

Statistical Report (Overview)

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(1) The Number of Applications

Year/ Month		2021 3	4	2021/1-4 (Cum Sum of 2021)	2020/1-4 (Year-on-Year)	2020/1-12 (Total of 2020)	2020/4 - 2021/3 (Cum Sum of FY2020)	2019/4 -2020/3 (Year-on-Year)
Patents & Utility Models		38,196 (1.7)	22,502 (5.6)	103,491 (▲1.0)	104,506 (▲5.5)	294,490 (▲6.0)	292,289 (▲5.6)	309,709 (▲2.7)
	Patents	37,689 (1.7)	22,142 (6.3)	101,779 (▲0.9)	102,746 (▲5.7)	288,472 (▲6.3)	286,193 (▲6.0)	304,438 (▲2.7)
	Utility Models	507 (4.8)	360 (▲25.9)	1,712 (▲2.7)	1,760 (5.5)	6,018 (14.8)	6,096 (15.7)	5,271 (▲1.3)
Designs		2,750 (9.4)	2,672 (▲6.9)	10,508 (5.2)	9,984 (▲3.8)	31,752 (0.8)	32,474 (4.2)	31,162 (0.5)
	National Applications	2,631 (14.8)	2,418 (▲7.3)	9,609 (6.8)	8,993 (▲9.2)	28,766 (▲2.2)	29,573 (3.1)	28,678 (▲1.0)
Trademarks		17,749 (19.6)	16,743 (17.3)	61,701 (11.2)	55,472 (▲24.2)	181,072 (▲5.1)	184,827 (2.8)	179,847 (▲5.6)
	National Applications	16,135 (20.8)	15,056 (19.3)	55,544 (13.2)	49,053 (▲26.1)	163,148 (▲4.8)	167,206 (3.9)	160,959 (▲6.0)
Total Number		58,695 (6.9)	41,917 (9.0)	175,700 (3.4)	169,962 (▲12.5)	507,314 (▲5.3)	509,590 (▲2.1)	520,718 (▲3.5)
Trademark Class Counts		31,030 (17.4)	23,868 (▲23.2)	99,815 (▲6.9)	107,253 (▲55.6)	382,590 (▲24.5)	382,366 (▲8.8)	419,406 (▲15.5)

(2) The Number of International Applications

Year/ Month		2021 3	4	2021/1-4 (Cum Sum of 2021)	2020/1-4 (Year-on-Year)	2020/1-12 (Total of 2020)	2020/4 - 2021/3 (Cum Sum of FY2020)	2019/4 -2020/3 (Year-on-Year)
P C T	RO	6,519 (1.7)	3,210 (▲5.2)	17,322 (▲5.7)	18,365 (1.0)	49,314 (▲4.5)	48,447 (▲7.2)	52,223 (6.6)
	DO	6,516 (7.2)	6,476 (20.9)	23,154 (7.2)	21,604 (0.3)	67,887 (1.1)	68,317 (0.8)	67,777 (5.0)
Hague Agreement	OO	1 (▲80.0)	2 (0.0)	4 (▲50.0)	8 (▲33.3)	17 (▲37.0)	13 (▲38.1)	21 (▲48.8)
	DO	119 (▲46.6)	254 (▲2.7)	899 (▲9.3)	991 (110.9)	2,986 (44.1)	2,901 (16.8)	2,484 (21.8)
Madrid Protocol	OO	329 (9.3)	221 (7.8)	963 (▲4.5)	1,008 (2.4)	3,033 (▲3.4)	2,972 (▲7.1)	3,198 (▲0.1)
	DO	1,614 (8.3)	1,686 (2.4)	6,156 (▲4.1)	6,419 (▲5.1)	17,924 (▲7.8)	17,621 (▲6.7)	18,888 (▲2.1)

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

Year/ Month		2021 3	4	2021/1-4 (Cum Sum of 2021)	2020/1-4 (Year-on-Year)	2020/1-12 (Total of 2020)	2020/4 - 2021/3 (Cum Sum of FY2020)	2019/4 -2020/3 (Year-on-Year)
Request for Patent Examination		24,447 (6.6)	18,539 (11.0)	81,170 (2.8)	78,962 (▲2.6)	232,215 (▲1.3)	232,587 (▲1.6)	236,305 (2.3)
	Year-on-Year	22,924 (2.8)	16,703 (▲16.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion		28 (115.4)	15 (▲21.1)	76 (4.1)	73 (▲26.3)	221 (▲23.5)	228 (▲13.3)	263 (▲13.5)

(4) The Number of Requests for Trials and Appeals

Year/ Month		2021 3	4	2021/1-4 (Cum Sum of 2021)	2020/1-4 (Year-on-Year)	2020/1-12 (Total of 2020)	2020/4 - 2021/3 (Cum Sum of FY2020)	2019/4 -2020/3 (Year-on-Year)
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,472 (5.6)	1,420 (▲9.9)	5,353 (▲4.6)	5,610 (3.2)	16,903 (1.2)	16,802 (0.1)	16,793 (2.1)
	Trials for Invalidation	14 (7.7)	11 (22.2)	40 (▲7.0)	43 (19.4)	121 (8.0)	116 (▲4.9)	122 (▲17.6)
	Trials for Correction	13 (116.7)	16 (128.6)	70 (118.8)	32 (▲39.6)	120 (▲7.0)	149 (33.0)	112 (▲38.5)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (▲100.0)	5 (400.0)	12 (▲7.7)	13 (85.7)	27 (28.6)	22 (▲15.4)	26 (4.0)
	oppositions	115 (30.7)	121 (12.0)	471 (36.9)	344 (▲13.1)	1,127 (▲3.2)	1,241 (9.4)	1,134 (▲1.8)
	Total	1,614 (7.0)	1,573 (▲7.5)	5,946 (▲1.6)	6,042 (1.9)	18,298 (1.0)	18,330 (0.8)	18,187 (1.3)

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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)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (▲50.0)	6 (100.0)	6 (500.0)	1 (▲75.0)
	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 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	0 (▲100.0)	2 (0.0)
	Total	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	1 (▲50.0)	6 (20.0)	6 (100.0)	3 (▲25.0)

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Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	24 (4.3)	19 (▲42.4)	80 (▲36.5)	126 (23.5)	367 (▲5.7)	335 (▲17.1)	404 (45.8)
	Trials for Invalidation	2 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	5 (66.7)	3 (200.0)	8 (33.3)	10 (66.7)	6 (▲53.8)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (▲50.0)	2 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	3 (▲40.0)	6 (▲57.1)	4 (▲75.0)	16 (300.0)
	Total	27 (8.0)	23 (▲34.3)	88 (▲33.3)	132 (22.2)	381 (▲6.8)	349 (▲18.1)	426 (44.9)

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Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	73 (17.7)	87 (26.1)	272 (27.1)	214 (▲18.9)	744 (▲8.4)	784 (▲0.3)	786 (1.4)
	Trials for Invalidation	4 (▲63.6)	11 (1000.0)	23 (▲41.0)	39 (39.3)	87 (▲1.1)	61 (▲43.0)	107 (9.2)
	Trials for Cancellation	112 (34.9)	91 (28.2)	353 (12.8)	313 (▲10.6)	1,011 (1.5)	1,031 (4.0)	991 (▲10.4)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	2 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	4 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	9 (28.6)	12 (100.0)	6 (0.0)
	Oppositions	54 (50.0)	44 (41.9)	177 (39.4)	127 (▲11.8)	370 (▲4.9)	407 (8.5)	375 (▲16.5)
	Total	245 (27.6)	234 (36.0)	829 (19.6)	693 (▲11.9)	2,221 (▲3.1)	2,295 (1.3)	2,265 (▲6.9)