

# Preliminary Statistical Data on Filing Applications and Requests

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# 1. Preliminary Statistical Data

## (1) The Number of Applications

Year/Month	2023 7	8	9	10	11	12	2023 1 - 12	2023/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2023	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/3 Total of FY2022
Patents & Utility Models	22,357 (3.4)	23,218 (▲ 0.4)	36,759 (32.6)	22,678 (1.0)	22,866 (▲ 5.7)	27,479 (▲ 0.2)	305,082 (3.8)	225,899 (5.8)	294,043 (▲ 0.1)	292,748 (▲ 0.3)
Patents	21,924 (3.0)	22,796 (▲ 0.5)	36,317 (32.8)	22,301 (0.9)	22,496 (▲ 5.9)	27,043 (▲ 0.4)	300,133 (3.7)	222,094 (5.7)	289,530 (0.1)	288,217 (▲ 0.2)
Utility Models	433 (22.3)	422 (5.5)	442 (16.3)	377 (11.5)	370 (2.8)	436 (18.8)	4,949 (9.7)	3,805 (12.3)	4,513 (▲ 13.9)	4,531 (▲ 8.9)
Designs	2,311 (▲ 8.5)	2,449 (▲ 3.3)	2,834 (0.6)	2,854 (5.1)	2,624 (5.4)	3,048 (17.3)	31,720 (0.0)	23,893 (1.7)	31,711 (▲ 2.5)	31,318 (▲ 4.4)
National Applications	2,047 (▲ 7.0)	2,181 (▲ 7.5)	2,441 (▲ 4.7)	2,412 (▲ 0.0)	2,251 (0.0)	2,511 (8.6)	27,560 (▲ 2.8)	20,635 (▲ 2.0)	28,358 (▲ 3.0)	27,991 (▲ 4.0)
Trademarks	13,279 (▲ 5.3)	13,720 (1.1)	13,289 (▲ 6.2)	13,581 (2.9)	13,061 (▲ 4.9)	13,993 (▲ 3.2)	164,064 (▲ 3.6)	123,151 (▲ 2.8)	170,275 (▲ 7.8)	167,561 (▲ 8.6)
National Applications	11,843 (▲ 5.0)	12,175 (▲ 0.5)	11,979 (▲ 1.9)	12,206 (5.0)	11,579 (▲ 6.3)	12,622 (2.5)	146,664 (▲ 2.6)	110,529 (▲ 1.2)	150,506 (▲ 8.5)	148,003 (▲ 9.0)
Total Number	37,947 (▲ 0.6)	39,387 (▲ 0.1)	52,882 (18.3)	39,113 (1.9)	38,551 (▲ 4.8)	44,520 (▲ 0.2)	500,866 (1.0)	372,943 (2.5)	496,029 (▲ 3.0)	491,627 (▲ 3.6)
Trademarks Class Counts	23,102 (▲ 8.3)	24,538 (1.7)	23,557 (▲ 2.9)	24,927 (8.6)	22,727 (▲ 7.4)	25,103 (▲ 3.7)	292,193 (▲ 2.3)	218,150 (▲ 1.7)	298,943 (▲ 5.2)	295,882 (▲ 6.5)

• 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		2023 7	8	9	10	11	12	2023 1 - 12	2023/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2023	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/3 Total of FY2022
Patents	RO	3,496 (17.7)	4,017 (15.5)	3,770 (▲ 5.5)	3,541 (▲ 10.9)	3,668 (6.2)	4,340 (▲ 1.6)	47,372 (▲ 2.8)	33,623 (6.0)	48,719 (▲ 0.7)	45,481 (▲ 12.4)
	DO	5,688 (1.0)	6,097 (▲ 5.3)	7,113 (2.9)	6,016 (▲ 1.6)	6,307 (▲ 3.0)	6,520 (▲ 2.6)	75,874 (▲ 0.3)	57,610 (▲ 1.2)	76,065 (4.3)	76,599 (3.5)
Designs	OA	2 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	6 (▲ 40.0)	6 (▲ 33.3)	10 (▲ 28.6)	9 (▲ 30.8)
	DO	264 (▲ 18.5)	268 (54.0)	393 (54.1)	442 (46.4)	373 (56.1)	537 (87.8)	4,160 (24.1)	3,258 (34.4)	3,353 (1.5)	3,327 (▲ 7.2)
Trademarks	OO	211 (▲ 1.9)	260 (▲ 6.8)	266 (▲ 4.0)	245 (▲ 13.1)	258 (▲ 7.5)	327 (21.1)	2,844 (▲ 8.1)	2,157 (▲ 5.1)	3,094 (▲ 3.2)	2,960 (▲ 9.6)
	DO	1,436 (▲ 7.2)	1,545 (15.6)	1,310 (▲ 33.1)	1,375 (▲ 12.8)	1,482 (7.5)	1,371 (▲ 36.1)	17,400 (▲ 12.0)	12,622 (▲ 14.6)	19,769 (▲ 1.6)	19,558 (▲ 5.1)

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		2023 7	8	9	10	11	12	2023 1 - 12	2023/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2023	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/3 Total of FY2022
Request for Patent Examination		18,293 (0.1)	18,766 (▲ 6.0)	19,573 (▲ 4.1)	18,743 (▲ 0.7)	20,298 (3.4)	20,983 (8.1)	233,255 (▲ 0.2)	171,907 (▲ 0.6)	233,780 (▲ 2.0)	234,262 (▲ 1.1)
	Year-on-Year	18,282 (▲ 6.4)	19,972 (7.2)	20,400 (▲ 4.8)	18,866 (▲ 2.3)	19,639 (▲ 0.8)	19,408 (▲ 3.9)	- -	- -	- -	- -
Report of Utility Model Technical Opinion		17 (41.7)	20 (0.0)	17 (112.5)	10 (▲ 41.2)	15 (▲ 42.3)	20 (17.6)	200 (▲ 13.4)	147 (▲ 6.4)	231 (▲ 13.2)	210 (▲ 24.7)

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

Year/Month		2023 7	8	9	10	11	12	2023 1 - 12	2023/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2023	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/3 Total of FY2022
Patents	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,681 (9.0)	1,825 (7.2)	1,738 (▲ 4.2)	1,823 (8.1)	1,806 (4.2)	1,895 (0.2)	21,045 (7.1)	16,191 (6.1)	19,647 (16.3)	20,108 (15.9)
	Trials for Invalidation	8 (0.0)	9 (12.5)	4 (33.3)	6 (50.0)	7 (▲ 30.0)	9 (200.0)	84 (▲ 13.4)	63 (▲ 3.1)	97 (▲ 8.5)	86 (▲ 21.1)
	Trials for Correction	10 (▲ 44.4)	8 (▲ 38.5)	8 (14.3)	7 (▲ 80.0)	14 (16.7)	9 (50.0)	147 (▲ 31.0)	112 (▲ 32.9)	213 (8.7)	202 (7.4)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	5 (25.0)	11 (1000.0)	2 (▲ 33.3)	5 (25.0)	39 (30.0)	29 (20.8)	30 (25.0)	34 (47.8)
	Oppositions	118 (▲ 37.6)	113 (▲ 14.4)	166 (32.8)	140 (19.7)	117 (▲ 12.7)	155 (14.0)	1,553 (7.3)	1,185 (2.9)	1,448 (3.5)	1,520 (13.0)
	Total	1,817 (3.1)	1,956 (5.4)	1,921 (▲ 1.6)	1,987 (7.8)	1,946 (2.9)	2,073 (1.6)	22,868 (6.7)	17,580 (5.5)	21,435 (15.1)	21,950 (15.4)
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 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	3 (▲ 50.0)	2 (▲ 71.4)
	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)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	3 (▲ 50.0)	2 (▲ 71.4)
Designs	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	29 (16.0)	20 (▲ 37.5)	20 (▲ 52.4)	28 (▲ 22.2)	38 (▲ 5.0)	35 (59.1)	327 (▲ 3.8)	245 (▲ 7.9)	340 (8.3)	348 (6.4)
	Trials for Invalidation	1 (▲ 50.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.0)	2 (▲ 50.0)	10 (▲ 23.1)	5 (▲ 37.5)	13 (▲ 13.3)	13 (▲ 23.5)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	1 (0.0)	2 (100.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (▲ 100.0)	1 (0.0)	10 (66.7)	8 (100.0)	6 (▲ 14.3)	6 (▲ 25.0)
	Total	31 (10.7)	23 (▲ 30.3)	20 (▲ 53.5)	29 (▲ 19.4)	39 (▲ 4.9)	38 (46.2)	347 (▲ 3.3)	258 (▲ 7.2)	359 (6.8)	367 (4.3)

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

Year/Month		2023 7	8	9	10	11	12	2023 1 - 12	2023/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2023	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/3 Total of FY2022
Trademarks	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	109 (▲ 6.0)	74 (▲ 43.9)	78 (▲ 28.4)	58 (▲ 44.8)	82 (▲ 34.9)	84 (▲ 42.1)	1,105 (▲ 28.1)	775 (▲ 35.7)	1,536 (38.8)	1,536 (22.7)
	Trials for Invalidation	8 (▲ 38.5)	10 (100.0)	8 (▲ 11.1)	1 (▲ 87.5)	4 (0.0)	10 (66.7)	95 (▲ 1.0)	62 (▲ 15.1)	96 (3.2)	106 (1.9)
	Trials for Cancellation	96 (▲ 7.7)	70 (▲ 35.8)	102 (15.9)	85 (1.2)	93 (25.7)	85 (▲ 15.8)	1,029 (▲ 14.3)	794 (▲ 9.0)	1,201 (6.5)	1,108 (▲ 7.1)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	3 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (100.0)	1 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	15 (275.0)	14 (366.7)	4 (▲ 50.0)	4 (▲ 33.3)
	Oppositions	26 (▲ 43.5)	19 (▲ 69.8)	24 (▲ 41.5)	30 (▲ 33.3)	25 (▲ 41.9)	35 (▲ 22.2)	316 (▲ 44.9)	241 (▲ 44.1)	573 (15.8)	506 (0.6)
	Total	242 (▲ 13.3)	173 (▲ 44.0)	214 (▲ 13.7)	175 (▲ 27.7)	204 (▲ 17.4)	214 (▲ 27.9)	2,560 (▲ 24.9)	1,886 (▲ 27.1)	3,410 (20.5)	3,260 (6.6)
Total	Appeals against Examiner's Decision of Refusal	1,819 (8.1)	1,919 (2.8)	1,836 (▲ 6.6)	1,909 (4.4)	1,926 (1.4)	2,014 (▲ 2.1)	22,477 (4.4)	17,211 (2.9)	21,523 (17.5)	21,992 (16.2)
	Trials for Invalidation	17 (▲ 26.1)	20 (53.8)	12 (▲ 7.7)	7 (▲ 41.7)	12 (▲ 14.3)	21 (61.5)	189 (▲ 9.6)	130 (▲ 12.2)	209 (▲ 5.0)	207 (▲ 12.7)
	Hantei (Advisory Opinion)	4 (▲ 33.3)	3 (50.0)	7 (16.7)	13 (1200.0)	2 (▲ 50.0)	6 (50.0)	64 (60.0)	51 (64.5)	40 (2.6)	44 (18.9)
	Trials for Correction (Patents & Utility Models)	10 (▲ 44.4)	8 (▲ 38.5)	8 (14.3)	7 (▲ 80.0)	14 (16.7)	9 (50.0)	147 (▲ 31.0)	112 (▲ 32.9)	213 (8.7)	202 (7.4)
	Trials for Cancellation (Trademarks)	96 (▲ 7.7)	70 (▲ 35.8)	102 (15.9)	85 (1.2)	93 (25.7)	85 (▲ 15.8)	1,029 (▲ 14.3)	794 (▲ 9.0)	1,201 (6.5)	1,108 (▲ 7.1)
	Oppositions (Patents & Trademarks)	144 (▲ 38.7)	132 (▲ 32.3)	190 (14.5)	170 (4.9)	142 (▲ 19.8)	190 (5.0)	1,869 (▲ 7.5)	1,426 (▲ 9.9)	2,021 (6.7)	2,026 (9.6)
	Total	2,090 (1.0)	2,152 (▲ 2.1)	2,155 (▲ 4.0)	2,191 (3.3)	2,189 (0.4)	2,325 (▲ 1.6)	25,775 (2.3)	19,724 (1.0)	25,207 (15.7)	25,579 (14.0)

## (6) The Number of Registrations

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

Year/Month		2023 7	8	9	10	11	12	2023 1 - 12	2023/4 - 12 Cum Sum of FY2023	2022 1 - 12	2022/4 - 2023/3 Total of FY2022
The Number of Registrations	Patents	17,832 (6.6)	17,646 (▲ 6.8)	17,302 (0.2)	18,713 (5.1)	17,689 (1.0)	17,579 (3.7)	209,369 (3.9)	157,628 (3.5)	201,420 (9.2)	204,004 (7.5)
	Utility Models	399 (▲ 6.3)	490 (21.6)	417 (13.3)	435 (23.6)	395 (10.0)	350 (▲ 2.2)	4,774 (3.4)	3,725 (9.2)	4,615 (▲ 16.1)	4,461 (▲ 16.0)
	Designs	2,144 (▲ 15.3)	2,171 (▲ 10.1)	2,252 (▲ 17.6)	2,206 (▲ 10.5)	2,046 (▲ 8.5)	2,070 (▲ 20.0)	26,911 (▲ 8.9)	19,795 (▲ 10.7)	29,540 (7.5)	29,283 (2.9)
	Trademarks	10,052 (▲ 37.2)	11,209 (▲ 27.4)	10,650 (▲ 32.5)	10,011 (▲ 28.8)	9,653 (▲ 27.3)	10,080 (▲ 21.6)	124,337 (▲ 32.4)	92,384 (▲ 30.8)	183,804 (5.6)	165,415 (▲ 10.7)
	National Applications	8,768 (▲ 37.1)	9,919 (▲ 28.9)	9,123 (▲ 34.0)	8,844 (▲ 28.9)	8,620 (▲ 28.3)	8,583 (▲ 25.3)	109,092 (▲ 33.8)	81,397 (▲ 31.8)	164,718 (4.2)	147,039 (▲ 12.4)
	International Applications	1,284 (▲ 37.7)	1,290 (▲ 12.7)	1,527 (▲ 22.2)	1,167 (▲ 28.1)	1,033 (▲ 17.8)	1,497 (9.3)	15,245 (▲ 20.1)	10,987 (▲ 22.2)	19,086 (19.0)	18,376 (5.3)
	Total	30,427 (▲ 14.7)	31,516 (▲ 15.2)	30,621 (▲ 15.3)	31,365 (▲ 9.6)	29,783 (▲ 10.8)	30,079 (▲ 8.2)	365,391 (▲ 12.9)	273,532 (▲ 12.1)	419,379 (7.1)	403,163 (▲ 1.4)
Class Counts of Trademark Registration	17,931 (▲ 34.9)	19,287 (▲ 29.4)	18,464 (▲ 32.9)	18,124 (▲ 25.7)	18,017 (▲ 22.2)	17,028 (▲ 26.4)	218,644 (▲ 32.6)	163,817 (▲ 30.3)	324,185 (8.4)	289,714 (▲ 9.6)	
Trademark Application for Renewal	8,611 (31.2)	8,378 (16.0)	8,759 (4.8)	9,043 (10.1)	7,801 (0.2)	8,825 (1.5)	111,111 (6.9)	81,712 (22.2)	103,914 (13.1)	96,284 (▲ 9.9)	