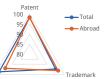
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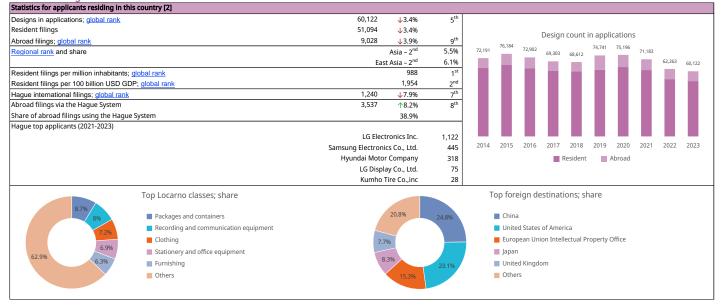
Patent									De	sign			Trac	demark
Statistics for applicants residing in this	country													
Patent applications; global rank		289,749	↑6.7%	4 th										
Resident applications		191,142	↑4%		Patent applications									
Abroad applications; global rank		98,607	↑12.3%	4 th				га	iterit ap	phicatic	5115			
Regional rank and share			Asia – 3 rd	11.7%										289.749
		Ea	ist Asia – 3 rd	12.3%							257,111	264,740	271,586	289,749
Resident applications per million inhabitation			3,696	1 st	228,558	235,450	230,507	223,410	228,831	244,728				
Resident applications per 100 billion US	D GDP; <u>global rank</u>		7,309	1 st										
Utility model applications; global rank		3,901	√2.9%	6 th										
PCT international applications; global rate		22,279	1.2%	4 th										
PCT applications per million inhabitants;	5		431	2 nd										
PCT publications relating to renewable e			846	1.4%										
Share of university applications (2021-20	23)		7.9%											
Share of women inventors (2021-2023)			16.2%		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
PCT national phase entries; global rank		42,954	↑10.7%	5 th				R	esident	F	Abroad			
Share of abroad applications using the P	CT System		41.5%											
PCT top applicants (2021-2023)														
		Samsung Electron		11,352										
			tronics Inc.	6,565										
		LG Energy So		3,157										
			Chem, Ltd.	1,855										
		LG Inno	tek Co. Ltd.	824										
	Top technical fields; share				То	op for	eign d	estinati	ions; s	hare				
10.8%	Computer technology		9.9%			Unite	d States	of Ameri	ica					
10.4%	 Electrical machinery, apparatus, energy 		8%			China	1							
	 Digital communication 		070	45.6%		Euror	nean Pat	tent Offic	P					
6.1%	Audio-visual technology	15	2.8%	40.070		Japan								
62.2% 5.7%		12				India								
4.8%	Transport													
	Others		20.3%			Othe	rs							

Statistics for the IP office						
Total applications; global rank	243,310	↑2.4%	4 th	Country of origin of non-resident applications; share		
Resident; share	191,142	↑4%	78.6%	United States of America	16,527	32.2%
Non-resident; share	52,168	↓3.2%	21.4%	Japan	14,192	27.7%
Patent Grants	134,734	↓0.3%		China	5,455	10.6%
Patents in force; global rank	1,271,759		4 th	Germany	3,801	7.4%
National IP office - applications per examiner		248.3		Switzerland	1,766	3.4%
National IP office - grant delay in months		20.1				

Trademark														
Statistics for applicants residing in th	nis country [1]													
Trademark filings; global rank		334,060	↓2.3%	11 th										
Resident filings	264,784	↓1.3%				Tued								
Abroad filings; global rank		69,276	√6.1%	8 th			Trau	emark	ciass co	buntin	applicat			
Regional rank and share		Asia – 5 th	3.3%							338.560	372,613	342,090	334.060	
		Ea	ist Asia – 3 rd	4.1%						291,837			,	334,060
Resident filings per million inhabitants	; <u>global rank</u>		5,120	1 st		243,308	240,579		275,495					
Resident filings per 100 billion USD G	DP; <u>global rank</u>		10,125	9 th	198,908	243,300	240,373	230,447						
Madrid international applications; glob	al rank	2,092	1€1	9 th										
Madrid applications per million inhabi	tants; global rank		40.5	25 th										
Abroad filings via the Madrid System		29,744	√8.8%	10 th										
Share of abroad filings using the Madr	id System		42.9%											
Madrid top applicants (2021-2023)														
		Hyundai Moto	1 2	175	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
		Amorepacific C	•	123										
		Samsung Electron		107										
		Kia C	Corporation	98										
			LG Corp.	65										
	Top Nice classes; share				To	op for	eign de	estinat	ions; s	hare				
16.2%	Advertising and business management			21%		China	a							
	_ 5						ed States	of Amo	rica					
7.7%	Services for providing food and drink	40	.7%					of Ame	IICd					
56.1%	Scientific and research	48.	. / 90	11.5%		📕 Japar								
	Non-medicated cosmetics				1	Euro	pean Un	ion Intel	lectual P	roperty	Office			
7.2%	Education			8.6%	1	Viet 🛛	Nam							
3.270	Others		4.6%	.6%	1	Othe	rs							

Statistics for the IP office [1]						
Total filings; global rank	314,284	↓3.2%	11 th	Country of origin of non-resident filings; share		
Resident; share	264,784	↓1.3%	84.2%	United States of America	11,101	22.9%
Non-resident; share	49,500	↓12.2%	15.8%	China	9,625	19.8%
Number of Classes Specified in Trademark Registrations	224,683	1.9%		Japan	5,244	10.8%
Trademarks in force; global rank	1,655,716		9 th	Germany	3,402	7%
National IP office - applications per examiner		2,328.0		United Kingdom	2,608	5.4%
National IP office - registration delay in days		540.0				

Industrial design



Statistics for the IP office [2]						
Total filings; global rank	59,454	↓2.7%	5 th	Country of origin of non-resident filings; share		
Resident; share	51,094	√3.4%	85.9%	United States of America	2,248	27.1%
Non-resident; share	8,360	1.1%	14.1%	China	1,789	21.5%
Number of Designs in Industrial Design Registrations	50,301	√9.3%		Japan	1,003	12.1%
Industrial designs in force; global rank	414,117		3 rd	Germany	656	7.9%
National IP office - applications per examiner		1,450.1		Switzerland	552	6.6%
National IP office - registration delay in days		150.0				

Geographical indications

Geographical indications in force by product category		Geographical indications in force by legal mean	ns	
Agricultural products and foodstuffs	454 76.4%	Sui generis	194	30.2%
Handicrafts	5 0.8%	Trademarks	231	35.9%
Wines and spirits	135 22.7%	Other national legal means	218	33.9%

Plant variety

Plant variety applications filed by applicants residing in this country		Plant variety in force	
Resident	462	National	6,532
Abroad	25		
Regional	Community Plant Variety Office 5		

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 polulation 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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