

The number of JPO regular staff

F Y	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Total number of staff	2,529	2,531	2,534	2,524	2,469
Examiners and Appeal examiners	1,628	1,647	1,663	1,672	1,686
Examiners	1,251	1,264	1,274	1,281	1,293
Patent/Utility model examiners	1,070	1,078	1,083	1,088	1,096
Design examiners	47	49	51	51	51
Trademark examiners	134	137	140	142	146
Appeal examiners	377	383	389	391	393
Clerical staff	901	884	871	852	783