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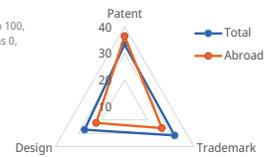
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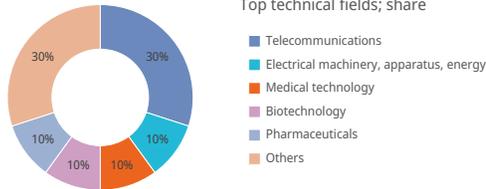
Patent

Statistics for applicants residing in this country

Patent applications; global rank	21	↑23.5%	117th
Resident applications	5	↓16.7%	
Abroad applications; global rank	16	↑45.5%	104th
Regional rank and share	Africa – 18th		0.4%
	Southern Africa – 2nd		1.9%
Resident applications per million inhabitants; global rank		1.7	94th
Resident applications per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank		16.0	94th
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)		1	5.9%
Share of university applications (2022-2024)		5.9%	
Share of women inventors (2022-2024)		4.3%	
PCT national phase entries; global rank	14	↑1300%	84th
Share of abroad applications using the PCT System		62.5%	

PCT top applicants (2022-2024)

Ortho Future Technologies (pty) Ltd		5
Sat-com (pty) Ltd		3
Indian Space Research Organisation		1
Jacobs Engineering Group Cc		1
Nuionic Technologies (canada) Inc.		1

Patent applications

Top technical fields; share
- Telecommunications
- Electrical machinery, apparatus, energy
- Medical technology
- Biotechnology
- Pharmaceuticals
- Others

Top foreign destinations; share
- United States of America
- African Regional Intellectual Property Organization
- European Patent Office
- South Africa
- Canada (5%)

Statistics for the IP office

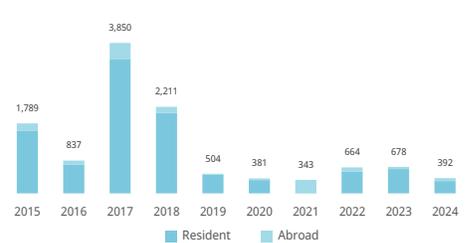|				
Total applications; global rank	9	↓40%	126th	Country of origin of non-resident applications; share
Resident; share	1	↓83.3%	11.1%	
Non-resident; share	8	↓11.1%	88.9%	
Patent Grants	10	↓33.3%		
Patents in force; global rank	415		91st	
National IP office - applications per examiner		1.8		
National IP office - grant delay in months		6.0		
Filings via regional office - resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization		4	
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization		771	

Country of origin of non-resident applications; share		
United States of America	258	33.5%
United Kingdom	52	6.7%
South Africa	41	5.3%
India	39	5.1%
Finland	37	4.8%

Trademark

Statistics for applicants residing in this country [1]

Trademark filings; global rank	392	↓42.2%	135th
Resident filings	315	↓49.4%	
Abroad filings; global rank	77	↑40%	145th
Regional rank and share	Africa – 23rd		0.3%
	Southern Africa – 3rd		1.2%
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank		104	100th
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank		1,011	107th
Madrid international applications; global rank			
Madrid applications per million inhabitants; global rank			
Abroad filings via the Madrid System			
Share of abroad filings using the Madrid System			

Madrid top applicants (2022-2024)

Erongo Mountain Winery Close;corporation		1
Andron Samuilovich Narinsky		1

Trademark class count in applications

Top Nice classes; share
- Beers and beverages
- Transport; packaging and storage of goods.
- Clothing, footwear, headwear.
- Services for providing food and drink
- Alcoholic beverages
- Others

Top foreign destinations; share
- South Africa
- European Union Intellectual Property Office
- China
- United Kingdom
- Mauritius
- Others
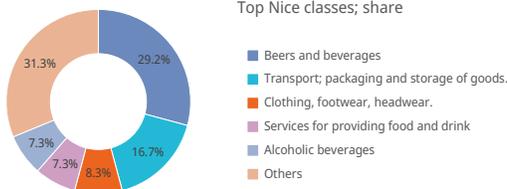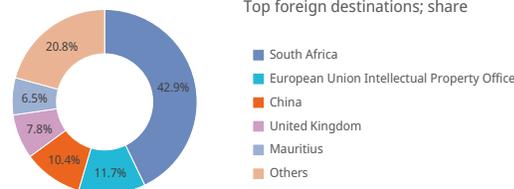
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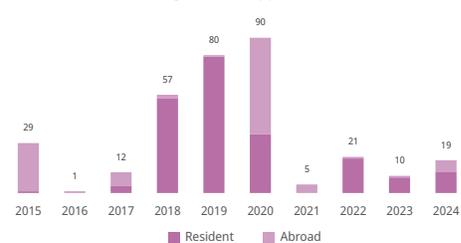|				
Total filings; global rank	2,953	↓21.1%	119th	Country of origin of non-resident filings; share
Resident; share	291	↓51.8%	9.9%	
Non-resident; share	2,662	↓15.2%	90.1%	
Number of Classes Specified in Trademark Registrations	3,992	↑37%		
Trademarks in force; global rank	50,347		79th	
National IP office - applications per examiner		590.6		
National IP office - registration delay in days		60.0		
Filings via regional office - resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization		24	
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization		1,287	

Country of origin of non-resident filings; share		
China	521	16.6%
Zimbabwe	361	11.5%
Switzerland	290	9.2%
United States of America	254	8.1%
Germany	230	7.3%

Industrial design

Statistics for applicants residing in this country [2]

Designs in applications; global rank	19	↑90%	117th
Resident filings	12	↑33.3%	
Abroad filings; global rank	7	↑600%	107th
Regional rank and share	Africa – 21st		0.2%
	Southern Africa – 2nd		2.6%
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank	4.0		87th
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	38.5		87th
Hague international filings; global rank			
Abroad filings via the Hague System			
Share of abroad filings using the Hague System			
Hague top applicants (2022-2024)			

Design count in applications

Legend: Resident, Abroad

Values: 2015: 29; 2016: 1; 2017: 12; 2018: 57; 2019: 80; 2020: 90; 2021: 5; 2022: 21; 2023: 10; 2024: 19

Top Locarno classes; share

- 71.4% Articles of adornment
- 14.3% Arms, articles for hunting and fishing
- 14.3% Pharmaceutical and cosmetic products

Top foreign destinations; share

- 71.4% United States of America
- 14.3% United Kingdom
- 14.3% South Africa
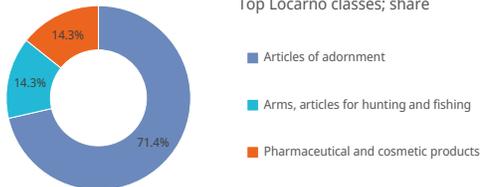
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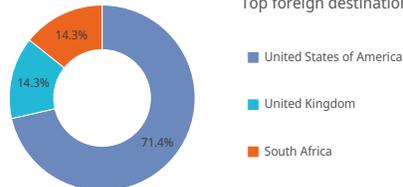
				Country of origin of non-resident filings; share		
Total filings; global rank	238	↑107%	92nd			
Resident; share	12	↑33.3%	5%	Germany	71	19.7%
Non-resident; share	226	↑113.2%	95%	China	41	11.4%
Number of Designs in Industrial Design Registrations	80	↓16.7%		Canada	26	7.2%
Industrial designs in force; global rank				South Africa	24	6.7%
National IP office - applications per examiner		119.0		Italy	23	6.4%
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		138			

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.

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