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1. Preliminary Statistical Data

(1) The Number of Applications

Year/Month	2018 12	2019 1	2	3	4	5	2019 1 - 5	2018/4 - 2019/3 Cum Sum of FY2018	2018 1 - 5	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
Patents & Utility Models	28,933 (▲ 4.6)	21,908 (3.4)	25,979 (2.7)	38,805 (▲ 4.9)	23,935 (4.2)	22,109 (▲ 6.7)	132,736 (▲ 0.9)	318,372 (▲ 0.9)	133,957 (▲ 2.3)	321,262 (▲ 1.4)
Patents	28,440 (▲ 4.7)	21,506 (3.5)	25,565 (2.7)	38,377 (▲ 4.8)	23,510 (4.1)	21,697 (▲ 6.7)	130,655 (▲ 0.9)	313,029 (▲ 0.8)	131,822 (▲ 2.0)	315,423 (▲ 1.3)
Utility Models	493 (1.2)	402 (▲ 0.5)	414 (4.3)	428 (▲ 12.7)	425 (9.3)	412 (▲ 9.5)	2,081 (▲ 2.5)	5,343 (▲ 8.5)	2,135 (▲ 18.1)	5,839 (▲ 9.2)
Designs	2,883 (▲ 6.5)	2,163 (3.2)	2,350 (▲ 6.0)	2,928 (▲ 9.8)	2,932 (13.4)	2,387 (▲ 9.1)	12,760 (▲ 2.2)	31,008 (▲ 3.4)	13,051 (2.7)	32,107 (4.7)
National Applications	2,824 (0.5)	2,082 (3.0)	2,282 (▲ 2.5)	2,759 (▲ 6.1)	2,780 (13.7)	2,219 (▲ 8.0)	12,122 (▲ 0.3)	28,969 (▲ 3.1)	12,156 (2.2)	29,889 (4.7)
Trademarks	18,396 (25.6)	22,467 (52.6)	14,221 (9.1)	15,441 (▲ 16.1)	21,014 (19.9)	13,226 (▲ 22.7)	86,369 (6.9)	190,452 (1.1)	80,793 (▲ 0.1)	188,418 (11.8)
National Applications	17,082 (27.6)	20,606 (50.3)	12,412 (6.7)	13,776 (▲ 18.8)	19,586 (18.8)	11,460 (▲ 25.3)	77,840 (5.0)	171,160 (0.4)	74,135 (▲ 0.7)	170,497 (9.7)
Total Number	50,212 (4.5)	46,538 (22.5)	42,550 (4.2)	57,174 (▲ 8.5)	47,881 (11.1)	37,722 (▲ 13.2)	231,865 (1.8)	539,832 (▲ 0.4)	227,801 (▲ 1.2)	541,787 (3.2)
Trademarks Class Counts	65,745 (108.0)	111,072 (110.6)	24,134 (▲ 7.7)	28,156 (▲ 53.6)	78,268 (31.8)	13,655 (▲ 71.2)	255,285 (3.6)	496,533 (▲ 5.0)	246,302 (3.3)	522,869 (16.9)

▪ The total number represents the sum of the numbers of each type of applications, excluding the Trademark class counts.

(2) The Number of International Applications

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

Year/Month		2018 12	2019 1	2	3	4	5	2019 1 - 5	2018/4 - 2019/3 Cum Sum of FY2018	2018 1 - 5	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
Patents	RO	4,301 (2.6)	3,552 (6.7)	4,425 (1.8)	6,431 (0.8)	3,775 (14.1)	3,717 (▲ 0.6)	21,900 (3.8)	48,984 (2.9)	21,103 (3.5)	47,603 (4.4)
	DO	5,641 (▲ 2.0)	4,807 (4.3)	5,050 (4.7)	5,773 (▲ 1.3)	5,910 (14.9)	5,489 (1.2)	27,029 (4.6)	64,560 (3.4)	25,849 (1.5)	62,452 (1.4)
Designs	OO	4 (33.3)	4 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	7 (250.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	2 (▲ 50.0)	14 (27.3)	41 (46.4)	11 (▲ 15.4)	28 (▲ 34.9)
	DO	59 (▲ 78.5)	81 (9.5)	68 (▲ 57.2)	169 (▲ 45.0)	152 (7.8)	168 (▲ 21.5)	638 (▲ 28.7)	2,039 (▲ 8.1)	895 (11.0)	2,218 (5.3)
Trademarks	OO	319 (32.4)	186 (▲ 20.9)	251 (23.6)	307 (13.7)	240 (▲ 3.2)	219 (▲ 15.1)	1,203 (▲ 0.9)	3,200 (22.8)	1,214 (28.7)	2,605 (6.8)
	DO	1,314 (4.8)	1,861 (83.3)	1,809 (29.3)	1,665 (16.4)	1,428 (38.4)	1,766 (▲ 0.8)	8,529 (28.1)	19,292 (7.7)	6,658 (7.6)	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 12	2019 1	2	3	4	5	2019 1 - 5	2018/4 - 2019/3 Cum Sum of FY2018	2018 1 - 5	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
Request for Patent Examination		19,693 (▲ 1.7)	18,814 (3.1)	19,936 (▲ 7.7)	22,254 (▲ 9.8)	19,850 (18.6)	18,376 (0.7)	99,230 (▲ 0.3)	230,790 (▲ 1.9)	99,499 (▲ 4.3)	235,232 (▲ 2.8)
	Year-on-Year	20,039 (1.9)	19,617 (4.8)	22,207 (▲ 6.0)	27,585 (8.3)	16,855 (▲ 5.5)	17,748 (5.3)	- -	- -	- -	- -
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion		33 (32.0)	30 (20.0)	24 (33.3)	27 (3.8)	20 (53.8)	16 (▲ 15.8)	117 (▲ 60.1)	305 (1.7)	101 (▲ 10.6)	300 (▲ 2.9)

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

Year/Month		2018 12	2019 1	2	3	4	5	2019 1 - 5	2018/4 - 2019/3 Cum Sum of FY2018	2018 1 - 5	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,524 (▲ 10.5)	1,288 (3.0)	1,386 (▲ 5.5)	1,266 (▲ 3.3)	1,496 (▲ 2.1)	1,283 (▲ 10.3)	6,719 (▲ 3.8)	16,452 (▲ 9.7)	6,984 (▲ 7.9)	18,225 (▲ 2.9)
	Trials for Invalidation	24 (41.2)	7 (▲ 22.2)	7 (▲ 58.8)	10 (11.1)	12 (▲ 20.0)	5 (▲ 75.0)	41 (▲ 41.4)	148 (▲ 2.6)	70 (▲ 5.4)	152 (3.4)
	Trials for Correction	12 (▲ 52.0)	13 (▲ 38.1)	21 (16.7)	8 (▲ 66.7)	11 (▲ 8.3)	9 (▲ 40.0)	62 (▲ 31.1)	182 (▲ 7.6)	90 (125.0)	197 (38.7)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	6 (100.0)	3 (50.0)	4 (100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	8 (▲ 33.3)	25 (▲ 24.2)	12 (▲ 25.0)	33 (▲ 67.0)
	Oppositions	117 (▲ 2.5)	83 (▲ 6.7)	106 (▲ 7.0)	77 (▲ 3.8)	130 (26.2)	88 (6.0)	484 (3.2)	1,155 (▲ 10.9)	469 (▲ 23.4)	1,296 (▲ 7.2)
	Total	1,683 (▲ 9.9)	1,394 (1.7)	1,524 (▲ 5.8)	1,361 (▲ 4.5)	1,649 (▲ 0.8)	1,386 (▲ 10.6)	7,314 (▲ 4.1)	17,962 (▲ 9.8)	7,625 (▲ 8.4)	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)	2 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	4 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	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 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)
	Total	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	4 (▲ 20.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	5 (▲ 44.4)
Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	20 (17.6)	16 (▲ 66.7)	37 (42.3)	25 (25.0)	24 (▲ 11.1)	29 (38.1)	131 (▲ 7.7)	277 (▲ 31.4)	142 (▲ 10.7)	404 (6.9)
	Trials for Invalidation	1 (▲ 66.7)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (▲ 85.7)	13 (▲ 13.3)	7 (40.0)	15 (▲ 31.8)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	4 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	5 (150.0)	4 (▲ 63.6)	2 (▲ 33.3)	11 (37.5)
	Total	22 (4.8)	17 (▲ 65.3)	38 (31.0)	25 (19.0)	28 (0.0)	29 (20.8)	137 (▲ 9.3)	294 (▲ 31.6)	151 (▲ 9.6)	430 (5.4)

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

Year/Month		2018 12	2019 1	2	3	4	5	2019 1 - 5	2018/4 - 2019/3 Cum Sum of FY2018	2018 1 - 5	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	67 (19.6)	48 (▲ 31.4)	57 (▲ 24.0)	66 (▲ 25.8)	93 (19.2)	96 (41.2)	360 (▲ 5.3)	775 (▲ 3.2)	380 (104.3)	801 (68.3)
	Trials for Invalidation	6 (▲ 64.7)	5 (66.7)	9 (12.5)	5 (▲ 37.5)	9 (▲ 10.0)	4 (▲ 63.6)	32 (▲ 20.0)	98 (6.5)	40 (48.1)	92 (8.2)
	Trials for Cancellation	105 (4.0)	67 (31.4)	82 (28.1)	98 (38.0)	103 (47.1)	65 (▲ 41.4)	415 (13.1)	1,106 (16.4)	367 (▲ 3.2)	950 (▲ 2.2)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (▲ 50.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (▲ 75.0)	6 (▲ 25.0)	4 (33.3)	8 (0.0)
	Oppositions	40 (25.0)	38 (18.8)	39 (85.7)	33 (13.8)	34 (13.3)	27 (12.5)	171 (25.7)	449 (13.4)	136 (▲ 30.3)	396 (▲ 18.5)
	Total	218 (5.8)	158 (0.6)	187 (11.3)	203 (2.0)	239 (27.1)	192 (▲ 10.7)	979 (5.6)	2,434 (8.3)	927 (17.3)	2,247 (10.9)
Total	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,611 (▲ 9.2)	1,352 (▲ 1.2)	1,480 (▲ 5.6)	1,357 (▲ 4.3)	1,613 (▲ 1.2)	1,408 (▲ 7.4)	7,210 (▲ 3.9)	17,504 (▲ 9.9)	7,506 (▲ 5.3)	19,430 (▲ 1.0)
	Trials for Invalidation	31 (▲ 16.2)	13 (0.0)	18 (▲ 33.3)	15 (▲ 11.8)	21 (▲ 19.2)	9 (▲ 73.5)	76 (▲ 35.0)	263 (0.0)	117 (9.3)	263 (0.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	7 (75.0)	3 (0.0)	5 (66.7)	1 (▲ 83.3)	4 (0.0)	1 (▲ 50.0)	14 (▲ 22.2)	35 (▲ 34.0)	18 (▲ 21.7)	53 (▲ 54.3)
	Trials for Correction (Patents & Utility Models)	12 (▲ 52.0)	13 (▲ 38.1)	21 (16.7)	8 (▲ 66.7)	11 (▲ 8.3)	9 (▲ 40.0)	62 (▲ 31.1)	182 (▲ 7.6)	90 (125.0)	197 (38.7)
	Trials for Cancellation (Trademarks)	105 (4.0)	67 (31.4)	82 (28.1)	98 (38.0)	103 (47.1)	65 (▲ 41.4)	415 (13.1)	1,106 (16.4)	367 (▲ 3.2)	950 (▲ 2.2)
	Oppositions (Patents & Trademarks)	157 (3.3)	121 (0.0)	145 (7.4)	110 (0.9)	164 (23.3)	115 (7.5)	655 (8.3)	1,604 (▲ 5.2)	605 (▲ 25.0)	1,692 (▲ 10.1)
	Total	1,923 (▲ 8.2)	1,569 (▲ 0.5)	1,751 (▲ 3.5)	1,589 (▲ 3.4)	1,916 (2.0)	1,607 (▲ 10.2)	8,432 (▲ 3.1)	20,694 (▲ 8.4)	8,703 (▲ 6.3)	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 12	2019 1	2	3	4	5	2019 1 - 5	2018/4 - 2019/3 Cum Sum of FY2018	2018 1 - 5	2017/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2017
The Number of Registrations	Patents	15,553 (0.7)	13,074 (▲ 24.7)	13,488 (▲ 6.0)	18,763 (▲ 0.7)	15,331 (▲ 3.1)	15,027 (10.3)	75,683 (▲ 5.5)	189,241 (▲ 3.1)	80,058 (▲ 5.9)	195,341 (▲ 8.1)
	Utility Models	412 (9.3)	462 (▲ 16.6)	333 (▲ 20.1)	399 (▲ 2.7)	394 (▲ 6.9)	437 (▲ 9.1)	2,025 (▲ 11.4)	5,116 (▲ 12.4)	2,285 (▲ 13.1)	5,838 (▲ 5.1)
	Designs	2,081 (▲ 6.6)	1,693 (▲ 30.7)	2,117 (5.5)	3,052 (14.7)	2,522 (4.3)	2,298 (10.3)	11,682 (0.6)	27,371 (0.1)	11,612 (3.5)	27,337 (1.5)
	Trademarks	8,794 (1.1)	6,761 (▲ 23.4)	8,025 (▲ 5.6)	10,546 (▲ 3.2)	8,131 (▲ 6.0)	8,307 (2.2)	41,770 (▲ 7.2)	113,649 (5.8)	45,003 (▲ 4.4)	107,464 (▲ 6.2)
	National Applications	7,926 (1.8)	6,115 (▲ 24.8)	7,279 (▲ 2.3)	9,668 (0.1)	7,268 (▲ 6.4)	7,404 (3.0)	37,734 (▲ 6.1)	102,761 (7.7)	40,192 (▲ 2.7)	95,415 (▲ 6.1)
	International Applications	868 (▲ 5.4)	646 (▲ 7.2)	746 (▲ 29.1)	878 (▲ 29.3)	863 (▲ 2.0)	903 (▲ 3.9)	4,036 (▲ 16.1)	10,888 (▲ 9.6)	4,811 (▲ 16.6)	12,049 (▲ 7.2)
	Total	26,840 (0.3)	21,990 (▲ 24.6)	23,963 (▲ 5.2)	32,760 (▲ 0.3)	26,378 (▲ 3.4)	26,069 (7.2)	131,160 (▲ 5.6)	335,377 (▲ 0.2)	138,958 (▲ 4.8)	335,980 (▲ 6.7)
Class Counts of Trademark Registration	14,939 (3.1)	11,354 (▲ 27.5)	14,358 (7.0)	19,181 (7.4)	13,839 (▲ 5.9)	13,661 (3.7)	72,393 (▲ 3.3)	190,514 (8.4)	74,837 (▲ 2.3)	175,714 (▲ 4.0)	
Trademark Application for Renewal	8,247 (7.8)	9,291 (1.9)	8,896 (6.8)	9,762 (12.9)	9,398 (5.4)	9,373 (▲ 6.8)	46,720 (3.7)	108,518 (▲ 8.1)	45,064 (▲ 18.1)	118,129 (1.1)	