

# Preliminary Statistical Data on Filing Applications and Requests

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# 1. Preliminary Statistical Data

## (1) The Number of Applications

Year/Month	2021 11	12	2022 1	2	3	4	2022 1 - 4	2021/4 - 2022/3 Cum Sum of FY2021	2021 1 - 4	2020/4 - 2021/3 Total of FY2020
Patents & Utility Models	23,397 (6.9)	27,808 (0.7)	19,827 (0.4)	22,418 (▲ 2.7)	38,233 (▲ 0.4)	20,788 (▲ 8.2)	101,266 (▲ 2.4)	293,746 (0.4)	103,806 (▲ 0.7)	292,471 (▲ 5.6)
Patents	23,018 (7.4)	27,374 (1.3)	19,494 (0.8)	22,080 (▲ 2.3)	37,778 (▲ 0.1)	20,367 (▲ 8.2)	99,719 (▲ 2.2)	288,775 (0.9)	101,964 (▲ 0.8)	286,333 (▲ 5.9)
Utility Models	379 (▲ 17.8)	434 (▲ 25.3)	333 (▲ 18.0)	338 (▲ 23.0)	455 (▲ 17.1)	421 (▲ 6.0)	1,547 (▲ 16.0)	4,971 (▲ 19.0)	1,842 (4.7)	6,138 (16.4)
Designs	2,834 (21.1)	3,149 (2.4)	2,314 (▲ 11.4)	2,522 (1.8)	3,375 (16.0)	2,589 (▲ 4.4)	10,800 (0.9)	32,739 (0.2)	10,705 (7.2)	32,681 (4.9)
National Applications	2,518 (15.6)	2,665 (▲ 7.5)	2,038 (▲ 10.9)	2,160 (▲ 5.0)	3,085 (10.6)	2,263 (▲ 7.8)	9,546 (▲ 2.7)	29,153 (▲ 2.1)	9,807 (9.1)	29,780 (3.8)
Trademarks	15,224 (9.2)	16,246 (3.3)	12,898 (▲ 2.0)	13,863 (▲ 1.3)	16,868 (▲ 5.0)	14,150 (▲ 15.6)	57,779 (▲ 6.4)	183,302 (▲ 0.8)	61,714 (11.3)	184,827 (2.8)
National Applications	13,613 (7.2)	14,135 (0.9)	11,673 (▲ 1.4)	12,082 (▲ 3.4)	14,883 (▲ 7.8)	12,587 (▲ 16.5)	51,225 (▲ 7.8)	162,687 (▲ 2.7)	55,558 (13.3)	167,206 (3.9)
Total Number	41,455 (8.6)	47,203 (1.7)	35,039 (▲ 1.3)	38,803 (▲ 2.0)	58,476 (▲ 0.9)	37,527 (▲ 10.9)	169,845 (▲ 3.6)	509,787 (▲ 0.0)	176,225 (3.7)	509,979 (▲ 2.1)
Trademarks Class Counts	27,194 (15.0)	27,944 (7.2)	22,878 (6.7)	24,508 (4.4)	29,714 (▲ 4.2)	22,968 (▲ 19.9)	100,068 (▲ 4.4)	316,345 (▲ 17.3)	104,632 (▲ 2.4)	382,366 (▲ 8.8)

▪ 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 11	12	2022 1	2	3	4	2022 1 - 4	2021/4 - 2022/3 Cum Sum of FY2021	2021 1 - 4	2020/4 - 2021/3 Total of FY2020
Patents	RO	3,826 (7.0)	5,025 (6.1)	3,709 (7.6)	4,770 (15.1)	8,508 (30.5)	2,493 (▲ 22.3)	19,480 (12.5)	51,915 (7.2)	17,322 (▲ 5.7)	48,447 (▲ 7.2)
	DO	6,381 (15.7)	6,813 (9.4)	5,588 (9.3)	5,346 (5.9)	6,796 (4.3)	6,156 (▲ 4.9)	23,886 (3.2)	74,013 (8.3)	23,154 (7.2)	68,318 (0.8)
Designs	OO	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (▲ 75.0)	13 (0.0)	4 (▲ 50.0)	13 (▲ 38.1)
	DO	316 (95.1)	484 (150.8)	276 (▲ 14.6)	362 (78.3)	290 (143.7)	326 (28.9)	1,254 (39.6)	3,586 (23.6)	898 (▲ 9.4)	2,901 (16.8)
Trademarks	OO	298 (23.7)	357 (25.3)	238 (53.5)	250 (▲ 3.1)	332 (0.9)	236 (6.8)	1,056 (9.7)	3,274 (10.2)	963 (▲ 4.5)	2,972 (▲ 7.1)
	DO	1,611 (28.9)	2,111 (22.4)	1,225 (▲ 7.1)	1,780 (15.7)	1,985 (23.0)	1,563 (▲ 7.3)	6,553 (6.4)	20,614 (17.0)	6,156 (▲ 4.1)	17,621 (▲ 6.7)

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		2021 11	12	2022 1	2	3	4	2022 1 - 4	2021/4 - 2022/3 Cum Sum of FY2021	2021 1 - 4	2020/4 - 2021/3 Total of FY2020
Request for Patent Examination		19,796 (6.2)	20,186 (▲ 4.0)	18,242 (0.3)	19,688 (▲ 1.3)	23,070 (▲ 5.9)	17,991 (▲ 3.7)	78,991 (▲ 2.9)	236,903 (1.8)	81,332 (3.0)	232,610 (▲ 1.6)
	Year-on-Year	18,641 (2.2)	21,021 (1.1)	18,192 (▲ 2.5)	19,940 (▲ 3.6)	24,522 (7.0)	18,678 (11.8)	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion		22 (0.0)	26 (44.4)	28 (64.7)	22 (37.5)	24 (▲ 14.3)	18 (▲ 21.7)	92 (9.5)	279 (22.4)	84 (15.1)	228 (▲ 13.3)

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

Year/Month		2021 11	12	2022 1	2	3	4	2022 1 - 4	2021/4 - 2022/3 Cum Sum of FY2021	2021 1 - 4	2020/4 - 2021/3 Total of FY2020
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,523 (23.8)	1,740 (24.8)	1,336 (4.3)	1,470 (24.6)	1,587 (7.7)	1,669 (17.5)	6,062 (13.2)	17,353 (3.3)	5,355 (▲ 4.5)	16,803 (0.1)
	Trials for Invalidation	6 (▲ 50.0)	8 (33.3)	3 (▲ 40.0)	15 (50.0)	14 (0.0)	7 (▲ 36.4)	39 (▲ 2.5)	109 (▲ 6.0)	40 (▲ 7.0)	116 (▲ 4.9)
	Trials for Correction	10 (42.9)	13 (18.2)	9 (▲ 62.5)	16 (▲ 5.9)	21 (61.5)	11 (▲ 31.3)	57 (▲ 18.6)	188 (26.2)	70 (118.8)	149 (33.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	2 (0.0)	1 (▲ 80.0)	3 (0.0)	2 (▲ 60.0)	8 (▲ 33.3)	23 (4.5)	12 (▲ 7.7)	22 (▲ 15.4)
	Oppositions	90 (8.4)	161 (37.6)	85 (▲ 30.3)	104 (▲ 8.0)	107 (▲ 7.0)	115 (▲ 5.0)	411 (▲ 12.7)	1,345 (8.4)	471 (36.9)	1,241 (9.4)
	Total	1,630 (22.4)	1,922 (25.7)	1,435 (0.1)	1,606 (21.2)	1,732 (7.2)	1,804 (14.6)	6,577 (10.6)	19,018 (3.7)	5,948 (▲ 1.6)	18,331 (0.8)
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	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	7 (16.7)	1 (0.0)	6 (500.0)
	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 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)
	Total	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	7 (16.7)	1 (0.0)	6 (100.0)
Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	17 (▲ 41.4)	16 (▲ 38.5)	19 (▲ 26.9)	24 (118.2)	31 (29.2)	13 (▲ 31.6)	87 (8.7)	327 (▲ 2.4)	80 (▲ 36.5)	335 (▲ 17.1)
	Trials for Invalidation	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	2 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	7 (40.0)	17 (70.0)	5 (66.7)	10 (66.7)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (▲ 100.0)	2 (100.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	2 (▲ 33.3)	8 (100.0)	3 (0.0)	4 (▲ 75.0)
	Total	18 (▲ 41.9)	19 (▲ 29.6)	22 (▲ 15.4)	26 (116.7)	33 (22.2)	15 (▲ 34.8)	96 (9.1)	352 (0.9)	88 (▲ 33.3)	349 (▲ 18.1)

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

Year/Month		2021 11	12	2022 1	2	3	4	2022 1 - 4	2021/4 - 2022/3 Cum Sum of FY2021	2021 1 - 4	2020/4 - 2021/3 Total of FY2020
Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	107 (127.7)	99 (45.6)	100 (75.4)	103 (87.3)	127 (74.0)	162 (70.5)	492 (75.7)	1,252 (59.7)	280 (30.8)	784 (▲ 0.3)
	Trials for Invalidation	26 (420.0)	11 (450.0)	6 (50.0)	8 (100.0)	9 (125.0)	6 (▲ 45.5)	29 (26.1)	104 (70.5)	23 (▲ 41.0)	61 (▲ 43.0)
	Trials for Cancellation	103 (21.2)	110 (25.0)	89 (36.9)	99 (16.5)	140 (23.9)	98 (2.1)	426 (18.7)	1,193 (15.6)	359 (14.7)	1,032 (4.1)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	2 (▲ 50.0)	6 (▲ 50.0)	4 (0.0)	12 (100.0)
	Oppositions	39 (25.8)	46 (21.1)	37 (▲ 2.6)	37 (▲ 9.8)	68 (23.6)	53 (17.8)	195 (8.9)	503 (23.3)	179 (40.9)	408 (8.8)
	<b>Total</b>	<b>275 (59.0)</b>	<b>266 (35.7)</b>	<b>233 (41.2)</b>	<b>247 (33.5)</b>	<b>344 (39.3)</b>	<b>320 (29.0)</b>	<b>1,144 (35.4)</b>	<b>3,058 (33.1)</b>	<b>845 (21.9)</b>	<b>2,297 (1.4)</b>
Total	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,647 (26.1)	1,855 (24.7)	1,455 (6.7)	1,597 (28.2)	1,745 (11.1)	1,844 (20.1)	6,641 (16.2)	18,932 (5.6)	5,715 (▲ 3.9)	17,922 (▲ 0.3)
	Trials for Invalidation	34 (88.9)	20 (122.2)	12 (33.3)	23 (53.3)	26 (30.0)	15 (▲ 40.0)	76 (10.1)	237 (22.8)	69 (▲ 19.8)	193 (▲ 18.2)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (▲ 83.3)	2 (0.0)	3 (0.0)	3 (▲ 40.0)	3 (0.0)	3 (▲ 62.5)	12 (▲ 36.8)	37 (▲ 2.6)	19 (18.8)	38 (▲ 24.0)
	Trials for Correction (Patents & Utility Models)	10 (42.9)	13 (18.2)	9 (▲ 62.5)	16 (▲ 5.9)	21 (61.5)	11 (▲ 31.3)	57 (▲ 18.6)	188 (26.2)	70 (118.8)	149 (33.0)
	Trials for Cancellation (Trademarks)	103 (21.2)	110 (25.0)	89 (36.9)	99 (16.5)	140 (23.9)	98 (2.1)	426 (18.7)	1,193 (15.6)	359 (14.7)	1,032 (4.1)
	Oppositions (Patents & Trademarks)	129 (13.2)	207 (33.5)	122 (▲ 23.8)	141 (▲ 8.4)	175 (2.9)	168 (1.2)	606 (▲ 6.8)	1,848 (12.1)	650 (38.0)	1,649 (9.3)
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,924 (25.3)</b>	<b>2,207 (25.9)</b>	<b>1,690 (4.0)</b>	<b>1,879 (23.5)</b>	<b>2,110 (11.7)</b>	<b>2,139 (15.9)</b>	<b>7,818 (13.6)</b>	<b>22,435 (6.9)</b>	<b>6,882 (0.2)</b>	<b>20,983 (0.5)</b>

## (6) The Number of Registrations

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

Year/Month		2021 11	12	2022 1	2	3	4	2022 1 - 4	2021/4 - 2022/3 Cum Sum of FY2021	2021 1 - 4	2020/4 - 2021/3 Total of FY2020
The Number of Registrations	Patents	17,150 (9.4)	15,691 (4.0)	15,794 (16.7)	14,945 (14.7)	18,418 (6.8)	15,050 (▲ 7.9)	64,207 (6.7)	189,705 (7.2)	60,168 (0.1)	176,933 (▲ 2.2)
	Utility Models	385 (▲ 52.6)	450 (▲ 15.6)	405 (▲ 5.6)	391 (▲ 3.5)	407 (▲ 26.7)	338 (▲ 1.7)	1,541 (▲ 11.1)	5,313 (▲ 7.9)	1,733 (21.1)	5,769 (15.9)
	Designs	2,669 (28.1)	2,174 (▲ 4.4)	2,327 (6.7)	2,183 (21.8)	2,863 (17.7)	2,530 (14.7)	9,903 (15.0)	28,457 (10.0)	8,612 (▲ 7.2)	25,873 (▲ 6.4)
	Trademarks	15,980 (22.3)	16,440 (15.4)	14,879 (21.7)	14,898 (32.1)	20,496 (31.7)	13,607 (▲ 8.3)	63,880 (18.5)	185,106 (29.8)	53,903 (32.9)	142,643 (22.7)
	National Applications	14,835 (24.1)	14,937 (13.2)	13,091 (19.1)	13,297 (31.5)	18,917 (31.3)	11,783 (▲ 12.0)	57,088 (16.7)	167,656 (28.6)	48,901 (31.4)	130,410 (22.0)
	International Applications	1,145 (3.0)	1,503 (43.1)	1,788 (45.1)	1,601 (37.8)	1,579 (36.6)	1,824 (25.6)	6,792 (35.8)	17,450 (42.6)	5,002 (49.4)	12,233 (30.1)
	Total	36,184 (14.4)	34,755 (8.1)	33,405 (17.7)	32,417 (22.3)	42,184 (17.8)	31,525 (▲ 6.6)	139,531 (12.1)	408,581 (16.3)	124,416 (11.7)	351,218 (6.5)
Class Counts of Trademark Registration	28,426 (26.5)	28,851 (15.1)	25,507 (20.6)	26,007 (36.6)	37,784 (36.9)	23,216 (▲ 10.2)	112,514 (20.1)	320,470 (31.4)	93,646 (30.6)	243,938 (22.6)	
Trademark Application for Renewal	7,865 (22.9)	7,940 (5.0)	8,918 (28.1)	9,229 (52.2)	18,882 (111.2)	6,637 (▲ 17.3)	43,666 (45.6)	106,922 (17.1)	29,989 (▲ 12.3)	91,333 (▲ 12.4)	