

Statistical Report (Overview)

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(1) The Number of Applications

Year/ Month	2016 3	4	2016/1 - 4 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 4 (Year-on-Year)	2015/1 - 12 (Total of 2015)	2015/4 - 2016/3 (Total of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/3 (Total of FY2014)
Patents & Utility Models	40,926 (0.2)	24,111 (▲2.8)	113,636 (▲1.6)	115,477 (▲0.1)	325,581 (▲2.3)	324,425 (▲2.6)	332,967 (▲1.0)
Patents	40,323 (0.3)	23,643 (▲2.2)	111,563 (▲1.4)	113,169 (▲0.1)	318,721 (▲2.2)	317,653 (▲2.6)	325,979 (▲0.9)
Utility Models	603 (▲7.9)	468 (▲23.9)	2,073 (▲10.2)	2,308 (▲2.3)	6,860 (▲3.3)	6,772 (▲3.1)	6,988 (▲7.3)
Designs	3,000 (2.6)	2,410 (▲4.9)	10,324 (3.9)	9,932 (3.2)	29,903 (0.6)	30,419 (1.8)	29,868 (▲3.5)
National Applications	(2808.0) (▲3.9)	(2222.0) (▲12.3)	(9622.0) (▲3.1)	(9932.0) (3.2)	(29451.0) (▲1.0)	(29453.0) (▲1.4)	(29868.0) (▲3.5)
Trademarks	17,002 (34.5)	12,027 (▲12.4)	54,023 (13.2)	47,725 (21.0)	147,283 (18.4)	155,276 (19.7)	129,707 (9.4)
National Applications	15,427 (32.7)	11,466 (▲8.0)	49,543 (14.9)	43,122 (21.5)	131,299 (17.5)	138,712 (18.9)	116,614 (10.5)
Total Number	60,928 (8.0)	38,548 (▲6.1)	177,983 (2.8)	173,134 (5.2)	502,767 (3.2)	510,120 (3.6)	492,542 (1.4)
Trademark Class Counts	47,240 (85.7)	25,806 (▲12.5)	136,302 (30.1)	104,759 (66.4)	313,342 (47.1)	348,575 (44.0)	242,052 (32.3)

(2) The Number of International Applications

Year/ Month	2016 3	4	2016/1 - 4 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 4 (Year-on-Year)	2015/1 - 12 (Total of 2015)	2015/4 - 2016/3 (Total of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/3 (Total of FY2014)
PCT	RO	5,533 (8.8)	3,002 (▲4.8)	15,776 (2.7)	15,365 (6.4)	43,097 (4.4)	41,964 (▲1.4)
	DO	4,993 (▲3.5)	5,304 (3.9)	19,262 (0.3)	19,204 (2.8)	60,591 (3.6)	58,776 (6.2)
Hague Agreement	OO	3 (0.0)	7 (0.0)	15 (0.0)	-	21 (0.0)	-
	DO	192 (0.0)	188 (0.0)	702 (0.0)	-	452 (0.0)	966 (0.0)
Madrid Protocol	OO	206 (▲12.3)	166 (▲2.4)	715 (2.1)	700 (15.9)	2,157 (7.9)	2,091 (12.1)
	DO	1,575 (56.1)	561 (▲55.6)	4,480 (▲2.7)	4,603 (16.7)	15,984 (26.1)	13,093 (0.6)

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

Year/ Month	2016 3	4	2016/1 - 4 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 4 (Year-on-Year)	2015/1 - 12 (Total of 2015)	2015/4 - 2016/3 (Total of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/3 (Total of FY2014)
Request for Patent Examination	25,453 (▲1.1)	17,742 (▲4.7)	85,643 (▲1.5)	86,914 (1.8)	241,412 (▲1.7)	241,016 (▲2.1)	246,292 (1.0)
Year-on-Year	23,520 (▲0.4)	17,873 (▲4.9)	-	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion	34 (▲47.7)	25 (▲34.2)	121 (▲19.9)	151 (25.8)	422 (5.2)	405 (▲4.3)	423 (2.2)

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

Year/ Month		2016 3	4	2016/1 - 4 (Cum Sum of 2016)	2015/1 - 4 (Year-on-Year)	2015/1 - 12 (Total of 2015)	2015/4 - 2016/3 (Total of FY2015)	2014/4 - 2015/3 (Total of FY2014)
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,575 (▲17.8)	1,658 (▲21.0)	6,173 (▲20.6)	7,775 (1.6)	21,858 (▲15.0)	20,697 (▲19.9)	25,825 (4.8)
	Trials for Invalidation	10 (▲81.8)	11 (▲42.1)	48 (▲59.0)	117 (74.6)	227 (5.6)	166 (▲36.9)	263 (7.8)
	Trials for Correction	18 (100.0)	14 (7.7)	61 (48.8)	41 (▲30.5)	150 (▲28.6)	169 (▲10.6)	189 (▲21.3)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	2 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	10 (0.0)	10 (42.9)	28 (▲28.2)	28 (▲33.3)	42 (44.8)
	oppositions	97 (0.0)	118 (11700.0)	413 (41200.0)	1 (0.0)	389 (0.0)	684 (0.0)	- (-)
	Total	1,702 (▲14.2)	1,804 (▲15.5)	6,705 (▲15.6)	7,944 (2.0)	22,652 (▲13.5)	21,744 (▲17.4)	26,319 (4.6)

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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)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	8 (▲11.1)	9 (28.6)	7 (16.7)
	Trials for Correction	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)	1 (0.0)
	Total	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	9 (▲10.0)	10 (25.0)	8 (33.3)

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Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	25 (▲19.4)	43 (13.2)	139 (13.9)	122 (17.3)	391 (0.5)	403 (3.6)	389 (1.8)
	Trials for Invalidation	6 (500.0)	1 (0.0)	7 (75.0)	4 (0.0)	11 (▲42.1)	13 (▲35.0)	20 (53.8)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (▲80.0)	6 (▲57.1)	6 (▲50.0)	12 (▲20.0)
	Total	31 (▲3.1)	44 (15.8)	147 (15.7)	127 (12.4)	408 (▲3.3)	422 (0.2)	421 (2.7)

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Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	46 (▲4.2)	48 (▲28.4)	201 (▲19.9)	251 (▲20.1)	853 (0.9)	822 (4.6)	786 (▲27.1)
	Trials for Invalidation	12 (50.0)	3 (▲76.9)	31 (▲13.9)	36 (20.0)	100 (▲13.0)	105 (▲7.9)	114 (22.6)
	Trials for Cancellation	81 (▲13.8)	76 (▲15.6)	303 (▲5.6)	321 (▲2.4)	964 (▲12.3)	960 (▲11.1)	1,080 (▲8.2)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	1 (▲50.0)	2 (▲66.7)	2 (▲81.8)	2 (▲71.4)	7 (▲36.4)
	Oppositions	31 (▲20.5)	29 (▲12.1)	119 (▲23.2)	155 (18.3)	461 (17.3)	429 (3.4)	415 (▲13.7)
	Total	171 (▲10.0)	156 (▲23.5)	655 (▲14.4)	765 (▲5.6)	2,380 (▲3.4)	2,318 (▲3.5)	2,402 (▲15.4)