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(1) The Number of Applications

Year/ Month	2015 12	2016 1	2015/1 - 12 (Cum Sum of 2015)	2014/1 - 12 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/1 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/1 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015
Patents & Utility Models	29,103 (▲3.9)	21,738 (▲6.4)	325,581 (▲2.3)	333,084 (▲0.9)	256,638 (▲3.3)	265,521 (▲1.2)	74,788 (▲3.8)	81,907 (▲1.9)	78,205 (▲3.6)
Patents	28,534 (▲4.0)	21,267 (▲6.3)	318,721 (▲2.2)	325,989 (▲0.7)	251,000 (▲3.4)	259,700 (▲1.1)	73,014 (▲3.9)	80,197 (▲1.8)	76,522 (▲3.6)
Utility Models	569 (0.7)	471 (▲10.5)	6,860 (▲3.3)	7,095 (▲6.9)	5,638 (▲3.1)	5,821 (▲7.9)	1,774 (▲0.3)	1,710 (▲5.6)	1,683 (▲1.2)
Designs	2,671 (▲8.2)	2,198 (8.8)	29,903 (0.6)	29,738 (▲4.5)	24,703 (0.9)	24,490 (▲5.2)	7,270 (▲0.2)	7,243 (▲1.6)	7,992 (2.1)
National Applications	2,560 (▲12.0)	2,052 (1.6)	29,451 (▲1.0)	29,738 (▲4.5)	24,105 (▲1.6)	24,490 (▲5.2)	7,253 (▲0.4)	7,078 (▲3.9)	7,722 (▲1.3)
Trademarks	14,764 (31.2)	12,282 (12.7)	147,283 (18.4)	124,442 (5.8)	125,562 (17.8)	106,606 (7.9)	35,966 (9.8)	36,641 (18.5)	40,673 (26.9)
National Applications	12,709 (29.1)	11,313 (16.5)	131,299 (17.5)	111,770 (7.5)	111,948 (17.0)	95,662 (9.1)	32,379 (9.1)	32,644 (16.7)	35,612 (25.9)
Total Number	46,538 (4.7)	36,218 (0.2)	502,767 (3.2)	487,264 (0.5)	406,903 (2.6)	396,617 (0.8)	118,024 (0.2)	125,791 (3.3)	126,870 (4.9)
Trademark Class Counts	33,224 (64.3)	25,607 (▲9.7)	313,333 (47.1)	212,978 (20.2)	263,677 (35.1)	195,153 (29.7)	72,923 (27.7)	81,478 (50.6)	83,669 (50.5)

(2) The Number of International Applications

Year/ Month	2015 12	2016 1	2015/1 - 12 (Cum Sum of 2015)	2014/1 - 12 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/1 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/1 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015	
P C T	RO	3,453 (▲4.6)	3,327 (2.8)	43,097 (4.4)	41,292 (▲4.1)	34,214 (3.7)	32,991 (▲2.9)	10,031 (6.1)	10,662 (3.7)	10,194 (1.7)
	DO	5,064 (▲3.0)	4,377 (▲3.4)	60,591 (3.6)	58,464 (7.8)	50,871 (3.4)	49,208 (7.3)	15,403 (▲0.3)	16,902 (17.3)	14,189 (▲4.3)
Hague Agreement	OO	7 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	21 (0.0)	-	23 (0.0)	-	3 (0.0)	4 (0.0)	14 (0.0)
	DO	111 (0.0)	146 (0.0)	452 (0.0)	-	598 (0.0)	-	17 (0.0)	165 (0.0)	270 (0.0)
Madrid Protocol	OO	195 (5.4)	143 (5.1)	2,157 (7.9)	1,999 (6.3)	1,770 (4.3)	1,697 (10.1)	467 (▲4.3)	593 (14.3)	567 (2.3)
	DO	2,055 (46.0)	969 (▲18.6)	15,984 (26.1)	12,672 (▲7.5)	13,614 (24.4)	10,944 (▲1.4)	3,587 (16.5)	3,997 (36.4)	5,061 (35.2)

(3) The Number of Requests for Patent Examination and Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion

Year/ Month	2015 12	2016 1	2015/1 - 12 (Cum Sum of 2015)	2014/1 - 12 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/1 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/1 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015
Request for Patent Examination	20,325 (5.0)	18,700 (▲8.1)	241,412 (▲1.7)	245,535 (2.2)	191,815 (▲3.3)	198,348 (0.8)	55,522 (▲1.0)	59,543 (▲4.5)	58,050 (▲2.6)
Year-on-Year	19,353 (5.2)	20,466 (5.5)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion	26 (▲16.1)	27 (80.0)	422 (5.2)	401 (▲8.2)	336 (3.4)	325 (▲8.2)	114 (11.8)	109 (11.2)	86 (▲21.8)

(4) The Number of Requests for Trials and Appeals (Patents, Utility Models and Designs)

Year/ Month		2015 12	2016 1	2015/1 - 12 (Cum Sum of 2015)	2014/1 - 12 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/1 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/1 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,698 (▲27.5)	1,369 (▲27.1)	21,858 (▲15.0)	25,710 (4.3)	17,551 (▲20.3)	22,027 (5.7)	6,160 (▲4.4)	5,084 (▲25.1)	4,938 (▲28.6)
	Trials for Invalidation	12 (▲36.8)	10 (▲37.5)	227 (5.6)	215 (▲13.0)	139 (▲23.2)	181 (▲13.8)	41 (▲29.3)	43 (▲20.4)	45 (▲15.1)
	Trials for Correction	20 (▲16.7)	14 (16.7)	150 (▲28.6)	210 (▲11.8)	136 (▲21.4)	173 (▲19.9)	42 (5.0)	40 (▲24.5)	40 (▲41.2)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (▲100.0)	2 (0.0)	28 (▲28.2)	39 (34.5)	23 (▲37.8)	37 (48.0)	7 (▲22.2)	10 (▲16.7)	4 (▲71.4)
	oppositions	127 (0.0)	87 (0.0)	389 (0.0)		476 (0.0)		2 (0.0)	50 (0.0)	337 (0.0)
	Total	1,857 (▲22.4)	1,482 (▲22.3)	22,652 (▲13.5)	26,174 (4.0)	18,325 (▲18.3)	22,418 (5.3)	6,252 (▲4.5)	5,227 (▲24.4)	5,364 (▲23.9)

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Utility Models	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
	Trials for Invalidation	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	8 (▲11.1)	9 (125.0)	8 (14.3)	7 (16.7)	2 (▲60.0)	3 (200.0)	3 (200.0)
	Trials for Correction	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)
	Total	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	9 (▲10.0)	10 (150.0)	9 (12.5)	8 (33.3)	2 (▲60.0)	3 (200.0)	4 (100.0)

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Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	26 (▲43.5)	29 (93.3)	391 (0.5)	389 (7.2)	336 (5.0)	320 (▲3.3)	86 (▲6.5)	116 (22.1)	105 (▲11.0)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (▲100.0)	0 (0.0)	11 (▲42.1)	19 (▲5.0)	7 (▲56.3)	16 (33.3)	2 (▲60.0)	5 (▲16.7)	0 (▲100.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	6 (▲57.1)	14 (0.0)	5 (▲54.5)	11 (▲8.3)	1 (▲75.0)	2 (▲66.7)	2 (100.0)
	Total	27 (▲43.8)	29 (93.3)	408 (▲3.3)	422 (6.3)	348 (0.3)	347 (▲2.3)	89 (▲11.9)	123 (15.0)	107 (▲13.7)

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Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	50 (▲37.5)	40 (▲35.5)	853 (0.9)	845 (▲16.5)	709 (6.8)	664 (▲27.0)	262 (38.6)	248 (22.2)	159 (▲24.3)
	Trials for Invalidation	3 (▲84.2)	5 (▲50.0)	100 (▲13.0)	115 (19.8)	82 (▲18.8)	101 (36.5)	34 (6.3)	21 (50.0)	22 (▲51.1)
	Trials for Cancellation	76 (▲15.6)	55 (▲3.5)	964 (▲12.3)	1,099 (▲7.6)	788 (▲13.0)	906 (▲9.0)	265 (5.2)	221 (▲29.8)	247 (▲12.4)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (▲81.8)	11 (57.1)	1 (▲83.3)	6 (▲25.0)	1 (▲83.3)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
	Oppositions	52 (40.5)	26 (▲44.7)	461 (17.3)	393 (▲17.8)	365 (7.4)	340 (▲17.9)	129 (27.7)	99 (▲1.0)	111 (20.7)
	Total	181 (▲19.9)	126 (▲28.4)	2,380 (▲3.4)	2,463 (▲11.5)	1,945 (▲3.6)	2,017 (▲16.0)	691 (19.1)	589 (▲6.8)	539 (▲14.3)