

Preliminary Statistical Data on Filing Applications and Requests

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1. Preliminary Statistical Data

(1) The Number of Applications

Year/Month	2022 9	10	11	12	2023 1	2	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/2 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
Patents & Utility Models	27,720 (▲ 0.2)	22,449 (0.6)	24,258 (3.7)	27,527 (▲ 1.0)	19,636 (▲ 1.0)	23,264 (3.8)	294,043 (▲ 0.1)	256,465 (0.4)	294,439 (▲ 0.0)	293,746 (0.4)
Patents	27,340 (▲ 0.1)	22,111 (1.0)	23,898 (3.8)	27,160 (▲ 0.8)	19,324 (▲ 0.9)	22,908 (3.8)	289,530 (0.1)	252,410 (0.6)	289,200 (0.3)	288,775 (0.9)
Utility Models	380 (▲ 8.0)	338 (▲ 20.7)	360 (▲ 5.0)	367 (▲ 15.4)	312 (▲ 6.3)	356 (5.3)	4,513 (▲ 13.9)	4,055 (▲ 10.2)	5,239 (▲ 12.9)	4,971 (▲ 19.0)
Designs	2,816 (▲ 0.8)	2,715 (▲ 1.0)	2,490 (▲ 12.1)	2,598 (▲ 17.5)	2,129 (▲ 8.2)	2,511 (▲ 0.4)	31,711 (▲ 2.5)	28,131 (▲ 4.2)	32,525 (2.3)	32,748 (0.2)
National Applications	2,561 (▲ 0.7)	2,413 (1.4)	2,251 (▲ 10.6)	2,312 (▲ 13.2)	1,833 (▲ 10.3)	2,261 (4.7)	28,358 (▲ 3.0)	25,160 (▲ 3.5)	29,222 (1.4)	29,162 (▲ 2.1)
Trademarks	14,173 (▲ 10.9)	13,201 (▲ 15.5)	13,731 (▲ 9.8)	14,462 (▲ 11.0)	11,176 (▲ 13.3)	13,716 (▲ 1.1)	170,275 (▲ 7.8)	151,540 (▲ 8.9)	184,631 (2.0)	183,300 (▲ 0.8)
National Applications	12,214 (▲ 12.4)	11,625 (▲ 14.0)	12,353 (▲ 9.3)	12,318 (▲ 12.9)	9,969 (▲ 14.6)	11,992 (▲ 0.7)	150,506 (▲ 8.5)	133,829 (▲ 9.5)	164,537 (0.9)	162,687 (▲ 2.7)
Total Number	44,709 (▲ 3.9)	38,365 (▲ 5.7)	40,479 (▲ 2.4)	44,587 (▲ 5.5)	32,941 (▲ 6.0)	39,491 (1.8)	496,029 (▲ 3.0)	436,136 (▲ 3.4)	511,595 (0.8)	509,794 (▲ 0.0)
Trademarks Class Counts	24,256 (▲ 12.1)	19,898 (▲ 24.8)	24,548 (▲ 9.7)	26,065 (▲ 6.7)	20,974 (▲ 8.3)	20,455 (▲ 16.5)	295,886 (▲ 6.1)	260,211 (▲ 9.2)	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 9	10	11	12	2023 1	2	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/2 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
Patents	RO	3,988 (▲ 7.9)	3,972 (4.0)	3,453 (▲ 9.7)	4,410 (▲ 12.2)	3,137 (▲ 15.4)	4,313 (▲ 9.6)	48,719 (▲ 0.7)	39,182 (▲ 9.7)	49,040 (▲ 0.6)	51,915 (7.2)
	DO	6,913 (▲ 0.4)	6,116 (2.8)	6,503 (1.9)	6,693 (▲ 1.8)	5,586 (▲ 0.0)	5,988 (12.0)	76,065 (4.3)	69,909 (4.0)	72,962 (7.5)	74,013 (8.3)
Designs	OO	1 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	10 (▲ 28.6)	9 (▲ 30.8)	14 (▲ 17.6)	13 (0.0)
	DO	255 (▲ 2.7)	302 (▲ 16.6)	239 (▲ 24.4)	286 (▲ 40.9)	296 (7.2)	250 (▲ 30.9)	3,353 (1.5)	2,971 (▲ 9.9)	3,303 (10.6)	3,586 (23.6)
Trademarks	OO	277 (▲ 8.0)	282 (12.4)	279 (▲ 6.4)	270 (▲ 24.4)	185 (▲ 22.3)	235 (▲ 6.0)	3,094 (▲ 3.2)	2,693 (▲ 8.5)	3,196 (5.4)	3,275 (10.2)
	DO	1,959 (▲ 0.2)	1,576 (▲ 25.3)	1,378 (▲ 14.5)	2,144 (1.6)	1,207 (▲ 1.4)	1,724 (▲ 3.1)	19,769 (▲ 1.6)	17,711 (▲ 4.9)	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 9	10	11	12	2023 1	2	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/2 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
Request for Patent Examination		20,399 (▲ 4.8)	18,866 (▲ 2.3)	19,639 (▲ 0.8)	19,408 (▲ 3.9)	18,292 (0.6)	20,871 (6.2)	233,763 (▲ 2.0)	212,069 (▲ 0.8)	238,557 (2.7)	236,760 (1.8)
	Year-on-Year	21,432 (4.5)	19,304 (▲ 0.3)	19,796 (6.2)	20,186 (▲ 4.0)	18,191 (▲ 2.5)	19,647 (▲ 3.6)	-	-	-	-
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion		8 (▲ 75.0)	17 (6.3)	26 (18.2)	17 (▲ 34.6)	11 (▲ 60.7)	23 (4.5)	231 (▲ 13.2)	191 (▲ 25.1)	266 (20.4)	279 (22.4)

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

Year/Month		2022 9	10	11	12	2023 1	2	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/2 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,814 (23.0)	1,687 (20.4)	1,733 (13.8)	1,891 (8.7)	1,520 (13.8)	1,662 (13.1)	19,647 (16.3)	18,436 (16.9)	16,894 (▲ 0.1)	17,353 (3.3)
	Trials for Invalidation	3 (▲ 62.5)	4 (▲ 55.6)	10 (66.7)	3 (▲ 62.5)	7 (133.3)	7 (▲ 53.3)	97 (▲ 8.5)	79 (▲ 16.8)	106 (▲ 12.4)	109 (▲ 6.0)
	Trials for Correction	7 (▲ 41.7)	35 (105.9)	12 (20.0)	6 (▲ 53.8)	13 (44.4)	16 (0.0)	213 (8.7)	196 (17.4)	196 (63.3)	188 (26.2)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	4 (33.3)	1 (▲ 75.0)	3 (200.0)	4 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	6 (500.0)	30 (25.0)	30 (50.0)	24 (▲ 11.1)	23 (4.5)
	Oppositions	125 (12.6)	117 (19.4)	134 (48.9)	136 (▲ 15.5)	104 (22.4)	157 (51.0)	1,448 (3.5)	1,413 (14.1)	1,399 (24.1)	1,345 (8.4)
	Total	1,953 (21.4)	1,844 (20.6)	1,892 (16.1)	2,040 (6.1)	1,644 (14.6)	1,848 (15.1)	21,435 (15.1)	20,154 (16.6)	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	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	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	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	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	42 (27.3)	36 (▲ 7.7)	40 (135.3)	22 (37.5)	36 (89.5)	20 (▲ 16.7)	340 (8.3)	322 (8.8)	314 (▲ 14.4)	327 (▲ 2.4)
	Trials for Invalidation	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	4 (300.0)	3 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	13 (▲ 13.3)	13 (▲ 13.3)	15 (87.5)	17 (70.0)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	6 (▲ 14.3)	5 (▲ 37.5)	7 (16.7)	8 (100.0)
	Total	43 (22.9)	36 (▲ 10.0)	41 (127.8)	26 (36.8)	40 (81.8)	22 (▲ 15.4)	359 (6.8)	340 (6.6)	336 (▲ 11.8)	352 (0.9)

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

Year/Month		2022 9	10	11	12	2023 1	2	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/2 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	109 (1.9)	105 (0.0)	126 (17.8)	145 (46.5)	116 (16.0)	106 (2.9)	1,536 (38.8)	1,428 (26.9)	1,107 (48.8)	1,252 (59.7)
	Trials for Invalidation	9 (▲ 30.8)	8 (166.7)	4 (▲ 84.6)	6 (▲ 45.5)	7 (16.7)	7 (▲ 12.5)	96 (3.2)	87 (▲ 8.4)	93 (6.9)	104 (70.5)
	Trials for Cancellation	88 (▲ 22.1)	84 (▲ 13.4)	74 (▲ 28.2)	101 (▲ 8.2)	76 (▲ 14.6)	79 (▲ 20.2)	1,201 (6.5)	1,028 (▲ 2.4)	1,128 (11.6)	1,193 (15.6)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (▲ 50.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	4 (▲ 50.0)	4 (▲ 33.3)	8 (▲ 11.1)	6 (▲ 50.0)
	Oppositions	41 (10.8)	45 (66.7)	43 (10.3)	45 (▲ 2.2)	28 (▲ 24.3)	27 (▲ 27.0)	573 (15.8)	486 (11.7)	495 (33.8)	503 (23.3)
	Total	248 (▲ 8.8)	242 (4.3)	247 (▲ 10.2)	297 (11.7)	227 (▲ 2.6)	220 (▲ 10.9)	3,410 (20.5)	3,033 (11.8)	2,831 (27.5)	3,058 (33.1)
	Total	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,965 (21.7)	1,828 (18.3)	1,899 (15.3)	2,058 (10.9)	1,672 (14.9)	1,788 (12.0)	21,523 (17.5)	20,186 (17.4)	18,315 (1.7)
Trials for Invalidation		13 (▲ 43.5)	12 (0.0)	14 (▲ 58.8)	13 (▲ 35.0)	17 (41.7)	16 (▲ 30.4)	209 (▲ 5.0)	181 (▲ 14.2)	220 (▲ 0.9)	237 (22.8)
Hantei (Advisory Opinion)		6 (20.0)	1 (▲ 80.0)	4 (300.0)	4 (100.0)	1 (▲ 66.7)	7 (133.3)	40 (2.6)	39 (14.7)	39 (▲ 7.1)	37 (▲ 2.6)
Trials for Correction (Patents & Utility Models)		7 (▲ 41.7)	35 (105.9)	12 (20.0)	6 (▲ 53.8)	13 (44.4)	16 (0.0)	213 (8.7)	196 (17.4)	196 (63.3)	188 (26.2)
Trials for Cancellation (Trademarks)		88 (▲ 22.1)	84 (▲ 13.4)	74 (▲ 28.2)	101 (▲ 8.2)	76 (▲ 14.6)	79 (▲ 20.2)	1,201 (6.5)	1,028 (▲ 2.4)	1,128 (11.6)	1,193 (15.6)
Oppositions (Patents & Trademarks)		166 (12.2)	162 (29.6)	177 (37.2)	181 (▲ 12.6)	132 (8.2)	184 (30.5)	2,021 (6.7)	1,899 (13.5)	1,894 (26.5)	1,848 (12.1)
Total		2,245 (17.2)	2,122 (17.8)	2,180 (13.3)	2,363 (7.1)	1,911 (13.1)	2,090 (11.2)	25,207 (15.7)	23,529 (15.8)	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 9	10	11	12	2023 1	2	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/2 Cum Sum of FY2022	2021 1 - 12	2021/4 - 2022/3 Total of FY2021
The Number of Registrations	Patents	17,275 (7.9)	17,800 (10.6)	17,514 (2.1)	16,958 (8.1)	16,560 (4.8)	16,081 (7.6)	201,420 (9.2)	184,904 (7.9)	184,372 (2.8)	189,705 (7.2)
	Utility Models	368 (▲ 19.1)	352 (▲ 22.8)	359 (▲ 6.8)	358 (▲ 20.4)	360 (▲ 11.1)	311 (▲ 20.5)	4,615 (▲ 16.1)	4,083 (▲ 16.8)	5,499 (▲ 0.3)	5,313 (▲ 7.9)
	Designs	2,732 (16.1)	2,466 (4.4)	2,237 (▲ 16.2)	2,588 (19.0)	2,027 (▲ 12.9)	2,210 (1.2)	29,540 (7.5)	26,404 (3.2)	27,490 (4.1)	28,457 (10.0)
	Trademarks	15,780 (11.0)	14,059 (▲ 13.6)	13,278 (▲ 17.0)	12,853 (▲ 21.9)	10,679 (▲ 28.3)	9,804 (▲ 34.3)	183,804 (5.6)	153,945 (▲ 6.6)	174,098 (28.7)	185,329 (29.9)
	National Applications	13,818 (2.3)	12,436 (▲ 11.1)	12,021 (▲ 19.0)	11,483 (▲ 23.2)	9,297 (▲ 29.1)	8,495 (▲ 36.2)	164,718 (4.2)	137,136 (▲ 7.9)	158,066 (27.3)	167,879 (28.7)
	International Applications	1,962 (175.6)	1,623 (▲ 29.1)	1,257 (9.8)	1,370 (▲ 8.8)	1,382 (▲ 22.7)	1,309 (▲ 18.2)	19,086 (19.0)	16,809 (5.9)	16,032 (43.8)	17,450 (42.6)
	Total	36,155 (9.4)	34,677 (▲ 1.4)	33,388 (▲ 7.8)	32,757 (▲ 5.8)	29,626 (▲ 11.4)	28,406 (▲ 12.4)	419,379 (7.1)	369,336 (0.7)	391,459 (12.9)	408,804 (16.4)
Class Counts of Trademark Registration	27,506 (9.4)	24,386 (▲ 6.2)	23,144 (▲ 18.6)	23,126 (▲ 19.8)	18,404 (▲ 27.8)	16,322 (▲ 37.2)	324,185 (8.4)	269,613 (▲ 4.6)	298,961 (28.4)	320,470 (31.4)	
Trademark Application for Renewal	8,361 (11.3)	8,213 (2.0)	7,787 (▲ 1.0)	8,692 (9.5)	9,334 (4.7)	9,007 (▲ 2.4)	103,914 (13.1)	85,226 (▲ 3.2)	91,860 (▲ 4.1)	106,922 (17.1)	