

Statistical Report (Overview)

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(1) The Number of Applications

Year/ Month	2023 1	2	2022/1-12 (Cum Sum of 2022)	2021/1-12 (Year-on-Year)	2022/4 - 2023/2 (Cum Sum of FY2022)	2021/4 - 2022/2 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2022	Q2 of FY2022	Q3 of FY2022
Patents & Utility Models	19,636 (▲1.0)	23,264 (3.8)	294,043 (▲0.1)	294,439 (▲0.0)	256,465 (0.4)	255,513 (0.6)	66,660 (▲1.4)	72,671 (0.8)	74,234 (1.0)
Patents	19,324 (▲0.9)	22,908 (3.8)	289,530 (0.1)	289,200 (0.3)	252,410 (0.6)	250,997 (1.0)	65,472 (▲1.2)	71,537 (0.9)	73,169 (1.2)
Utility Models	312 (▲6.3)	356 (5.3)	4,513 (▲13.9)	5,239 (▲12.9)	4,055 (▲10.2)	4,516 (▲19.2)	1,188 (▲12.2)	1,134 (▲9.5)	1,065 (▲14.0)
Designs	2,129 (▲8.2)	2,511 (▲0.4)	31,711 (▲2.5)	32,525 (2.3)	28,131 (▲4.2)	29,370 (▲1.4)	7,814 (▲1.9)	7,874 (0.4)	7,803 (▲10.6)
National Applications	1,833 (▲10.3)	2,261 (4.7)	28,358 (▲3.0)	29,222 (1.4)	25,160 (▲3.5)	26,074 (▲3.4)	6,969 (▲4.0)	7,121 (1.1)	6,976 (▲7.8)
Trademarks	11,176 (▲13.3)	13,716 (▲1.1)	170,275 (▲7.8)	184,631 (2.0)	151,540 (▲8.9)	166,432 (▲0.4)	43,494 (▲7.9)	41,760 (▲7.9)	41,394 (▲12.1)
National Applications	9,969 (▲14.6)	11,992 (▲0.7)	150,506 (▲8.5)	164,537 (0.9)	133,829 (▲9.5)	147,804 (▲2.2)	38,656 (▲9.4)	36,916 (▲8.0)	36,296 (▲12.0)
Total Number	32,941 (▲6.0)	39,491 (1.8)	496,029 (▲3.0)	511,595 (0.8)	436,136 (▲3.4)	451,315 (0.1)	117,968 (▲4.0)	122,305 (▲2.4)	123,431 (▲4.6)
Trademark Class Counts	20,974 (▲8.3)	20,455 (▲16.5)	295,886 (▲6.1)	315,192 (▲17.6)	260,211 (▲9.2)	286,631 (▲18.4)	74,673 (▲7.6)	73,598 (▲4.2)	70,511 (▲13.6)

(2) The Number of International Applications

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P C T	RO	3,137 (▲15.4)	4,313 (▲9.6)	48,719 (▲0.7)	49,040 (▲0.6)	39,182 (▲9.7)	43,407 (3.5)	9,461 (▲12.2)	10,436 (▲9.1)	11,835 (▲6.6)
	DO	5,586 (▲0.0)	5,988 (12.0)	76,065 (4.3)	72,962 (7.5)	69,909 (4.0)	67,217 (8.8)	20,040 (5.6)	18,983 (4.5)	19,312 (0.9)
Hague Agreement	OO	0 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	10 (▲28.6)	14 (▲17.6)	9 (▲30.8)	13 (8.3)	1 (▲80.0)	4 (▲20.0)	4 (100.0)
	DO	296 (7.2)	250 (▲30.9)	3,353 (1.5)	3,303 (10.6)	2,971 (▲9.9)	3,296 (18.5)	845 (20.2)	753 (▲5.0)	827 (▲28.8)
Madrid Protocol	OO	185 (▲22.3)	235 (▲6.0)	3,094 (▲3.2)	3,196 (5.4)	2,693 (▲8.5)	2,942 (11.3)	671 (▲7.1)	771 (▲6.7)	831 (▲8.3)
	DO	1,207 (▲1.4)	1,724 (▲3.1)	19,769 (▲1.6)	20,094 (12.1)	17,711 (▲4.9)	18,628 (16.4)	4,838 (5.6)	4,844 (▲7.0)	5,098 (▲12.6)

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

Year/ Month	2023 1	2	2022/1-12 (Cum Sum of 2022)	2021/1-12 (Year-on-Year)	2022/4 - 2023/2 (Cum Sum of FY2022)	2021/4 - 2022/2 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2022	Q2 of FY2022	Q3 of FY2022
Request for Patent Examination	18,292 (0.6)	20,871 (6.2)	233,763 (▲2.0)	238,557 (2.7)	212,069 (▲0.8)	213,741 (2.7)	56,344 (▲1.2)	58,649 (▲1.6)	57,913 (▲2.3)
Year-on-Year	18,191 (▲2.5)	19,647 (▲3.6)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion	11 (▲60.7)	23 (4.5)	231 (▲13.2)	266 (20.4)	191 (▲25.1)	255 (27.5)	57 (▲9.5)	40 (▲48.7)	60 (▲6.3)

(4) The Number of Requests for Trials and Appeals

Year/ Month		2023 1	2	2022/1-12 (Cum Sum of 2022)	2021/1-12 (Year-on-Year)	2022/4 - 2023/2 (Cum Sum of FY2022)	2021/4 - 2022/2 (Year-on-Year)	Q1 of FY2022	Q2 of FY2022	Q3 of FY2022
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,520 (13.8)	1,662 (13.1)	19,647 (16.3)	16,894 (▲0.1)	18,436 (16.9)	15,766 (2.8)	4,885 (18.3)	5,058 (21.4)	5,311 (13.9)
	Trials for Invalidation	7 (133.3)	7 (▲53.3)	97 (▲8.5)	106 (▲12.4)	79 (▲16.8)	95 (▲6.9)	29 (26.1)	19 (▲38.7)	17 (▲26.1)
	Trials for Correction	13 (44.4)	16 (0.0)	213 (8.7)	196 (63.3)	196 (17.4)	167 (22.8)	76 (105.4)	38 (▲41.5)	53 (32.5)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (▲100.0)	6 (500.0)	30 (25.0)	24 (▲11.1)	30 (50.0)	20 (▲9.1)	6 (▲25.0)	10 (150.0)	8 (60.0)
	oppositions	104 (22.4)	157 (51.0)	1,448 (3.5)	1,399 (24.1)	1,413 (14.1)	1,238 (9.9)	319 (▲1.5)	446 (18.6)	387 (10.9)
	Total	1,644 (14.6)	1,848 (15.1)	21,435 (15.1)	18,619 (1.8)	20,154 (16.6)	17,286 (3.4)	5,315 (17.5)	5,571 (20.0)	5,776 (13.7)

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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)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	3 (▲50.0)	6 (0.0)	2 (▲66.7)	6 (0.0)	1 (▲80.0)	1 (100.0)	0 (▲100.0)
	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)
	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)
	Total	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	3 (▲50.0)	6 (0.0)	2 (▲66.7)	6 (0.0)	1 (▲80.0)	1 (100.0)	0 (▲100.0)

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Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	36 (89.5)	20 (▲16.7)	340 (8.3)	314 (▲14.4)	322 (8.8)	296 (▲4.8)	69 (▲12.7)	99 (▲2.9)	98 (36.1)
	Trials for Invalidation	3 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	13 (▲13.3)	15 (87.5)	13 (▲13.3)	15 (87.5)	2 (▲71.4)	2 (▲33.3)	4 (100.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲100.0)	6 (▲14.3)	7 (16.7)	5 (▲37.5)	8 (166.7)	0 (▲100.0)	3 (0.0)	1 (▲66.7)
	Total	40 (81.8)	22 (▲15.4)	359 (6.8)	336 (▲11.8)	340 (6.6)	319 (▲0.9)	71 (▲20.2)	104 (▲1.0)	103 (33.8)

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Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	116 (16.0)	106 (2.9)	1,536 (38.8)	1,107 (48.8)	1,428 (26.9)	1,125 (58.2)	473 (46.9)	357 (23.5)	376 (20.9)
	Trials for Invalidation	7 (16.7)	7 (▲12.5)	96 (3.2)	93 (6.9)	87 (▲8.4)	95 (66.7)	28 (64.7)	27 (12.5)	18 (▲55.0)
	Trials for Cancellation	76 (▲14.6)	79 (▲20.2)	1,201 (6.5)	1,128 (11.6)	1,028 (▲2.4)	1,053 (14.6)	313 (20.8)	301 (1.7)	259 (▲16.5)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (▲100.0)	1 (0.0)	4 (▲50.0)	8 (▲11.1)	4 (▲33.3)	6 (▲40.0)	2 (▲33.3)	1 (▲50.0)	0 (0.0)
	Oppositions	28 (▲24.3)	27 (▲27.0)	573 (15.8)	495 (33.8)	486 (11.7)	435 (23.2)	148 (5.7)	150 (37.6)	133 (18.8)
	Total	227 (▲2.6)	220 (▲10.9)	3,410 (20.5)	2,831 (27.5)	3,033 (11.8)	2,714 (32.4)	964 (30.1)	836 (16.1)	786 (1.7)