

# Preliminary Statistical Data on Filing Applications and Requests

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# 1. Preliminary Statistical Data

## (1) The Number of Applications

Year/Month	2018 1	2	3	4	5	6	2018 1 - 6	2018/4 -6 Cum Sum of FY2017	2017 1 - 6	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
Patents & Utility Models	21,180 (▲ 1.8)	25,291 (▲ 6.1)	40,805 (▲ 3.0)	22,980 (▲ 0.6)	23,705 (1.4)	26,625 (▲ 4.5)	160,586 (▲ 2.7)	73,310 (▲ 1.4)	164,976 (0.3)	321,262 (▲ 1.4)
Patents	20,776 (▲ 1.5)	24,894 (▲ 5.8)	40,315 (▲ 2.9)	22,591 (▲ 0.1)	23,250 (1.8)	26,173 (▲ 4.3)	157,999 (▲ 2.4)	72,014 (▲ 1.1)	161,827 (0.3)	315,423 (▲ 1.3)
Utility Models	404 (▲ 14.6)	397 (▲ 23.4)	490 (▲ 13.4)	389 (▲ 23.6)	455 (▲ 15.9)	452 (▲ 16.6)	2,587 (▲ 17.8)	1,296 (▲ 18.6)	3,149 (▲ 3.8)	5,839 (▲ 9.2)
Designs	2,095 (5.6)	2,499 (▲ 0.4)	3,245 (1.4)	2,586 (▲ 3.1)	2,626 (12.1)	2,736 (3.2)	15,787 (2.8)	7,948 (3.7)	15,356 (1.5)	32,107 (4.7)
National Applications	(2,021.0) (8.5)	(2,340.0) (1.1)	(2,938.0) (▲ 1.3)	(2,445.0) (▲ 3.2)	(2,412.0) (8.8)	(2,478.0) (0.7)	(14,634.0) (1.9)	(7,335.0) (1.8)	(14,359.0) (1.5)	(29,889.0) (4.7)
Trademarks	14,725 (33.4)	13,031 (▲ 28.7)	18,404 (▲ 4.9)	17,519 (▲ 6.1)	17,114 (26.5)	14,257 (▲ 21.8)	95,050 (▲ 4.1)	48,890 (▲ 3.0)	99,093 (26.9)	188,418 (11.8)
National Applications	13,710 (35.6)	11,632 (▲ 32.3)	16,973 (▲ 6.4)	16,487 (▲ 4.3)	15,333 (27.5)	12,763 (▲ 21.4)	86,898 (▲ 4.4)	44,583 (▲ 2.0)	90,922 (25.9)	170,497 (9.7)
Total Number	38,000 (9.9)	40,821 (▲ 14.5)	62,454 (▲ 3.4)	43,085 (▲ 3.0)	43,445 (10.7)	43,618 (▲ 10.5)	271,423 (▲ 2.9)	130,148 (▲ 1.7)	279,425 (8.4)	541,787 (3.2)
Trademarks Class Counts	52,753 (120.3)	26,139 (▲ 55.6)	60,639 (1.3)	59,383 (▲ 13.9)	47,387 (76.0)	20,362 (▲ 60.6)	266,663 (▲ 8.1)	127,132 (▲ 13.8)	290,164 (53.9)	522,869 (16.9)

▪ 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.

		2018 1	2	3	4	5	6	2018 1 - 6	2018/4 -6 Cum Sum of FY2017	2017 1 - 6	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
Patents	RO	3,330 (▲ 5.0)	4,347 (▲ 4.7)	6,377 (9.8)	3,309 (2.2)	3,740 (14.3)	3,885 (▲ 0.3)	24,988 (2.9)	10,934 (5.1)	24,284 (6.9)	47,603 (4.4)
	DO	4,610 (▲ 0.1)	4,823 (▲ 2.3)	5,849 (▲ 1.7)	5,144 (1.6)	5,426 (10.7)	6,179 (0.2)	32,031 (1.3)	16,749 (3.8)	31,633 (6.2)	62,453 (1.4)
Designs	OO	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	2 (0.0)	5 (66.7)	4 (33.3)	4 (300.0)	15 (7.1)	13 (85.7)	14 (▲ 26.3)	28 (▲ 34.9)
	DO	74 (▲ 39.3)	159 (▲ 18.0)	307 (38.3)	141 (▲ 0.7)	214 (69.8)	258 (35.1)	1,153 (15.6)	613 (33.6)	997 (1.2)	2,218 (5.3)
Trademarks	OO	235 (50.6)	203 (▲ 11.7)	270 (21.6)	248 (29.8)	258 (79.2)	253 (38.3)	1,467 (30.3)	759 (46.5)	1,126 (2.6)	2,605 (6.8)
	DO	1,015 (9.7)	1,399 (27.2)	1,431 (16.6)	1,032 (▲ 27.8)	1,781 (18.1)	1,494 (▲ 24.6)	8,152 (▲ 0.2)	4,307 (▲ 12.4)	8,171 (38.6)	17,921 (36.1)

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		2018 1	2	3	4	5	6	2018 1 - 6	2018/4 -6 Cum Sum of FY2017	2017 1 - 6	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
Request for Patent Examination		18,185 (▲ 7.3)	21,566 (▲ 2.9)	24,611 (▲ 10.8)	18,208 (8.0)	18,208 (2.6)	18,832 (▲ 8.9)	119,610 (▲ 4.1)	55,248 (▲ 0.1)	124,687 (1.4)	235,071 (▲ 2.9)
	Year-on-Year	19,617 (4.8)	22,207 (▲ 6.0)	27,585 (8.3)	16,855 (▲ 5.5)	17,748 (5.3)	20,675 (1.3)	- -	- -	- -	- -
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion		25 (4.2)	18 (5.9)	26 (13.0)	14 (▲ 41.7)	21 (▲ 16.0)	22 (▲ 31.3)	126 (▲ 13.1)	57 (▲ 29.6)	145 (▲ 16.2)	300 (▲ 2.9)

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

Year/Month		2018 1	2	3	4	5	6	2018 1 - 6	2018/4 -6 Cum Sum of FY2017	2017 1 - 6	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,250 (▲ 6.7)	1,466 (▲ 3.9)	1,309 (▲ 14.2)	1,528 (▲ 7.2)	1,431 (▲ 7.4)	1,442 (▲ 14.0)	8,426 (▲ 9.0)	4,401 (▲ 9.6)	9,259 (▲ 2.1)	18,225 (▲ 2.9)
	Trials for Invalidation	9 (▲ 40.0)	17 (70.0)	9 (▲ 52.6)	15 (▲ 6.3)	20 (42.9)	11 (0.0)	81 (▲ 4.7)	46 (12.2)	85 (10.4)	152 (3.4)
	Trials for Correction	21 (200.0)	18 (100.0)	24 (140.0)	12 (140.0)	15 (66.7)	11 (▲ 47.6)	101 (65.6)	38 (8.6)	61 (▲ 29.9)	197 (38.7)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	2 (▲ 71.4)	2 (100.0)	3 (50.0)	4 (300.0)	1 (▲ 80.0)	2 (100.0)	14 (▲ 17.6)	7 (0.0)	17 (▲ 34.6)	33 (▲ 67.0)
	Oppositions	89 (2.3)	114 (▲ 16.8)	80 (▲ 40.3)	103 (▲ 12.7)	83 (▲ 39.0)	93 (▲ 21.2)	562 (▲ 23.0)	279 (▲ 25.0)	730 (16.4)	1,296 (▲ 7.2)
	Total	1,371 (▲ 5.8)	1,617 (▲ 3.9)	1,425 (▲ 15.7)	1,662 (▲ 6.9)	1,550 (▲ 9.4)	1,559 (▲ 14.7)	9,184 (▲ 9.5)	4,771 (▲ 10.4)	10,152 (▲ 1.2)	19,903 (▲ 3.2)
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	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (▲ 87.5)	4 (▲ 55.6)
	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 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)
	Total	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	2 (▲ 75.0)	5 (▲ 44.4)
Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	48 (60.0)	26 (▲ 18.8)	20 (▲ 28.6)	27 (▲ 22.9)	21 (▲ 38.2)	20 (▲ 56.5)	162 (▲ 21.0)	68 (▲ 40.9)	205 (5.1)	404 (6.9)
	Trials for Invalidation	1 (0.0)	2 (100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	3 (50.0)	1 (0.0)	8 (33.3)	5 (25.0)	6 (▲ 60.0)	15 (▲ 31.8)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	3 (▲ 25.0)	1 (▲ 50.0)	4 (33.3)	11 (37.5)
	Total	49 (58.1)	29 (▲ 14.7)	21 (▲ 27.6)	28 (▲ 24.3)	24 (▲ 33.3)	22 (▲ 54.2)	173 (▲ 19.5)	74 (▲ 38.8)	215 (0.9)	430 (5.4)

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

Year/Month		2018 1	2	3	4	5	6	2018 1 - 6	2018/4 - 6 Cum Sum of FY2017	2017 1 - 6	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	70 (105.9)	75 (78.6)	89 (206.9)	78 (90.2)	68 (70.0)	94 (▲ 10.5)	474 (62.9)	240 (29.0)	291 (29.9)	801 (96.3)
	Trials for Invalidation	3 (▲ 25.0)	8 (0.0)	8 (14.3)	10 (233.3)	11 (120.0)	8 (▲ 27.3)	48 (26.3)	29 (52.6)	38 (▲ 7.3)	92 (▲ 80.7)
	Trials for Cancellation	51 (▲ 30.1)	64 (▲ 7.2)	71 (▲ 25.3)	70 (9.4)	111 (42.3)	139 (24.1)	506 (3.1)	320 (26.0)	491 (0.8)	950 (1017.6)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (▲ 50.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	2 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	4 (▲ 20.0)	1 (▲ 50.0)	5 (400.0)	8 (▲ 99.2)
	Oppositions	32 (0.0)	21 (▲ 54.3)	29 (▲ 31.0)	30 (▲ 6.3)	24 (▲ 44.2)	36 (▲ 14.3)	172 (▲ 27.4)	90 (▲ 23.1)	237 (30.9)	396 (4850.0)
	<b>Total</b>	157 (8.3)	168 (1.2)	199 (15.0)	188 (34.3)	215 (29.5)	277 (1.8)	1,204 (13.4)	680 (17.6)	1,062 (13.7)	2,247 (362.3)
Total	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,368 (▲ 2.6)	1,567 (▲ 2.1)	1,418 (▲ 10.4)	1,633 (▲ 5.2)	1,520 (▲ 6.2)	1,556 (▲ 14.8)	9,062 (▲ 7.1)	4,709 (▲ 8.9)	9,755 (▲ 1.3)	19,430 (▲ 1.0)
	Trials for Invalidation	13 (▲ 31.6)	27 (42.1)	17 (▲ 37.0)	26 (30.0)	34 (54.5)	20 (▲ 13.0)	137 (5.4)	80 (23.1)	130 (▲ 7.8)	263 (0.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	3 (▲ 70.0)	3 (0.0)	6 (200.0)	4 (33.3)	2 (▲ 60.0)	3 (▲ 25.0)	21 (▲ 22.2)	9 (▲ 25.0)	27 (▲ 10.0)	53 (▲ 54.3)
	Trials for Correction (Patents & Utility Models)	21 (200.0)	18 (100.0)	24 (140.0)	12 (140.0)	15 (66.7)	11 (▲ 47.6)	101 (65.6)	38 (8.6)	61 (▲ 29.9)	197 (38.7)
	Trials for Cancellation (Trademarks)	51 (▲ 30.1)	64 (▲ 7.2)	71 (▲ 25.3)	70 (9.4)	111 (42.3)	139 (24.1)	506 (3.1)	320 (26.0)	491 (0.8)	950 (▲ 2.2)
	Oppositions (Patents & Trademarks)	121 (1.7)	135 (▲ 26.2)	109 (▲ 38.1)	133 (▲ 11.3)	107 (▲ 40.2)	129 (▲ 19.4)	734 (▲ 24.1)	369 (▲ 24.5)	967 (19.7)	1,692 (▲ 10.1)
	<b>Total</b>	1,577 (▲ 3.4)	1,814 (▲ 3.7)	1,645 (▲ 13.1)	1,878 (▲ 4.4)	1,789 (▲ 6.5)	1,858 (▲ 13.5)	10,561 (▲ 7.6)	5,525 (▲ 8.3)	11,431 (▲ 0.0)	22,585 (▲ 1.8)

## (6) The Number of Registrations

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

Year/Month		2018 1	2	3	4	5	6	2018 1 - 6	2018/4 -6 Cum Sum of FY2017	2017 1 - 6	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
The Number of Registrations	Patents	17,354 (▲ 7.4)	14,352 (▲ 4.6)	18,903 (▲ 10.2)	15,822 (▲ 0.6)	13,627 (▲ 4.7)	17,253 (▲ 4.6)	97,311 (▲ 5.7)	46,702 (▲ 3.3)	103,153 (6.8)	195,341 (▲ 8.1)
	Utility Models	554 (79.9)	417 (▲ 37.4)	410 (▲ 30.9)	423 (▲ 9.2)	481 (▲ 19.4)	350 (▲ 22.4)	2,635 (▲ 14.5)	1,254 (▲ 17.2)	3,081 (▲ 4.2)	5,838 (▲ 5.1)
	Designs	2,443 (8.0)	2,006 (▲ 8.9)	2,660 (0.6)	2,419 (6.3)	2,084 (13.1)	2,506 (▲ 7.5)	14,118 (1.3)	7,009 (2.7)	13,933 (17.1)	27,337 (1.5)
	Trademarks	8,830 (▲ 9.4)	8,504 (▲ 18.3)	10,896 (▲ 7.6)	8,646 (9.0)	8,127 (13.0)	12,004 (5.2)	57,007 (▲ 2.5)	28,777 (8.4)	58,486 (16.3)	107,464 (▲ 6.2)
	National Applications	8,134 (▲ 6.5)	7,452 (▲ 18.0)	9,654 (▲ 7.7)	7,765 (15.1)	7,187 (13.8)	10,925 (7.6)	51,117 (▲ 0.7)	25,877 (11.5)	51,459 (13.1)	95,415 (▲ 6.1)
	International Applications	696 (▲ 33.8)	1,052 (▲ 20.2)	1,242 (▲ 6.9)	881 (▲ 25.8)	940 (7.1)	1,079 (▲ 14.2)	5,890 (▲ 16.2)	2,900 (▲ 12.7)	7,027 (45.6)	12,049 (▲ 7.2)
	Total	29,181 (▲ 6.1)	25,279 (▲ 10.7)	32,869 (▲ 8.9)	27,310 (2.7)	24,319 (1.6)	32,320 (▲ 1.0)	171,278 (▲ 4.1)	83,742 (0.7)	178,653 (10.3)	335,980 (▲ 6.7)
Class Counts of Trademark Registration	15,660 (2.0)	13,419 (▲ 17.1)	17,867 (▲ 10.5)	14,714 (11.5)	13,177 (11.1)	19,285 (6.3)	94,122 (▲ 0.6)	47,176 (9.2)	94,713 (19.4)	175,714 (▲ 4.0)	
Trademark Application for Renewal	9,117 (▲ 5.1)	8,328 (▲ 18.3)	8,649 (▲ 16.3)	8,918 (▲ 25.5)	10,052 (▲ 22.1)	8,501 (▲ 24.1)	53,565 (▲ 19.1)	27,471 (▲ 23.8)	66,199 (24.9)	118,129 (1.1)	