

# ABOUT YOUR PCI-6503

Thank you for purchasing a National Instruments PCI-6503 board. The PCI-6503 is a 24-bit, general-purpose, parallel digital I/O interface for PCI bus computers. The PCI-6503 kit includes NI-DAQ driver software, which provides an extensive library of functions for digital I/O boards and other devices.

## Documentation

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### PCI-6503

For detailed information about the PCI-6503, see the *PCI-DIO-96/PXI-6508/PCI-6503 User Manual*. This manual is available in electronic format on your NI-DAQ software distribution CD. If you prefer a hard copy of this manual, you can print it from the Acrobat reader or you can order a printed, bound copy from National Instruments (part number 320938-01).

The user manual provides detailed board installation and configuration instructions, signal connection information, theory of operation, programming information, and product specifications. The manual also contains warranty information and important warnings explaining the correct use of the PCI-6503.

### NI-DAQ

If you are using NI-DAQ as your software interface to the PCI-6503, you should install the NI-DAQ software documentation from the NI-DAQ distribution CD in addition to installing the PCI-6503 hardware documentation. If you are using software other than NI-DAQ, use the documentation included with your software.

The PCI-6503 is a member of the DIO-24 family of digital I/O boards. References in the NI-DAQ documentation to the DIO-24 family of boards include the PCI-6503.

# Installation

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## Software and Documentation

If you are using software other than NI-DAQ, consult your software documentation for software installation instructions.

Refer to the NI-DAQ release notes to install the NI-DAQ software and related documentation. When prompted during the software installation process to select components, select the option to install documentation. Choose the *PCI-DIO-96/PXI-6508/PCI-6503 User Manual* and any other documents you want, such as the NI-DAQ software documents.

To install the hardware documentation without installing NI-DAQ software, deselect all components other than the documentation option.

## Hardware

After installing your software, you are ready to install the PCI-6503 board into your computer, as described in Chapter 2, *Installation and Configuration*, of the *PCI-DIO-96/PXI-6508/PCI-6503 User Manual*. The following are general installation instructions. Consult your computer user manual or technical reference manual for specific instructions about installing new devices in your computer. You can install a PCI-6503 in any available 5 V PCI expansion slot in your computer.

1. Turn off and unplug your computer.
2. Remove the top cover or access port to the expansion slots.
3. Remove the expansion slot cover on the back panel of the computer.
4. Touch the metal part inside your computer to discharge any static electricity that might be on your clothes or body.
5. Insert the PCI-6503 in a 5 V PCI slot. It may be a tight fit, but *do not* force the device into place.
6. Screw the mounting bracket of the PCI-6503 to the back panel rail of the computer.
7. Visually verify the installation.
8. Replace the top cover of your computer.
9. Plug in and turn on your computer.

# I/O Connector

Figure 1 shows the PCI-6503 I/O connector. The PCI-6503 uses TTL-compatible voltage levels referenced from GND; do not connect any signal to a voltage below  $-0.3$  V or above 5.3 V. For detailed information about the PCI-6503 signal connections, see Chapter 3, *Signal Connections*, in the *PCI-DIO-96/PXI-6508/PCI-6503 User Manual*.

|   |    |    |     |
|---|----|----|-----|
| (OBF <sub>A</sub> <sup>*</sup> ) PC7                                | 1  | 2  | GND |
| (ACK <sub>A</sub> <sup>*</sup> ) PC6                                | 3  | 4  | GND |
| (IBF <sub>A</sub> <sup>*</sup> ) PC5                                | 5  | 6  | GND |
| (STB <sub>A</sub> <sup>*</sup> ) PC4                                | 7  | 8  | GND |
| (INTR <sub>A</sub> <sup>*</sup> ) PC3                               | 9  | 10 | GND |
| (STB <sub>B</sub> <sup>*</sup> /ACK <sub>B</sub> <sup>*</sup> ) PC2 | 11 | 12 | GND |
| (IBF <sub>B</sub> <sup>*</sup> /OBF <sub>B</sub> <sup>*</sup> ) PC1 | 13 | 14 | GND |
| (INTR <sub>B</sub> <sup>*</sup> ) PC0                               | 15 | 16 | GND |
| PB7   | 17 | 18 | GND |
| PB6   | 19 | 20 | GND |
| PB5   | 21 | 22 | GND |
| PB4   | 23 | 24 | GND |
| PB3   | 25 | 26 | GND |
| PB2   | 27 | 28 | GND |
| PB1   | 29 | 30 | GND |
| PB0   | 31 | 32 | GND |
| PA7   | 33 | 34 | GND |
| PA6   | 35 | 36 | GND |
| PA5   | 37 | 38 | GND |
| PA4   | 39 | 40 | GND |
| PA3   | 41 | 42 | GND |
| PA2   | 43 | 44 | GND |
| PA1   | 45 | 46 | GND |
| PA0   | 47 | 48 | GND |
| +5 V  | 49 | 50 | GND |

Parenthetic names such as (OBF<sub>A</sub><sup>\*</sup>) indicate handshaking functions.

**Figure 1.** PCI-6503 I/O Connector

# Support

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