

Statistical Report (Overview)

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(1) The Number of Applications

Year/ Month	2018 1	2	2018/1-2 (Cum Sum of 2018)	2017/1-2 (Year-on-Year)	2017/4 - 2018/2 (Cum Sum of FY2017)	2016/4 - 2017/2 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2017	Q2 of FY2017	Q3 of FY2017
Patents & Utility Models	21,181 (▲1.8)	25,204 (▲6.5)	46,385 (▲4.4)	48,512 (▲0.2)	280,371 (▲1.2)	283,854 (0.1)	74,378 (▲0.9)	78,960 (▲2.2)	80,648 (1.3)
Patents	20,777 (▲1.5)	24,825 (▲6.1)	45,602 (▲4.0)	47,521 (▲0.2)	275,040 (▲1.1)	277,988 (0.2)	72,786 (▲0.8)	77,452 (▲2.0)	79,200 (1.5)
Utility Models	404 (▲14.6)	379 (▲26.8)	783 (▲21.0)	991 (▲1.1)	5,331 (▲9.1)	5,866 (▲4.9)	1,592 (▲4.7)	1,508 (▲10.1)	1,448 (▲5.2)
Designs	2,095 (5.6)	2,489 (▲0.8)	4,584 (2.0)	4,493 (▲8.6)	28,852 (5.1)	27,458 (0.1)	7,663 (6.3)	8,032 (0.9)	8,573 (10.0)
National Applications	2,021 (8.5)	2,330 (0.6)	4,351 (4.2)	4,177 (▲9.0)	26,941 (5.3)	25,573 (▲4.0)	7,204 (6.9)	7,453 (1.2)	7,933 (8.8)
Trademarks	14,725 (33.4)	13,003 (▲28.9)	27,728 (▲5.4)	29,321 (17.3)	169,986 (13.9)	149,189 (7.9)	50,412 (39.6)	45,884 (18.1)	45,962 (2.3)
National Applications	13,710 (35.6)	11,603 (▲32.5)	25,313 (▲7.3)	27,296 (20.5)	153,495 (11.8)	137,245 (11.3)	45,493 (33.3)	41,203 (16.3)	41,486 (2.7)
Total Number	38,001 (9.9)	40,696 (▲14.8)	78,697 (▲4.4)	82,326 (4.9)	479,209 (4.1)	460,501 (2.5)	132,453 (11.9)	132,876 (4.2)	135,183 (2.2)
Trademark Class Counts	52,753 (120.3)	21,344 (▲63.7)	74,097 (▲10.5)	82,793 (30.9)	457,435 (18.1)	387,326 (28.5)	147,533 (88.9)	119,278 (30.6)	116,527 (▲13.8)

(2) The Number of International Applications

Year/ Month	2018 1	2	2018/1-2 (Cum Sum of 2018)	2017/1-2 (Year-on-Year)	2017/4 - 2018/2 (Cum Sum of FY2017)	2016/4 - 2017/2 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2017	Q2 of FY2017	Q3 of FY2017	
P C T	RO	3,330 (▲5.0)	4,347 (▲4.7)	7,677 (▲4.8)	8,068 (11.4)	41,226 (3.6)	39,789 (4.4)	10,408 (4.6)	11,492 (5.2)	11,649 (7.3)
	DO	4,611 (▲0.0)	4,823 (▲2.3)	9,434 (▲1.2)	9,552 (6.6)	56,605 (1.8)	55,625 (0.3)	16,130 (1.8)	15,067 (1.5)	15,974 (3.8)
Hague Agreement	OO	0 (▲100.0)	0 (▲100.0)	0 (▲100.0)	5 (0.0)	26 (▲36.6)	41 (57.7)	7 (▲36.4)	12 (20.0)	7 (▲53.3)
	DO	74 (▲39.3)	159 (▲18.0)	233 (▲26.3)	316 (▲1.9)	1,911 (1.4)	1,885 (143.5)	459 (▲2.5)	579 (▲2.5)	640 (27.0)
Madrid Protocol	OO	235 (50.6)	203 (▲11.7)	438 (13.5)	386 (12.5)	2,335 (5.4)	2,216 (12.5)	518 (▲5.5)	657 (4.0)	722 (11.1)
	DO	1,015 (9.7)	1,400 (27.3)	2,415 (19.3)	2,025 (▲13.6)	16,491 (38.1)	11,944 (▲20.3)	4,919 (148.3)	4,681 (37.0)	4,476 (▲1.0)

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

Year/ Month	2018 1	2	2018/1-2 (Cum Sum of 2018)	2017/1-2 (Year-on-Year)	2017/4 - 2018/2 (Cum Sum of FY2017)	2016/4 - 2017/2 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2017	Q2 of FY2017	Q3 of FY2017
Request for Patent Examination	18,187 (▲7.3)	21,561 (▲2.9)	39,748 (▲5.0)	41,824 (▲1.2)	210,457 (▲1.9)	214,448 (▲0.5)	55,278 (0.3)	58,071 (▲4.4)	57,360 (1.0)
Year-on-Year	19,617 (4.8)	22,207 (▲6.0)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion	25 (4.2)	17 (0.0)	42 (2.4)	41 (▲33.9)	273 (▲4.5)	286 (▲22.9)	81 (5.2)	73 (▲20.7)	77 (1.3)

(4) The Number of Requests for Trials and Appeals

Year/ Month		2018 1	2	2018/1-2 (Cum Sum of 2018)	2017/1-2 (Year-on-Year)	2017/4 - 2018/2 (Cum Sum of FY2017)	2016/4 -2017/2 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2017	Q2 of FY2017	Q3 of FY2017
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,250 (▲6.7)	1,466 (▲3.9)	2,716 (▲5.2)	2,866 (▲2.5)	16,916 (▲1.9)	17,249 (▲9.8)	4,868 (▲1.6)	4,494 (▲3.5)	4,838 (1.2)
	Trials for Invalidation	9 (▲40.0)	17 (70.0)	26 (4.0)	25 (▲7.4)	143 (11.7)	128 (▲17.9)	41 (2.5)	45 (18.4)	31 (24.0)
	Trials for Correction	21 (200.0)	18 (100.0)	39 (143.8)	16 (▲44.8)	173 (31.1)	132 (▲12.6)	35 (▲12.5)	41 (10.8)	58 (48.7)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	2 (▲71.4)	2 (100.0)	4 (▲50.0)	8 (60.0)	30 (▲69.4)	98 (276.9)	7 (▲63.2)	8 (▲20.0)	11 (▲82.0)
	oppositions	89 (2.3)	114 (▲16.8)	203 (▲9.4)	224 (13.1)	1,216 (▲3.7)	1,263 (115.2)	372 (12.0)	302 (▲25.2)	339 (11.9)
	Total	1,371 (▲5.8)	1,617 (▲3.9)	2,988 (▲4.8)	3,139 (▲1.9)	18,478 (▲2.1)	18,870 (▲5.8)	5,323 (▲1.0)	4,890 (▲5.0)	5,277 (1.3)

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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)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	4 (▲55.6)	9 (0.0)	1 (▲85.7)	2 (0.0)	1 (0.0)
	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)	0 (▲100.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
	Total	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	5 (▲44.4)	9 (▲10.0)	2 (▲71.4)	2 (0.0)	1 (0.0)

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Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	48 (60.0)	26 (▲18.8)	74 (19.4)	62 (▲12.7)	384 (9.7)	350 (▲7.4)	115 (16.2)	103 (13.2)	92 (▲6.1)
	Trials for Invalidation	1 (0.0)	2 (100.0)	3 (200.0)	1 (0.0)	15 (▲28.6)	21 (200.0)	4 (▲55.6)	4 (33.3)	4 (▲50.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (▲100.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (▲50.0)	2 (100.0)	10 (25.0)	8 (33.3)	2 (0.0)	4 (33.3)	3 (200.0)
	Total	49 (58.1)	29 (▲14.7)	78 (20.0)	65 (▲9.7)	409 (7.9)	379 (▲3.1)	121 (10.0)	111 (14.4)	99 (▲7.5)

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Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	70 (105.9)	75 (78.6)	145 (90.8)	76 (▲28.3)	712 (59.3)	447 (▲42.3)	186 (129.6)	203 (35.3)	178 (27.1)
	Trials for Invalidation	3 (▲25.0)	8 (0.0)	11 (▲8.3)	12 (▲14.3)	84 (7.7)	78 (▲14.3)	19 (26.7)	27 (58.8)	27 (▲20.6)
	Trials for Cancellation	51 (▲30.1)	64 (▲7.2)	115 (▲19.0)	142 (▲2.7)	879 (0.3)	876 (▲0.3)	254 (▲3.4)	281 (29.5)	229 (▲9.8)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (▲50.0)	0 (▲100.0)	1 (▲66.7)	3 (0.0)	6 (▲25.0)	8 (700.0)	2 (0.0)	2 (▲50.0)	1 (0.0)
	Oppositions	32 (0.0)	21 (▲54.3)	53 (▲32.1)	78 (36.8)	367 (▲17.3)	444 (12.1)	117 (24.5)	87 (▲45.6)	110 (▲1.8)
	Total	157 (8.3)	168 (1.2)	325 (4.5)	311 (▲3.7)	2,048 (10.5)	1,853 (▲13.5)	578 (27.6)	600 (9.5)	545 (0.7)