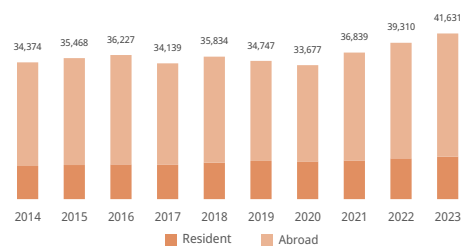


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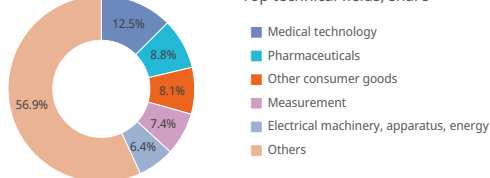
Statistics for applicants residing in this country

Patent applications; global rank	41,631	↑5.9%	9 th
Resident applications	10,728	↑4.7%	
Abroad applications; global rank	30,903	↑6.3%	6 th
Regional rank and share	Europe - 4 th 9.1%		
	Western Europe - 3 rd 15%		
Resident applications per million inhabitants; global rank	1,212		3 rd
Resident applications per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	1,462		4 th
Utility model applications; global rank	452	↑8.9%	26 th
PCT international applications; global rank	5,413	↓0.5%	8 th
PCT applications per million inhabitants; global rank	612		1 st
PCT publications relating to renewable energy (2021-2023)	99		0.7%
Share of university applications (2021-2023)	3.4%		
Share of women inventors (2021-2023)	16.8%		
PCT national phase entries; global rank	25,122	↑4.1%	6 th
Share of abroad applications using the PCT System		67.9%	
PCT top applicants (2021-2023)			
	Abb Schweiz AG	725	
	Nestec S.A.	701	
	F. Hoffmann-la Roche AG	688	
	Philip Morris Products S.A.	678	
	Jt International S.A.	666	

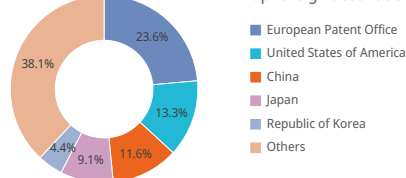
Patent applications



Top technical fields; share



Top foreign destinations; share



Statistics for the IP office

Total applications; global rank	1,461	↓5.5%	46 th
Resident; share	1,190	↓3.3%	81.5%
Non-resident; share	271	↓14%	18.5%
Patent Grants	662	↓15.3%	
Patents in force; global rank	258,939		9 th
National IP office - applications per examiner	97.4		
National IP office - grant delay in months	12.0		
Filings via regional office - resident	European Patent Office	9,538	
Filings via regional office - non-resident	European Patent Office	189,891	

Country of origin of non-resident applications; share

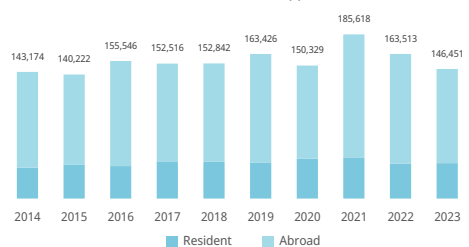
United States of America	48,178	25.3%
Germany	25,062	13.2%
Japan	21,538	11.3%
China	20,788	10.9%
Republic of Korea	12,584	6.6%

Trademark

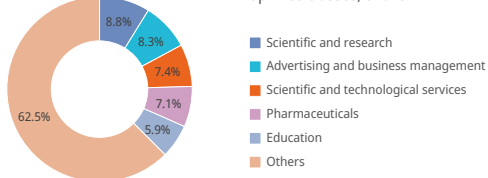
Statistics for applicants residing in this country [1]

Trademark filings; global rank	146,451	↓10.4%	15 th
Resident filings	40,056	↑1.3%	
Abroad filings; global rank	106,395	↓14.2%	6 th
Regional rank and share	Europe - 6 th 5.1%		
	Western Europe - 3 rd 12.7%		
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank	4,526		3 rd
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	5,459		31 st
Madrid international applications; global rank	3,289	↓12.5%	6 th
Madrid applications per million inhabitants; global rank	372		1 st
Abroad filings via the Madrid System	71,058	↓20.1%	6 th
Share of abroad filings using the Madrid System		66.5%	
Madrid top applicants (2021-2023)			
	Novartis AG	335	
	Societe des Produits Nestle S.A.	191	
	Syngenta Crop Protection AG	178	
	Philip Morris Products S.A.	136	
	Abercrombie & Fitch Europe SA	120	

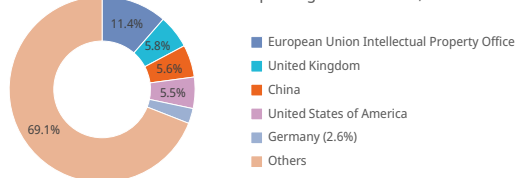
Trademark class count in applications



Top Nice classes; share



Top foreign destinations; share



Statistics for the IP office [1]

Total filings; global rank	96,855	↓9%	20 th
Resident; share	40,056	↑1.3%	41.4%
Non-resident; share	56,799	↓15.1%	58.6%
Number of Classes Specified in Trademark Registrations	101,241	↓11.2%	
Trademarks in force; global rank	302,805		32 nd
National IP office - applications per examiner	1,641.6		
National IP office - registration delay in days			

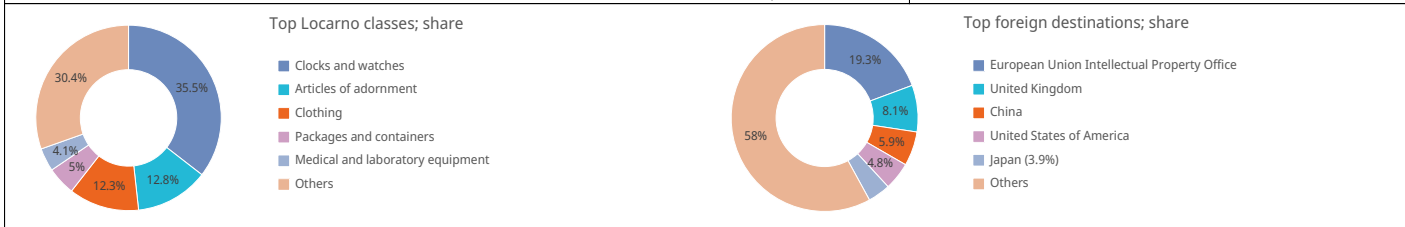
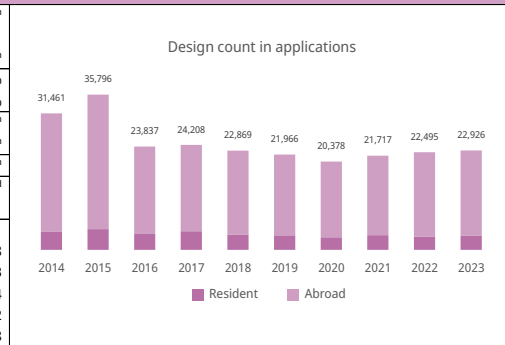
Country of origin of non-resident filings; share

Germany	18,825	33.3%
France	6,416	11.4%
United States of America	6,414	11.3%
Italy	3,271	5.8%
United Kingdom	2,530	4.5%

Industrial design

Statistics for applicants residing in this country [2]

Designs in applications; global rank	22,926	↑1.9%	11 th
Resident filings	3,330	↑11.1%	
Abroad filings; global rank	19,596	↑0.5%	4 th
Regional rank and share	Europe – 5 th 7.1%		
	Western Europe – 3 rd 15.2%		
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank	376		10 th
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	454		18 th
Hague international filings; global rank	2,196	↑0.4%	4 th
Abroad filings via the Hague System	14,611	↑4.2%	2 nd
Share of abroad filings using the Hague System	66.3%		
Hague top applicants (2021-2023)			
	Cartier International AG	148	
	Harry Winston SA	113	
	Swatch AG	74	
	Richemont Internationa SA	72	
	Van Cleef & Arpels S.A.	68	



Statistics for the IP office [2]

Total filings; global rank	11,391	↓1.1%	13 th	Country of origin of non-resident filings; share		
Resident; share	3,330	↑11.1%	29.2%			
Non-resident; share	8,061	↓5.4%	70.8%			
Number of Designs in Industrial Design Registrations	11,441	↓1.9%				
Industrial designs in force; global rank	9,191		27 th			
National IP office - applications per examiner	4,556.4				Germany	3,344 41.5%
National IP office - registration delay in days	12.0				United States of America	1,185 14.7%
					France	750 9.3%
					Italy	688 8.5%
					Netherlands (Kingdom of the)	221 2.7%

Geographical indications

Geographical Indications in force by product category	Geographical indications in force by legal means		
	Agreements	4,156	83.9%
	Sui generis	111	2.2%
	Other national legal means	2	0%
	Lisbon system	685	13.8%

Plant variety

Plant variety applications filed by applicants residing in this country	Plant variety in force		
Resident	8	National	621
Abroad	539		
Regional	Community Plant Variety Office	193	

Note

- (1) For trademarks, filings refer to the number of classes specified in applications.
- (2) For industrial designs, filings refer to number of designs contained in applications.
- (3) Statistics are produced regardless of whether the home office of the applicants supplied statistics or not. An asterisk symbol indicates that the home IP office did not supply statistics.
- (4) Statistics relating to "technical fields" are extracted from the Patstat database and are based on the publication date.
- (5) The indicator "resident applications per million population" is available for countries with a population greater than one million. The "indicator per GDP" is available for countries whose total GDP exceeds 10 billion US Dollar.
- (6) Percentage with a plus or minus symbol indicates the percentage change from the previous year.
- (7) Both national and regional data are used to establish the list of countries relating to non-resident filings.

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