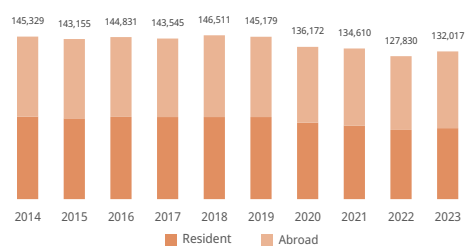


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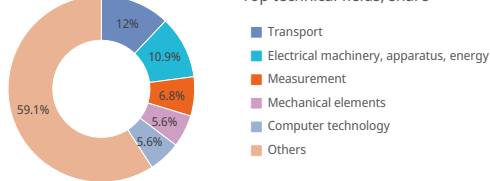
Statistics for applicants residing in this country

Patent applications; global rank	132,017	↑3.3%	5 th
Resident applications	63,469	↑2.6%	
Abroad applications; global rank	68,548	↑3.9%	5 th
Regional rank and share	Europe - 1 st 28.9%		
	Western Europe - 1 st 47.5%		
Resident applications per million inhabitants; global rank	751		6 th
Resident applications per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	1,214		6 th
Utility model applications; global rank	6,280	↓1.1%	3 rd
PCT international applications; global rank	16,934	↓3%	5 th
PCT applications per million inhabitants; global rank	200		9 th
PCT publications relating to renewable energy (2021-2023)	929		1.8%
Share of university applications (2021-2023)	2.6%		
Share of women inventors (2021-2023)	11.5%		
PCT national phase entries; global rank	51,038	↑0.6%	4 th
Share of abroad applications using the PCT System	57.6%		
PCT top applicants (2021-2023)	Robert Bosch Corporation 3,810		
	Siemens Aktiengesellschaft 1,868		
	BASF SE 1,604		
	Schaeffler Technologies AG & Co. KG 1,427		
	Bayerische Motoren Werke Aktiengesellschaft 1,400		

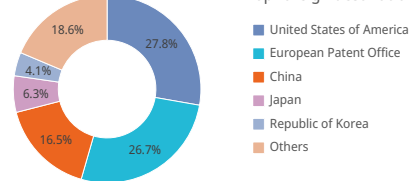
Patent applications



Top technical fields; share



Top foreign destinations; share



Statistics for the IP office

Total applications; global rank	58,661	↑2.5%	7 th
Resident; share	38,489	↑3.5%	65.6%
Non-resident; share	20,172	↑0.8%	34.4%
Patent Grants	22,363	↓5.2%	
Patents in force; global rank	928,106		5 th
National IP office - applications per examiner	59.4		
National IP office - grant delay in months			
Filings via regional office - resident	European Patent Office	24,980	
Filings via regional office - non-resident	European Patent Office	174,449	

Country of origin of non-resident applications; share

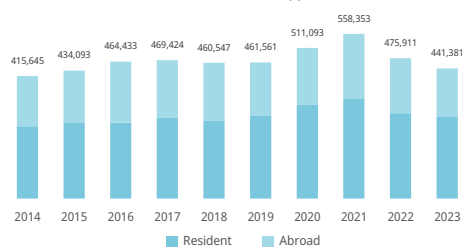
United States of America	54,856	28.3%
Japan	27,929	14.4%
China	21,690	11.2%
Republic of Korea	14,003	7.2%
France	11,181	5.8%

Trademark

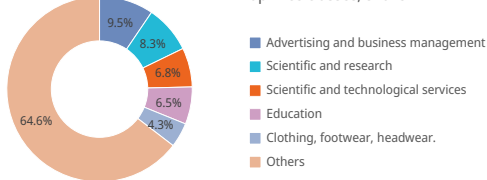
Statistics for applicants residing in this country [1]

Trademark filings; global rank	441,381	↓7.3%	5 th
Resident filings	279,009	↓3.7%	
Abroad filings; global rank	162,372	↓12.9%	4 th
Regional rank and share	Europe - 2 nd 15.4%		
	Western Europe - 1 st 38.1%		
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank	3,303		12 th
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	5,335		33 rd
Madrid international applications; global rank	6,617	↓14%	2 nd
Madrid applications per million inhabitants; global rank	78.3		10 th
Abroad filings via the Madrid System	137,111	↓13.1%	2 nd
Share of abroad filings using the Madrid System	80%		
Madrid top applicants (2021-2023)	Boehringer Ingelheim International GMBH 224		
	Bayerische Motoren Werke Aktiengesellschaft 219		
	Henkel AG & Co KGAA 168		
	Adp Gauselmann GMBH 130		
	Beiersdorf AG 112		

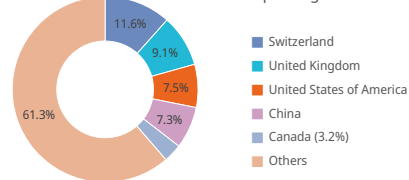
Trademark class count in applications



Top Nice classes; share



Top foreign destinations; share



Statistics for the IP office [1]

Total filings; global rank	229,793	↓1.6%	13 th
Resident; share	207,082	↓1.5%	90.1%
Non-resident; share	22,711	↓2.9%	9.9%
Number of Classes Specified in Trademark Registrations	149,602	↓11.5%	
Trademarks in force; global rank	999,107		12 th
National IP office - applications per examiner	2,872.4		
National IP office - registration delay in days	91.8		
Filings via regional office - resident	European Union Intellectual Property Office	71,927	
Filings via regional office - non-resident	European Union Intellectual Property Office	364,793	

Country of origin of non-resident filings; share

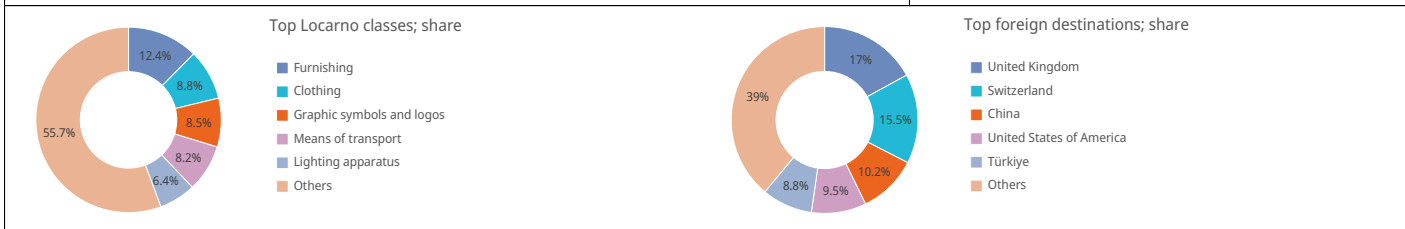
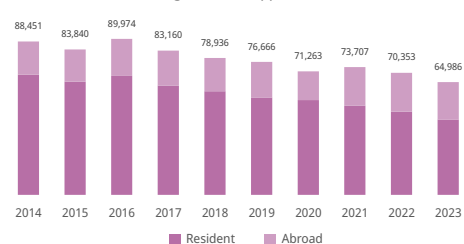
China	43,078	11.1%
Italy	36,798	9.5%
United States of America	35,918	9.3%
France	28,294	7.3%
Spain	26,577	6.9%

Industrial design

Statistics for applicants residing in this country [2]

Designs in applications; global rank	64,986	↓7.6%	3 rd
Resident filings	43,433	↓9.4%	
Abroad filings; global rank	21,553	↓3.8%	3 rd
Regional rank and share	Europe – 1 st 20.1%		
	Western Europe – 1 st 43%		
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank	514		8 th
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	830		12 th
Hague international filings; global rank	4,521	↓7.9%	1 st
Abroad filings via the Hague System	18,219	↓3.9%	1 st
Share of abroad filings using the Hague System	71.5%		
Hague top applicants (2021-2023)	Volkswagen AG 194 Daimler AG 145 Dr. Ing. H.c. F. Porsche AG 78 Continental Reifen Deutschland GMBH 71 Alfred Karcher GMBH & Co 53		

Design count in applications



Statistics for the IP office [2]

Total filings; global rank	29,663	↓13.4%	10 th
Resident; share	27,630	↓13.4%	93.1%
Non-resident; share	2,033	↓12.9%	6.9%
Number of Designs in Industrial Design Registrations	27,434	↓25.1%	
Industrial designs in force; global rank	46,082		13 th
National IP office - applications per examiner	3,754.8		
National IP office - registration delay in days	93.0		
Filings via regional office - resident	European Union Intellectual Property Office	15,803	
Filings via regional office - non-resident	European Union Intellectual Property Office	101,081	

Country of origin of non-resident filings; share

China	27,146	26.3%
Italy	14,173	13.8%
United States of America	12,057	11.7%
France	6,159	6%
Poland	4,599	4.5%

Geographical indications

Geographical Indications in force by product category

Agricultural products and foodstuffs	2,396	31.6%
Handicrafts	90	1.2%
Wines and spirits	5,100	67.2%

Geographical Indications in force by legal means

Agreements	4,096	54%
Trademarks	2	0%
Regional system	3,487	46%
Lisbon system	1	0%

Plant variety

Plant variety applications filed by applicants residing in this country

Resident	360
Abroad	425
Regional	Community Plant Variety Office 336

Plant variety in force

National	889
Community Plant Variety Office	30,927

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.

Source: WIPO statistics database; last updated: 4/2025