

Statistical Data

Applications

Application by IPR type

(unit : cases)

IPR type	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Patents	170,632	163,523	170,101	178,924	188,915
Utility models	17,405	17,144	13,661	11,854	12,424
Subtotal	188,037	180,667	183,762	190,778	201,339
Industrial designs	56,750 (58,912)	57,903 (59,537)	57,187 (59,204)	56,524 (58,571)	63,135 (65,469)
Trademarks	127,910 (178,211)	126,420 (162,682)	121,125 (153,179)	123,814 (150,977)	132,522 (160,447)
Total	372,697 (425,160)	364,990 (402,886)	362,074 (396,145)	371,116 (400,326)	396,996 (427,255)

Note: Figures in parentheses include multiple applications.

PCT applications

(unit : cases)

Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of applications	7,899	8,035	9,669	10,447	11,848
Growth rate (%)	11.8	1.7	20.3	8.0	13.4

Note: Based on WIPO statistics. (March 2013)

International trademark applications under the Madrid Protocol

(unit : cases)

Period	Office of origin	Designated office
2010	405	8,017
2011	536	10,420
2012	502	10,090

Note: Based on WIPO statistics. (March 2013)

Comparison of domestic and foreign applications

(unit : cases)

		Domestic		Foreign		Total
		Cases	%	Cases	%	
Patents	2008	127,114	74.5	43,518	25.5	170,632
	2009	127,316	77.9	36,207	22.1	163,523
	2010	131,805	77.5	38,296	22.5	170,101
	2011	138,034	77.1	40,890	22.9	178,924
	2012	148,136	37.3	40,779	10.3	188,915
Utility models	2008	16,971	97.5	434	2.5	17,405
	2009	16,801	98.0	343	2.0	17,144
	2010	13,193	96.6	468	3.4	13,661
	2011	11,462	96.7	392	3.3	11,854
	2012	11,899	3.0	525	0.1	12,424
Industrial designs	2008	52,786 (54,278)	93.0 (92.1)	3,964 (4,634)	7.0 (7.9)	56,750 (58,912)
	2009	54,934 (56,391)	94.9 (94.7)	2,969 (3,146)	5.1 (5.3)	57,903 (59,537)
	2010	53,601 (55,369)	93.7 (93.5)	3,586 (3,835)	6.3 (6.5)	57,187 (59,204)
	2011	52,812 (54,300)	93.4 (92.7)	3,712 (4,271)	6.6 (7.3)	56,524 (58,571)
	2012	59,487 (60,867)	15.0 (14.2)	3,648 (4,602)	0.9 (1.1)	63,135 (65,469)
Trademarks	2008	107,487 (144,920)	84.0 (81.3)	20,423 (33,291)	16.0 (18.7)	127,910 (178,211)
	2009	108,170 (134,019)	85.6 (82.4)	18,250 (28,663)	14.4 (17.6)	126,420 (162,682)
	2010	106,896 (129,993)	88.3 (84.9)	14,229 (23,186)	11.7 (15.1)	121,125 (153,179)
	2011	112,575 (132,864)	90.9 (88.0)	11,239 (18,113)	9.1 (12.0)	123,814 (150,977)
	2012	120,341 (140,908)	30.3 (33.0)	12,181 (19,539)	3.1 (4.6)	132,522 (160,447)
Total	2008	304,358 (343,283)	81.7 (80.7)	68,339 (81,877)	18.3 (19.3)	372,697 (425,160)
	2009	307,221 (334,527)	84.2 (83.0)	57,769 (68,359)	15.8 (17.0)	364,990 (402,886)
	2010	305,495 (330,360)	84.4 (83.4)	56,579 (65,785)	15.6 (16.6)	362,074 (396,145)
	2011	314,883 (336,660)	84.8 (84.1)	56,233 (63,666)	15.2 (15.9)	371,116 (400,326)
	2012	339,863 (361,810)	85.6 (84.7)	57,133 (65,445)	14.4 (15.3)	396,996 (427,255)

Note: Figures in parentheses include multiple applications.

Applications

Patent and utility model applications by technological field in 2012

(unit : cases)

Classification	Patents			Utility models		
	Domestic	Foreign	Total	Domestic	Foreign	Total
Agriculture	2,681 (1.8%)	197 (0.5%)	2,878 (1.5%)	505 (4.2%)	9 (1.7%)	514 (4.1%)
Foodstuffs, Tobacco	3,288 (2.2%)	296 (0.7%)	3,534 (1.9%)	114 (1.0%)	1 (0.2%)	115 (0.9%)
Personal of domestic articles	6,336 (4.3%)	523 (1.3%)	6,859 (3.6%)	2,628 (22.1%)	54 (10.3%)	2,682 (21.6%)
Health, Amusement	5,745 (3.9%)	1,442 (3.5%)	7,187 (3.8%)	835 (7.0%)	45 (8.6%)	880 (7.1%)
dental, or toilet purposes	2,960 (2.0%)	1,488 (3.6%)	4,448 (2.4%)	12 (0.1%)		12 (0.1%)
Separating, Mixing	3,464 (2.3%)	925 (2.3%)	4,389 (2.3%)	232 (1.9%)	13 (2.5%)	245 (2.0%)
Shaping	3,537 (2.4%)	777 (1.9%)	4,314 (2.3%)	337 (2.8%)	15 (2.9%)	352 (2.8%)
Grinding, Polishing	3,374 (2.3%)	1,011 (2.5%)	4,385 (2.3%)	383 (3.2%)	19 (3.6%)	402 (3.2%)
Printing	953 (0.6%)	228 (0.6%)	1,181 (0.6%)	236 (2.0%)	7 (1.3%)	243 (2.0%)
Transporting	11,846 (8.0%)	1,707 (4.2%)	13,553 (7.2%)	2,073 (17.4%)	50 (9.5%)	2,123 (17.1%)
technology, Nano-technology	279 (0.2%)	40 (0.1%)	319 (0.2%)			
Chemistry	3,136 (2.1%)	961 (2.4%)	4,097 (2.2%)	37 (0.3%)	2 (0.4%)	39 (0.3%)
Organic chemistry	1,777 (1.3%)	2,536 (6.2%)	4,313 (2.3%)			
Organic macromolecular compounds	1,868 (1.3%)	1,790 (4.4%)	3,658 (1.9%)			
Dyes, Petroleum	2,048 (1.4%)	1,216 (3.0%)	3,264 (1.7%)	24 (0.2%)	1 (0.2%)	25 (0.2%)
Biochemistry	2,084 (1.4%)	525 (1.3%)	2,609 (1.4%)	8 (0.1%)		8 (0.1%)
Metallurgy	2,486 (1.7%)	1,188 (2.9%)	3,674 (1.9%)	20 (0.2%)	3 (0.6%)	23 (0.2%)
Textiles or flexible materials	1,554 (1.0%)	300 (0.7%)	1,854 (1.0%)	100 (0.8%)	12 (2.3%)	112 (0.9%)
Paper	179 (0.1%)	62 (0.2%)	241 (0.1%)	11 (0.1%)	1 (0.2%)	12 (0.1%)
Building	7,842 (5.3%)	345 (0.8%)	8,187 (4.3%)	1,020 (8.6%)	11 (2.1%)	1,031 (8.3%)
Earth or rock drilling, Mining	392 (0.3%)	42 (0.1%)	434 (0.2%)	24 (0.2%)	1 (0.2%)	25 (0.2%)
Engines of pumps	3,173 (2.1%)	1,088 (2.7%)	4,261 (2.3%)	156 (1.3%)	6 (1.1%)	162 (1.3%)
Engineering in general	2,772 (1.9%)	832 (2.0%)	3,604 (1.9%)	308 (2.6%)	27 (5.1%)	335 (2.7%)
Lighting, Heating	5,671 (3.8%)	703 (1.7%)	6,374 (3.4%)	550 (4.6%)	39 (7.4%)	589 (4.7%)
Weapons, Blasting	379 (0.3%)	42 (0.1)	421 (0.2%)	23 (0.2%)	1 (0.2%)	24 (0.2%)
Instruments	9,830 (6.6%)	3,244 (8.0%)	13,074 (6.9%)	350 (2.9%)	26 (5.0%)	376 (3.0%)
Horology, Computing	17,309 (11.7%)	2,503 (6.1%)	19,812 (10.5%)	318 (2.7%)	43 (8.2%)	361 (2.9%)
Educating, Information storage	3,999 (2.7%)	945 (2.3%)	4,944 (2.6%)	263 (2.2%)	3 (0.6%)	266 (2.1%)
Nucleonics	441 (0.3%)	82 (0.2%)	523 (0.3%)	9 (0.1%)		9 (0.1%)

(unit : cases)

Classification	Patents			Utility models		
	Domestic	Foreign	Total	Domestic	Foreign	Total
Electric elements, Electric techniques	19,604 (13.2%)	7,532 (18.5%)	27,138 (14.4%)	602 (5.1%)	103 (19.6%)	705 (5.7%)
Electric communication technique	11,715 (7.9%)	4,600 (11.3%)	16,315 (8.6%)	258 (2.2%)	26 (5.0%)	284 (2.3%)
Others	5,484 (3.7%)	1,611 (4.0%)	7,075 (3.7%)	463 (3.9%)	7 (1.3%)	470 (3.8%)
Total	148,136 (100.0%)	40,779 (100.0%)	188,915 (100.0%)	11,899 (100.0%)	525 (100.0%)	12,424 (100.0%)

Patent applications in biotechnology

(unit : cases)

	2008		2009		2010		2011		2012	
	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio
Domestic	3,398	67.1	3,789	73.3	4,339	72.5	4,556	72.7	4,852	74.6
Foreign	1,669	32.9	1,380	26.7	1,648	27.5	1,750	27.8	1,654	25.4
Total	5,067	100.0	5,169	100.0	5,987	100.0	6,306	100.0	6,506	100.0

Note: Based on the following biotechnological categories of the Eighth Edition of the International Patent Classification: A01H; A01K 67/00-67/04; A01N 63/00-65/00; A61K 8/97-8/99; A61K 8/64-8/68; A61K 35/12-35/76; 36/00-36/9068; A61K 38/00-38/58, 39/00-39/44, 48/00, 51/00-51/10; C02F 3/00-3/34, 11/02-11/04; C07H 19/00-21/04; C07K; C12C-M; C12N; C12P; C12Q; C12S; G01N 33/50-33/98.

Patent applications in business methods

(unit : cases)

	2008		2009		2010		2011		2012	
	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio
Domestic	4,788	92.7	4,903	94.2	4,944	93.7	6,167	94.3	7,259	96.0
Foreign	375	7.3	301	5.8	337	6.3	375	5.7	305	4.0
Total	5,163	100.0	5,204	100.0	5,331	100.0	6,542	100.0	7,564	100.0

Note: Based on the Eighth Edition of the International Patent Classification.

Applications
Applications by residents of foreign countries in 2012

(unit : cases)

Classification	Patents	Utility models	Designs	Trademarkss	International Trademarks	Total
Japan	16,004	48	1,427 (1,470)	3,248 (5,540)	1,040 (2,112)	21,767 (25,174)
United States of America	11,346	47	801 (1,374)	4,406 (7,045)	1,674 (2,611)	18,274 (22,423)
Germany	3,696	19	290 (367)	219 (376)	1,398 (3,757)	5,622 (8,215)
France	1,813	8	90 (99)	349 (515)	873 (1,943)	3,133 (4,378)
China	982	77	114 (116)	984 (1,361)	778 (1,131)	2,935 (3,667)
Switzerland	1,084	5	170 (209)	267 (392)	727 (1,720)	2,253 (3,410)
Taiwan, Province of China	849	289	81 (107)	383 (530)		1,602 (1,775)
United Kingdom	649	2	64 (75)	438 (839)	448 (1,043)	1,601 (2,608)
Italy	348	6	107 (196)	165 (280)	684 (1,346)	1,310 (2,176)
Netherlands	835		125 (140)	72 (96)	235 (525)	1,267 (1,596)
Sweden	399		89 (89)	61 (141)	184 (399)	733 (1,028)
Canada	391	1	11 (11)	197 (291)	9 (12)	609 (706)
Australia	161	1	22 (22)	128 (187)	162 (273)	474 (644)
Belgium	247		24 (25)	22 (41)	113 (235)	406 (548)
Finland	273	4	23 (23)	18 (46)	69 (204)	387 (550)
Spain	132	2	3 (3)	35 (47)	185 (330)	357 (514)
Denmark	166		39 (39)	25 (44)	121 (261)	351 (510)
Israel	225	2	13 (13)	53 (69)	23 (49)	316 (358)
Singapore	107		6 (6)	110 (165)	84 (169)	307 (447)
Austria	189	1	5 (5)	7 (11)	97 (302)	299 (508)
Luxembourg	98		3 (3)	45 (80)	74 (176)	220 (357)
India	127			27 (48)	11 (11)	165 (186)
Russian Federation	46	3	3 (3)	13 (23)	98 (296)	163 (371)
Ireland	55		2 (2)	51 (68)	47 (98)	155 (223)
Norway	85		16 (21)	6 (6)	34 (75)	141 (187)
Virgin Islands(British)	23			100 (153)	15 (70)	138 (246)
Bermuda	43		27 (71)	42 (81)		112 (195)
New Zealand	22		3 (3)	76 (130)	1 (1)	102 (156)
Thailand	4	1	22 (22)	68 (95)	2 (4)	97 (126)
Turkey	13	2		11 (15)	65 (127)	91 (157)
Cyprus	13		2 (7)	12 (19)	63 (542)	90 (581)
Malaysia	20		5 (5)	59 (68)	2 (2)	86 (95)
Brazil	46		1 (1)	38 (89)		85 (136)
Liechtenstein	17		16 (17)	13 (17)	33 (83)	79 (134)
Mexico	26			36 (69)	1 (1)	63 (96)

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Classification	Patents	Utility models	Designs	Trademarkss	International Trademarks	Total
Hong Kong (SAR, China)	7	5	11 (11)	39 (52)		62 (75)
Poland	18		1 (1)	8 (13)	33 (77)	60 (109)
Indonesia	4		2 (2)	49 (54)	2 (2)	57 (62)
Cayman Islands	26			26 (61)	3 (12)	55 (99)
Viet Nam	2		5 (5)	1 (2)	43 (66)	51 (75)
South Africa	30		5 (5)	14 (23)		49 (58)
Chile	6			42 (44)		48 (50)
Portugal	13		1 (2)	4 (6)	26 (35)	44 (56)
Czech Republic	8		5 (18)		27 (66)	40 (92)
Barbados	32		4 (4)	3 (4)		39 (40)
Saudi Arabia	13			24 (27)		37 (40)
Ukraine	9				25 (50)	34 (59)
Bulgaria	1			6 (12)	26 (36)	33 (49)
Monaco				26 (33)	3 (25)	29 (58)
Hungary	13			1 (3)	14 (25)	28 (41)
Bahamas	6			19 (21)	3 (6)	28 (33)
Malta	6			3 (6)	13 (48)	22 (60)
United Arab Emirates				20 (35)	2 (6)	22 (41)
Greece	8			8 (18)	6 (22)	22 (48)
Philippines				16 (23)		16 (23)
Slovakia	3		1 (1)		9 (18)	13 (22)
Latvia	3		1 (1)		7 (17)	11 (21)
Pakistan				11 (11)		11 (11)
Argentina	2			9 (9)		11 (11)
Colombia				8 (8)		9 (9)
Seychelles	3		2 (2)	3 (3)	1 (1)	9 (9)
New Caledonia				8 (20)		8 (20)
Niue				8 (16)		8 (16)
Belarus	3				5 (6)	8 (9)
Panama	1			5 (7)	1 (1)	7 (9)
Andorra				2 (6)	4 (13)	6 (19)
Cuba	5			1 (1)		6 (6)
Curacao					5 (19)	5 (19)
Slovenia	2				3 (14)	5 (16)
Morocco	1				4 (10)	5 (11)

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Classification	Patents	Utility models	Designs	Trademarkss	International Trademarks	Total
Armenia					5 (7)	5 (7)
Mongolia				5 (5)		5 (5)
Uzbekistan	1		4 (4)			5 (5)
Iran (Islamic Republic of)				1 (1)	3 (10)	4 (11)
Iceland	2				2 (5)	4 (7)
Croatia	1			1 (2)	2 (3)	4 (6)
Estonia	2				2 (4)	4 (6)
Sri Lanka	1			3 (3)		4 (4)
Egypt	1				3 (3)	4 (4)
Uruguay				1 (3)	2 (3)	3 (6)
Nigeria				3 (5)		3 (5)
Gibraltar				1 (2)	2 (2)	3 (4)
Jordan	2			1 (3)		3 (5)
Paraguay				3 (3)		3 (3)
Romania	2				1 (3)	3 (5)
Kazakhstan					2 (9)	2 (9)
Lebanon					2 (6)	2 (6)
Serbia					2 (4)	2 (4)
Republic of Moldova					2 (3)	2 (3)
Azerbaijan	1				1 (3)	2 (4)
Qatar			1 (1)	1 (1)		2 (2)
Greenland	1			2 (2)		2 (2)
Antigua and Barbuda				2 (2)		2 (2)
Jamaica	1			1 (2)		2 (3)
Peru				1 (1)	1 (1)	2 (2)
Brunei Darussalam	1	1				2 (2)
Fiji					1 (6)	1 (6)
Samoa				1 (2)		1 (2)
Guatemala				1 (2)		1 (2)
Others	5	1	1 (1)	5 (5)	1 (1)	12 (12)
Total	40,779	525	3,648 (4,602)	12,181 (19,539)	9,649 (20,556)	66,782 (86,001)

Note: Figures in parentheses include multiple applications.

Examinations

Patents and utility models

(unit : cases)

		First Action					Final Decisions			
		Approval of registration	Notice of preliminary rejection or amendment	Other notices	Withdrawal or abandonment	Total	Approval of registration	Rejection or cancellation	Withdrawal abandonment, annulment or rejection	Total
Patents	2008	12,190	79,461	505	3,348	95,504	72,161	33,388	3,348	108,897
	2009	7,682	83,280	491	2,847	94,300	52,728	33,697	2,847	89,272
	2010	11,276	110,822	573	2,962	125,633	69,162	38,232	2,962	110,356
	2011	17,280	153,326	676	3,001	174,283	98,979	49,204	3,001	151,184
	2012	17,115	141,890	477	3,764	163,246	108,236	51,912	3,764	163,912
Utility models	2008	1,713	10,236	73	686	12,708	5,267	6,313	686	12,266
	2009	958	9,222	47	505	10,732	4,202	6,084	505	10,791
	2010	1,286	10,189	52	516	12,043	4,862	5,838	516	11,216
	2011	2,220	14,968	72	536	17,796	7,013	8,010	536	15,559
	2012	1,714	11,352	51	432	13,549	7,003	7,459	432	14,894

Industrial designs and trademarks

(unit : cases)

		First Action				Final Decisions		
		Publication/approval of registration	Notice of preliminary rejection	Other notices	Total	Approval of registration	Rejection	Total
Industrial designs	2008	26,111 (26,844)	23,912 (24,549)	94 (99)	50,117 (51,492)	41,337 (42,466)	8,849 (9,048)	50,186 (51,514)
	2009	22,060 (23,404)	19,424 (20,365)	- (-)	41,484 (43,769)	34,321 (36,179)	7,684 (7,999)	42,005 (44,178)
	2010	25,889 (26,985)	22,134 (22,793)	- (-)	48,023 (49,778)	38,882 (40,387)	7,621 (7,850)	46,503 (48,237)
	2011	28,104 (30,274)	26,977 (30,276)	- (-)	55,081 (60,550)	45,379 (49,330)	8,166 (8,892)	53,545 (58,222)
	2012	30,398 (31,168)	32,436 (33,871)	- (-)	62,834 (65,039)	50,960 (52,560)	10,165 (10,477)	61,125 (63,037)
Trademarks	2008	59,938 (79,197)	57,537 (83,007)	321 (493)	117,796 (162,697)	94,065 (133,297)	29,994 (36,210)	124,059 (169,507)
	2009	54,376 (63,285)	35,262 (45,960)	- (-)	89,638 (109,245)	74,285 (92,013)	19,129 (23,138)	93,414 (115,151)
	2010	62,272 (75,423)	44,673 (57,789)	- (-)	106,945 (133,212)	78,218 (99,127)	21,369 (26,034)	99,587 (125,161)
	2011	63,823 (72,732)	59,950 (80,590)	- (-)	123,773 (153,322)	78,763 (94,913)	27,141 (32,820)	105,904 (127,733)
	2012	52,215 (63,777)	55,921 (73,897)	- (-)	113,136 (137,674)	85,875 (103,660)	26,943 (32,711)	112,818 (136,371)

Note: Figures in parentheses include multiple applications.

Pendency period for patents, utility models, trademarks and designs

Average first office action pendency period by right

(unit : month)

Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Patents / Utility models	12.1	15.4	18.5	16.8	14.8
Trademarks	6.5	9.7	10.6	10.0	8.9
Designs	5.6	9	10	10	8.8

Average total pendency period by right

(unit : month)

Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Patents / Utility models	17.4	22.2	24.6	22.8	21.6
Trademarks	9.2	13.0	14.1	14.6	13.5
Designs	7.1	8.3	11.4	10.4	10.5

International search reports and International preliminary examination reports

(unit : cases)

Year	International Search Reports by ISA and origin	International Preliminary Examination by IPEA
2008	19,020	476
2009	21,715	368
2010	23,303	308
2011	27,139	248
2012	27,442	249 (may be incomplete)

Note: Based on WIPO, PCT Yearly Review 2013

Registrations

Registrations by IPR type

(unit : cases)

IPR type	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Percent change for 2012
Patents	83,523	56,732	68,843	94,720	113,467	37.6
Utility models	4,975	3,949	4,301	5,853	6,353	36.1
Subtotal	88,498	60,681	73,144	100,573	119,820	37.5
Industrial designs	39,858	32,091	33,697	42,185	46,146	25.2
Trademarks	65,583	53,155	53,136	71,255	77,903	34.1
Total	193,939	145,927	159,977	214,013	243,869	33.8

Note: Trademark registration renewals are excluded.

Comparison of domestic and foreign registrations

(unit : cases)

		Domestic		Foreign		Total
		Cases	%	Cases	%	
Patents	2008	61,115	73.2	22,408	26.8	83,523
	2009	42,129	74.3	14,603	25.7	56,732
	2010	51,404	74.7	17,439	25.3	68,843
	2011	72,258	76.3	22,462	23.7	94,720
	2012	84,061	74.1	29,406	25.9	113,467
Utility models	2008	4,875	98.0	100	2.0	4,975
	2009	3,880	98.3	69	1.7	3,949
	2010	4,199	97.6	102	2.4	4,301
	2011	5,705	97.5	148	2.5	5,853
	2012	6,151	96.8	202	3.2	6,353
Industrial designs	2008	36,645	91.9	3,213	8.1	39,858
	2009	29,628	92.3	2,463	7.7	32,091
	2010	31,523	93.5	2,174	6.5	33,697
	2011	39,443	93.5	2,742	6.5	42,185
	2012	42,628	92.4	3,518	7.6	46,146

Registrations

(unit : cases)

		Domestic		Foreign		Total
		Cases	%	Cases	%	
Trademarks	2008	50,927	77.7	14,656	22.3	65,583
	2009	38,538	72.5	14,617	27.5	53,155
	2010	41,712	78.5	11,424	21.5	53,136
	2011	55,571	78.0	15,684	22.0	71,255
	2012	61,505	79.0	16,398	21.0	77,903
Total	2008	153,562	79.2	40,377	20.8	193,939
	2009	114,175	78.2	31,752	21.8	145,927
	2010	128,838	80.5	31,139	19.5	159,977
	2011	172,977	80.8	41,036	19.2	214,013
	2012	194,345	79.7	49,524	20.3	243,869

Note: Figures in parentheses include multiple applications.

Patent and utility model registrations by technological field in 2012

(unit : cases)

Classification	Patents			Utility models		
	Korean	Foreign	Total	Korean	Foreign	Total
Agriculture	1,475 (1.8%)	112 (0.4%)	1,587 (1.4%)	328 (5.3%)	1 (0.5%)	329 (5.2%)
Foodstuffs, Tobacco	2,112 (2.5%)	182 (0.6%)	2,294 (2.0%)	69 (1.1%)	2 (1.0%)	71 (1.1%)
Personal of domestic articles	2,977 (3.5%)	339 (1.2%)	3,316 (2.9%)	1,308 (21.3%)	30 (14.9%)	1,338 (21.1%)
Health, Amusement	3,524 (4.2%)	1,047 (3.6%)	4,571 (4.0%)	517 (8.4%)	22 (10.9%)	539 (8.5%)
Preparations for medical, dental, or toilet purposes	1,569 (1.9%)	784 (2.7%)	2,353 (2.1%)	4 (0.1%)	(0.0%)	4 (0.1%)
Separating, Mixing	2,341 (2.8%)	679 (2.3%)	3,020 (2.7%)	145 (2.4%)	2 (1.0%)	147 (2.3%)
Shaping	2,270 (2.7%)	644 (2.2%)	2,914 (2.6%)	109 (1.8%)	7 (3.5%)	116 (1.8%)
Grinding, Polishing	2,412 (2.9%)	715 (2.4%)	3,127 (2.8%)	169 (2.7%)	6 (3.0%)	175 (2.8%)
Printing	560 (0.7%)	190 (0.6%)	750 (0.7%)	101 (1.6%)	1 (0.5%)	102 (1.6%)
Transporting	5,591 (6.7%)	1,148 (3.9%)	6,739 (5.9%)	664 (10.5%)	10 (5.0%)	654 (10.3%)
Micro-structural technology, Nano-technology	316 (0.4%)	47 (0.2%)	363 (0.3%)	(0.0%)	(0.0%)	(0.0%)

(unit : cases)

Classification	Patents			Utility models		
	Korean	Foreign	Total	Korean	Foreign	Total
Chemistry	2,244 (2.7%)	597 (2.0%)	2,841 (2.5%)	43 (0.7%)	2 (1.0%)	45 (0.7%)
Organic chemistry	900 (1.1%)	1,582 (5.4%)	2,482 (2.2%)	(0.0%)	(0.0%)	(0.0%)
Organic macromolecular compounds	1,158 (1.4%)	1,252 (4.3%)	2,410 (2.1%)	(0.0%)	(0.0%)	(0.0%)
Dyes, Petroleum	1,385 (1.6%)	886 (3.0%)	2,271 (2.0%)	9 (0.1%)	(0.0%)	9 (0.1%)
Biochemistry	1,321 (1.6%)	330 (1.1%)	1,651 (1.5%)	6 (0.1%)	(0.0%)	6 (0.1%)
Metallurgy	1,616 (1.9%)	763 (2.6%)	2,379 (2.1%)	21 (0.3%)	3 (1.5%)	24 (0.4%)
Textiles or flexible materials	1,624 (1.9%)	302 (1.0%)	1,926 (1.7%)	113 (1.8%)	2 (1.0%)	115 (1.8%)
Paper	117 (0.1%)	93 (0.3%)	210 (0.2%)	6 (0.1%)	(0.0%)	6 (0.1%)
Building	5,939 (7.1%)	227 (0.8%)	6,166 (5.4%)	743 (12.1%)	6 (3.0%)	749 (11.8%)
Earth or rock drilling, Mining	235 (0.3%)	13 (0.0%)	248 (0.2%)	6 (0.1%)	(0.0%)	6 (0.1%)
Engines of pumps	1,764 (2.1%)	810 (2.8%)	2,574 (2.3%)	95 (1.5%)	10 (5.0%)	105 (1.7%)
Engineering in general	1,595 (1.9%)	541 (1.8%)	2,136 (1.9%)	149 (2.4%)	6 (3.0%)	155 (2.4%)
Lighting, Heating	3,904 (4.6%)	435 (1.5%)	4,339 (3.8%)	439 (7.1%)	7 (3.5%)	446 (7.0%)
Weapons, Blasting	229 (0.3%)	25 (0.1%)	254 (0.2%)	10 (0.2%)	(0.0%)	10 (0.2%)
Instruments	6,969 (8.3%)	2,206 (7.5%)	9,175 (8.1%)	189 (3.1%)	16 (7.9%)	205 (3.2%)
Horology, Computing	6,385 (7.6%)	2,280 (7.8%)	8,665 (7.6%)	119 (1.9%)	13 (6.4%)	132 (2.1%)
Educating, Information storage	2,018 (2.4%)	847 (2.9%)	2,865 (2.5%)	174 (2.8%)	4 (2.0%)	178 (2.8%)
Nucleonics	275 (0.3%)	37 (0.1%)	312 (0.3%)	7 (0.1%)	(0.0%)	7 (0.1%)
Electric elements, Electric techniques	12,400 (14.8%)	5,729 (19.5%)	18,129 (16.0%)	527 (8.6%)	46 (22.8%)	573 (9.0%)
Electric circuitry, Electric communication technique	5,515 (6.6%)	3,266 (11.1%)	8,781 (7.7%)	97 (1.6%)	5 (2.5%)	102 (1.6%)
Others	1,321 (1.6%)	1,298 (4.4%)	2,619 (2.3%)	4 (0.1%)	1 (0.5%)	5 (0.1%)
Total	84,061	29,406	113,467	6,151	202	6,353

Registrations

Patent registrations in biotechnology

(unit : cases)

	2008		2009		2010		2011		2012	
	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio
Domestic	1,865	75.0%	1,029	71.3%	1,391	79.3%	2,207	82.7%	2,911	78.5
Foreign	616	25.0%	414	28.7%	364	20.7%	462	17.3%	797	21.5
Total	2,481	100%	1,443	100%	1,755	100%	2,669	100%	3,708	100%

Note: Based on the following biotechnological categories of the Eighth Edition of the International Patent Classification: A01H; A01K 67/00-67/04; A01N 63/00-65/00; A61K 8/97-8/99; A61K 8/64-8/68; A61K 35/12-35/76; 36/00-36/9068; A61K 38/00-38/58, 39/00-39/44, 48/00, 51/00-51/10; C02F 3/00-3/34, 11/02-11/04; C07H 19/00-21/04; C07K; C12C-M; C12N; C12P; C12Q; C12S; G01N 33/50-33/98.

Patent registrations in business methods

(unit : cases)

	2008		2009		2010		2011		2012	
	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio	Cases	Ratio
Domestic	1,101	87.6%	843	90.9%	1,040	87.4%	1,579	91.4%	1,966	88.6
Foreign	156	12.4%	84	9.1%	150	12.6%	148	8.65%	253	11.4
Total	1,257	100%	927	100%	1,190	100%	1,727	100%	2,219	100%

Note: Based on the Eighth Edition of the International Patent Classification.

Registrations by residents of foreign countries in 2012

(unit : cases)

Classification	Patents	Utility models	Designs	Trademarkss	International Trademarks	Total
Japan	12,980	12	1,671 (1,718)	2,314 (3,999)	814 (1,681)	17,791 (20,390)
United States of America	8,404	18	745 (1,220)	3,184 (5,097)	1,346 (2,036)	13,697 (16,775)
Germany	2,072	2	247 (261)	199 (365)	1,242 (3,003)	3,762 (5,703)
France	1,000		97 (106)	249 (339)	675 (1,475)	2,021 (2,920)
China	437	25	72 (72)	551 (824)	641 (961)	1,726 (2,319)
Switzerland	757		104 (121)	191 (411)	659 (1,298)	1,711 (2,587)
Taiwan, Province of China	470	140	102 (115)	249 (295)		961 (1,020)
Netherlands	634		102 (119)	78 (100)	177 (375)	991 (1,228)
United Kingdom	371		56 (77)	363 (685)	342 (810)	1,132 (1,943)
Italy	202	2	90 (148)	140 (221)	528 (1,152)	962 (1,725)
Sweden	373		20 (23)	33 (68)	139 (304)	565 (768)
Canada	257		16 (16)	147 (269)	12 (21)	432 (563)
Finland	289	1	19 (19)	16 (19)	50 (159)	375 (487)
Singapore	127	1	5 (5)	90 (147)	97 (260)	320 (540)
Belgium	193		13 (13)	14 (14)	85 (162)	305 (382)
Australia	99		14 (14)	87 (136)	116 (220)	316 (469)
Denmark	96		16 (16)	27 (60)	79 (144)	218 (316)
Israel	92		11 (11)	22 (28)	16 (24)	141 (155)
Ireland	48			48 (75)	33 (63)	129 (186)
Austria	83		2 (2)	7 (9)	103 (290)	195 (384)
Luxembourg	34		15 (22)	42 (86)	60 (148)	151 (290)
India	45			29 (31)		74 (76)
Spain	29		2 (2)	35 (59)	126 (268)	192 (358)
Norway	44		16 (24)	3 (3)	55 (139)	118 (210)
The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China	12		2 (3)	49 (61)		63 (76)
Brazil	16			44 (60)		60 (76)
Malaysia	7		2 (2)	47 (65)	2 (2)	58 (76)
Thailand			18 (18)	35 (57)	3 (6)	56 (81)
Bermuda	28		3 (23)	21 (35)		52 (86)
New Zealand	9		2 (2)	40 (73)		51 (84)
Cayman Islands	31			20 (77)	1 (1)	52 (109)
Mexico	28		2 (4)	16 (17)	1 (1)	47 (50)
Virgin Islands (British)	14	1		31 (53)	4 (8)	50 (76)
Chile	2			34 (44)	2 (2)	38 (48)
Russian Federation	26		2 (2)	5 (8)	68 (176)	101 (212)

(unit : cases)

Classification	Patents	Utility models	Designs	Trademarks	International Trademarks	Total
Liechtenstein	12		14 (14)	1 (1)	24 (47)	51 (74)
Saudi Arabia	9			17 (35)		26 (44)
Indonesia	1			24 (30)		25 (31)
United Arab Emirates	2			20 (46)	1 (5)	23 (53)
Cyprus	4		7 (7)	8 (16)	14 (19)	33 (46)
South Africa	9		2 (2)	7 (10)		18 (21)
Barbados	6		1 (1)	8 (13)	3 (3)	18 (23)
Samoa	1		11 (11)			12 (12)
Monaco	2			9 (11)	4 (27)	15 (40)
Mauritius	3			8 (15)		11 (18)
Czech Republic	4		5 (18)	1 (1)	15 (22)	25 (45)
Poland	6			4 (6)	17 (35)	27 (47)
Sri Lanka	1			6 (7)		7 (8)
Argentina	1			6 (9)	1 (1)	8 (11)
Colombia	1			6 (10)	1 (3)	8 (14)
Turkey	4			3 (4)	58 (126)	65 (134)
Philippines	1			6 (8)		7 (9)
Bahamas			4 (4)	2 (2)		6 (6)
Ukraine	2			4 (4)	11 (18)	17 (24)
Portugal	5			1 (1)	26 (42)	32 (48)
Belize				4 (8)		4 (8)
Uzbekistan			4 (4)			4 (4)
Cuba	4				2 (2)	6 (6)
Others	19		4 (4)	30 (55)	110 (256)	163 (334)
Total	29,406	202	3,518 (4,243)	8,635 (14,182)	7,763 (15,795)	49,524 (63,828)

Trials and appeals

Trials and appeals requested

(unit : cases)

	IPR type	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Ex parte	Patents	11,055	9,533	8,200	8,535	9,021
	Utility models	450	513	307	260	208
	Industrial designs	247 (279)	242 (243)	217 (219)	140 (141)	155 (155)
	Trademarks	2,843 (4,442)	1,903 (2,969)	1,676 (2,573)	1,979 (2,951)	1,855 (2,900)
	Subtotal	14,595 (16,226)	12,191 (13,258)	10,400 (11,299)	10,914 (11,887)	11,239 (12,284)
Inter partes	Patents	1,183	1,028	1,070	1,129	1,018
	Utility models	456	315	252	213	194
	Industrial designs	519 (527)	421 (434)	472 (472)	298 (298)	414 (422)
	Trademarks	2,111 (2,598)	1,628 (2,089)	1,678 (2,095)	1,876 (2,356)	1,882 (2,301)
	Subtotal	4,269 (4,764)	3,392 (3,866)	3,472 (3,889)	3,516 (3,996)	3,508 (3,935)
Total	Patents	12,238	10,561	9,270	9,664	10,039
	Utility models	906	828	559	473	402
	Industrial designs	766 (806)	663 (677)	689 (691)	438 (439)	569 (577)
	Trademarks	4,954 (7,040)	3,531 (5,058)	3,354 (4,668)	3,855 (5,307)	3,737 (5,201)
	Subtotal	18,864 (20,990)	15,583 (17,124)	13,872 (15,188)	14,430 (15,883)	14,747 (16,219)

· Note: Figures in parentheses include multiple applications.

· Ex parte: Appeals against examiners' decisions of refusal / Appeals against examiners' decisions of cancellation / Appeals against examiners' decisions to dismiss amendments / Trials for correction

· Inter partes: Invalidation trials / Trials to confirm scope of IP rights / Trials for invalidation of correction / Trials for granting non-exclusive licenses / Trials for invalidation of registrations for extension of patent right term / Trials for invalidation of registration for renewals of trademark right term / Cancellation trials on trademark registrations / Cancellation trials on registrations of exclusive or non-exclusive licenses / Trials for invalidation on registrations for conversion of classification of goods

Requests for and decisions of trial in 2012

(unit : cases)

Category	Request	Decision				Total	
		Acceptance	Rejection	Dismissal	Withdrawal		
Rejection*	Patents	8,887	1,395	2,328	358	199	4,280
	Utility models	190	53	92	26	11	182
	Designs	141 (141)	49 (49)	35 (36)	27 (27)	15 (15)	126 (127)
	Trademarks	1,854 (2,899)	1,024 (1,651)	662 (932)	165 (238)	78 (96)	1,929 (2,917)
	Subtotal	11,072 (12,117)	2,521 (3,148)	3,117 (3,388)	576 (649)	303 (321)	6,517 (7,506)
Invalidation**	Patents	664	405	207	16	149	777
	Utility models	101	59	37	4	13	113
	Designs	260 (267)	112 (112)	62 (62)	9 (9)	43 (43)	226 (226)
	Trademarks	423 (493)	216 (251)	169 (214)	18 (21)	36 (36)	439 (522)
	Subtotal	1,448 (1,525)	792 (827)	475 (520)	47 (50)	241 (241)	1,555 (1,638)
Cancellation trials on trademark registration	Patents						
	Utility models						
	Designs						
	Trademarks	1,379 (1,686)	937 (1,081)	156 (183)	132 (148)	187 (270)	1,412 (1,682)
	Subtotal	1,379 (1,686)	937 (1,081)	156 (183)	132 (148)	187 (270)	1,412 (1,682)
Trials to confirm scope of IP right	Patents	354	171	81	91	44	387
	Utility models	93	46	26	21	16	109
	Designs	154 (155)	61 (62)	43 (43)	15 (15)	10 (10)	129 (130)
	Trademarks	80 (122)	41 (44)	29 (31)	10 (19)	6 (9)	86 (103)
	Subtotal	681 (724)	319 (323)	179 (181)	137 (146)	76 (79)	711 (729)
Trials for correction	Patents	131	75	32	11	14	132
	Utility models	9	5	3	2	2	12
	Designs						
	Trademarks						
	Subtotal	140 (140)	80 (80)	35 (35)	13 (13)	16 (16)	144 (144)
Appeals against examiner's decision to dismiss amendment	Patents	3	1				1
	Utility models						
	Designs	4 (4)	1 (1)	1 (1)			2 (2)
	Trademarks	1 (1)	1 (1)		1 (1)		2 (2)
	Subtotal	8 (8)	3 (3)	1 (1)	1 (1)		5 (5)
Appeals against examiner's decision of cancellation	Patents		2	2			4
	Utility models	9	3		2		8
	Designs	10 (10)		6 (6)			6 (6)
	Trademarks						
	Subtotal	19 (19)	5 (5)	11 (11)	2 (2)		18 (18)

(unit : cases)

Category	Request	Decision				Total
		Acceptance	Rejection	Dismissal	Withdrawal	
Patents	10,039	2,049	2,650	476	406	5,581
	Utility models	402	166	161	55	42
Designs	569 (577)	223 (224)	147 (148)	51 (51)	68 (68)	489 (491)
	Trademarks	3,737 (5,201)	2,219 (3,028)	1,016 (1,360)	326 (427)	307 (411)
Grand total	14,747 (16,219)	4,657 (5,467)	3,974 (4,319)	908 (1,009)	823 (927)	10,368 (11,722)

Note: Figures in parentheses include multiple applications.

* Rejection refers to appeals against examiners' decisions of refusal and appeals against examiners' decisions to dismiss utility models.

** Invalidation refers to invalidation trials and trials for invalidation of corrections.

Successful petitions

(unit : cases)

Category		2008		2009		2010		2011		2012	
		Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio
Rejection*	Patents	1,109	27.8%	868	23.9%	1,038	27.2%	1,193	28.4%	1,395	32.6%
	Utility models	23	29.5%	42	29.6%	47	21.5%	63	26.9%	53	29.1%
	Designs	(53)	(35.8%)	(54)	(45.4%)	(56)	(36.8%)	(73)	(41.2%)	49 (49)	38.9% (38.6%)
	Trademarks	(2,808)	(58.1%)	(2,146)	(66.4%)	(1,008)	(65.2%)	(1,143)	(61.0%)	1,024 (1,651)	53.1% (56.6%)
	Subtotal	(3,993)	(44.1%)	(3,110)	(43.7%)	(2,783)	(41.5%)	(3,222)	(41.7%)	2,521 (3,148)	38.7% (41.9%)
Invalidation**	Patents	360	58.5%	318	60.1%	336	53.1%	374	53.4%	405	52.1%
	Utility models	134	56.8%	110	62.9%	85	62.5%	77	54.2%	59	52.2%
	Designs	(152)	(63.3%)	(100)	(38.2%)	(161)	(57.9%)	(148)	(63.0%)	112 (112)	49.6% (49.6%)
	Trademarks	(247)	(43.0%)	(254)	(45.8%)	(159)	(41.4%)	(205)	(47.2%)	216 (251)	49.2% (48.1%)
	Subtotal	(893)	(53.6%)	(782)	(51.4%)	(741)	(51.4%)	(836)	(52.9%)	792 (827)	50.9% (50.5%)

(unit : cases)

Category	2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		
	Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio	
Cancellation trials on trademark registration	Patents										
	Utility models										
	Designs										
	Trademarks	(1,026)	(66.2%)	826 (985)	70.6% (69.1%)	693 (903)	63.1% (62.2%)	928 (1,112)	68.6% (67.1%)	937 (1,081)	66.4% (64.3%)
	Subtotal	(1,026)	(66.2%)	826 (985)	70.6% (69.1%)	693 (903)	63.1% (62.2%)	928 (1,112)	68.6% (67.1%)	937 (1,081)	66.4% (64.3%)
Trials to confirm scope of IP right	Patents	180	43.4%	181	43.5%	164	39.9%	178	40.8%	171	44.2%
	Utility models	92	40.9%	81	46.0%	45	41.3%	65	48.1%	46	42.2%
	Designs	(73)	(38.8%)	88 (90)	39.6% (39.1%)	87 (87)	45.8% (45.8%)	85 (85)	42.9% (42.9%)	61 (62)	47.3% (47.7%)
	Trademarks	(53)	(43.4%)	66 (73)	54.1% (53.7%)	42 (56)	48.8% (49.6%)	47 (53)	44.8% (45.7%)	41 (44)	47.7% (42.7%)
	Subtotal	(398)	(41.9%)	416 (425)	44.4% (44.4%)	338 (352)	42.5% (42.8%)	375 (381)	42.9% (43.1%)	319 (323)	44.9% (44.3%)
	Patents	102	64.2%	46	39.0%	52	62.7%	51	41.5%	75	56.8%
Utility models	9	50.0%	1	16.7%	5	50.0%	2	33.3%	5	41.7%	
Designs											
Trademarks											
Subtotal	(111)	(62.7%)	47 (47)	37.9% (37.9%)	57 (57)	61.3% (61.3%)	53 (53)	41.1% (41.1%)	80 (80)	55.6% (55.6%)	
Appeals against examiner's decision to dismiss amendment	Patents	26	81.3%	4	57.1%	1	25.0%		0.0%	1	100.0%
	Utility models										
	Designs			1 (1)	100.0% (100.0%)	1 (1)	100.0% (100.0%)	1 (1)	33.3% (33.3%)	1 (1)	50.0% (50.0%)
	Trademarks							1 (1)	100.0% (100.0%)	1 (1)	50.0% (50.0%)
	Subtotal	(26)	(74.3%)	5 (5)	62.5% (62.5%)	2 (2)	40.0% (40.0%)	2 (2)	40.0% (40.0%)	3 (3)	60.0% (60.0%)

(unit : cases)

Category	2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		
	Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio	Acceptance	Ratio	
Appeals against examiner's decision of cancellation	Patents	11	25.6%	8	42.1%	9	56.3%	4	66.7%	2	50.0%
	Utility models	58	33.1%	18	39.1%	6	23.1%	9	34.6%	3	37.5%
	Designs			1 (1)	14.3% (14.3%)	2 (2)	40.0% (40.0%)		0.0% (0.0%)		
	Trademarks										
	Subtotal	(69)	(31.1%)	27 (27)	37.5% (37.5%)	17 (17)	36.2% (36.2%)	13 (13)	34.2% (34.2%)	5 (5)	27.8% (27.8%)
Total	Patents	1,788	34.0%	1,425	30.2%	1,600	32.2%	1,800	32.9%	2,049	36.7%
	Utility models	316	43.2%	252	46.2%	188	37.6%	216	39.8%	166	39.2%
	Designs	(278)	(47.7%)	244 (246)	40.3% (39.7%)	307 (307)	49.4% (49.0%)	307 (307)	49.6% (49.6%)	223 (224)	45.6% (45.6%)
	Trademarks	(4,134)	58.3%	2,443 (3,458)	62.7% (64.7%)	1,902 (2,785)	59.8% (61.5%)	2,324 (3,296)	59.0% (61.3%)	2,219 (3,028)	57.4% (57.9%)
	Grand total	(6,516)	(47.7%)	4,364 (5,381)	44.7% (47.9%)	3,997 (4,880)	43.1% (45.9%)	4,647 (5,619)	44.0% (46.8%)	4,657 (5,467)	44.9% (46.6%)

Note1: Figures in parentheses include multiple applications.

Note2: The successful petitions refer to the number of petitions granted. These figures exclude cases where the registration was decided on the basis of an examiners' reconsideration before a trial and invalidation of a patent process. The figures in parentheses indicate the percentage of the petitions granted.

* Rejection refers to appeals against examiners' decisions of refusal and appeals against examiners' decisions to dismiss utility models.

** Invalidation refers to invalidation trials and trials for invalidation of corrections.

Comparison of domestic and foreign trial requests

(unit : cases)

	2008		2009		2010		2011		2012	
	Domestic	Foreign	Domestic	Foreign	Domestic	Foreign	Domestic	Foreign	Domestic	Foreign
Patents	7,650	4,588	6,698	3,863	5,747	3,523	5,813	3,851	4,848	5,191
Utility models	900	6	817	11	543	16	468	5	396	6
Industrial designs	763	43	636	41	649	42	374	65	515	62
Trademarks	3,474	3,566	2,530	2,528	2,689	1,979	3,080	2,227	2,528	2,673
Total	12,787	8,203	10,681	6,443	9,628	5,560	9,735	6,148	8,287	7,932

Note: Multiple applications for trademarks and industrial designs are treated as single applications.

Income and expenditure

Income

(unit : US dollar)

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Income from fees	232,847,826	237,828,696	269,338,261	302,015,652	330,351,304
Income carried over from the previous year	58,116,522	41,127,826	11,947,826	29,694,783	32,616,522
Internal income and others	12,110,435	16,778,261	37,747,826	5,639,130	7,969,565
Total	303,074,783	295,734,783	319,033,913	337,349,565	370,937,391

Exchange rates: US \$1 = 1,150 (in Korean won)

Expenditure

(unit : US dollar)

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Non-personnel resources (projects)	185,733,913	205,258,261	177,972,174	198,105,217	218,087,826
Personnel resources	71,192,174	72,124,348	74,527,826	83,977,391	91,656,522
Deposit for special fund	8,695,652	8,695,652	39,130,435	26,086,957	40,000,000
Total	265,621,739	286,078,261	291,630,435	308,169,565	349,744,348

Exchange rates: US \$1 = 1,150 (in Korean won)

Staff

(unit : number of positions)

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Examiners	Patent and utility models	678	675	712	711	726
	Industrial designs and Trademarks	129	121	131	154	162
Trial judges	99	99	99	99	99	
Administrative staff	605	616	606	612	592	
Total	1,511	1,511	1,548	1,576	1,579	