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(1) The Number of Applications

Year/ Month	2016 1	2	2016/1 - 2 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 2 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/2 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/2 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015
Patents & Utility Models	21,614 (▲7.0)	26,730 (0.5)	48,344 (▲3.0)	49,829 (▲0.4)	283,244 (▲3.0)	292,115 (▲1.2)	74,788 (▲3.8)	81,907 (▲1.9)	78,205 (▲3.6)
Patents	21,120 (▲7.0)	26,238 (0.6)	47,358 (▲2.9)	48,791 (▲0.2)	277,091 (▲3.0)	285,782 (▲1.0)	73,014 (▲3.9)	80,197 (▲1.8)	76,522 (▲3.6)
Utility Models	494 (▲6.1)	492 (▲3.9)	986 (▲5.0)	1,038 (▲9.0)	6,153 (▲2.8)	6,333 (▲8.0)	1,774 (▲0.3)	1,710 (▲5.6)	1,683 (▲1.2)
Designs	2,223 (10.0)	2,650 (7.9)	4,873 (8.9)	4,475 (▲0.3)	27,378 (1.6)	26,945 (▲4.4)	7,270 (▲0.2)	7,243 (▲1.6)	7,992 (2.1)
National Applications	2,077 (2.8)	2,474 (0.8)	4,551 (1.7)	4,475 (▲0.3)	26,604 (▲1.3)	26,945 (▲4.4)	7,253 (▲0.4)	7,078 (▲3.9)	7,722 (▲1.3)
Trademarks	12,370 (13.5)	12,587 (20.3)	24,957 (16.8)	21,365 (17.6)	138,237 (18.1)	117,069 (8.4)	35,966 (9.8)	36,641 (18.5)	40,673 (26.9)
National Applications	11,401 (17.4)	11,212 (20.3)	22,613 (18.8)	19,035 (17.7)	123,248 (17.4)	104,985 (9.4)	32,379 (9.1)	32,644 (16.7)	35,612 (25.9)
Total Number	36,207 (0.1)	41,967 (6.2)	78,174 (3.3)	75,669 (4.1)	448,859 (2.9)	436,129 (1.0)	118,024 (0.2)	125,791 (3.3)	126,870 (4.9)
Trademark Class Counts	35,581 (25.4)	23,395 (9.0)	58,976 (18.4)	49,819 (76.2)	297,055 (37.1)	216,608 (31.3)	72,928 (27.7)	81,478 (50.6)	83,673 (50.5)

(2) The Number of International Applications

Year/ Month	2016 1	2	2016/1 - 2 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 2 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/2 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/2 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015	
P C T	RO	3,327 (2.8)	3,914 (0.6)	7,241 (1.6)	7,126 (12.2)	38,128 (3.4)	36,880 (▲1.3)	10,031 (6.1)	10,662 (3.7)	10,194 (1.7)
	DO	4,377 (▲3.4)	4,587 (4.3)	8,964 (0.4)	8,925 (2.2)	55,458 (3.5)	53,604 (6.6)	15,403 (▲0.3)	16,902 (17.3)	14,189 (▲4.3)
Hague Agreement	OO	2 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	5 (0.0)	-	26 (0.0)	-	3 (0.0)	4 (0.0)	14 (0.0)
	DO	146 (0.0)	176 (0.0)	322 (0.0)	-	774 (0.0)	-	17 (0.0)	165 (0.0)	270 (0.0)
Madrid Protocol	OO	143 (5.1)	200 (25.8)	343 (16.3)	295 (9.3)	1,970 (6.1)	1,856 (9.3)	467 (▲4.3)	593 (14.3)	567 (2.3)
	DO	969 (▲18.6)	1,375 (20.6)	2,344 (0.6)	2,330 (16.9)	14,989 (24.0)	12,084 (▲0.0)	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	2016 1	2	2016/1 - 2 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 2 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/2 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/2 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015
Request for Patent Examination	18,714 (▲8.1)	23,701 (6.7)	42,415 (▲0.4)	42,568 (▲3.3)	215,530 (▲2.3)	220,563 (0.1)	55,522 (▲1.0)	59,543 (▲4.5)	58,050 (▲2.6)
Year-on-Year	20,466 (5.5)	23,554 (11.5)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion	27 (80.0)	34 (3.0)	61 (27.1)	48 (▲23.8)	370 (3.4)	358 (▲7.3)	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		2016 1	2	2016/1 - 2 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 2 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/2 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/2 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,369 (▲27.1)	1,571 (▲16.5)	2,940 (▲21.8)	3,759 (▲1.0)	19,122 (▲20.0)	23,908 (4.5)	6,160 (▲4.4)	5,084 (▲25.1)	4,938 (▲28.6)
	Trials for Invalidation	10 (▲37.5)	17 (▲37.0)	27 (▲37.2)	43 (48.3)	156 (▲25.0)	208 (▲6.7)	41 (▲29.3)	43 (▲20.4)	45 (▲15.1)
	Trials for Correction	14 (16.7)	15 (114.3)	29 (52.6)	19 (▲53.7)	151 (▲16.1)	180 (▲22.4)	42 (5.0)	40 (▲24.5)	40 (▲41.2)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	2 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	5 (0.0)	5 (0.0)	26 (▲35.0)	40 (60.0)	7 (▲22.2)	10 (▲16.7)	4 (▲71.4)
	oppositions	87 (0.0)	111 (0.0)	198 (0.0)	-	587 (0.0)	-	2 (0.0)	50 (0.0)	337 (0.0)
	Total	1,482 (▲22.3)	1,717 (▲10.5)	3,199 (▲16.4)	3,826 (▲1.0)	20,042 (▲17.6)	24,336 (4.2)	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	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	9 (28.6)	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)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)
	Total	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	10 (25.0)	8 (33.3)	2 (▲60.0)	3 (200.0)	4 (100.0)

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Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	29 (93.3)	42 (10.5)	71 (34.0)	53 (6.0)	378 (5.6)	358 (2.9)	86 (▲6.5)	116 (22.1)	105 (▲11.0)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	0 (▲100.0)	3 (0.0)	7 (▲63.2)	19 (46.2)	2 (▲60.0)	5 (▲16.7)	0 (▲100.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (▲66.7)	6 (▲50.0)	12 (▲20.0)	1 (▲75.0)	2 (▲66.7)	2 (100.0)
	Total	29 (93.3)	43 (2.4)	72 (26.3)	57 (1.8)	391 (0.5)	389 (3.5)	89 (▲11.9)	123 (15.0)	107 (▲13.7)

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Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	40 (▲35.5)	66 (▲10.8)	106 (▲22.1)	136 (▲8.7)	775 (5.0)	738 (▲25.0)	262 (38.6)	248 (22.2)	159 (▲24.3)
	Trials for Invalidation	5 (▲50.0)	10 (100.0)	15 (0.0)	15 (25.0)	92 (▲13.2)	106 (30.9)	34 (6.3)	21 (50.0)	22 (▲51.1)
	Trials for Cancellation	55 (▲3.5)	91 (13.8)	146 (6.6)	137 (▲13.3)	879 (▲10.9)	986 (▲9.1)	265 (5.2)	221 (▲29.8)	247 (▲12.4)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	1 (▲83.3)	6 (▲25.0)	1 (▲83.3)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
	Oppositions	26 (▲44.7)	31 (▲13.9)	57 (▲31.3)	83 (22.1)	396 (5.3)	376 (▲16.3)	129 (27.7)	99 (▲1.0)	111 (20.7)
	Total	126 (▲28.4)	198 (1.5)	324 (▲12.7)	371 (▲4.6)	2,143 (▲3.1)	2,212 (▲15.2)	691 (19.1)	589 (▲6.8)	539 (▲14.3)