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1. Preliminary Statistical Data

(1) The Number of Applications

Year/Month	2022 8	9	10	11	12	2023 1	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/1 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
Patents & Utility Models	23,319 (7.6)	27,720 (▲ 0.2)	22,449 (0.6)	24,258 (3.7)	27,527 (▲ 1.0)	19,635 (▲ 1.0)	294,043 (▲ 0.1)	233,200 (0.0)	294,439 (▲ 0.0)	293,746 (0.4)
Patents	22,919 (7.8)	27,340 (▲ 0.1)	22,111 (1.0)	23,898 (3.8)	27,160 (▲ 0.8)	19,324 (▲ 0.9)	289,530 (0.1)	229,502 (0.3)	289,200 (0.3)	288,775 (0.9)
Utility Models	400 (▲ 3.6)	380 (▲ 8.0)	338 (▲ 20.7)	360 (▲ 5.0)	367 (▲ 15.4)	311 (▲ 6.6)	4,513 (▲ 13.9)	3,698 (▲ 11.5)	5,239 (▲ 12.9)	4,971 (▲ 19.0)
Designs	2,532 (5.7)	2,816 (▲ 0.8)	2,715 (▲ 1.0)	2,490 (▲ 12.1)	2,598 (▲ 17.5)	2,129 (▲ 8.2)	31,711 (▲ 2.5)	25,620 (▲ 4.6)	32,525 (2.3)	32,748 (0.2)
National Applications	2,358 (11.4)	2,561 (▲ 0.7)	2,413 (1.4)	2,251 (▲ 10.6)	2,312 (▲ 13.2)	1,833 (▲ 10.3)	28,358 (▲ 3.0)	22,899 (▲ 4.2)	29,222 (1.4)	29,162 (▲ 2.1)
Trademarks	13,569 (▲ 4.3)	14,173 (▲ 10.9)	13,201 (▲ 15.5)	13,731 (▲ 9.8)	14,462 (▲ 11.0)	11,176 (▲ 13.4)	170,276 (▲ 7.8)	137,824 (▲ 9.7)	184,631 (2.0)	183,301 (▲ 0.8)
National Applications	12,232 (▲ 3.8)	12,214 (▲ 12.4)	11,625 (▲ 14.0)	12,353 (▲ 9.3)	12,318 (▲ 12.9)	9,969 (▲ 14.6)	150,506 (▲ 8.5)	121,837 (▲ 10.2)	164,537 (0.9)	162,687 (▲ 2.7)
Total Number	39,420 (3.1)	44,709 (▲ 3.9)	38,365 (▲ 5.7)	40,479 (▲ 2.4)	44,587 (▲ 5.5)	32,940 (▲ 6.0)	496,030 (▲ 3.0)	396,644 (▲ 3.8)	511,595 (0.8)	509,795 (▲ 0.0)
Trademarks Class Counts	24,139 (3.0)	24,256 (▲ 12.1)	19,898 (▲ 24.8)	24,542 (▲ 9.8)	23,661 (▲ 15.3)	20,285 (▲ 11.3)	293,476 (▲ 6.9)	236,657 (▲ 9.7)	315,192 (▲ 17.6)	316,349 (▲ 17.3)

▪ 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		2022 8	9	10	11	12	2023 1	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/1 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
Patents	RO	3,477 (▲ 1.0)	3,988 (▲ 7.9)	3,972 (4.0)	3,453 (▲ 9.7)	4,410 (▲ 12.2)	3,137 (▲ 15.4)	48,719 (▲ 0.7)	34,869 (▲ 9.8)	49,040 (▲ 0.6)	51,915 (7.2)
	DO	6,437 (14.9)	6,913 (▲ 0.4)	6,116 (2.8)	6,503 (1.9)	6,693 (▲ 1.8)	5,586 (▲ 0.0)	76,065 (4.3)	63,921 (3.3)	72,962 (7.5)	74,013 (8.3)
Designs	OO	1 (▲ 75.0)	1 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	10 (▲ 28.6)	9 (▲ 25.0)	14 (▲ 17.6)	13 (0.0)
	DO	174 (▲ 37.4)	255 (▲ 2.7)	302 (▲ 16.6)	239 (▲ 24.4)	286 (▲ 40.9)	296 (7.2)	3,353 (1.5)	2,721 (▲ 7.3)	3,303 (10.6)	3,586 (23.6)
Trademarks	OO	279 (14.3)	277 (▲ 8.0)	282 (12.4)	279 (▲ 6.4)	270 (▲ 24.4)	185 (▲ 22.3)	3,094 (▲ 3.2)	2,458 (▲ 8.7)	3,196 (5.4)	3,275 (10.2)
	DO	1,337 (▲ 8.8)	1,959 (▲ 0.2)	1,576 (▲ 25.3)	1,378 (▲ 14.5)	2,144 (1.6)	1,207 (▲ 1.5)	19,769 (▲ 1.6)	15,987 (▲ 5.1)	20,094 (12.1)	20,613 (17.0)

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		2022 8	9	10	11	12	2023 1	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/1 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
Request for Patent Examination		19,971 (7.2)	20,399 (▲ 4.8)	18,866 (▲ 2.3)	19,639 (▲ 0.8)	19,408 (▲ 3.9)	18,292 (0.6)	233,763 (▲ 2.0)	191,198 (▲ 1.5)	238,557 (2.7)	236,760 (1.8)
	Year-on-Year	18,631 (4.9)	21,432 (4.5)	19,304 (▲ 0.3)	19,796 (6.2)	20,186 (▲ 4.0)	18,191 (▲ 2.5)	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion		20 (▲ 13.0)	8 (▲ 75.0)	17 (6.3)	26 (18.2)	17 (▲ 34.6)	11 (▲ 60.7)	231 (▲ 13.2)	168 (▲ 27.9)	266 (20.4)	279 (22.4)

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

Year/Month		2022 8	9	10	11	12	2023 1	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/1 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,702 (36.9)	1,814 (23.0)	1,687 (20.4)	1,733 (13.8)	1,891 (8.7)	1,519 (13.7)	19,647 (16.3)	16,773 (17.3)	16,894 (▲ 0.1)	17,353 (3.3)
	Trials for Invalidation	8 (▲ 11.1)	3 (▲ 62.5)	4 (▲ 55.6)	10 (66.7)	3 (▲ 62.5)	7 (133.3)	97 (▲ 8.5)	72 (▲ 10.0)	106 (▲ 12.4)	109 (▲ 6.0)
	Trials for Correction	13 (▲ 59.4)	7 (▲ 41.7)	35 (105.9)	12 (20.0)	6 (▲ 53.8)	13 (44.4)	213 (8.7)	180 (19.2)	196 (63.3)	188 (26.2)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	4 (33.3)	1 (▲ 75.0)	3 (200.0)	4 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	30 (25.0)	24 (26.3)	24 (▲ 11.1)	23 (4.5)
	Oppositions	132 (17.9)	125 (12.6)	117 (19.4)	134 (48.9)	136 (▲ 15.5)	104 (22.4)	1,448 (3.5)	1,256 (10.8)	1,399 (24.1)	1,345 (8.4)
	Total	1,856 (33.0)	1,953 (21.4)	1,844 (20.6)	1,892 (16.1)	2,040 (6.1)	1,643 (14.5)	21,435 (15.1)	18,305 (16.7)	18,619 (1.8)	19,018 (3.7)
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)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	3 (▲ 50.0)	2 (▲ 66.7)	6 (0.0)	7 (16.7)
	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 (0.0)
	Total	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	3 (▲ 50.0)	2 (▲ 66.7)	6 (0.0)	7 (16.7)
Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	32 (▲ 25.6)	42 (27.3)	36 (▲ 7.7)	40 (135.3)	22 (37.5)	36 (89.5)	340 (8.3)	302 (11.0)	314 (▲ 14.4)	327 (▲ 2.4)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	4 (300.0)	3 (0.0)	13 (▲ 13.3)	11 (▲ 26.7)	15 (87.5)	17 (70.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	6 (▲ 14.3)	5 (▲ 16.7)	7 (16.7)	8 (100.0)
	Total	33 (▲ 23.3)	43 (22.9)	36 (▲ 10.0)	41 (127.8)	26 (36.8)	40 (81.8)	359 (6.8)	318 (8.5)	336 (▲ 11.8)	352 (0.9)

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

Year/Month		2022 8	9	10	11	12	2023 1	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/1 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	132 (53.5)	109 (1.9)	105 (0.0)	126 (17.8)	145 (46.5)	116 (16.0)	1,536 (38.8)	1,322 (29.4)	1,107 (48.8)	1,252 (59.7)
	Trials for Invalidation	5 (0.0)	9 (▲ 30.8)	8 (166.7)	4 (▲ 84.6)	6 (▲ 45.5)	7 (16.7)	96 (3.2)	80 (▲ 8.0)	93 (6.9)	104 (70.5)
	Trials for Cancellation	109 (19.8)	88 (▲ 22.1)	84 (▲ 13.4)	74 (▲ 28.2)	101 (▲ 8.2)	76 (▲ 14.6)	1,201 (6.5)	949 (▲ 0.5)	1,128 (11.6)	1,193 (15.6)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (0.0)	1 (▲ 50.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	4 (▲ 50.0)	3 (▲ 50.0)	8 (▲ 11.1)	6 (▲ 50.0)
	Oppositions	63 (65.8)	41 (10.8)	45 (66.7)	43 (10.3)	45 (▲ 2.2)	28 (▲ 24.3)	573 (15.8)	459 (15.3)	495 (33.8)	503 (23.3)
	Total	309 (40.5)	248 (▲ 8.8)	242 (4.3)	247 (▲ 10.2)	297 (11.7)	227 (▲ 2.6)	3,410 (20.5)	2,813 (14.0)	2,831 (27.5)	3,058 (33.1)
Total	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,866 (36.0)	1,965 (21.7)	1,828 (18.3)	1,899 (15.3)	2,058 (10.9)	1,671 (14.8)	21,523 (17.5)	18,397 (18.0)	18,315 (1.7)	18,932 (5.6)
	Trials for Invalidation	13 (▲ 7.1)	13 (▲ 43.5)	12 (0.0)	14 (▲ 58.8)	13 (▲ 35.0)	17 (41.7)	209 (▲ 5.0)	165 (▲ 12.2)	220 (▲ 0.9)	237 (22.8)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	2 (0.0)	6 (20.0)	1 (▲ 80.0)	4 (300.0)	4 (100.0)	1 (▲ 66.7)	40 (2.6)	32 (3.2)	39 (▲ 7.1)	37 (▲ 2.6)
	Trials for Correction (Patents & Utility Models)	13 (▲ 59.4)	7 (▲ 41.7)	35 (105.9)	12 (20.0)	6 (▲ 53.8)	13 (44.4)	213 (8.7)	180 (19.2)	196 (63.3)	188 (26.2)
	Trials for Cancellation (Trademarks)	109 (19.8)	88 (▲ 22.1)	84 (▲ 13.4)	74 (▲ 28.2)	101 (▲ 8.2)	76 (▲ 14.6)	1,201 (6.5)	949 (▲ 0.5)	1,128 (11.6)	1,193 (15.6)
	Oppositions (Patents & Trademarks)	195 (30.0)	166 (12.2)	162 (29.6)	177 (37.2)	181 (▲ 12.6)	132 (8.2)	2,021 (6.7)	1,715 (11.9)	1,894 (26.5)	1,848 (12.1)
	Total	2,198 (32.5)	2,245 (17.2)	2,122 (17.8)	2,180 (13.3)	2,363 (7.1)	1,910 (13.0)	25,207 (15.7)	21,438 (16.2)	21,792 (4.2)	22,435 (6.9)

(6) The Number of Registrations

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

Year/Month		2022 8	9	10	11	12	2023 1	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/1 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
The Number of Registrations	Patents	18,924 (27.8)	17,275 (7.9)	17,800 (10.6)	17,514 (2.1)	16,958 (8.1)	16,560 (4.8)	201,420 (9.2)	168,823 (8.0)	184,372 (2.8)	189,705 (7.2)
	Utility Models	403 (▲ 19.7)	368 (▲ 19.1)	352 (▲ 22.8)	359 (▲ 6.8)	358 (▲ 20.4)	360 (▲ 11.1)	4,615 (▲ 16.1)	3,772 (▲ 16.5)	5,499 (▲ 0.3)	5,313 (▲ 7.9)
	Designs	2,416 (8.4)	2,732 (16.1)	2,466 (4.4)	2,237 (▲ 16.2)	2,588 (19.0)	2,027 (▲ 12.9)	29,541 (7.5)	24,195 (3.3)	27,490 (4.1)	28,457 (10.0)
	Trademarks	15,433 (5.9)	15,780 (11.0)	14,059 (▲ 13.6)	13,278 (▲ 17.0)	12,853 (▲ 21.9)	10,679 (▲ 28.3)	183,804 (5.6)	144,141 (▲ 3.8)	174,098 (28.7)	185,329 (29.9)
	National Applications	13,956 (5.4)	13,818 (2.3)	12,436 (▲ 11.1)	12,021 (▲ 19.0)	11,483 (▲ 23.2)	9,297 (▲ 29.1)	164,718 (4.2)	128,641 (▲ 5.1)	158,066 (27.3)	167,879 (28.7)
	International Applications	1,477 (10.6)	1,962 (175.6)	1,623 (▲ 29.1)	1,257 (9.8)	1,370 (▲ 8.8)	1,382 (▲ 22.7)	19,086 (19.0)	15,500 (8.6)	16,032 (43.8)	17,450 (42.6)
	Total	37,176 (15.8)	36,155 (9.4)	34,677 (▲ 1.4)	33,388 (▲ 7.8)	32,757 (▲ 5.8)	29,626 (▲ 11.4)	419,380 (7.1)	340,931 (2.0)	391,459 (12.9)	408,804 (16.4)
Class Counts of Trademark Registration	27,311 (12.8)	27,506 (9.4)	24,386 (▲ 6.2)	23,144 (▲ 18.6)	23,126 (▲ 19.8)	18,404 (▲ 27.8)	324,185 (8.4)	253,291 (▲ 1.3)	298,961 (28.4)	320,470 (31.4)	
Trademark Application for Renewal	7,223 (▲ 0.5)	8,361 (11.3)	8,213 (2.0)	7,787 (▲ 1.0)	8,692 (9.5)	9,334 (4.7)	103,914 (13.1)	76,219 (▲ 3.3)	91,860 (▲ 4.1)	106,922 (17.1)	