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(1) The Number of Applications

Year/ Month	2016 2	3	2016/1 - 3 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 3 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/3 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/3 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015	Q4 of FY2015	2015/1-12 (Total of 2015)
Patents & Utility Models	26,784 (0.7)	40,880 (0.1)	89,479 (▲1.3)	90,681 (▲0.1)	324,379 (▲2.6)	332,967 (▲1.0)	74,788 (▲3.8)	81,907 (▲1.9)	78,205 (▲3.6)	89,479 (▲1.3)	325,581 (▲2.3)
Patents	26,277 (0.7)	40,284 (0.2)	87,881 (▲1.2)	88,988 (▲0.0)	317,614 (▲2.6)	325,979 (▲0.9)	73,014 (▲3.9)	80,197 (▲1.8)	76,522 (▲3.6)	87,881 (▲1.2)	318,721 (▲2.2)
Utility Models	507 (▲1.0)	596 (▲9.0)	1,598 (▲5.6)	1,693 (▲5.9)	6,765 (▲3.2)	6,988 (▲7.3)	1,774 (▲0.3)	1,710 (▲5.6)	1,683 (▲1.2)	1,598 (▲5.6)	6,860 (▲3.3)
Designs	2,691 (9.6)	2,976 (1.8)	7,990 (6.7)	7,398 (1.8)	30,395 (1.8)	29,868 (▲3.5)	7,270 (▲0.2)	7,243 (▲1.6)	7,992 (2.1)	7,890 (6.7)	29,903 (0.6)
National Applications	2,515 (2.4)	2,784 (▲4.8)	7,376 (▲0.3)	7,398 (1.8)	29,429 (▲1.5)	29,868 (▲3.5)	7,253 (▲0.4)	7,078 (▲3.9)	7,722 (▲1.3)	7,376 (▲0.3)	29,451 (▲1.0)
Trademarks	12,624 (20.7)	16,992 (34.5)	41,986 (23.5)	34,003 (18.3)	155,266 (19.7)	129,707 (9.4)	35,966 (9.8)	36,641 (18.5)	40,673 (26.9)	41,986 (23.5)	147,283 (18.4)
National Applications	11,249 (20.7)	15,417 (32.6)	38,067 (24.1)	30,664 (18.8)	138,702 (18.9)	116,614 (10.5)	32,379 (9.1)	32,644 (16.7)	35,612 (25.9)	38,067 (24.1)	131,299 (17.5)
Total Number	42,099 (6.5)	60,848 (7.9)	139,355 (5.5)	132,082 (4.2)	510,040 (3.6)	492,542 (1.4)	118,024 (0.2)	125,791 (3.3)	126,870 (4.9)	139,355 (5.5)	502,767 (3.2)
Trademark Class Counts	27,669 (29.0)	40,706 (60.0)	103,963 (38.1)	75,263 (62.9)	342,042 (41.3)	242,052 (32.3)	72,928 (27.7)	81,478 (50.6)	83,673 (50.5)	103,963 (38.1)	313,342 (47.1)

(2) The Number of International Applications

Year/ Month	2016 2	3	2016/1 - 3 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 3 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/3 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/3 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015	Q4 of FY2015	2015/1-12 (Total of 2015)	
P C T	RO	3,914 (0.6)	5,533 (8.8)	12,774 (4.6)	12,210 (5.8)	43,661 (4.0)	41,964 (▲1.4)	10,031 (6.1)	10,662 (3.7)	10,194 (1.7)	12,774 (4.6)	43,097 (4.4)
	DO	4,588 (4.4)	4,992 (▲3.5)	13,957 (▲1.0)	14,097 (2.3)	60,451 (2.8)	58,776 (6.2)	15,403 (▲0.3)	16,902 (17.3)	14,189 (▲4.3)	13,957 (▲1.0)	60,591 (3.6)
Hague Agreement	OO	3 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	8 (0.0)	-	29 (0.0)	-	3 (0.0)	4 (0.0)	14 (0.0)	8 (0.0)	21 (0.0)
	DO	176 (0.0)	192 (0.0)	514 (0.0)	-	966 (0.0)	-	17 (0.0)	165 (0.0)	270 (0.0)	514 (0.0)	452 (0.0)
Madrid Protocol	OO	200 (25.8)	206 (▲12.3)	549 (3.6)	530 (21.0)	2,176 (4.1)	2,091 (12.1)	467 (▲4.3)	593 (14.3)	567 (2.3)	549 (3.6)	2,157 (7.9)
	DO	1,375 (20.6)	1,575 (56.1)	3,919 (17.4)	3,339 (14.4)	16,564 (26.5)	13,093 (0.6)	3,587 (16.5)	3,997 (36.4)	5,061 (35.2)	3,919 (17.4)	15,984 (26.1)

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

Year/ Month	2016 2	3	2016/1 - 3 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 3 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/3 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/3 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015	Q4 of FY2015	2015/1-12 (Total of 2015)
Request for Patent Examination	23,710 (6.7)	25,444 (▲1.1)	67,868 (▲0.6)	68,297 (1.1)	240,983 (▲2.2)	246,292 (1.0)	55,522 (▲1.0)	59,543 (▲4.5)	58,050 (▲2.6)	67,868 (▲0.6)	241,412 (▲1.7)
Year-on-Year	23,554 (11.5)	23,520 (▲0.4)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion	35 (6.1)	33 (▲49.2)	95 (▲15.9)	113 (24.2)	404 (▲4.5)	423 (2.2)	114 (11.8)	109 (11.2)	86 (▲21.8)	95 (▲15.9)	422 (5.2)

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

Year/ Month		2016 2	3	2016/1 - 3 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 3 (Year-on-Year)	2015/4 - 2016/3 (Cum Sum of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/3 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2015	Q2 of FY2015	Q3 of FY2015	Q4 of FY2015	2015/1-12 (Total of 2015)
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,571 (▲16.5)	1,575 (▲17.8)	4,515 (▲20.5)	5,676 (2.1)	20,697 (▲19.9)	25,825 (4.8)	6,160 (▲4.4)	5,084 (▲25.1)	4,938 (▲28.6)	4,515 (▲20.5)	21,858 (▲15.0)
	Trials for Invalidation	17 (▲37.0)	10 (▲81.8)	37 (▲62.2)	98 (96.0)	166 (▲36.9)	263 (7.8)	41 (▲29.3)	43 (▲20.4)	45 (▲15.1)	37 (▲62.2)	227 (5.6)
	Trials for Correction	15 (114.3)	18 (100.0)	47 (67.9)	28 (▲42.9)	169 (▲10.6)	189 (▲21.3)	42 (5.0)	40 (▲24.5)	40 (▲41.2)	47 (67.9)	150 (▲28.6)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	3 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	7 (0.0)	7 (75.0)	28 (▲33.3)	42 (44.8)	7 (▲22.2)	10 (▲16.7)	4 (▲71.4)	7 (0.0)	28 (▲28.2)
	oppositions	111 (0.0)	97 (0.0)	295 (0.0)	-	684 (0.0)	-	2 (0.0)	50 (0.0)	337 (0.0)	295 (0.0)	389 (0.0)
	Total	1,717 (▲10.5)	1,702 (▲14.2)	4,901 (▲15.6)	5,809 (2.6)	21,744 (▲17.4)	26,319 (4.6)	6,252 (▲4.5)	5,227 (▲24.4)	5,364 (▲23.9)	4,901 (▲15.6)	22,652 (▲13.5)

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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)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
	Trials for Invalidation	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	9 (28.6)	7 (16.7)	2 (▲60.0)	3 (200.0)	3 (200.0)	1 (0.0)	8 (▲11.1)
	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)	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)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)
	Total	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	10 (25.0)	8 (33.3)	2 (▲60.0)	3 (200.0)	4 (100.0)	1 (0.0)	9 (▲10.0)

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Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	42 (10.5)	25 (▲19.4)	96 (14.3)	84 (0.0)	403 (3.6)	389 (1.8)	86 (▲6.5)	116 (22.1)	105 (▲11.0)	96 (14.3)	391 (0.5)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (▲100.0)	6 (500.0)	6 (50.0)	4 (33.3)	13 (▲35.0)	20 (53.8)	2 (▲60.0)	5 (▲16.7)	0 (▲100.0)	6 (50.0)	11 (▲42.1)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (▲66.7)	6 (▲50.0)	12 (▲20.0)	1 (▲75.0)	2 (▲66.7)	2 (100.0)	1 (0.0)	6 (▲57.1)
	Total	43 (2.4)	31 (▲3.1)	103 (15.7)	89 (▲1.1)	422 (0.2)	421 (2.7)	89 (▲11.9)	123 (15.0)	107 (▲13.7)	103 (15.7)	408 (▲3.3)

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Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	67 (▲9.5)	45 (▲6.3)	152 (▲17.4)	184 (▲24.3)	821 (4.5)	786 (▲27.1)	262 (38.6)	248 (22.2)	159 (▲24.3)	152 (▲17.4)	853 (0.9)
	Trials for Invalidation	11 (120.0)	11 (37.5)	27 (17.4)	23 (▲4.2)	104 (▲8.8)	114 (22.6)	34 (6.3)	21 (50.0)	22 (▲51.1)	27 (17.4)	100 (▲13.0)
	Trials for Cancellation	91 (13.8)	81 (▲13.8)	227 (▲1.7)	231 (▲7.6)	960 (▲11.1)	1,080 (▲8.2)	265 (5.2)	221 (▲29.8)	247 (▲12.4)	227 (▲1.7)	964 (▲12.3)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (▲80.0)	2 (▲71.4)	7 (▲36.4)	1 (▲83.3)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	2 (▲81.8)
	Oppositions	33 (▲8.3)	29 (▲25.6)	88 (▲27.9)	122 (22.0)	427 (2.9)	415 (▲13.7)	129 (27.7)	99 (▲1.0)	111 (20.7)	88 (▲27.9)	461 (17.3)
	Total	202 (3.6)	167 (▲12.1)	495 (▲11.8)	561 (▲9.8)	2,314 (▲3.7)	2,402 (▲15.4)	691 (19.1)	589 (▲6.8)	539 (▲14.3)	495 (▲11.8)	2,380 (▲3.4)