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(1) The Number of Applications

Year/ Month	2020 2	3	2020/1-3 (Cum Sum of 2020)	2019/1-3 (Year-on-Year)	2019/4 - 2020/3 (Cum Sum of FY2019)	2018/4 - 2019/3 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2019	Q2 of FY2019	Q3 of FY2019	Q4 of FY2019	2019/1-12 (Total of 2018)
Patents & Utility Models	24,324 (▲6.4)	37,580 (▲3.2)	83,341 (▲3.9)	86,691 (▲0.7)	309,860 (▲2.7)	318,371 (▲0.9)	71,890 (▲2.0)	76,764 (▲1.1)	77,865 (▲3.5)	83,341 (▲3.9)	313,210 (▲1.8)
Patents	23,809 (▲6.9)	37,012 (▲3.6)	81,873 (▲4.2)	85,447 (▲0.6)	304,395 (▲2.8)	313,028 (▲0.8)	70,601 (▲2.0)	75,388 (▲1.2)	76,533 (▲3.4)	81,873 (▲4.2)	307,969 (▲1.8)
Utility Models	404 (▲2.4)	466 (8.9)	1,255 (0.9)	1,244 (▲3.6)	5,252 (▲1.7)	5,343 (▲8.5)	1,289 (▲2.0)	1,376 (1.8)	1,332 (▲7.0)	1,255 (0.9)	5,241 (▲2.8)
Designs	2,294 (▲2.4)	2,493 (▲14.9)	7,093 (▲4.7)	7,441 (▲5.1)	31,141 (0.4)	31,008 (▲3.4)	8,236 (3.3)	7,789 (5.0)	8,023 (▲1.9)	7,093 (▲4.7)	31,489 (0.3)
National Applications	2,093 (▲8.3)	2,270 (▲17.7)	6,363 (▲10.7)	7,123 (▲2.4)	28,657 (▲1.1)	28,969 (▲3.1)	7,683 (4.4)	7,295 (6.5)	7,316 (▲4.3)	6,363 (▲10.7)	29,417 (0.9)
Trademarks	12,619 (▲11.3)	14,815 (▲4.1)	41,175 (▲21.0)	52,129 (12.9)	179,819 (▲5.6)	190,452 (1.1)	49,962 (2.1)	41,564 (▲2.1)	47,118 (0.3)	41,175 (▲21.0)	190,773 (3.4)
National Applications	10,940 (▲11.9)	13,325 (▲3.3)	36,402 (▲22.2)	46,794 (10.6)	160,931 (▲6.0)	171,160 (0.4)	45,318 (1.6)	36,943 (▲2.1)	42,268 (0.6)	36,402 (▲22.2)	171,323 (2.8)
Total Number	39,237 (▲7.8)	54,888 (▲4.0)	131,609 (▲10.0)	146,261 (3.5)	520,820 (▲3.5)	539,831 (▲0.4)	130,088 (▲0.1)	126,117 (▲1.1)	133,006 (▲2.1)	131,609 (▲10.0)	535,472 (0.1)
Trademark Class Counts	21,130 (▲12.4)	24,041 (▲14.6)	73,775 (▲54.8)	163,362 (17.1)	417,010 (▲16.0)	496,533 (▲5.0)	140,154 (5.9)	73,464 (▲14.5)	129,617 (12.7)	73,775 (▲54.8)	506,597 (7.2)

(2) The Number of International Applications

Year/ Month	2020 2	3	2020/1-3 (Cum Sum of 2020)	2019/1-3 (Year-on-Year)	2019/4 - 2020/3 (Cum Sum of FY2019)	2018/4 - 2019/3 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2019	Q2 of FY2019	Q3 of FY2019	Q4 of FY2019	2019/1-12 (Total of 2018)	
PCT	RO	4,723 (6.7)	6,412 (▲0.3)	14,979 (4.0)	14,408 (2.5)	52,223 (6.6)	48,984 (2.9)	11,596 (6.1)	12,670 (8.9)	12,978 (8.1)	14,979 (4.0)	51,652 (6.2)
	DO	5,247 (3.9)	6,178 (7.0)	16,463 (5.3)	15,630 (2.3)	67,992 (5.3)	64,560 (3.4)	17,408 (3.9)	16,755 (6.6)	17,366 (5.4)	16,463 (5.3)	67,159 (4.6)
Hague Agreement	OO	1 (0.0)	5 (▲28.6)	6 (▲50.0)	12 (500.0)	21 (▲48.8)	41 (46.4)	2 (▲84.6)	10 (0.0)	3 (▲50.0)	6 (▲50.0)	27 (▲12.9)
	DO	201 (195.6)	223 (32.0)	730 (129.6)	318 (▲41.1)	2,484 (21.8)	2,039 (▲8.1)	553 (▲9.8)	494 (▲13.6)	707 (31.9)	730 (129.6)	2,072 (▲8.4)
Madrid Protocol	OO	231 (▲8.0)	301 (▲2.0)	803 (7.9)	744 (5.1)	3,198 (▲0.1)	3,200 (22.8)	719 (▲5.3)	827 (10.3)	849 (▲10.3)	803 (7.9)	3,139 (▲0.8)
	DO	1,679 (▲7.2)	1,490 (▲10.5)	4,773 (▲10.5)	5,335 (38.8)	18,888 (▲2.1)	19,292 (7.7)	4,644 (7.9)	4,621 (▲1.7)	4,850 (▲2.0)	4,773 (▲10.5)	19,450 (9.3)

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

Year/ Month	2020 2	3	2020/1-3 (Cum Sum of 2020)	2019/1-3 (Year-on-Year)	2019/4 - 2020/3 (Cum Sum of FY2019)	2018/4 - 2019/3 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2019	Q2 of FY2019	Q3 of FY2019	Q4 of FY2019	2019/1-12 (Total of 2018)
Request for Patent Examination	20,629 (3.3)	22,840 (2.4)	62,089 (1.6)	61,136 (▲5.2)	236,135 (2.3)	230,922 (▲1.8)	58,130 (8.0)	58,880 (3.9)	57,036 (▲3.8)	62,089 (1.6)	235,182 (0.4)
Year-on-Year	19,962 (▲7.6)	22,297 (▲9.7)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion	20 (▲16.7)	12 (▲53.8)	54 (▲32.5)	80 (15.9)	263 (▲13.5)	304 (1.3)	66 (20.0)	73 (▲21.5)	70 (▲7.9)	54 (▲32.5)	289 (▲1.4)

(4) The Number of Requests for Trials and Appeals

Year/ Month		2020 2	3	2020/1-3 (Cum Sum of 2020)	2019/1-3 (Year-on-Year)	2019/4 - 2020/3 (Cum Sum of FY2019)	2018/4 - 2019/3 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2019	Q2 of FY2019	Q3 of FY2019	Q4 of FY2019	2019/1-12 (Total of 2018)
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,335 (▲3.7)	1,394 (10.1)	4,034 (2.4)	3,940 (▲2.1)	16,793 (2.1)	16,452 (▲9.7)	4,179 (▲5.0)	4,004 (7.1)	4,576 (4.7)	4,034 (2.4)	16,699 (1.0)
	Trials for Invalidation	13 (85.7)	13 (30.0)	34 (41.7)	24 (▲31.4)	122 (▲17.6)	148 (▲2.6)	18 (▲60.9)	31 (▲20.5)	39 (0.0)	34 (41.7)	112 (▲29.6)
	Trials for Correction	10 (▲52.4)	6 (▲25.0)	25 (▲40.5)	42 (▲33.3)	112 (▲38.5)	182 (▲7.6)	34 (▲10.5)	34 (▲27.7)	19 (▲65.5)	25 (▲40.5)	129 (▲36.5)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	2 (▲50.0)	7 (0.0)	12 (71.4)	7 (0.0)	26 (4.0)	25 (▲24.2)	2 (▲71.4)	4 (0.0)	8 (14.3)	12 (71.4)	21 (▲16.0)
	oppositions	84 (▲20.8)	88 (14.3)	236 (▲11.3)	266 (▲6.0)	1,134 (▲1.8)	1,155 (▲10.9)	295 (5.7)	281 (▲4.1)	322 (1.6)	236 (▲11.3)	1,164 (▲0.7)
	Total	1,444 (▲5.2)	1,508 (10.8)	4,341 (1.4)	4,279 (▲3.0)	18,187 (1.3)	17,962 (▲9.8)	4,528 (▲5.1)	4,354 (5.6)	4,964 (3.7)	4,341 (1.4)	18,125 (0.2)

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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)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (▲100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	2 (0.0)	1 (▲75.0)	4 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (▲50.0)	0 (▲100.0)	3 (50.0)
	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)	0 (0.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.0)
	Total	0 (▲100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	2 (0.0)	3 (▲25.0)	4 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	3 (50.0)	0 (▲100.0)	5 (150.0)

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Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	30 (▲18.9)	23 (▲8.0)	93 (19.2)	78 (▲17.0)	404 (45.8)	277 (▲31.4)	97 (42.6)	101 (32.9)	113 (105.5)	93 (19.2)	389 (32.8)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (▲66.7)	6 (▲53.8)	13 (▲13.3)	1 (▲80.0)	3 (▲40.0)	1 (▲50.0)	1 (0.0)	6 (▲60.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	3 (200.0)	1 (▲50.0)	16 (300.0)	4 (▲63.6)	5 (400.0)	4 (300.0)	4 (300.0)	3 (200.0)	14 (180.0)
	Total	31 (▲18.4)	25 (0.0)	97 (21.3)	80 (▲19.2)	426 (44.9)	294 (▲31.6)	103 (39.2)	108 (31.7)	118 (103.4)	97 (21.3)	409 (30.7)

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Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	46 (▲19.3)	62 (▲6.1)	145 (▲15.2)	171 (▲26.9)	786 (1.4)	775 (▲3.2)	299 (24.6)	215 (16.2)	127 (▲29.1)	145 (▲15.2)	812 (▲3.1)
	Trials for Invalidation	18 (100.0)	11 (120.0)	38 (100.0)	19 (0.0)	107 (9.2)	98 (6.5)	16 (▲44.8)	26 (8.3)	27 (3.8)	38 (100.0)	88 (▲10.2)
	Trials for Cancellation	65 (▲20.7)	83 (▲15.3)	242 (▲2.0)	247 (32.8)	991 (▲10.4)	1,106 (16.4)	272 (▲15.0)	264 (▲2.9)	213 (▲20.2)	242 (▲2.0)	996 (▲4.7)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	0 (▲100.0)	1 (▲66.7)	6 (0.0)	6 (▲25.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (▲75.0)	4 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	7 (▲12.5)
	Oppositions	31 (▲20.5)	36 (9.1)	96 (▲12.7)	110 (34.1)	375 (▲16.5)	449 (13.4)	82 (▲8.9)	100 (▲21.9)	97 (▲19.8)	96 (▲12.7)	389 (▲7.6)
	Total	160 (▲14.4)	192 (▲5.4)	521 (▲4.9)	548 (4.6)	2,665 (▲6.9)	2,434 (8.3)	670 (▲1.5)	606 (▲1.1)	468 (▲21.1)	521 (▲4.9)	2,292 (▲4.9)