Intellectual property statistical country profile 2024

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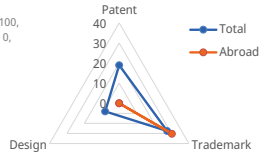
Rankings are delineated on a scale of 0 to 100, designating first place as 100, last place as 0, and 50 indicating the midpoint.



Patent

Statistics for applicants residing in this country			
Patent applications; global rank	7	↑600%	135th
Resident applications	6	↑500%	
Abroad applications; global rank	1		147th
Regional rank and share		Asia – 40th	0%
		South Central Asia – 9th	0%
Resident applications per million inhabitants; global rank			
Resident applications per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank			
Utility model applications; global rank			
PCT international applications; global rank			
PCT applications per million inhabitants; global rank			
PCT publications relating to renewable energy (2022-2024)			
Share of university applications (2022-2024)			
Share of women inventors (2022-2024)		50%	
PCT national phase entries; global rank	1		121st
Share of abroad applications using the PCT System		100%	
PCT top applicants (2022-2024)			
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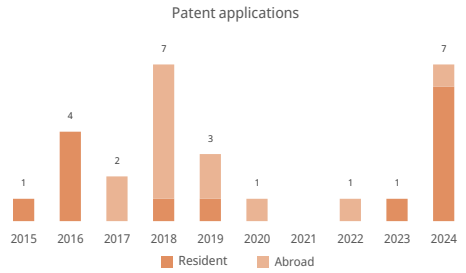
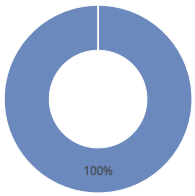


Top technical fields; share



Top foreign destinations; share

United States of America

Statistics for the IP office			
Total applications; global rank	6	↓53.8%	125th
Resident; share	6	↑500%	100%
Non-resident; share			
Patent Grants			
Patents in force; global rank	6		111th
National IP office - applications per examiner		6.0	
National IP office - grant delay in months		700.0	

Country of origin of non-resident applications; share

Trademark

Statistics for applicants residing in this country [1]			
Trademark filings; global rank	286	↑144.4%	143rd
Resident filings	177	↑52.6%	
Abroad filings; global rank	109	↑10800%	137th
Regional rank and share		Asia – 43rd	0%
		South Central Asia – 10th	0%
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank			
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank			
Madrid international applications; global rank	1		112th
Madrid applications per million inhabitants; global rank			
Abroad filings via the Madrid System	8		111th
Share of abroad filings using the Madrid System		7.3%	
Madrid top applicants (2022-2024)			
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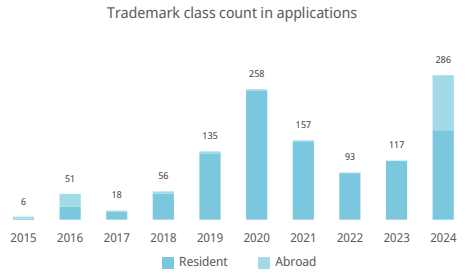
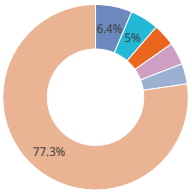
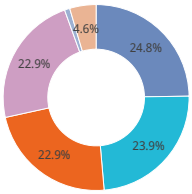


Top Nice classes; share



- Services for providing food and drink
- Coffee, tea and food
- Meat, fish and poultry (3.9%)
- Pharmaceuticals (3.9%)
- Education (3.5%)
- Others

Top foreign destinations; share



- India
- United States of America
- European Union Intellectual Property Office
- Japan
- United Kingdom (0.9%)
- Others

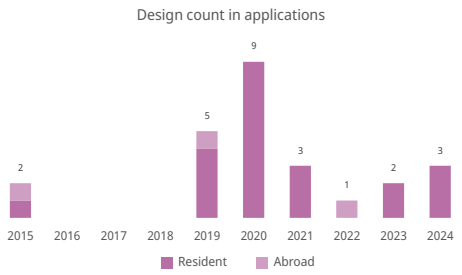
Statistics for the IP office [1]			
Total filings; global rank	1,806	↑0.6%	128th
Resident; share	177	↑52.6%	9.8%
Non-resident; share	1,629	↓3%	90.2%
Number of Classes Specified in Trademark Registrations	1,852	↑14.5%	
Trademarks in force; global rank			
National IP office - applications per examiner		602.0	
National IP office - registration delay in days		90.0	

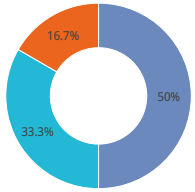
Country of origin of non-resident filings; share

China	377	23.3%
Switzerland	217	13.4%
United States of America	161	9.9%
France	159	9.8%
Germany	105	6.5%

Industrial design

Statistics for applicants residing in this country [2]			
Designs in applications; global rank	3	↑50%	146th
Resident filings	3	↑50%	
Abroad filings; global rank	0		141st
Regional rank and share		Asia – 42nd	0%
		South Central Asia – 11th	0%
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank			
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank			
Hague international filings; global rank			
Abroad filings via the Hague System			
Share of abroad filings using the Hague System			
Hague top applicants (2022-2024)			





Top Locarno classes; share

- Means of transport
- Textile piecegoods
- Household goods

Top foreign destinations; share

Statistics for the IP office [2]			
Total filings; global rank	6	↑200%	127th
Resident; share	3	↑50%	50%
Non-resident; share	3		50%
Number of Designs in Industrial Design Registrations	8	↑300%	
Industrial designs in force; global rank	8		107th
National IP office - applications per examiner		6.0	
National IP office - registration delay in days		180.0	

Country of origin of non-resident filings; share

India	3	100%

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	Plant variety in force
Resident	National
Abroad	
Regional	

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.

Source: WIPO statistics database; last updated: 11/2025