

Preliminary Statistical Data on Filing Applications and Requests

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1. Preliminary Statistical Data

(1) The Number of Applications

Year/Month	2021 1	2	3	4	5	6	2021 1 - 6	2020/4 - 2021/3 Cum Sum of FY2020	2020 1 - 6	2019/4 - 2020/3 Total of FY2019
Patents & Utility Models	19,746 (▲ 7.9)	23,049 (▲ 4.8)	38,375 (2.2)	22,635 (6.2)	19,598 (▲ 2.3)	25,168 (▲ 2.9)	148,571 (▲ 1.3)	292,470 (▲ 5.6)	150,485 (▲ 5.1)	309,709 (▲ 2.7)
Patents	19,340 (▲ 8.1)	22,610 (▲ 5.0)	37,826 (2.1)	22,186 (6.5)	19,173 (▲ 2.1)	24,776 (▲ 2.1)	145,911 (▲ 1.2)	286,332 (▲ 5.9)	147,643 (▲ 5.4)	304,438 (▲ 2.7)
Utility Models	406 (5.2)	439 (8.7)	549 (13.4)	449 (▲ 7.6)	425 (▲ 10.1)	392 (▲ 35.6)	2,660 (▲ 6.4)	6,138 (16.4)	2,842 (12.2)	5,271 (▲ 1.3)
Designs	2,609 (13.1)	2,477 (8.0)	2,909 (15.7)	2,702 (▲ 5.9)	2,190 (▲ 5.2)	2,968 (3.5)	15,855 (4.6)	32,633 (4.7)	15,163 (▲ 3.3)	31,162 (0.5)
National Applications	2,286 (14.3)	2,274 (8.6)	2,790 (21.8)	2,448 (▲ 6.2)	2,049 (4.1)	2,662 (0.5)	14,509 (6.6)	29,732 (3.7)	13,612 (▲ 8.1)	28,678 (▲ 1.0)
Trademarks	13,158 (▲ 4.2)	14,051 (11.3)	17,749 (19.6)	16,756 (17.4)	13,674 (▲ 33.2)	16,662 (8.5)	92,050 (0.8)	184,827 (2.8)	91,307 (▲ 10.6)	179,847 (▲ 5.6)
National Applications	11,840 (▲ 2.4)	12,513 (14.4)	16,135 (20.8)	15,070 (19.4)	12,313 (▲ 35.4)	15,128 (8.2)	82,999 (1.1)	167,206 (3.9)	82,088 (▲ 10.9)	160,959 (▲ 6.0)
Total Number	35,513 (▲ 5.3)	39,577 (1.2)	59,033 (7.5)	42,093 (9.5)	35,462 (▲ 17.2)	44,798 (1.5)	256,476 (▲ 0.2)	509,930 (▲ 2.1)	256,955 (▲ 7.0)	520,718 (▲ 3.5)
Trademarks Class Counts	21,442 (▲ 25.0)	23,475 (11.1)	31,030 (17.4)	28,685 (▲ 7.7)	23,461 (▲ 76.1)	24,559 (▲ 6.8)	152,652 (▲ 34.2)	382,366 (▲ 8.8)	231,886 (▲ 23.6)	419,406 (▲ 15.5)

• 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		2021 1	2	3	4	5	6	2021 1 - 6	2020/4 - 2021/3 Cum Sum of FY2020	2020 1 - 6	2019/4 - 2020/3 Total of FY2019
Patents	RO	3,447 (▲ 10.3)	4,146 (▲ 12.2)	6,519 (1.7)	3,210 (▲ 5.2)	3,448 (9.6)	4,123 (▲ 2.8)	24,893 (▲ 3.3)	48,447 (▲ 7.2)	25,751 (▲ 1.0)	52,223 (6.6)
	DO	5,113 (1.5)	5,049 (▲ 1.7)	6,516 (7.2)	6,476 (20.9)	5,471 (6.0)	7,026 (3.8)	35,651 (6.3)	68,317 (0.8)	33,535 (1.5)	67,777 (5.0)
Designs	OO	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (▲ 80.0)	2 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	7 (▲ 36.4)	13 (▲ 38.1)	11 (▲ 21.4)	21 (▲ 48.8)
	DO	323 (5.6)	203 (1.0)	119 (▲ 46.6)	254 (▲ 2.7)	141 (▲ 58.7)	306 (39.7)	1,346 (▲ 13.2)	2,901 (16.8)	1,551 (78.1)	2,484 (21.8)
Trademarks	OO	155 (▲ 42.8)	258 (11.7)	329 (9.3)	221 (7.8)	215 (23.6)	286 (22.7)	1,464 (3.5)	2,972 (▲ 7.1)	1,415 (▲ 3.3)	3,198 (▲ 0.1)
	DO	1,318 (▲ 17.8)	1,538 (▲ 8.4)	1,614 (8.3)	1,686 (2.4)	1,361 (▲ 4.8)	1,534 (12.0)	9,051 (▲ 1.8)	17,621 (▲ 6.7)	9,219 (▲ 7.6)	18,888 (▲ 2.1)

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		2021 1	2	3	4	5	6	2021 1 - 6	2020/4 - 2021/3 Cum Sum of FY2020	2020 1 - 6	2019/4 - 2020/3 Total of FY2019
Request for Patent Examination		18,212 (▲ 2.3)	19,970 (▲ 3.5)	24,447 (6.6)	18,543 (11.0)	17,379 (6.5)	21,064 (4.2)	119,615 (3.6)	232,585 (▲ 1.6)	115,490 (▲ 3.2)	236,305 (2.3)
	Year-on-Year	18,650 (▲ 1.2)	20,685 (3.6)	22,924 (2.8)	16,703 (▲ 16.1)	16,318 (▲ 11.4)	20,210 (2.1)	— —	236,305 (2.3)	— —	— —
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion		17 (▲ 19.0)	16 (▲ 20.0)	28 (115.4)	23 (21.1)	16 (23.1)	17 (▲ 39.3)	117 (2.6)	228 (▲ 13.3)	114 (▲ 21.9)	263 (▲ 13.5)

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

Year/Month		2021 1	2	3	4	5	6	2021 1 - 6	2020/4 - 2021/3 Cum Sum of FY2020	2020 1 - 6	2019/4 - 2020/3 Total of FY2019
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,281 (▲ 1.8)	1,180 (▲ 11.6)	1,473 (5.7)	1,421 (▲ 9.8)	1,227 (▲ 10.4)	1,481 (▲ 8.4)	8,063 (▲ 6.2)	16,803 (0.1)	8,595 (5.9)	16,793 (2.1)
	Trials for Invalidation	5 (▲ 37.5)	10 (▲ 23.1)	14 (7.7)	11 (22.2)	7 (▲ 41.7)	5 (▲ 16.7)	52 (▲ 14.8)	116 (▲ 4.9)	61 (45.2)	122 (▲ 17.6)
	Trials for Correction	24 (166.7)	17 (70.0)	13 (116.7)	16 (128.6)	14 (40.0)	7 (▲ 36.4)	91 (71.7)	149 (33.0)	53 (▲ 30.3)	112 (▲ 38.5)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	2 (▲ 33.3)	5 (150.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	5 (400.0)	1 (0.0)	2 (100.0)	15 (7.1)	22 (▲ 15.4)	14 (55.6)	26 (4.0)
	Oppositions	122 (90.6)	113 (34.5)	115 (30.7)	121 (12.0)	113 (101.8)	90 (▲ 4.3)	674 (36.4)	1,241 (9.4)	494 (▲ 11.9)	1,134 (▲ 1.8)
	Total	1,434 (3.2)	1,325 (▲ 8.2)	1,615 (7.1)	1,574 (▲ 7.5)	1,362 (▲ 5.9)	1,585 (▲ 8.3)	8,895 (▲ 3.5)	18,331 (0.8)	9,217 (4.7)	18,187 (1.3)
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)	4 (300.0)	0 (0.0)	5 (150.0)	6 (500.0)	2 (0.0)	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)	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 (0.0)	2 (0.0)
	Total	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	4 (300.0)	0 (0.0)	5 (150.0)	6 (100.0)	2 (0.0)	3 (▲ 25.0)
Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	26 (▲ 35.0)	11 (▲ 63.3)	24 (4.3)	19 (▲ 42.4)	20 (42.9)	40 (▲ 11.1)	140 (▲ 24.3)	335 (▲ 17.1)	185 (5.7)	404 (45.8)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	2 (▲ 33.3)	3 (200.0)	10 (42.9)	10 (66.7)	7 (250.0)	6 (▲ 53.8)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (▲ 50.0)	2 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	4 (33.3)	4 (▲ 75.0)	3 (▲ 50.0)	16 (300.0)
	Total	26 (▲ 36.6)	12 (▲ 61.3)	27 (8.0)	23 (▲ 34.3)	22 (29.4)	44 (▲ 4.3)	154 (▲ 21.0)	349 (▲ 18.1)	195 (6.6)	426 (44.9)

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

Year/Month		2021 1	2	3	4	5	6	2021 1 - 6	2020/4 - 2021/3 Cum Sum of FY2020	2020 1 - 6	2019/4 - 2020/3 Total of FY2019
Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	57 (54.1)	55 (19.6)	73 (17.7)	95 (37.7)	81 (47.3)	136 (11.5)	497 (27.1)	784 (▲ 0.3)	391 (▲ 16.8)	786 (1.4)
	Trials for Invalidation	4 (▲ 55.6)	4 (▲ 77.8)	4 (▲ 63.6)	11 (1000.0)	3 (▲ 40.0)	3 (▲ 70.0)	29 (▲ 46.3)	61 (▲ 43.0)	54 (54.3)	107 (9.2)
	Trials for Cancellation	65 (▲ 30.9)	85 (30.8)	113 (36.1)	96 (35.2)	78 (20.0)	80 (▲ 29.8)	517 (5.1)	1,032 (4.1)	492 (▲ 5.2)	991 (▲ 10.4)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	2 (0.0)	6 (500.0)	12 (100.0)	1 (▲ 50.0)	6 (0.0)
	Oppositions	38 (31.0)	41 (32.3)	55 (52.8)	45 (45.2)	37 (12.1)	58 (205.3)	274 (53.1)	408 (8.8)	179 (▲ 6.8)	375 (▲ 16.5)
	Total	165 (▲ 2.4)	185 (15.6)	247 (28.6)	248 (44.2)	199 (25.2)	279 (5.3)	1,323 (18.4)	2,297 (1.4)	1,117 (▲ 8.3)	2,265 (▲ 6.9)
Total	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,364 (▲ 1.3)	1,246 (▲ 11.7)	1,570 (6.2)	1,535 (▲ 8.5)	1,328 (▲ 7.6)	1,657 (▲ 7.1)	8,700 (▲ 5.1)	17,922 (▲ 0.3)	9,171 (4.6)	17,983 (2.7)
	Trials for Invalidation	9 (▲ 50.0)	15 (▲ 51.6)	20 (▲ 16.7)	25 (92.3)	16 (▲ 23.8)	11 (▲ 35.3)	96 (▲ 22.6)	193 (▲ 18.2)	124 (53.1)	236 (▲ 10.3)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	3 (0.0)	5 (66.7)	3 (▲ 66.7)	8 (700.0)	1 (0.0)	5 (400.0)	25 (38.9)	38 (▲ 24.0)	18 (5.9)	50 (42.9)
	Trials for Correction (Patents & Utility Models)	24 (166.7)	17 (70.0)	13 (116.7)	16 (128.6)	14 (40.0)	7 (▲ 36.4)	91 (71.7)	149 (33.0)	53 (▲ 30.3)	112 (▲ 38.5)
	Trials for Cancellation (Trademarks)	65 (▲ 30.9)	85 (30.8)	113 (36.1)	96 (35.2)	78 (20.0)	80 (▲ 29.8)	517 (5.1)	1,032 (4.1)	492 (▲ 5.2)	991 (▲ 10.4)
	Oppositions (Patents & Trademarks)	160 (72.0)	154 (33.9)	170 (37.1)	166 (19.4)	150 (68.5)	148 (31.0)	948 (40.9)	1,649 (9.3)	673 (▲ 10.6)	1,509 (▲ 5.9)
	Total	1,625 (1.6)	1,522 (▲ 6.9)	1,889 (9.5)	1,846 (▲ 3.3)	1,587 (▲ 2.3)	1,908 (▲ 6.4)	10,377 (▲ 1.5)	20,983 (0.5)	10,531 (3.1)	20,881 (0.9)

(6) The Number of Registrations

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

Year/Month		2021 1	2	3	4	5	6	2021 1 - 6	2020/4 - 2021/3 Cum Sum of FY2020	2020 1 - 6	2019/4 - 2020/3 Total of FY2019
The Number of Registrations	Patents	13,538 (▲ 16.2)	13,034 (▲ 8.8)	17,252 (9.0)	16,344 (18.1)	14,895 (18.4)	13,556 (▲ 12.9)	88,619 (0.4)	176,933 (▲ 2.2)	88,257 (▲ 0.7)	180,859 (▲ 4.4)
	Utility Models	429 (6.5)	405 (4.7)	555 (59.5)	344 (17.4)	440 (587.5)	534 (7.9)	2,707 (36.0)	5,769 (15.9)	1,990 (▲ 17.9)	4,977 (▲ 2.7)
	Designs	2,180 (▲ 4.8)	1,793 (▲ 14.1)	2,433 (▲ 5.4)	2,206 (▲ 5.4)	2,072 (22.0)	2,408 (15.9)	13,092 (0.2)	25,873 (▲ 6.4)	13,060 (▲ 6.3)	27,644 (1.0)
	Trademarks	12,223 (18.4)	11,277 (9.3)	15,562 (40.3)	14,841 (68.1)	12,569 (75.0)	14,666 (51.2)	81,138 (41.3)	142,643 (22.7)	57,441 (12.7)	116,260 (2.3)
	National Applications	10,991 (15.4)	10,115 (6.8)	14,406 (40.1)	13,389 (68.5)	11,199 (75.3)	13,567 (47.7)	73,667 (39.6)	130,410 (22.0)	52,784 (13.5)	106,858 (4.0)
	International Applications	1,232 (53.6)	1,162 (37.0)	1,156 (42.0)	1,452 (64.4)	1,370 (72.3)	1,099 (113.4)	7,471 (60.4)	12,233 (30.1)	4,657 (4.3)	9,402 (▲ 13.6)
	Total	28,370 (▲ 2.7)	26,509 (▲ 2.1)	35,802 (20.0)	33,735 (33.4)	29,976 (39.2)	31,164 (12.0)	185,556 (15.4)	351,218 (6.5)	160,748 (2.9)	329,740 (▲ 1.7)
Class Counts of Trademark Registration	21,155 (16.7)	19,043 (5.5)	27,591 (34.1)	25,857 (72.7)	20,681 (72.6)	25,896 (50.0)	140,223 (38.9)	243,938 (22.6)	100,966 (14.9)	198,919 (4.4)	
Trademark Application for Renewal	6,964 (▲ 27.7)	6,062 (▲ 20.1)	8,941 (▲ 2.6)	8,022 (2.8)	7,129 (10.2)	8,484 (▲ 4.8)	45,602 (▲ 8.0)	91,333 (▲ 12.4)	49,566 (▲ 11.9)	104,307 (▲ 3.9)	