

Statistical Report (Overview)

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(1) The Number of Applications

Year/ Month		2018 3	4	2018/1-4 (Cum Sum of 2018)	2017/1-4 (Year-on-Year)	2017/1-12 (Total of 2017)	2017/4 - 2018/3 (Cum Sum of FY2017)	2016/4 -2017/3 (Year-on-Year)
Patents & Utility Models		40,802 (▲3.1)	22,883 (▲1.0)	110,156 (▲3.1)	113,712 (▲0.0)	324,584 (▲0.1)	321,259 (▲1.4)	325,940 (0.5)
	Patents	40,313 (▲2.9)	22,515 (▲0.4)	108,498 (▲2.8)	111,646 (▲0.0)	318,479 (0.0)	315,421 (▲1.3)	319,508 (0.6)
	Utility Models	489 (▲13.6)	368 (▲27.7)	1,658 (▲19.7)	2,066 (▲1.9)	6,105 (▲5.8)	5,838 (▲9.2)	6,432 (▲5.0)
Designs		3,246 (1.4)	2,550 (▲4.4)	10,390 (0.3)	10,361 (▲0.0)	31,961 (3.5)	32,108 (4.7)	30,658 (0.8)
	National Applications	2,939 (▲1.3)	2,409 (▲4.6)	9,709 (0.3)	9,681 (0.2)	29,745 (3.3)	29,890 (4.7)	28,551 (▲3.1)
Trademarks		18,405 (▲4.9)	17,288 (▲7.3)	63,449 (▲5.8)	67,335 (23.9)	190,939 (18.0)	188,419 (11.8)	168,549 (8.6)
	National Applications	16,973 (▲6.4)	16,256 (▲5.6)	58,571 (▲6.5)	62,654 (25.6)	173,611 (17.3)	170,497 (9.7)	155,378 (12.0)
Total Number		62,453 (▲3.4)	42,721 (▲3.9)	183,995 (▲3.9)	191,408 (7.2)	547,484 (5.8)	541,786 (3.2)	525,147 (2.9)
Trademark Class Counts		60,595 (1.3)	29,738 (▲56.9)	169,225 (▲20.0)	211,603 (52.7)	525,969 (26.7)	522,825 (16.9)	447,164 (28.3)

(2) The Number of International Applications

Year/ Month		2018 3	4	2018/1-4 (Cum Sum of 2018)	2017/1-4 (Year-on-Year)	2017/1-12 (Total of 2017)	2017/4 - 2018/3 (Cum Sum of FY2017)	2016/4 -2017/3 (Year-on-Year)
P C T	RO	6,377 (9.8)	3,309 (2.2)	17,363 (1.4)	17,115 (8.5)	47,425 (6.6)	47,603 (4.4)	45,597 (4.4)
	DO	5,848 (▲1.7)	5,142 (1.6)	20,423 (▲0.7)	20,565 (6.8)	62,674 (4.4)	62,452 (1.4)	61,576 (1.9)
Hague Agreement	OO	2 (0.0)	5 (66.7)	7 (▲30.0)	10 (▲33.3)	33 (▲25.0)	28 (▲34.9)	43 (48.3)
	DO	307 (38.3)	141 (▲0.7)	681 (0.1)	680 (▲3.1)	2216 (6.4)	2,218 (5.3)	2107 (118.1)
Madrid Protocol	OO	270 (21.6)	248 (29.8)	956 (19.6)	799 (11.6)	2,505 (5.3)	2,605 (6.8)	2,438 (12.0)
	DO	1,432 (16.7)	1,032 (▲27.8)	4,878 (4.2)	4,681 (4.6)	17,328 (25.2)	17,922 (36.1)	13,171 (▲20.5)

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

Year/ Month		2018 3	4	2018/1-4 (Cum Sum of 2018)	2017/1-4 (Year-on-Year)	2017/1-12 (Total of 2017)	2017/4 - 2018/3 (Cum Sum of FY2017)	2016/4 -2017/3 (Year-on-Year)
Request for Patent Examination		24,619 (▲10.8)	16,676 (▲1.1)	81,049 (▲6.0)	86,264 (0.7)	240,118 (▲0.1)	235,082 (▲2.9)	242,033 (0.5)
	Year-on-Year	27,585 (8.3)	16,855 (▲5.5)	-	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion		26 (13.0)	14 (▲41.7)	83 (▲5.7)	88 (▲27.9)	295 (▲13.5)	300 (▲2.9)	309 (▲23.7)

(4) The Number of Requests for Trials and Appeals

Year/ Month		2018 3	4	2018/1-4 (Cum Sum of 2018)	2017/1-4 (Year-on-Year)	2017/1-12 (Total of 2017)	2017/4 - 2018/3 (Cum Sum of FY2017)	2016/4 -2017/3 (Year-on-Year)
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,309 (▲14.2)	1,528 (▲7.2)	5,553 (▲8.0)	6,037 (▲2.2)	18,591 (▲1.6)	18,225 (▲2.9)	18,774 (▲9.3)
	Trials for Invalidation	9 (▲52.6)	15 (▲6.3)	50 (▲16.7)	60 (25.0)	161 (15.0)	152 (3.4)	147 (▲11.4)
	Trials for Correction	24 (140.0)	12 (140.0)	75 (141.9)	31 (▲49.2)	160 (▲1.8)	197 (38.7)	142 (▲16.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	3 (50.0)	4 (300.0)	11 (0.0)	11 (10.0)	36 (▲62.9)	33 (▲67.0)	100 (257.1)
	oppositions	80 (▲40.3)	103 (▲12.7)	386 (▲18.9)	476 (15.3)	1,371 (2.8)	1,296 (▲7.2)	1,397 (104.2)
	Total	1,425 (▲15.7)	1,662 (▲6.9)	6,075 (▲8.2)	6,615 (▲1.3)	20,319 (▲1.5)	19,903 (▲3.2)	20,560 (▲5.4)

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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)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	4 (▲60.0)	4 (▲55.6)	9 (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)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	0 (▲100.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)
	Total	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	0 (▲100.0)	1 (0.0)	5 (▲50.0)	5 (▲44.4)	9 (▲10.0)

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Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	20 (▲28.6)	27 (▲22.9)	121 (▲3.2)	125 (▲10.1)	400 (4.2)	404 (6.9)	378 (▲6.2)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (▲100.0)	1 (0.0)	4 (33.3)	3 (▲57.1)	14 (▲46.2)	15 (▲31.8)	22 (69.2)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	2 (▲33.3)	3 (200.0)	11 (57.1)	11 (37.5)	8 (33.3)
	Total	21 (▲27.6)	28 (▲24.3)	127 (▲3.1)	131 (▲10.9)	425 (1.9)	430 (5.4)	408 (▲3.3)

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Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	89 (206.9)	78 (90.2)	312 (113.7)	146 (▲20.2)	672 (30.7)	801 (68.3)	476 (▲41.4)
	Trials for Invalidation	8 (14.3)	10 (233.3)	29 (31.8)	22 (▲24.1)	92 (0.0)	92 (8.2)	85 (▲17.5)
	Trials for Cancellation	71 (▲25.3)	70 (9.4)	256 (▲15.0)	301 (0.3)	1001 (4.5)	950 (▲2.2)	971 (1.5)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	2 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	3 (200.0)	8 (33.3)	8 (0.0)	8 (300.0)
	Oppositions	29 (▲31.0)	30 (▲6.3)	112 (▲26.3)	152 (27.7)	434 (▲4.2)	396 (▲18.5)	486 (14.1)
	Total	199 (15.0)	188 (34.3)	712 (14.1)	624 (▲1.3)	2,207 (9.1)	2,247 (10.9)	2,026 (▲11.9)