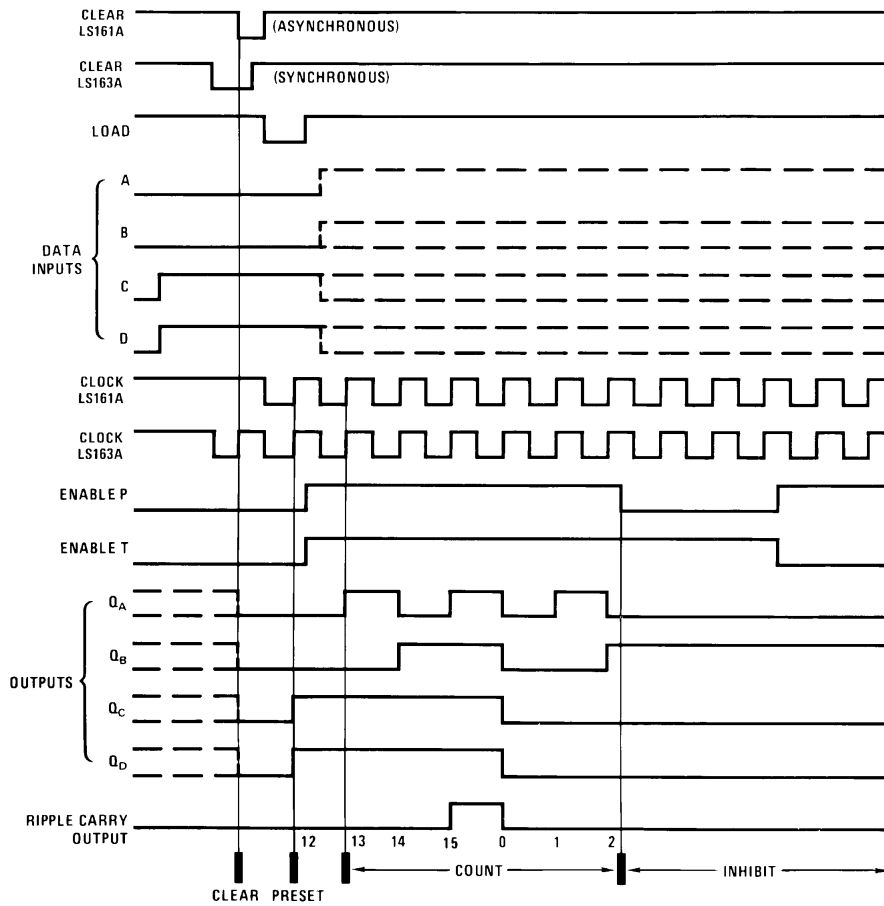
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**Note B:** Enable P and enable T setup times are measured at  $t_{n+0}$ .

**Note C:**  $V_{REF} = 1.3V$ .

## Timing Diagram

LS161A, LS163A Synchronous Binary Counters  
Typical Clear, Preset, Count and Inhibit Sequences

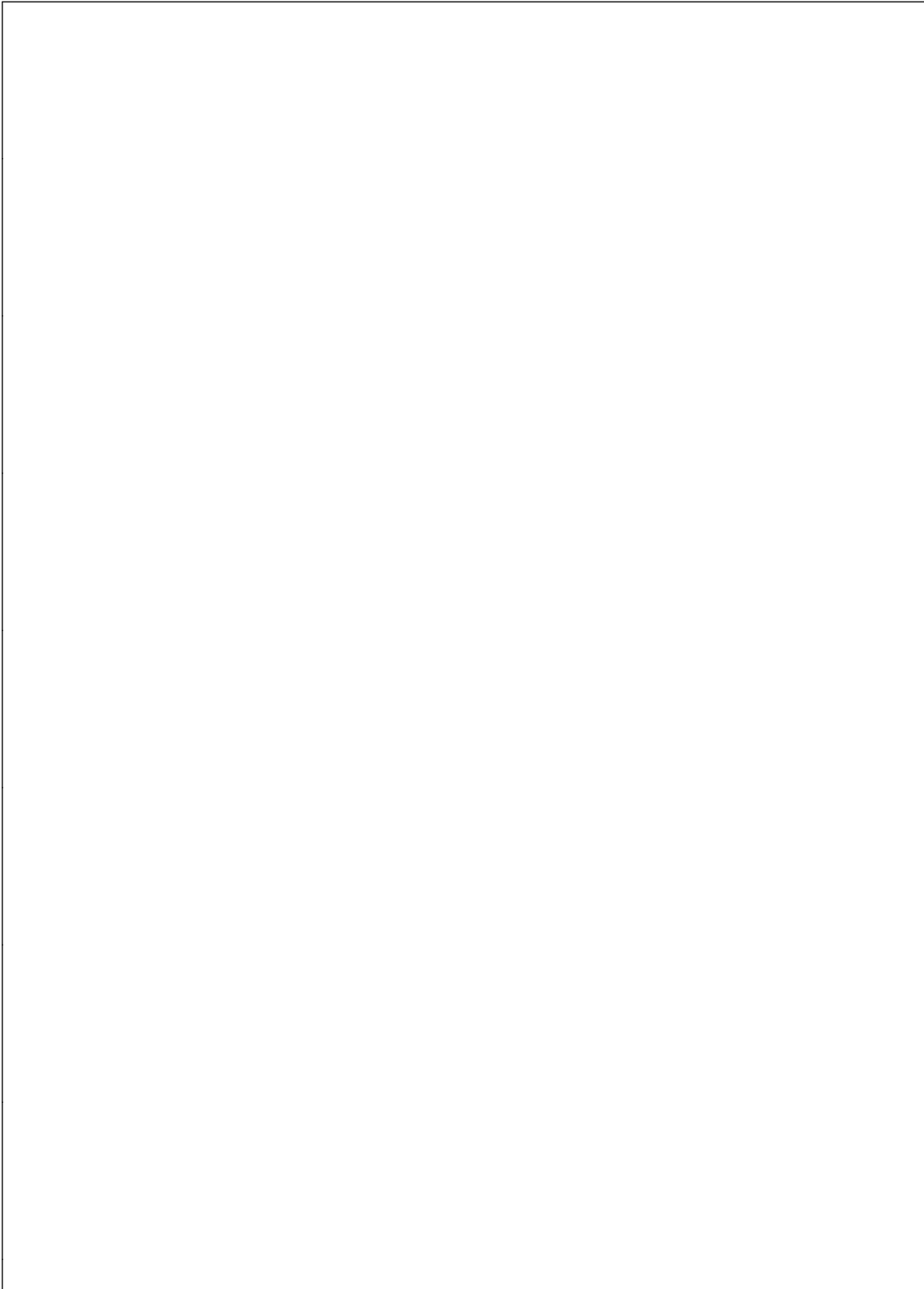


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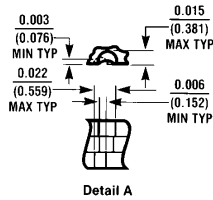
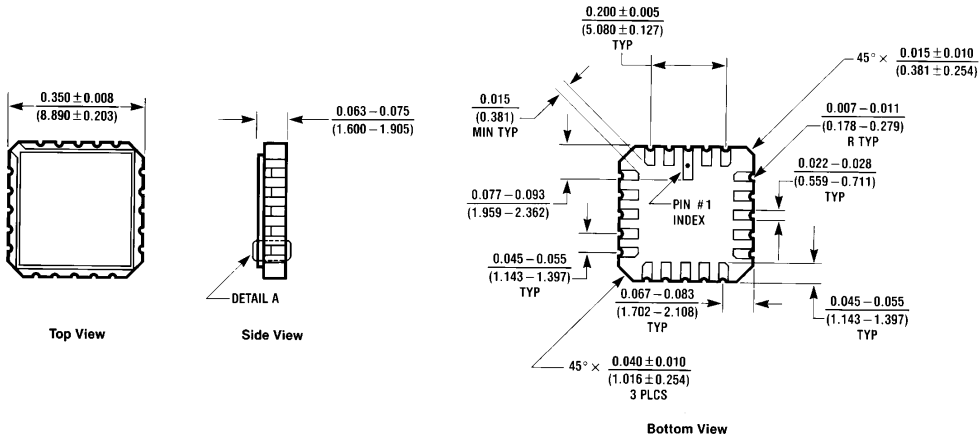
### Sequence:

- (1) Clear outputs to zero
- (2) Preset to binary twelve
- (3) Count to thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, zero, one, and two
- (4) Inhibit



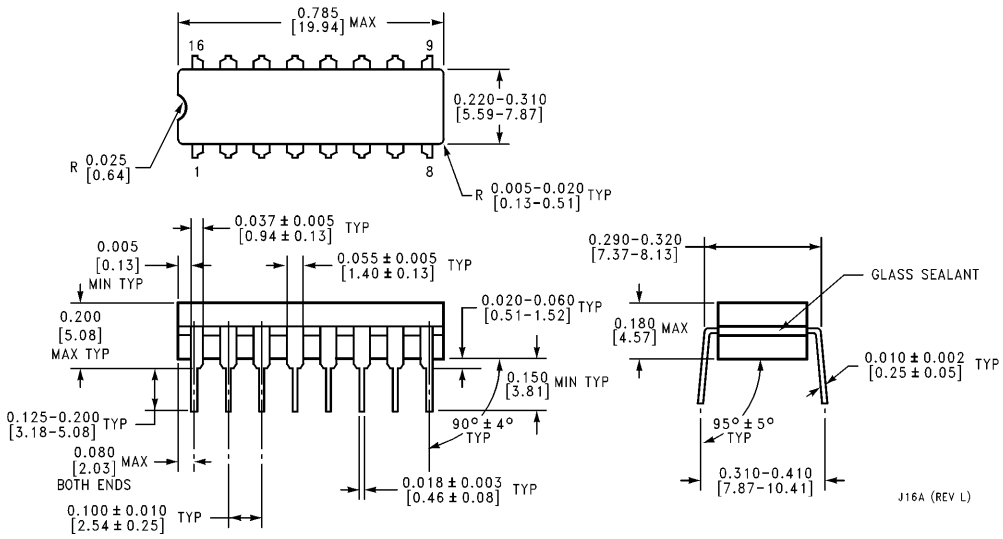


**Physical Dimensions** inches (millimeters)



E20A (REV D)

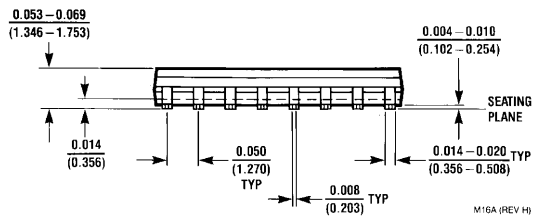
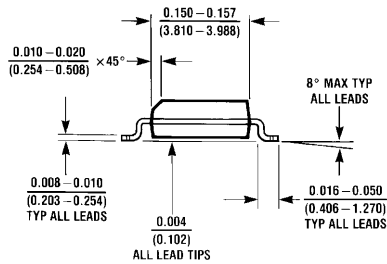
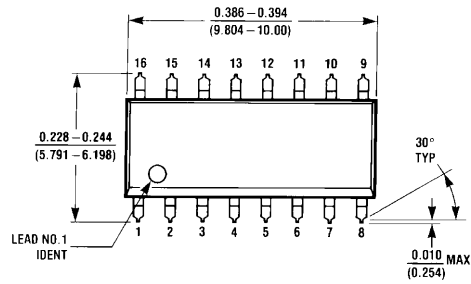
**Ceramic Leadless Chip Carrier Package (E)**  
**Order Numbers 54LS161ALMQB or 54LS163ALMQB**  
**NS Package Number E20A**



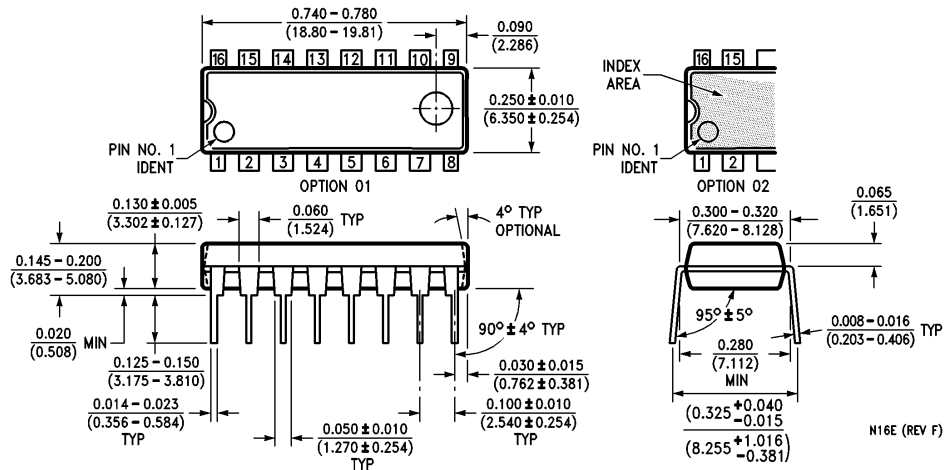
J16A (REV L)

**16-Lead Ceramic Dual-In-Line Package (J)**  
**Order Numbers 54LS161ADMQB, 54LS163ADMQB, DM54LS161AJ or DM54LS163AJ**  
**NS Package Number J16A**

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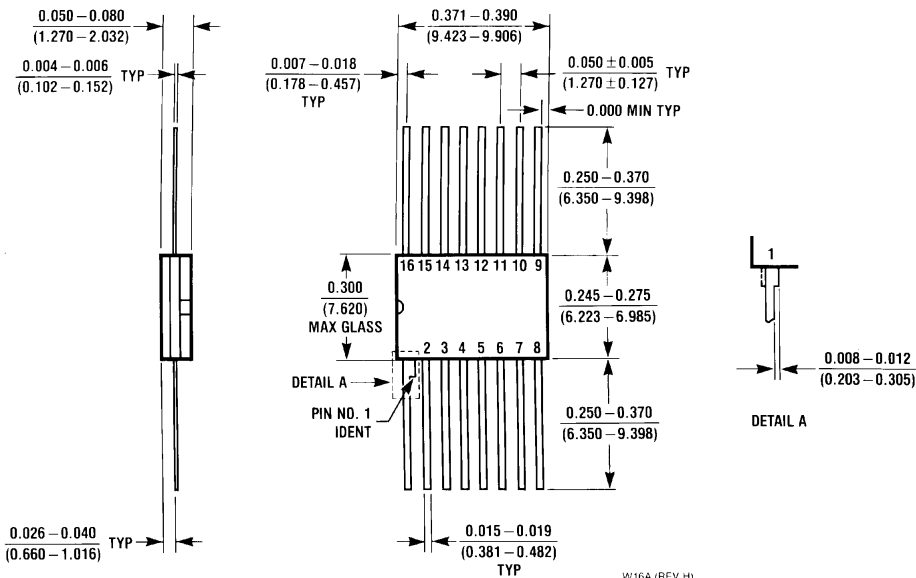


**16-Lead Small Outline Molded Package (M)**  
**Order Number DM74LS161AM or DM74LS163AM**  
**NS Package Number M16A**



**16-Lead Molded Dual-In-Line Package (N)**  
**Order Numbers DM74LS161AN, DM74LS163AN**  
**NS Package Number N16E**

**Physical Dimensions** inches (millimeters) (Continued)



**16-Lead Ceramic Flat Package (W)**  
**Order Numbers 54LS161AFMQB, 54LS163AFMQB,**  
**DM54LS161AN or DM54LS163AW**  
**NS Package Number W16A**

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