

Preliminary Statistical Data on Filing Applications and Requests

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1. Preliminary Statistical Data

(1) The Number of Applications

Year/Month	2016 2	3	4	5	6	7	2016 1 - 7	2016/4 -7 Cum Sum of	2015 1 - 7	2015/4 - 2016/3 Total of FY2015
Patents & Utility Models	26,784 (0.7)	40,926 (0.2)	24,243 (▲ 2.2)	22,568 (1.0)	28,208 (2.0)	24,506 (▲ 5.7)	189,050 (▲ 1.3)	99,525 (▲ 1.2)	191,456 (▲ 2.1)	324,425 (▲ 2.6)
Patents	26,277 (0.7)	40,323 (0.3)	23,741 (▲ 1.8)	22,041 (1.1)	27,568 (2.0)	23,962 (▲ 5.6)	185,232 (▲ 1.2)	97,312 (▲ 1.1)	187,397 (▲ 2.0)	317,653 (▲ 2.6)
Utility Models	507 (▲ 1.0)	603 (▲ 7.9)	502 (▲ 18.4)	527 (▲ 3.7)	640 (4.6)	544 (▲ 8.1)	3,818 (▲ 5.9)	2,213 (▲ 6.5)	4,059 (▲ 4.2)	6,772 (▲ 3.1)
Designs	2,691 (9.6)	3,000 (2.6)	2,449 (▲ 3.4)	2,250 (▲ 2.2)	2,513 (3.2)	2,495 (▲ 7.3)	17,621 (1.5)	9,707 (▲ 2.6)	17,360 (2.8)	30,419 (1.8)
National Applications	2,515 (2.4)	2,808 (▲ 3.9)	2,261 (▲ 10.8)	2,106 (▲ 8.5)	2,374 (▲ 1.8)	2,312 (▲ 13.3)	16,453 (▲ 5.0)	9,053 (▲ 8.7)	17,318 (2.5)	29,453 (▲ 1.4)
Trademarks	12,623 (20.6)	17,001 (34.5)	12,362 (▲ 9.9)	10,739 (4.7)	12,999 (8.5)	11,463 (▲ 13.6)	89,557 (7.6)	47,563 (▲ 3.4)	83,239 (14.3)	155,274 (19.7)
National Applications	11,248 (20.6)	15,427 (32.7)	11,801 (▲ 5.3)	10,215 (12.2)	12,103 (11.9)	10,547 (▲ 9.2)	82,742 (10.8)	44,666 (1.5)	74,665 (13.8)	138,711 (18.9)
Total Number	42,098 (6.5)	60,927 (8.0)	39,054 (▲ 4.9)	35,557 (1.9)	43,720 (3.9)	38,464 (▲ 8.3)	296,228 (1.4)	156,795 (▲ 2.0)	292,055 (2.4)	510,118 (3.6)
Trademarks Class Counts	27,668 (29.0)	47,236 (85.6)	28,083 (▲ 4.8)	23,454 (13.4)	26,544 (16.6)	18,424 (▲ 43.7)	206,997 (14.4)	96,505 (▲ 8.7)	180,916 (46.8)	348,571 (44.0)

• The total number represents the sum of the numbers of each type of applications, excluding the Trademark class

(2) The Number of International Applications

The figures in the brackets indicate the increase/decrease from the previous year.

		2016 2	3	4	5	6	7	2016 1 - 7	2016/4 -7 Cum Sum of	2015 1 - 7	2015/4 - 2016/3 Total of FY2015
Patents	RO	3,914 (0.6)	5,533 (8.8)	3,002 (▲ 4.8)	2,956 (▲ 4.6)	3,990 (5.7)	3,273 (▲ 7.9)	25,995 (0.8)	13,221 (▲ 2.7)	25,793 (5.9)	43,661 (4.0)
	DO	4,588 (4.4)	4,992 (▲ 3.5)	5,306 (3.9)	4,574 (0.4)	5,959 (3.8)	4,297 (▲ 7.5)	34,093 (▲ 0.1)	20,136 (0.4)	34,144 (1.0)	60,451 (2.8)
Designs	OO	3 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	7 (0.0)	3 (50.0)	1 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	22 (633.3)	14 (366.7)	3 (0.0)	29 (0.0)
	DO	176 (0.0)	192 (0.0)	188 (0.0)	144 (0.0)	139 (717.6)	183 (632.0)	1,168 (2,681.0)	654 (1,457.1)	42 (0.0)	966 (0.0)
Trademarks	OO	200 (25.8)	206 (▲ 12.3)	167 (▲ 1.8)	169 (20.7)	212 (35.0)	185 (▲ 14.4)	1,282 (5.7)	733 (7.3)	1,213 (9.6)	2,176 (4.1)
	DO	1,375 (20.6)	1,574 (56.0)	561 (▲ 55.6)	524 (▲ 54.7)	896 (▲ 23.2)	916 (▲ 44.4)	6,815 (▲ 20.5)	2,897 (▲ 44.7)	8,574 (18.5)	16,563 (26.5)

The number of PCT international applications filed with the JPO as a designated office is also included in the number of applications for patents and utility models.

The number of international applications for design registration filed with the JPO as a designated office is also included in the number of application for designs.

The number of international applications for trademark registration filed with the JPO as a designated offices is also included in the number of trademark applications.

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

The percentages in the brackets () indicate the increase/decrease from the previous year.

Year/Month		2016 2	3	4	5	6	7	2016 1 - 7	2016/4 -7 Cum Sum of	2015 1 - 7	2015/4 - 2016/3 Total of FY2015
Request for Patent Examination		23,722 (6.8)	25,440 (▲ 1.1)	17,783 (▲ 4.5)	16,850 (▲ 3.6)	20,420 (5.1)	19,565 (▲ 1.4)	142,494 (▲ 0.8)	74,618 (▲ 1.0)	143,655 (0.4)	240,991 (▲ 2.2)
	Year-on-Year	22,215 (11.5)	25,729 (▲ 0.4)	18,617 (▲ 4.9)	17,479 (▲ 2.3)	19,426 (2.7)	19,836 (0.9)	- -	- -	- -	- -
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion		35 (6.1)	34 (▲ 47.7)	26 (▲ 31.6)	24 (▲ 36.8)	29 (▲ 23.7)	32 (▲ 27.3)	207 (▲ 23.6)	111 (▲ 29.7)	271 (14.8)	405 (▲ 4.3)

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

Year/Month		2016 2	3	4	5	6	7	2016 1 - 7	2016/4 -7 Cum Sum of	2015 1 - 7	2015/4 - 2016/3 Total of FY2015
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,571 (▲ 16.5)	1,575 (▲ 17.8)	1,658 (▲ 21.0)	1,466 (▲ 22.0)	1,822 (▲ 16.5)	1,547 (▲ 22.1)	11,008 (▲ 20.4)	6,493 (▲ 20.3)	13,821 (▲ 4.4)	20,697 (▲ 19.9)
	Trials for Invalidation	17 (▲ 37.0)	10 (▲ 81.8)	11 (▲ 42.1)	17 (88.9)	12 (▲ 7.7)	14 (0.0)	91 (▲ 40.5)	54 (▲ 1.8)	153 (20.5)	166 (▲ 36.9)
	Trials for Cancellation	15 (114.3)	18 (100.0)	14 (7.7)	10 (11.1)	16 (▲ 20.0)	13 (▲ 23.5)	100 (14.9)	53 (▲ 10.2)	87 (▲ 8.4)	169 (▲ 10.6)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	3 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	10 (233.3)	6 (500.0)	1 (▲ 75.0)	27 (50.0)	20 (81.8)	18 (12.5)	28 (▲ 33.3)
	Oppositions	111 (0.0)	97 (0.0)	118 (11700.0)	121 (0.0)	93 (9200.0)	77 (1000.0)	704 (7722.2)	409 (4444.4)	9 (0.0)	684 (0.0)
	Total	1,717 (▲ 10.5)	1,702 (▲ 14.2)	1,804 (▲ 15.5)	1,624 (▲ 14.6)	1,949 (▲ 12.0)	1,652 (▲ 18.5)	11,930 (▲ 15.3)	7,029 (▲ 15.1)	14,088 (▲ 4.2)	21,744 (▲ 17.4)
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)
	Trials for Invalidation	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	5 (150.0)	1 (▲ 50.0)	9 (125.0)	8 (100.0)	4 (▲ 42.9)	9 (28.6)
	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)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	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)	1 (0.0)
	Total	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	5 (150.0)	1 (▲ 50.0)	9 (125.0)	8 (100.0)	4 (▲ 42.9)	10 (25.0)
Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	42 (10.5)	25 (▲ 19.4)	43 (13.2)	31 (29.2)	25 (4.2)	25 (▲ 16.7)	220 (10.0)	124 (6.9)	200 (0.0)	403 (3.6)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (▲ 100.0)	6 (500.0)	1 (0.0)	4 (100.0)	4 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	17 (112.5)	11 (175.0)	8 (▲ 33.3)	13 (▲ 35.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	2 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	4 (100.0)	3 (200.0)	2 (▲ 77.8)	6 (▲ 50.0)
	Total	43 (2.4)	31 (▲ 3.1)	44 (15.8)	35 (29.6)	4 31 (29.2)	28 (▲ 12.5)	241 (14.8)	138 (14.0)	210 (▲ 5.0)	422 (0.2)

(5) The Number of Requests for Trials and Appeals (Trademarks, Total)

Year/Month		2016 2	3	4	5	6	7	2016 1 - 7	2016/4 - 7 Cum Sum of	2015 1 - 7	2015/4 - 2016/3 Total of FY2015
Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	66 (▲ 10.8)	37 (▲ 22.9)	40 (▲ 40.3)	11 (▲ 85.3)	30 (▲ 75.0)	57 (▲ 36.7)	281 (▲ 47.6)	138 (▲ 60.8)	536 (7.6)	812 (3.3)
	Trials for Invalidation	10 (100.0)	12 (50.0)	3 (▲ 76.9)	8 (▲ 42.9)	4 (▲ 42.9)	6 (▲ 14.3)	48 (▲ 25.0)	21 (▲ 48.8)	64 (6.7)	104 (▲ 8.8)
	Trials for Cancellation	91 (13.8)	78 (▲ 17.0)	76 (▲ 15.6)	84 (▲ 3.4)	103 (17.0)	58 (▲ 40.2)	545 (▲ 8.1)	321 (▲ 11.3)	593 (▲ 1.8)	957 (▲ 11.4)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (▲ 50.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	2 (▲ 81.8)	2 (▲ 71.4)
	Oppositions	31 (▲ 13.9)	30 (▲ 23.1)	32 (▲ 3.0)	31 (▲ 24.4)	31 (▲ 43.6)	47 (9.3)	228 (▲ 22.4)	141 (▲ 18.0)	294 (29.5)	426 (2.7)
	Total	198 (1.5)	158 (▲ 16.8)	151 (▲ 26.0)	134 (▲ 38.2)	168 (▲ 37.8)	168 (▲ 29.1)	1,103 (▲ 25.9)	621 (▲ 33.1)	1,489 (6.4)	2,301 (▲ 4.2)
Total	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,679 (▲ 15.8)	1,637 (▲ 18.0)	1,741 (▲ 21.0)	1,508 (▲ 23.8)	1,877 (▲ 19.3)	1,629 (▲ 22.6)	11,509 (▲ 20.9)	6,755 (▲ 21.6)	14,557 (▲ 4.0)	21,912 (▲ 18.8)
	Trials for Invalidation	28 (▲ 20.0)	28 (▲ 56.3)	15 (▲ 53.1)	31 (24.0)	25 (13.6)	23 (▲ 8.0)	165 (▲ 27.9)	94 (▲ 9.6)	229 (11.2)	292 (▲ 27.7)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	4 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	3 (▲ 25.0)	10 (150.0)	8 (700.0)	2 (▲ 50.0)	32 (45.5)	23 (76.9)	22 (▲ 38.9)	37 (▲ 40.3)
	Trials for Correction (Patents & Utility Models)	15 (114.3)	18 (100.0)	14 (7.7)	10 (11.1)	16 (▲ 20.0)	13 (▲ 23.5)	100 (14.9)	53 (▲ 10.2)	87 (▲ 8.4)	169 (▲ 10.6)
	Trials for Cancellation (Trademarks)	91 (13.8)	78 (▲ 17.0)	76 (▲ 15.6)	84 (▲ 3.4)	103 (17.0)	58 (▲ 40.2)	545 (▲ 8.1)	321 (▲ 11.3)	593 (▲ 1.8)	957 (▲ 11.4)
	Oppositions (Trademarks)	142 (294.4)	127 (225.6)	150 (341.2)	152 (270.7)	124 (121.4)	124 (148.0)	932 (207.6)	550 (203.9)	303 (33.5)	1,110 (167.5)
	Total	1,959 (▲ 9.1)	1,891 (▲ 14.2)	1,999 (▲ 15.9)	1,795 (▲ 16.3)	2,153 (▲ 14.3)	1,849 (▲ 19.5)	13,283 (▲ 15.9)	7,796 (▲ 16.5)	15,791 (▲ 3.3)	24,477 (▲ 16.0)

(6) The Number of Registrations

The percentages in the brackets () indicate the increase/decrease from the previous year.

Year/Month		2016 2	3	4	5	6	7	2016 1 - 7	2016/4 -7 Cum Sum of	2015 1 - 7	2015/4 - 2016/3 Total of FY2015
The Number of Registrations	Patents	14,050 (▲ 6.0)	15,024 (▲ 9.2)	21,007 (26.9)	14,692 (▲ 15.7)	15,566 (9.3)	20,788 (16.1)	117,395 (2.6)	72,053 (9.0)	114,443 (▲ 18.4)	186,384 (▲ 11.5)
	Utility Models	472 (7.0)	666 (28.6)	417 (▲ 29.0)	521 (▲ 2.4)	562 (11.5)	522 (▲ 28.2)	3,737 (▲ 5.2)	2,022 (▲ 14.0)	3,944 (▲ 4.7)	6,818 (▲ 1.6)
	Designs	2,041 (0.7)	1,646 (▲ 25.6)	2,646 (8.7)	1,736 (▲ 32.7)	2,003 (▲ 5.1)	2,631 (0.7)	14,533 (▲ 8.2)	9,016 (▲ 7.4)	15,838 (▲ 4.1)	25,710 (▲ 3.4)
	Trademarks	8,130 (▲ 9.1)	6,774 (▲ 31.0)	11,622 (53.6)	7,778 (▲ 5.8)	8,333 (11.0)	10,688 (12.7)	60,994 (1.2)	38,421 (17.1)	60,275 (11.6)	93,204 (▲ 11.5)
	National Applications	7,231 (▲ 8.0)	5,827 (▲ 33.6)	11,100 (65.9)	7,062 (▲ 0.8)	7,508 (10.9)	9,029 (8.4)	54,510 (2.6)	34,699 (20.1)	53,154 (8.6)	82,156 (▲ 12.9)
	International Applications	899 (▲ 17.2)	947 (▲ 10.0)	522 (▲ 40.3)	716 (▲ 37.5)	825 (11.8)	1,659 (42.9)	6,484 (▲ 8.9)	3,722 (▲ 5.0)	7,121 (40.5)	11,048 (0.7)
	Total	24,693 (▲ 6.3)	24,110 (▲ 17.2)	35,692 (31.5)	24,727 (▲ 14.2)	26,464 (8.6)	34,629 (12.7)	196,659 (1.1)	121,512 (9.4)	194,500 (▲ 9.5)	312,116 (▲ 10.7)
Class Counts of Trademark Registration	12,265 (▲ 11.6)	9,309 (▲ 38.1)	19,278 (50.4)	13,134 (1.9)	13,585 (12.8)	15,724 (3.9)	95,051 (0.0)	61,721 (16.7)	95,045 (10.4)	146,081 (▲ 12.5)	
Trademark Application for Renewal	5,850 (▲ 15.0)	5,422 (▲ 42.4)	13,576 (78.2)	11,642 (85.8)	9,377 (2.3)	8,186 (13.1)	61,191 (14.4)	42,781 (41.2)	53,467 (0.2)	85,218 (▲ 0.8)	