

NI 622x Specifications

Specifications listed below are typical at 25 °C unless otherwise noted.

Analog Input

Number of channels

NI 6220/NI 6221	8 differential or 16 single ended
NI 6224/NI 6229	16 differential or 32 single ended
NI 6225	40 differential or 80 single ended

ADC resolution 16 bits

DNL No missing codes
guaranteed

INL Refer to the *AI Absolute
Accuracy Table*

Sampling rate

Maximum	250 KS/s
Minimum	0 S/s
Timing accuracy	50 ppm of sample rate
Timing resolution	50 ns

Input coupling DC

Input range ± 10 V, ± 5 V,
 ± 1 V, ± 0.2 V

Maximum working voltage for analog inputs
(signal + common mode) ± 11 V of AI GND

CMRR (DC to 60 Hz) 95 dB

Input impedance

Device on

AI+ to AI GND	>10 G Ω in parallel with 100 pF
AI- to AI GND	>10 G Ω in parallel with 100 pF

Device off

AI+ to AI GND	820 Ω
AI- to AI GND	820 Ω

Input bias current ± 100 pA

Crosstalk (at 100 kHz)

Adjacent channels	-75 dB
Non-adjacent channels	-90 dB

Small signal bandwidth (-3 dB) 700 kHz

Input FIFO size 4,095 samples

Scan list memory 4,095 entries

Data transfers DMA (scatter-gather),
interrupts,
programmed I/O

Overvoltage protection (AI <0..79>, AI SENSE, AI SENSE 2)

Device on ± 25 V for up to
two AI pins

Device off ± 15 V for up to
two AI pins

Input current during
overvoltage condition ± 20 mA max/AI pin

Settling Time for Multichannel Measurements

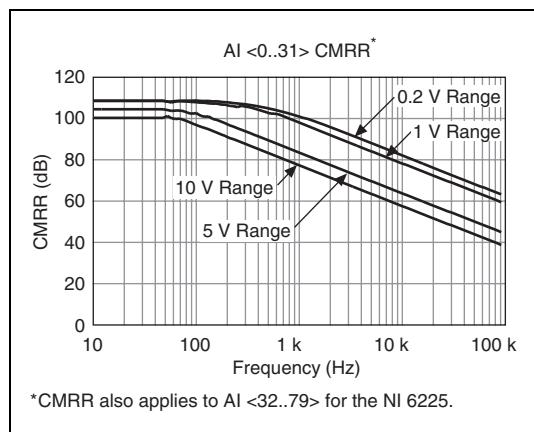
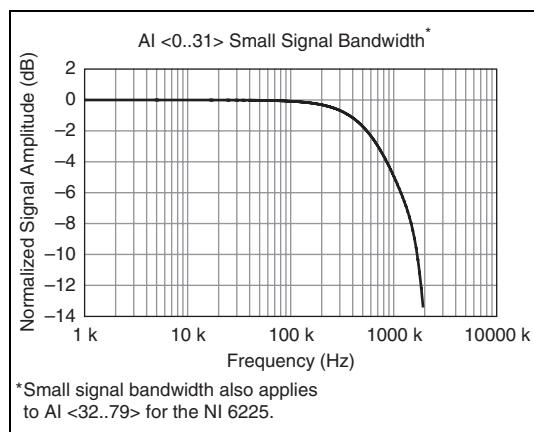
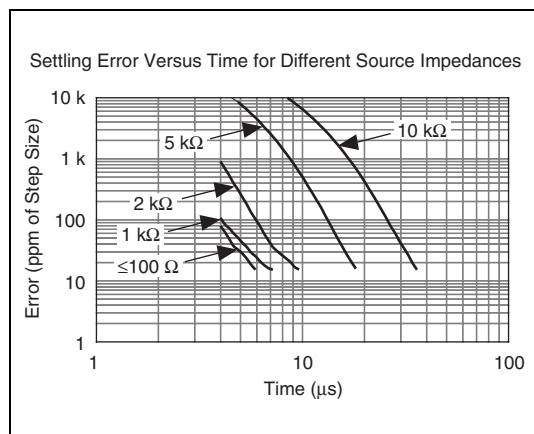
Accuracy, full scale step, all ranges

± 90 ppm of step (± 6 LSB) 4 μ s convert interval

± 30 ppm of step (± 2 LSB) 5 μ s convert interval

± 15 ppm of step (± 1 LSB) 7 μ s convert interval

Typical Performance Graphs



Analog Output

Number of channels

NI 6220	0
NI 6221	2
NI 6224	0
NI 6225	2
NI 6229	4

DAC resolution 16 bits

DNL ±1 LSB

Monotonicity 16 bit guaranteed

Maximum update rate

1 channel 833 kS/s

2 channels 740 kS/s per channel

3 channels 666 kS/s per channel

4 channels 625 kS/s per channel

Timing accuracy 50 ppm of sample rate

Timing resolution 50 ns

Output range ±10 V

Output coupling DC

Output impedance 0.2 Ω

Output current drive ±5 mA

Overdrive protection ±25 V

Overdrive current 10 mA

Power-on state ±20 mV

Power-on glitch 8.5 V peak for 14.5 ms

Output FIFO size 8,191 samples shared among channels used

Data transfers DMA (scatter-gather), interrupts, programmed I/O

AO waveform modes:

- Non-periodic waveform
- Periodic waveform regeneration mode from onboard FIFO
- Periodic waveform regeneration from host buffer including dynamic update

Settling time, full scale step
15 ppm (1 LSB) 6 μ s

Slew rate 15 V/ μ s

Glitch energy
Magnitude 100 mV
Duration 2.6 μ s

Calibration (AI and AO)

Recommended warm-up time 15 minutes

Calibration interval 1 year

AI Absolute Accuracy Table

Nominal Range		Residual Gain Error (ppm of Reading)		Gain Tempco (ppm/°C)		Reference Tempco		Residual Offset Error (ppm of Range)		Offset Tempco (ppm of Range/°C)		INL Error (ppm of Range)		Random Noise, σ (µVRms)		Absolute Accuracy at Full Scale ¹ (µV)		Sensitivity ² (µV)	
Positive Full Scale	Negative Full Scale																		
10	-10	75	25	5	20	57	76	244	3,100	97.6									
5	-5	85	25	5	20	60	76	122	1,620	48.8									
1	-1	95	25	5	25	79	76	30	360	12.0									
0.2	-0.2	135	25	5	80	175	76	13	112	5.2									

AbsoluteAccuracy = Reading · (GainError) + Range · (OffsetError) + NoiseUncertainty
 GainError = ResidualAIAGainError + GainTempco · (TempChangeFromLastInternalCal) + ReferenceTempco · (TempChangeFromLastExternalCal)
 OffsetError = ResidualAIOffsetError + OffsetTempco · (TempChangeFromLastInternalCal) + INL_Error
 NoiseUncertainty = $\frac{\text{RandomNoise} \cdot 3}{\sqrt{100}}$ For a coverage factor of 3 σ and averaging 100 points.

¹ Absolute accuracy at full scale on the analog input channels is determined using the following assumptions:

TempChangeFromLastExternalCal = 10 °C

TempChangeFromLastInternalCal = 1 °C

number_of_readings = 100

CoverageFactor = 3σ

For example, on the 10 V range, the absolute accuracy at full scale is as follows:

GainError = 75 ppm + 25 ppm · 1 + 5 ppm · 10

OffsetError = 20 ppm + 57 ppm · 1 + 76 ppm

$$\text{NoiseUncertainty} = \frac{244 \mu\text{V} \cdot 3}{\sqrt{100}} \quad \text{NoiseUncertainty} = 73 \mu\text{V}$$

$$\text{AbsoluteAccuracy} = 10 \text{ V} \cdot (\text{GainError}) + 10 \text{ V} \cdot (\text{OffsetError}) + \text{NoiseUncertainty} \quad \text{AbsoluteAccuracy} = 3,100 \mu\text{V}$$

² Sensitivity is the smallest voltage change that can be detected. It is a function of noise.

Accuracies listed are valid for up to one year from the device external calibration.

AO Absolute Accuracy Table

Nominal Range		Residual Gain Error (ppm of Reading)	Gain Tempco (ppm/ $^{\circ}$ C)	Reference Tempco	Residual Offset Error (ppm of Range)	Offset Tempco (ppm of Range/ $^{\circ}$ C)	INL Error (ppm of Range)	Absolute Accuracy at Full Scale ¹ (μ V)
Positive Full Scale	Negative Full Scale							
10	-10	90	10	5	40	5	128	3.230

¹ Absolute Accuracy at full scale numbers is valid immediately following internal calibration and assumes the device is operating within 10 °C of the last external calibration.
Accuracies listed are valid for up to one year from the device external calibration.

$$\text{AbsoluteAccuracy} = \text{OutputValue} \cdot (\text{GainError}) + \text{Range} \cdot (\text{OffsetError})$$

$$\text{GainError} = \text{ResidualGainError} + \text{GainTempco} \cdot (\text{TempChangeFromLastInternalCal}) + \text{ReferenceTempco} \cdot (\text{TempChangeFromLastExternalCal})$$

$$\text{OffsetError} = \text{ResidualOffsetError} + \text{AOOffsetTempco} \cdot (\text{TempChangeFromLastInternalCal}) + \text{INL_Error}$$

Digital I/O/PFI

Static Characteristics

Number of channels

NI 6220/NI 6221 (68-pin)/	
NI 6225	24 total
	8 (P0.<0..7>)
	16 (PFI <0..7>/P1, PFI <8..15>/P2)
NI 6224/NI 6229	48 total
	32 (P0.<0..31>)
	16 (PFI <0..7>/P1, PFI <8..15>/P2)
NI 6221 (37-pin)	10 total
	2 (P0.<0, 1>)
	8 (PFI <0..7>/P1)
Ground reference	D GND
Direction control.....	Each terminal individually programmable as input or output
Pull-down resistor.....	50 kΩ to 75 kΩ
Input voltage protection ¹	±20 V on up to two pins

Waveform Characteristics (Port 0 Only)

Terminals used

NI 6220/NI 6221 (68-pin)/	
NI 6225	Port 0 (P0.<0..7>)
NI 6224/NI 6229	Port 0 (P0.<0..31>)
NI 6221 (37-pin)	Port 0 (P0.<0, 1>)

Port/sample size

NI 6220/NI 6221 (68-pin)/	
NI 6225	Up to 8 bits
NI 6224/NI 6229	Up to 32 bits
NI 6221 (37-pin)	Up to 2 bits

Waveform generation (DO) FIFO ...2,047 samples

Waveform acquisition (DI) FIFO2,047 samples

DO or DI Sample Clock

frequency

DO or DI Sample Clock source²Any PFI, RTSI,
AI Sample or
Convert Clock,

AO Sample Clock,
Ctr *n* Internal Output,
and many other signals

PFI/Port 1/Port 2 Functionality³

Functionality	Static digital input, static digital output, timing input, timing output
Timing output sources	Many AI, AO, counter, DI, DO timing signals
Debounce filter settings	125 ns, 6.425 μs, 2.54 ms, disable; high and low transitions; selectable per input

Recommended Operation Conditions

Level	Min	Max
Input high voltage (V_{IH})	2.2 V	5.25 V
Input low voltage (V_{IL})	0 V	0.8 V
Output high current (I_{OH})		
P0.<0..31>	—	-24 mA
PFI <0..15>/P1/P2	—	-16 mA
Output low current (I_{OL})		
P0.<0..31>	—	24 mA
PFI <0..15>/P1/P2	—	16 mA

Electrical Characteristics

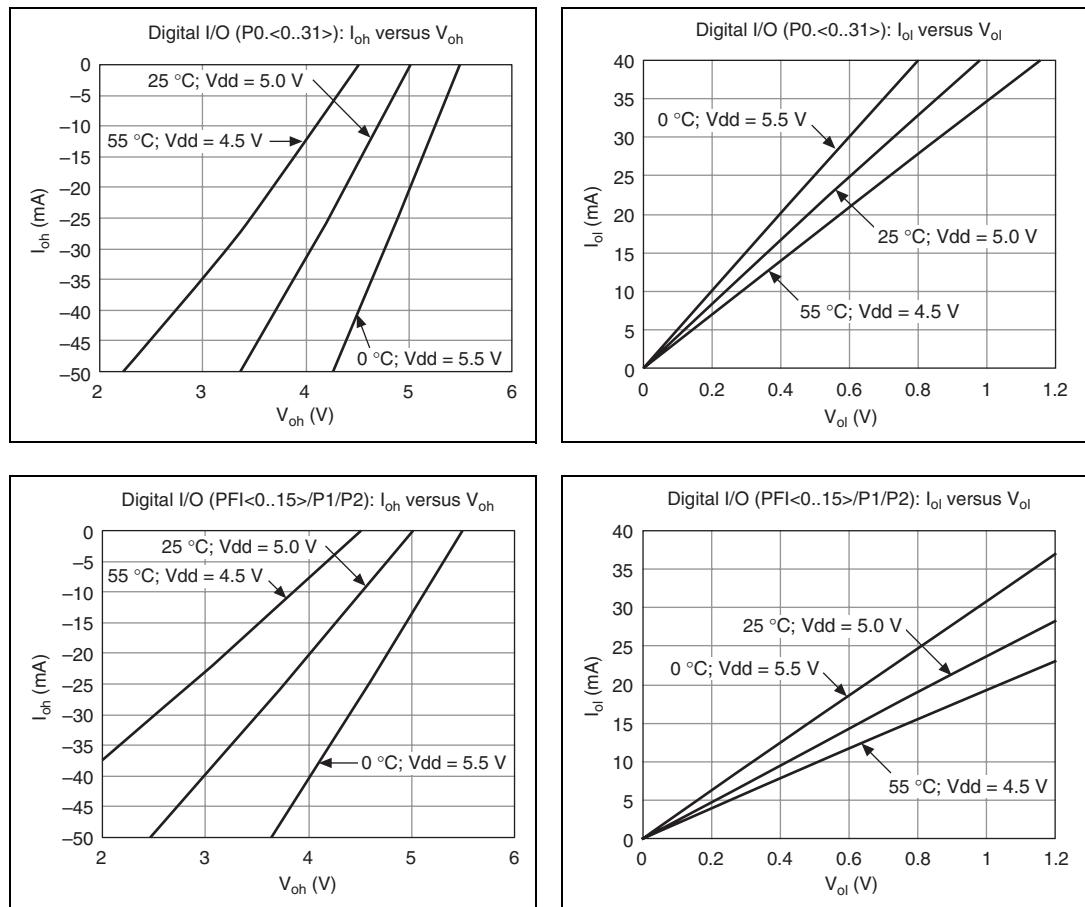
Level	Min	Max
Positive-going threshold ($VT+$)	—	2.2 V
Negative-going threshold ($VT-$)	0.8 V	—
Delta VT hysteresis ($VT+ - VT-$)	0.2 V	—
I_{IL} input low current ($V_{in} = 0$ V)	—	-10 μA
I_{IH} input high current ($V_{in} = 5$ V)	—	250 μA

¹ Stresses beyond those listed under *Input voltage protection* may cause permanent damage to the device.

² The digital subsystem does not have its own dedicated internal timing engine. Therefore, a sample clock must be provided from another subsystem on the device or an external source.

³ Port 2 is not available on the NI 6221 (37-pin) device.

Digital I/O Characteristics



General-Purpose Counter/Timers

Number of counter/timers	2
Resolution.....	32 bits
Counter measurements	Edge counting, pulse, semi-period, period, two-edge separation
Position measurements.....	X1, X2, X4 quadrature encoding with Channel Z reloading; two-pulse encoding
Output applications.....	Pulse, pulse train with dynamic updates, frequency division, equivalent time sampling
Internal base clocks	80 MHz, 20 MHz, 0.1 MHz
External base clock frequency.....	0 MHz to 20 MHz
Base clock accuracy	50 ppm
Inputs.....	Gate, Source, HW_Arm, Aux, A, B, Z, Up_Down
Routing options for inputs.....	Any PFI, RTSI, PXI_TRIGGER, PXI_STAR, analog trigger, many internal signals
FIFO	2 samples
Data transfers.....	Dedicated scatter-gather DMA controller for each counter/timer; interrupts; programmed I/O

Frequency Generator

Number of channels.....	1
Base clocks	10 MHz, 100 kHz
Divisors	1 to 16
Base clock accuracy	50 ppm
Output can be available on any PFI or RTSI terminal.	

Phase-Locked Loop (PLL)

Number of PLLs	1
Reference signal.....	PXI_STAR, PXI_CLK10, RTSI <0..7>
Output of PLL.....	80 MHz Timebase; other signals derived from 80 MHz Timebase including 20 MHz and 100 kHz Timebases

External Digital Triggers

Source	Any PFI, RTSI, PXI_TRIGGER, PXI_STAR
Polarity	Software-selectable for most signals
Analog input function	Start Trigger, Reference Trigger, Pause Trigger, Sample Clock, Convert Clock, Sample Clock Timebase
Analog output function	Start Trigger, Pause Trigger, Sample Clock, Sample Clock Timebase
Counter/timer functions	Gate, Source, HW_Arm, Aux, A, B, Z, Up_Down,
Digital waveform generation (DO) function.....	Sample Clock
Digital waveform acquisition (DI) function	Sample Clock

Device-To-Device Trigger Bus

PCI devices	RTSI <0..7> ¹
PXI devices	PXI_TRIGGER <0..7>, PXI_STAR
Output selections.....	10 MHz Reference Clock; frequency generator output; many internal signals
Debounce filter settings	125 ns, 6.425 μ s, 2.54 ms, disabled; high and low transitions; selectable per input

Bus Interface

PCI or PXI	3.3 V or 5 V signal environment
DMA channels	6, analog input, analog output, digital input, digital output, counter/timer 0, counter/timer 1

Power Requirements

Current draw from bus during no-load condition

+5 V	0.02 A ²
+3.3 V	0.25 A ²
+12 V	0.15 A

Current draw from bus during AI and AO overvoltage
condition

+5 V	0.02 A ²
+3.3 V	0.25 A ²
+12 V	0.25 A

Power available from

+5 V terminal ³	1 A max, each connector, with self-resetting fuse
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Other power limit for

PXI devices	Current drawn from +5 V terminals and all P0/PFI/P1/P2 terminals should not exceed 2 A
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Physical Requirements

Printed circuit board dimensions

NI PCI-6220/6221/6224/ 6225/6229	9.7 cm \times 15.5 cm (3.8 in. \times 6.1 in.)
NI PXI-6220/6221/6224/ 6225/6229	Standard 3U PXI

Weight

NI PCI-6220	91 g (3.2 oz)
NI PCI-6221 (68-pin)	92 g (3.2 oz)
NI PCI-6221 (37-pin)	95 g (3.3 oz)
NI PCI-6224	99 g (3.5 oz)
NI PCI-6225	103 g (3.6 oz)
NI PCI-6229	101 g (3.5 oz)
NI PXI-6220	158 g (5.5 oz)
NI PXI-6221 (68-pin)	162 g (5.7 oz)
NI PXI-6224	170 g (5.9 oz)
NI PXI-6225	174 g (6.1 oz)
NI PXI-6229	171 g (6.0 oz)

I/O connector

NI 6220/NI 6221 (68-pin)	1 68-pin VHDCI
NI 6224/NI 6225/NI 6229	2 68-pin VHDCI
NI 6221 (37-pin)	1 37-pin D-SUB

Maximum Working Voltage⁴

NI 6220/NI 6221/NI 6224/NI 6225/NI 6229

Channel to earth 11 V,
Measurement Category I



Caution Do not use for measurements within
Categories II, III, or IV.

Environmental

Operating temperature 0 to 55 °C

Storage temperature -20 to 70 °C

Humidity 10 to 90% RH,
noncondensing

Maximum altitude 2,000 m

Pollution Degree
(indoor use only) 2

¹ In other sections of this document, RTSI refers to RTSI <0..7> for PCI devices or PXI_TRIGGER <0..7> for PXI devices.

² The NI 6221 (37-pin) does not use +3.3 V from the bus. The 3.3 V current draw, shown in the *Power Requirements* section, comes from the +5 V instead.

³ +5 V terminal is not available on the NI 6221 (37-pin) device.

⁴ Maximum working voltage refers to the signal voltage plus the common-mode voltage.

Safety

This product is designed to meet the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 61010-1, EN 61010-1
- UL 61010-1
- CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 61010-1



Note For UL and other safety certifications, refer to the product label, or visit ni.com/certification, search by model number or product line, and click the appropriate link in the Certification column.

Electromagnetic Compatibility

Emissions.....EN 55011 Class A at
10 m; FCC Part 15A
above 1 GHz

ImmunityEN 61326:1997 +
A2:2001, Table 1

CE, C-Tick, and FCC Part 15 (Class A) Compliant



Note For EMC compliance, operate this device with shielded cabling.

CE Compliance

This product meets the essential requirements of applicable European Directives, as amended for CE Marking, as follows:

Low-Voltage Directive (safety).....73/23/EEC

Electromagnetic Compatibility

Directive (EMC).....89/336/EEC



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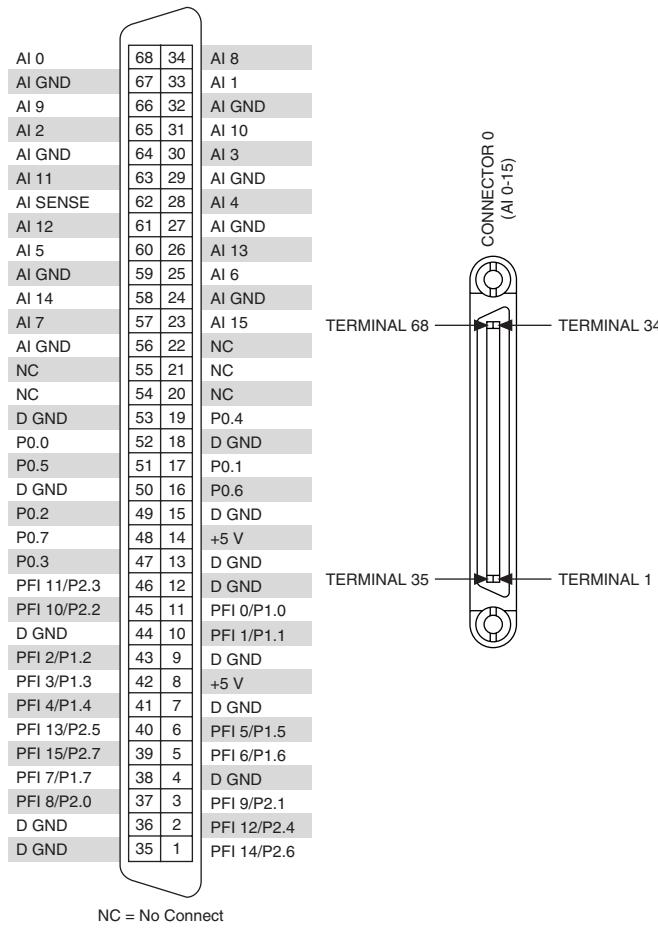


Figure 1. NI 6220 Pinout

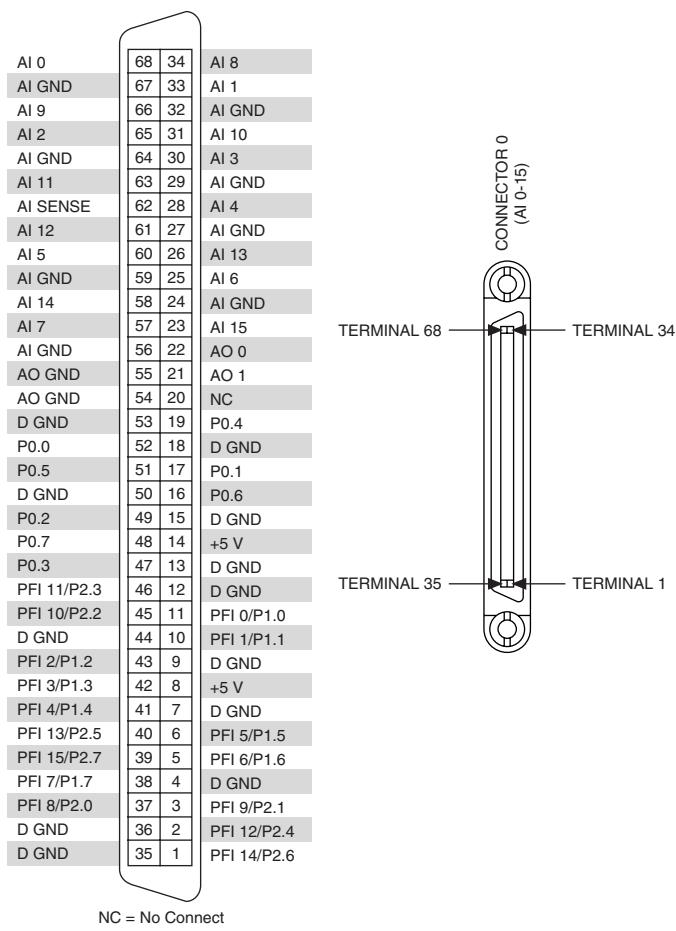
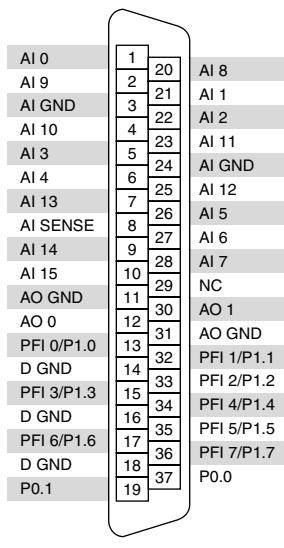


Figure 2. NI 6221 (68-Pin) Pinout



NC = No Connect

Figure 3. NI 6221 (37-Pin) Pinout

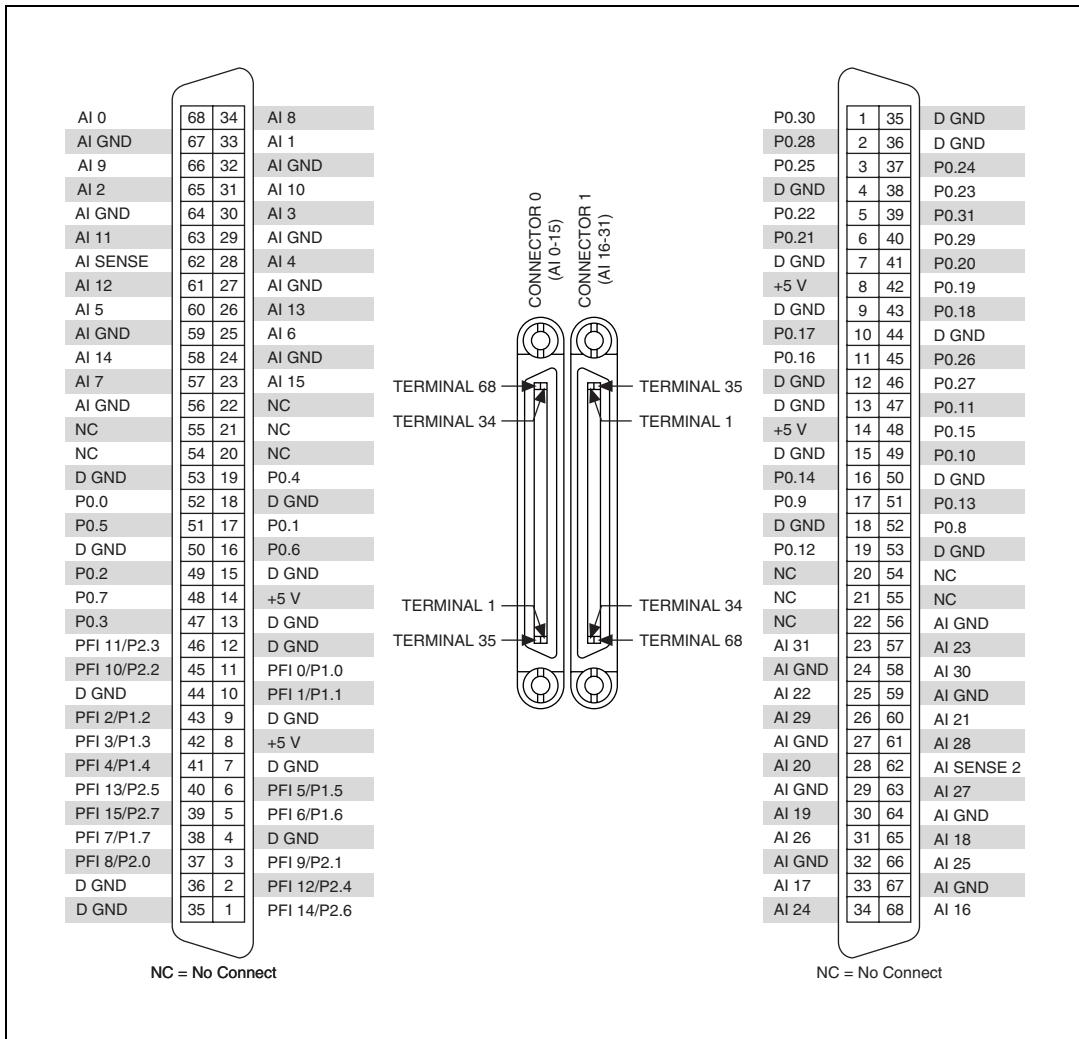


Figure 4. NI 6224 Pinout

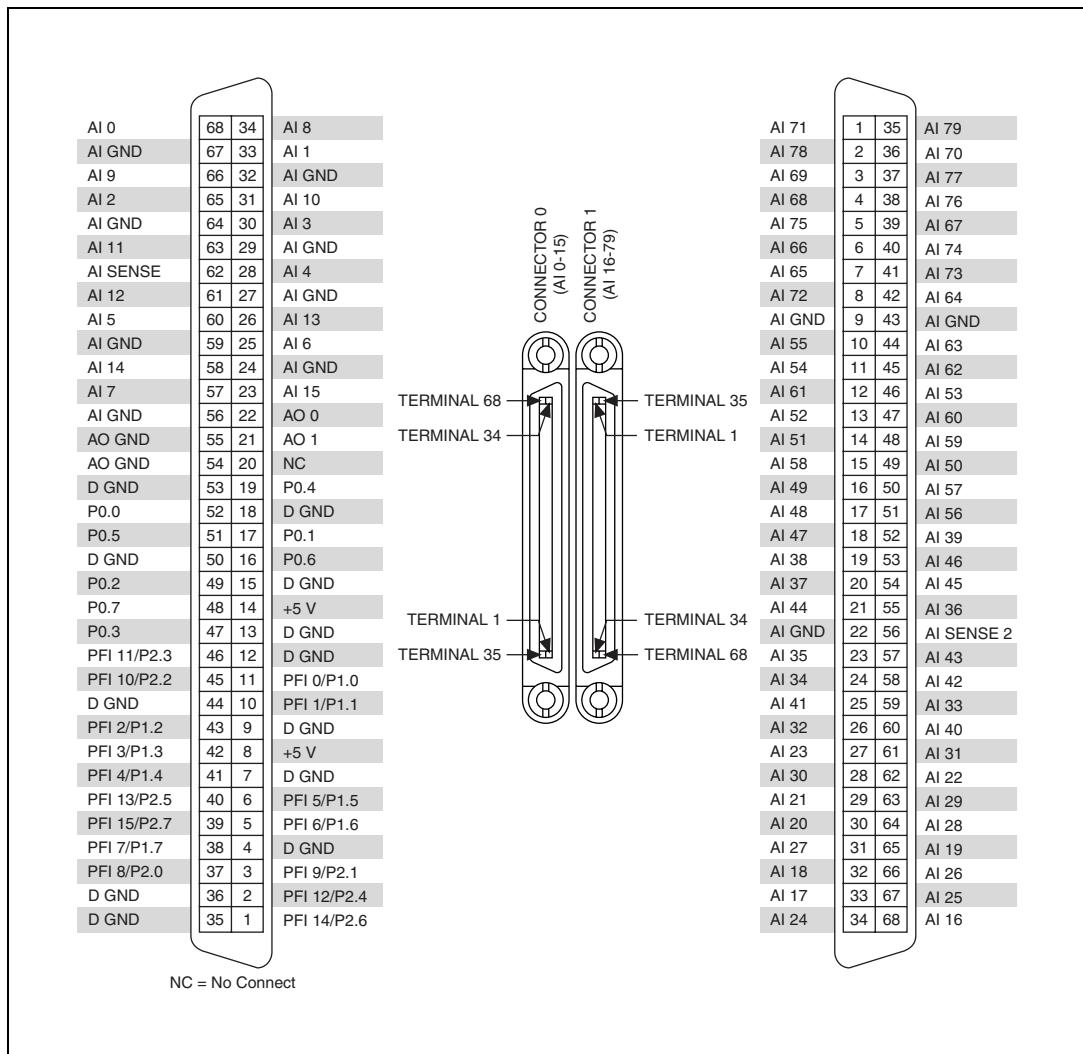


Figure 5. NI 6225 Pinout

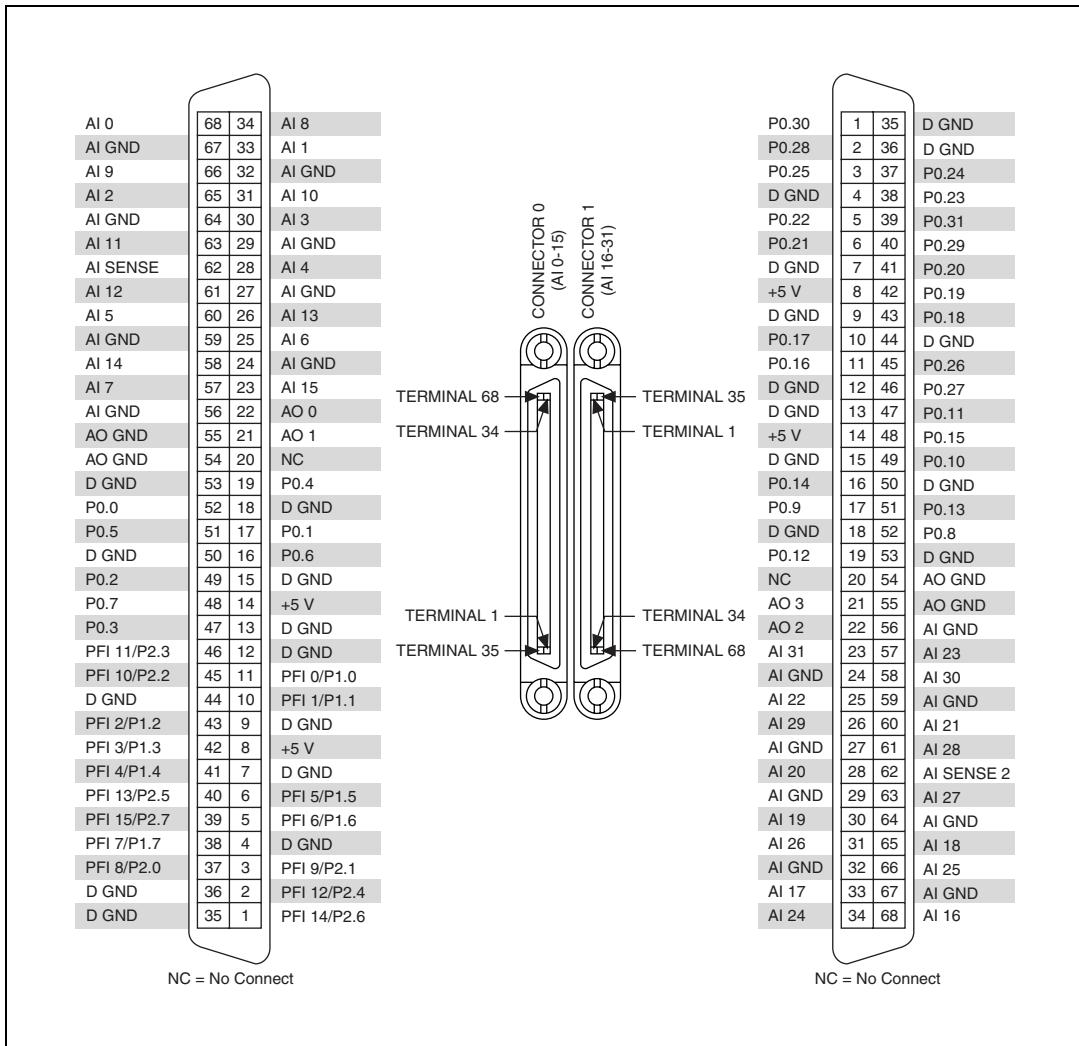


Figure 6. NI 6229 Pinout

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