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1. Preliminary Statistical Data

(1) The Number of Applications

Year/Month	2019 7	8	9	10	11	12	2019 1-12	2019/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2019	2018 1 - 12	2018/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2018
Patents & Utility Models	25,188 (3.1)	23,052 (▲ 8.5)	28,520 (1.8)	24,122 (▲ 5.8)	24,449 (▲ 6.4)	29,155 (0.8)	313,071 (▲ 1.8)	226,379 (▲ 2.3)	318,956 (▲ 1.7)	318,372 (▲ 0.9)
Patents	24,705 (3.2)	22,589 (▲ 8.7)	28,091 (1.7)	23,671 (▲ 5.8)	24,048 (▲ 6.2)	28,698 (0.9)	307,854 (▲ 1.8)	222,406 (▲ 2.3)	313,566 (▲ 1.5)	313,029 (▲ 0.8)
Utility Models	483 (0.2)	463 (▲ 0.2)	429 (5.7)	451 (▲ 5.6)	401 (▲ 13.0)	457 (▲ 7.3)	5,217 (▲ 3.2)	3,973 (▲ 3.1)	5,390 (▲ 11.7)	5,343 (▲ 8.5)
Designs	2,648 (9.2)	2,466 (▲ 2.5)	2,675 (8.6)	2,568 (▲ 11.0)	2,552 (5.9)	2,842 (▲ 1.4)	31,428 (0.1)	23,987 (1.8)	31,406 (▲ 1.7)	31,008 (▲ 3.4)
National Applications	2,492 (10.4)	2,264 (▲ 0.9)	2,539 (10.1)	2,425 (▲ 8.0)	2,267 (3.9)	2,563 (▲ 9.2)	29,356 (0.7)	22,233 (1.8)	29,145 (▲ 2.0)	28,969 (▲ 3.1)
Trademarks	14,807 (4.7)	13,983 (2.3)	12,774 (▲ 12.6)	13,834 (▲ 2.9)	12,667 (▲ 11.5)	20,048 (9.0)	190,205 (3.1)	138,076 (▲ 0.2)	184,483 (▲ 3.4)	190,452 (1.1)
National Applications	13,280 (5.1)	12,179 (1.4)	11,484 (▲ 12.2)	11,929 (▲ 5.7)	11,214 (▲ 8.7)	18,556 (8.6)	170,755 (2.4)	123,961 (▲ 0.3)	166,681 (▲ 4.0)	171,160 (0.4)
Total Number	42,643 (4.0)	39,501 (▲ 4.6)	43,969 (▲ 2.5)	40,524 (▲ 5.2)	39,668 (▲ 7.4)	52,045 (3.7)	534,704 (▲ 0.0)	388,442 (▲ 1.3)	534,845 (▲ 2.3)	539,832 (▲ 0.4)
Trademarks Class Counts	26,395 (9.9)	24,379 (6.8)	22,690 (▲ 41.9)	22,808 (▲ 12.1)	21,470 (▲ 7.8)	72,209 (9.8)	493,467 (4.4)	330,105 (▲ 0.9)	472,702 (▲ 10.1)	496,533 (▲ 5.0)

▪ 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		2019 7	8	9	10	11	12	2019 1 - 12	2019/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2019	2018 1 - 12	2018/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2018
Patents	RO	4,105 (8.5)	4,213 (12.4)	4,352 (6.0)	4,285 (6.8)	3,971 (7.6)	4,722 (9.8)	51,652 (6.2)	37,244 (7.7)	48,630 (2.5)	48,984 (2.9)
	DO	5,500 (10.0)	5,220 (▲ 1.1)	6,033 (11.0)	5,328 (2.7)	5,838 (3.5)	6,201 (9.9)	67,160 (4.6)	51,530 (5.3)	64,211 (2.5)	64,560 (3.4)
Designs	OO	2 (▲ 50.0)	2 (0.0)	6 (50.0)	3 (50.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	27 (▲ 12.9)	15 (▲ 48.3)	31 (▲ 6.1)	41 (46.4)
	DO	156 (▲ 7.1)	202 (▲ 17.9)	136 (▲ 13.9)	143 (▲ 42.8)	285 (25.6)	279 (372.9)	2,072 (▲ 8.4)	1,754 (1.9)	2,261 (2.0)	2,039 (▲ 8.1)
Trademarks	OO	268 (10.3)	289 (7.0)	270 (13.9)	268 (▲ 14.1)	283 (▲ 10.4)	298 (▲ 6.6)	3,139 (▲ 0.8)	2,395 (▲ 2.5)	3,164 (26.3)	3,200 (22.8)
	DO	1,527 (1.1)	1,804 (8.7)	1,290 (▲ 15.9)	1,905 (19.0)	1,453 (▲ 28.6)	1,492 (13.5)	19,450 (9.3)	14,115 (1.1)	17,802 (2.7)	19,292 (7.7)

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		2019 7	8	9	10	11	12	2019 1 - 12	2019/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2019	2018 1 - 12	2018/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2018
Request for Patent Examination		19,582 (5.9)	19,121 (▲ 0.1)	20,058 (5.6)	18,021 (▲ 9.5)	18,874 (▲ 4.3)	21,707 (10.2)	236,366 (0.9)	175,364 (3.3)	234,309 (▲ 2.4)	230,788 (▲ 1.9)
	Year-on-Year	18,496 (4.2)	19,149 (▲ 2.8)	19,003 (▲ 7.9)	19,905 (9.4)	19,720 (3.1)	19,693 (▲ 1.7)	- -	- -	- -	- -
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion		32 (14.3)	19 (▲ 42.4)	22 (▲ 31.3)	26 (23.8)	17 (▲ 22.7)	24 (▲ 27.3)	288 (▲ 1.7)	207 (▲ 7.6)	293 (▲ 0.7)	305 (1.7)

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

Year/Month		2019 7	8	9	10	11	12	2019 1 - 12	2019/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2019	2018 1 - 12	2018/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2018
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,284 (▲ 2.5)	1,250 (▲ 0.2)	1,470 (25.5)	1,464 (5.0)	1,525 (5.0)	1,587 (4.1)	16,699 (1.0)	12,759 (2.0)	16,537 (▲ 11.0)	16,452 (▲ 9.7)
	Trials for Invalidation	3 (▲ 81.3)	15 (36.4)	13 (8.3)	17 (112.5)	13 (85.7)	9 (▲ 62.5)	112 (▲ 29.6)	88 (▲ 29.0)	159 (▲ 1.2)	148 (▲ 2.6)
	Trials for Correction	14 (75.0)	13 (▲ 31.6)	7 (▲ 65.0)	4 (▲ 80.0)	5 (▲ 78.3)	10 (▲ 16.7)	129 (▲ 36.5)	87 (▲ 37.9)	203 (26.9)	182 (▲ 7.6)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	2 (▲ 33.3)	1 (0.0)	4 (0.0)	3 (▲ 50.0)	21 (▲ 16.0)	14 (▲ 22.2)	25 (▲ 30.6)	25 (▲ 24.2)
	Oppositions	98 (▲ 15.5)	78 (▲ 6.0)	105 (11.7)	90 (▲ 2.2)	124 (14.8)	108 (▲ 7.7)	1,164 (▲ 0.7)	898 (1.0)	1,172 (▲ 14.5)	1,155 (▲ 10.9)
	Total	1,400 (▲ 4.0)	1,357 (▲ 0.6)	1,597 (22.8)	1,576 (4.0)	1,671 (5.0)	1,717 (2.0)	18,125 (0.2)	13,846 (1.2)	18,096 (▲ 10.9)	17,962 (▲ 9.8)
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)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	3 (50.0)	1 (▲ 50.0)	2 (▲ 50.0)	4 (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)	0 (0.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)
	Total	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	5 (150.0)	3 (50.0)	2 (▲ 60.0)	4 (▲ 20.0)
Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	20 (▲ 39.4)	25 (25.0)	56 (143.5)	46 (64.3)	29 (314.3)	38 (90.0)	389 (32.8)	311 (56.3)	293 (▲ 26.8)	277 (▲ 31.4)
	Trials for Invalidation	2 (100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (▲ 66.7)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	6 (▲ 60.0)	5 (▲ 58.3)	15 (7.1)	13 (▲ 13.3)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	4 (300.0)	14 (180.0)	13 (333.3)	5 (▲ 54.5)	4 (▲ 63.6)
	Total	23 (▲ 34.3)	26 (23.8)	59 (126.9)	46 (58.6)	29 (314.3)	43 (95.5)	409 (30.7)	329 (53.7)	313 (▲ 26.4)	294 (▲ 31.6)

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

Year/Month		2019 7	8	9	10	11	12	2019 1 -12	2019/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2019	2018 1 - 12	2018/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2018
Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	62 (▲ 7.5)	79 (41.1)	74 (19.4)	46 (▲ 16.4)	35 (▲ 38.6)	46 (▲ 31.3)	812 (▲ 3.1)	641 (6.1)	838 (24.7)	775 (▲ 3.2)
	Trials for Invalidation	6 (▲ 33.3)	7 (▲ 12.5)	13 (85.7)	2 (▲ 81.8)	12 (33.3)	13 (116.7)	88 (▲ 10.2)	69 (▲ 12.7)	98 (6.5)	98 (6.5)
	Trials for Cancellation	95 (4.4)	66 (▲ 43.1)	103 (58.5)	81 (1.3)	52 (▲ 36.6)	80 (▲ 23.8)	996 (▲ 4.7)	749 (▲ 12.8)	1,045 (4.4)	1,106 (16.4)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	7 (▲ 12.5)	6 (20.0)	8 (0.0)	6 (▲ 25.0)
	Oppositions	27 (▲ 34.1)	34 (▲ 20.9)	39 (▲ 11.4)	38 (46.2)	33 (▲ 40.0)	26 (▲ 35.0)	389 (▲ 7.6)	279 (▲ 17.7)	421 (▲ 3.0)	449 (13.4)
	Total	190 (▲ 10.0)	186 (▲ 17.0)	230 (29.2)	170 (▲ 1.2)	133 (▲ 34.5)	165 (▲ 24.3)	2,292 (▲ 4.9)	1,744 (▲ 7.5)	2,410 (9.2)	2,434 (8.3)
Total	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,366 (▲ 3.6)	1,354 (2.0)	1,600 (27.4)	1,556 (5.3)	1,589 (4.7)	1,671 (3.7)	17,900 (1.3)	13,711 (3.0)	17,668 (▲ 10.1)	17,504 (▲ 9.9)
	Trials for Invalidation	11 (▲ 57.7)	22 (10.0)	27 (22.7)	20 (▲ 4.8)	25 (47.1)	23 (▲ 25.8)	209 (▲ 23.7)	163 (▲ 24.9)	274 (1.1)	263 (0.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	2 (▲ 60.0)	2 (100.0)	5 (66.7)	4 (300.0)	6 (0.0)	8 (14.3)	44 (15.8)	35 (34.6)	38 (▲ 32.1)	35 (▲ 34.0)
	Trials for Correction (Patents & Utility Models)	14 (75.0)	13 (▲ 31.6)	7 (▲ 65.0)	4 (▲ 80.0)	5 (▲ 78.3)	10 (▲ 16.7)	129 (▲ 36.5)	87 (▲ 37.9)	203 (26.9)	182 (▲ 7.6)
	Trials for Cancellation (Trademarks)	95 (4.4)	66 (▲ 43.1)	103 (58.5)	81 (1.3)	52 (▲ 36.6)	80 (▲ 23.8)	996 (▲ 4.7)	749 (▲ 12.8)	1,045 (4.4)	1,106 (16.4)
	Oppositions (Patents & Trademarks)	125 (▲ 20.4)	112 (▲ 11.1)	144 (4.3)	128 (8.5)	157 (▲ 3.7)	134 (▲ 14.6)	1,553 (▲ 2.5)	1,177 (▲ 4.2)	1,593 (▲ 11.7)	1,604 (▲ 5.2)
	Total	1,613 (▲ 5.3)	1,569 (▲ 2.5)	1,886 (25.4)	1,793 (4.4)	1,834 (1.8)	1,926 (0.2)	20,831 (0.0)	15,922 (0.9)	20,821 (▲ 9.3)	20,694 (▲ 8.4)

(6) The Number of Registrations

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

Year/Month		2019 7	8	9	10	11	12	2019 1 -12	2019/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2019	2018 1 - 12	2018/4 - 2018/3 Total of FY2018
The Number of Registrations	Patents	14,128 (▲ 2.4)	17,241 (▲ 6.2)	14,182 (▲ 7.3)	13,983 (▲ 7.7)	16,690 (▲ 9.0)	14,801 (▲ 4.8)	179,910 (▲ 7.5)	134,585 (▲ 6.5)	194,525 (▲ 2.5)	189,241 (▲ 3.1)
	Utility Models	537 (18.8)	393 (▲ 25.0)	428 (7.8)	500 (▲ 4.0)	389 (7.5)	362 (▲ 12.1)	5,033 (▲ 5.1)	3,839 (▲ 2.1)	5,303 (▲ 12.0)	5,116 (▲ 12.4)
	Designs	2,389 (20.8)	2,388 (▲ 13.8)	1,934 (3.3)	2,147 (▲ 2.9)	2,673 (3.2)	2,087 (0.3)	27,556 (1.0)	20,837 (1.6)	27,618 (1.0)	27,371 (0.1)
	Trademarks	9,881 (2.0)	10,655 (▲ 7.4)	8,951 (▲ 2.3)	8,807 (▲ 2.7)	11,186 (▲ 1.4)	9,422 (7.1)	109,859 (▲ 5.7)	84,527 (▲ 4.3)	116,547 (4.8)	113,649 (5.8)
	National Applications	8,948 (1.9)	9,801 (▲ 8.2)	8,308 (2.1)	7,970 (▲ 1.8)	10,263 (0.8)	8,867 (11.9)	100,651 (▲ 4.1)	77,589 (▲ 2.6)	104,939 (6.6)	102,761 (7.7)
	International Applications	933 (2.6)	854 (2.8)	643 (▲ 37.3)	837 (▲ 9.8)	923 (▲ 20.2)	555 (▲ 36.1)	9,208 (▲ 20.7)	6,938 (▲ 19.5)	11,608 (▲ 9.0)	10,888 (▲ 9.6)
	Total	26,935 (1.3)	30,677 (▲ 7.6)	25,495 (▲ 4.6)	25,437 (▲ 5.5)	30,938 (▲ 5.2)	26,672 (▲ 0.6)	322,501 (▲ 6.2)	243,788 (▲ 5.0)	343,993 (▲ 0.0)	335,377 (▲ 0.2)
Class Counts of Trademark Registration	15,603 (▲ 0.3)	17,428 (▲ 10.6)	15,299 (2.1)	15,135 (4.5)	18,824 (▲ 0.3)	16,909 (13.2)	187,062 (▲ 2.9)	142,169 (▲ 2.4)	192,567 (6.8)	190,514 (8.4)	
Trademark Application for Renewal	10,710 (▲ 0.2)	7,548 (2.7)	7,605 (1.8)	9,923 (▲ 10.6)	6,646 (▲ 18.9)	7,154 (▲ 13.3)	105,868 (▲ 0.7)	77,919 (▲ 3.3)	106,663 (▲ 12.7)	108,518 (▲ 8.1)	