

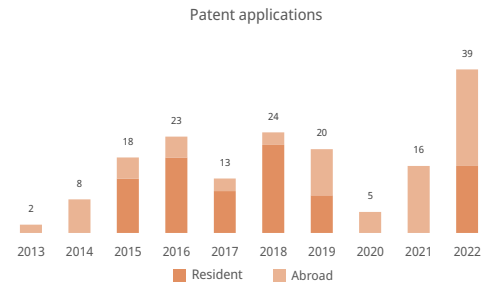
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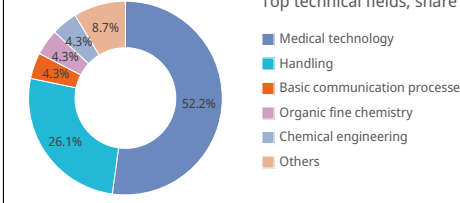
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Statistics for applicants residing in this country

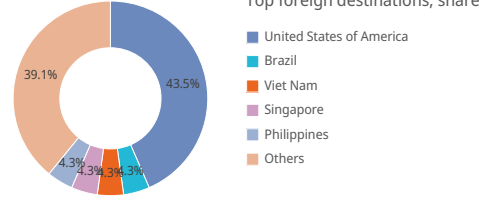
Patent applications; global rank	39	117 th
Resident applications	16	
Abroad applications; global rank	23	↑43.8% 112 th
Regional rank and share	Africa - 24 th	0.5%
	Southern Africa - 2 nd	1.5%
Resident applications per million inhabitants; global rank	6.2	75 th
Resident applications per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	65.7	70 th
Utility model applications; global rank	4	92 nd
PCT international applications; global rank	4	↓55.6% 89 th
PCT applications per million inhabitants; global rank	1.6	65 th
PCT publications relating to renewable energy (2020-2022)	2	11.8%
Share of university applications (2020-2022)		
Share of women inventors (2020-2022)		11.8%
PCT national phase entries; global rank	12	93 rd
Share of abroad applications using the PCT System		52.2%
PCT top applicants (2020-2022)		
	Ortho Future Technologies (pty) Ltd	5
	Becton, Dickinson and Company	2
	Safetylink Pty Ltd	1
	Alclear, LLC	1
	Dcprime B.V.	1



Top technical fields; share



Top foreign destinations; share



Statistics for the IP office

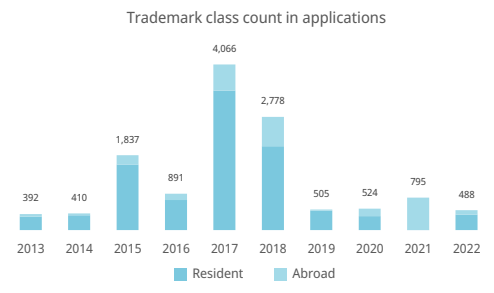
Total applications; global rank	32	110 th
Resident; share	16	50%
Non-resident; share	16	50%
Patent Grants	29	
Patents in force; global rank	2,195	71 st
National IP office - applications per examiner		8.0
National IP office - grant delay in months		
Filings via regional office - resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization	0
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization	873

Country	Count	Share
United States of America	295	33.8%
United Kingdom	71	8.1%
India	51	5.8%
Germany	41	4.7%
South Africa	41	4.7%

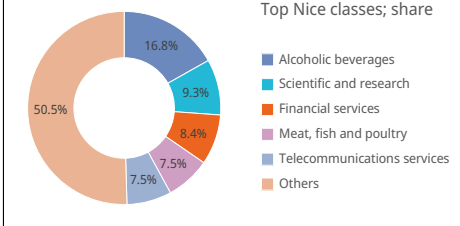
Trademark

Statistics for applicants residing in this country [1]

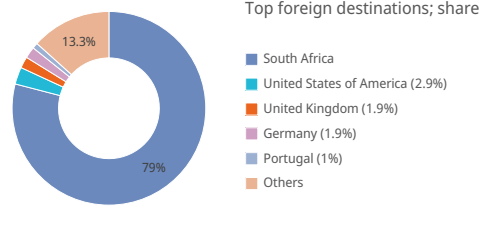
Trademark filings; global rank	488	143 rd
Resident filings	381	↑38000% 156 th
Abroad filings; global rank	107	↓86.5% 156 th
Regional rank and share	Africa - 30 th	0.2%
	Southern Africa - 2 nd	1.5%
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank	148	92 nd
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	1,564	95 th
Madrid international applications; global rank	1	↓87.5% 102 nd
Madrid applications per million inhabitants; global rank	0.4	76 th
Abroad filings via the Madrid System	16	↓96.7% 108 th
Share of abroad filings using the Madrid System		15%
Madrid top applicants (2020-2022)		
	Erindi Ranch (proprietary) Limited	7
	Cheetah Conservation Fund	1
	Erongo Mountain Winery Close;corporation	1



Top Nice classes; share



Top foreign destinations; share



Statistics for the IP office [1]

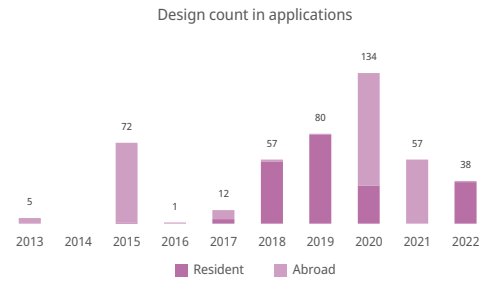
Total filings; global rank	3,726	116 th
Resident; share	381	10.2%
Non-resident; share	3,345	89.8%
Number of Classes Specified in Trademark Registrations	5,131	
Trademarks in force; global rank		
National IP office - applications per examiner		931.5
National IP office - registration delay in days		
Filings via regional office - resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization	0
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization	1,185

Country	Count	Share
United States of America	562	14.2%
United Kingdom	481	12.1%
China	393	9.9%
Zimbabwe	323	8.2%
Germany	273	6.9%

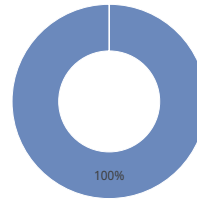
Industrial design

Statistics for applicants residing in this country [2]

Designs in applications; global rank	38	119 th
Resident filings	37	
Abroad filings; global rank	1	↓98.2% 132 nd
Regional rank and share	Africa - 27 th	0.2%
	Southern Africa - 2 nd	2.2%
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank	14.4	63 rd
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	152	51 st
Hague international filings; global rank		
Abroad filings via the Hague System		
Share of abroad filings using the Hague System		
Hague top applicants (2020-2022)		



Top Locarno classes; share



Top foreign destinations; share

■ United States of America

Statistics for the IP office [2]

Total filings; global rank	154	92 nd
Resident; share	37	24%
Non-resident; share	117	76%
Number of Designs in Industrial Design Registrations	141	
Industrial designs in force; global rank	144	92 nd
National IP office - applications per examiner	154.0	
National IP office - registration delay in days		
Filings via regional office - resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization	0
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization	127

Country of origin of non-resident filings; share

Country	Count	Share
Türkiye	26	10.7%
China	26	10.7%
United States of America	21	8.6%
Zambia	19	7.8%
Morocco	18	7.4%

Geographical indications

Geographical indications in force by product category

Geographical indications in force by legal means

Plant variety

Plant variety applications filed by applicants residing in this country

Resident	
Abroad	
Regional	

Plant variety in force

National

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) Shares of the top foreign destinations are based on absolute count of applications, that is, one application filed at a regional office is counted as one application only.
- (7) One application filed at the Eurasian Patent Organization, the African Intellectual Property Organization, the Benelux Office for Intellectual Property, the European Union Intellectual Property Office or the Patent Office of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf is multiplied by the corresponding number of member states. One application filed at the European Patent Office or the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization is counted as one application abroad if the applicant does not reside in a respective member state, or as one resident application and one application abroad if the applicant resides in a respective member state.
- (8) Percentage with a plus or minus symbol indicates the percentage change from the previous year.
- (9) Both national and regional data are used to establish the list of countries relating to non-resident filings.

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