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## FOREWORD

The aim of the performance indicators report is to provide users with the latest available statistics of PCT international applications and the performance of the PCT system. This report includes PCT applications statistics and a core set of indicators that provides statistical information about the various stages of the PCT international application process. All the data used in this document, along with longer time series, are available for download from the PCT statistics website:

[www.wipo.int/ipstats/en/statistics/pct](http://www.wipo.int/ipstats/en/statistics/pct)

Statistics reported in this document are based on:

- PCT international applications, which refer to patent applications filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT). PCT filings and PCT applications are used interchangeably to refer to PCT international applications.
- The international phase of the PCT procedure (i.e. this does not include national/regional phase statistics).
- Counts are based on either the international filing date or the priority date or the publication date. The selection of the reference date depends on the indicator and what the indicator attempts to measure.
- Statistics for the most recent quarters (and recent year totals) are incomplete and provisional.
- This document reports statistics for most quarters (and recent year totals). Statistics from 2000 onwards are available for download from the PCT statistics web site.

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## Methodological Information

### The Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)

The Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) is an international treaty administered by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). The PCT makes it possible to seek patent protection for an invention simultaneously in a large number of countries by filing a single "international application" with a single patent office (i.e. receiving Office). The PCT system simplifies the process of multi-national patent filings by reducing the requirement to file multiple patent applications for multi-national patent rights. The PCT international applications do not result in issuance of "international patents" and the International Bureau (IB) does not grant patents. The decision on whether to confer patent rights remains in the hands of the national and/or regional patent offices, and the patent rights are limited to the jurisdiction of the patent granting authority.

The PCT procedure consists of an international phase and a national/regional phase. The PCT international application process starts with the international phase and concludes with the national/regional phase. The timeline for the PCT procedure is illustrated below<sup>1</sup>. In most cases, the applicant tends to file a patent application at the national patent office in the first instance (date of the first filing is commonly referred to as the priority date), followed by a PCT international application within 12 months from the priority date. Within sixteen months from the priority date, one of the International Searching Authorities (ISA) will conduct an international search and establish an International Search Report (ISR) along with the written opinion of the ISA. The purpose of the international search is to identify all the relevant prior art. The ISR lists all the relevant prior art documents considered to be relevant, the classification of the subject matter and an indication of the field searched. The ISA also establishes a preliminary and non-binding written opinion on the questions whether the invention appears to be novel, involves an inventive step and is industrially applicable. Both the ISR and the written opinion are transmitted to the applicant and the International Bureau.

The PCT international application, the ISR, and any amendments are published by the IB after the expiration of the eighteen months from the priority date. At this point the claimed invention is disclosed in the public domain.

The applicant has the option to request for international preliminary examination (IPE). The request for the IPE must be submitted within twenty-two months from the priority date. The main purpose of the IPE is to provide a preliminary non-binding opinion on the patentability (it is novel, involves an inventive step and has an industrial application) of the claimed invention. Within twenty-eight months from the priority date, one of the International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEA) will establish an international preliminary report of the patentability IPRP (Chapter II), which includes a statement on the patentability of the invention and the citation of the documents believed to support that statement.

If the applicant wishes to proceed to the national/regional phase, he must enter the national/regional phase within thirty months from the priority date. Once the application enters the national (regional) phase, it is subject to the formalities of the national (or regional) patent office. The application will be processed by the national (regional) patent office to decide whether to confer (or reject) patent rights for the claimed invention.

### PCT Terminology

**International Bureau (IB):** International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization. In addition to its task as receiving Office for applicants from all Contracting States, it handles certain processing tasks in respect of all international applications filed with all receiving Offices worldwide.

**International filing date:** The date of receipt of the international application by the receiving Office.

**International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA):** National patent office (or intergovernmental organization) appointed by the PCT Assembly to carry out the international preliminary examination procedure. IPEA establishes the international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter II of the PCT).

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<sup>1</sup> It should be noted that the information and timeline relating to the PCT procedure outlined here are intended for statistical purposes. Only basic information (and terminology) about the PCT procedure is provided to aid readers to understand statistics reported in this document. For comprehensive details about the PCT procedure, please refer to PCT Resources on [www.wipo.int/pct/en](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en).

**International Preliminary Report on Patentability (Chapter II of the PCT):** Preliminary, non-binding opinion established by the International Preliminary Examining Authority at the request of the applicant, on the questions whether the claimed invention appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step (to be non-obvious), and to be industrially applicable.

**International Searching Authority (ISA):** National patent office (or intergovernmental organization) appointed by the PCT Assembly to carry out international searches. It establishes International Search Reports (ISR) and the written opinion of the ISA.

**International Search Report (ISR):** Report established by the International Searching Authority containing citations of documents considered to be relevant, the classification of the subject matter of the invention and an indication of the fields searched.

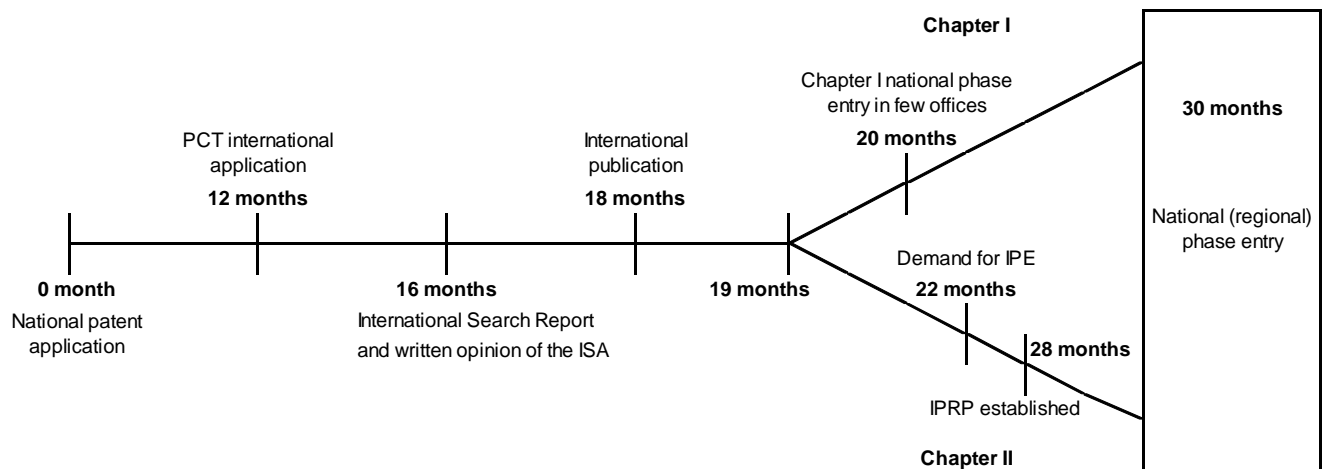
**Medium of filing:** Method used by the applicant to file PCT international application.

**Priority date:** The date of the first filing.

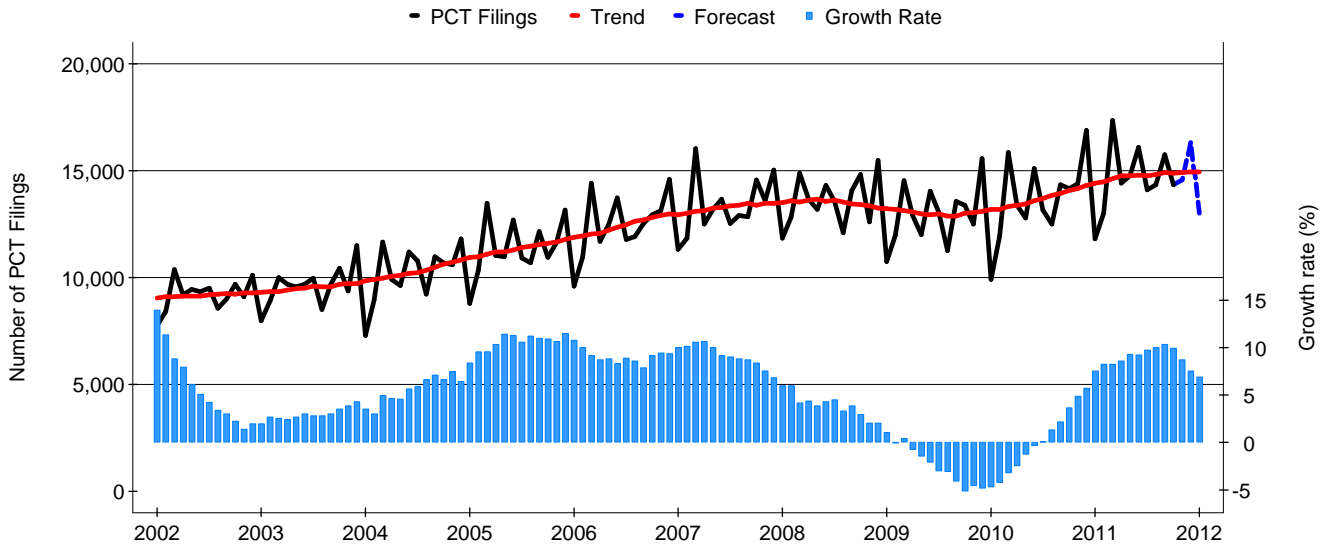
**Publication date:** The date on which the International Bureau (IB) publishes the international application.

**Receiving Office:** Patent office (national, regional, intergovernmental, or international organization) with which the international application is filed.

## PCT Timeline



**Figure 1: Trends in PCT Filings**



Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. The growth rate is the annualized growth rate based on the trend line. Counts are based on the international filing date.

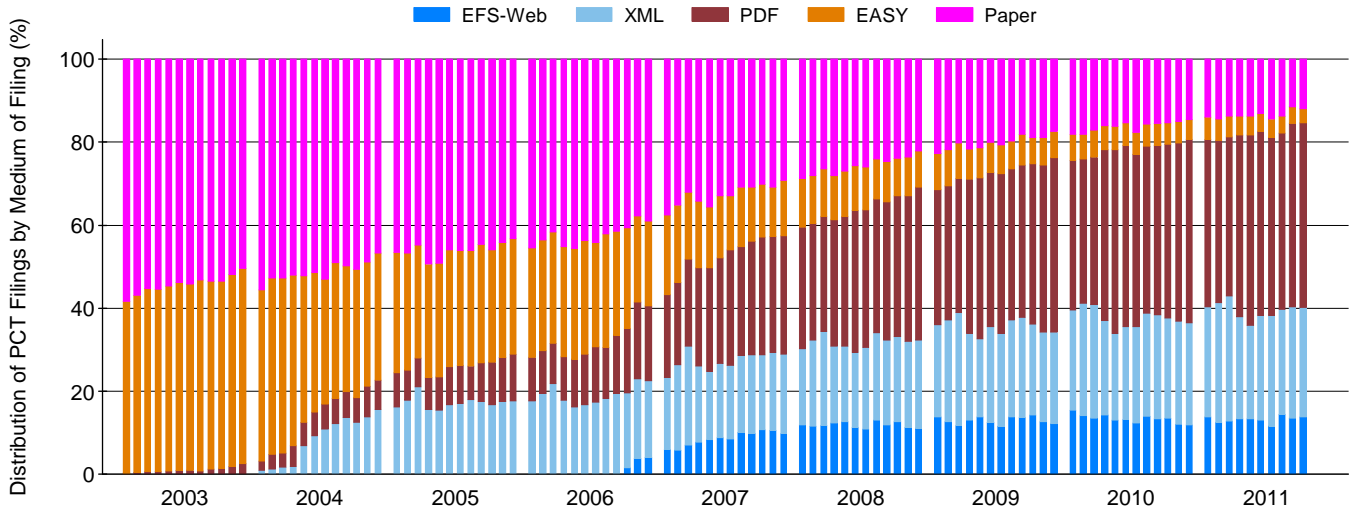
**Number of PCT Filings**

Year	Month												Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
2000	5,525	6,694	8,573	7,151	8,184	8,356	7,243	7,850	7,863	8,455	8,408	8,936	93,238
2001	7,493	8,654	10,615	8,554	9,684	9,368	8,769	8,637	8,583	9,490	9,175	9,207	108,229
2002	7,745	8,392	10,382	9,183	9,449	9,340	9,487	8,561	9,001	9,682	9,091	10,081	110,394
2003	7,971	8,895	9,981	9,685	9,563	9,672	9,953	8,511	9,680	10,433	9,371	11,489	115,204
2004	7,280	8,926	11,653	9,902	9,620	11,178	10,789	9,219	10,967	10,697	10,594	11,806	122,631
2005	8,790	10,339	13,466	11,023	10,955	12,692	10,900	10,698	12,159	10,943	11,622	13,162	136,749
2006	9,590	10,957	14,393	11,677	12,465	13,721	11,771	11,901	12,524	12,932	13,117	14,592	149,640
2007	11,301	11,841	16,026	12,483	13,195	13,649	12,529	12,913	12,824	14,542	13,584	15,039	159,926
2008	11,829	12,793	14,877	13,648	13,193	14,311	13,570	12,088	14,058	14,812	12,583	15,476	163,238
2009	10,741	11,949	14,538	12,897	11,999	14,020	13,034	11,240	13,567	13,376	12,493	15,549	155,403
2010	9,898	11,924	15,844	13,385	12,762	15,090	13,166	12,492	14,348	14,162	14,358	16,874	164,303
2011 (to date)	11,805	12,992	17,336	14,409	14,730	16,099	14,100	14,346	15,731	14,329	n.a	n.a	145,877

**Annualized Growth Rate of PCT Filings (based on trend line)**

Year	Month												Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
2000	14.4	15.7	15.9	17.0	18.9	20.5	20.5	21.4	21.3	22.3	21.8	22.1	22.1
2001	23.5	23.9	24.2	24.2	22.8	21.5	22.3	20.6	19.9	18.7	17.7	16.1	16.1
2002	13.9	11.4	8.8	8.0	6.1	5.1	4.2	3.4	3.1	2.3	1.4	2.0	2.0
2003	2.0	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.7	3.1	2.8	2.8	3.1	3.6	3.9	4.4	4.4
2004	3.5	3.1	5.0	4.7	4.6	5.7	6.0	6.7	7.1	6.7	7.5	6.4	6.4
2005	8.4	9.6	9.6	10.4	11.4	11.3	10.6	11.2	11.0	11.0	10.7	11.5	11.5
2006	10.8	10.0	9.2	8.8	8.8	8.3	8.9	8.6	7.9	9.2	9.5	9.4	9.4
2007	10.0	10.2	10.6	10.7	10.0	9.2	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.4	7.6	6.9	6.9
2008	6.0	6.0	4.2	4.4	3.9	4.3	4.5	3.3	3.9	3.0	2.1	2.1	2.1
2009	1.1	-0.1	0.4	-0.7	-1.5	-2.1	-3.0	-3.1	-4.1	-5.1	-4.6	-4.8	-4.8
2010	-4.7	-4.2	-3.2	-2.4	-1.2	-0.4	0.1	1.4	2.2	3.7	4.9	5.7	5.7
2011 (to date)	7.5	8.2	8.3	8.6	9.3	9.2	9.7	10.0	10.4	9.9	n.a	n.a	n.a

**Figure 2: Trends in PCT Filings by Medium of Filing**



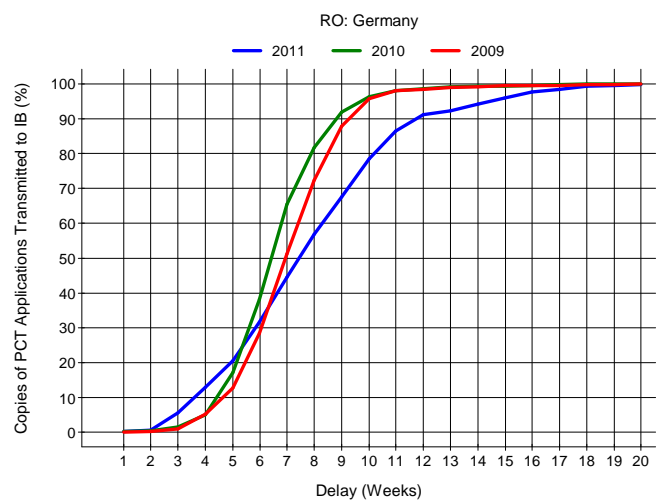
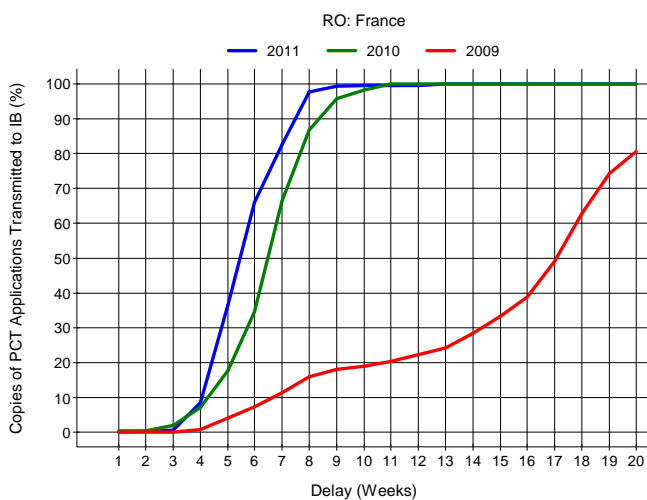
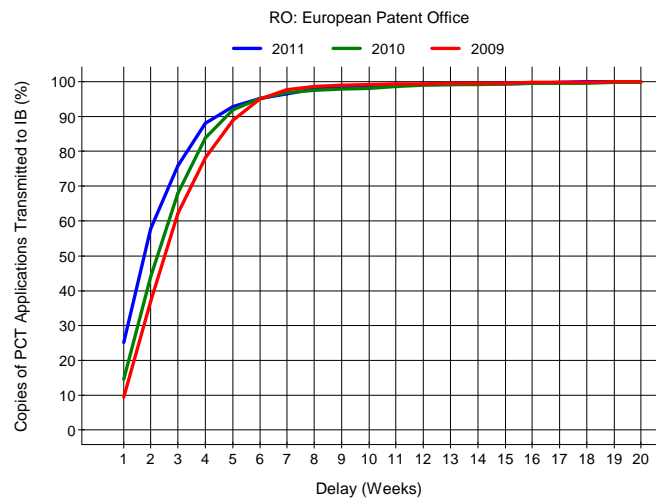
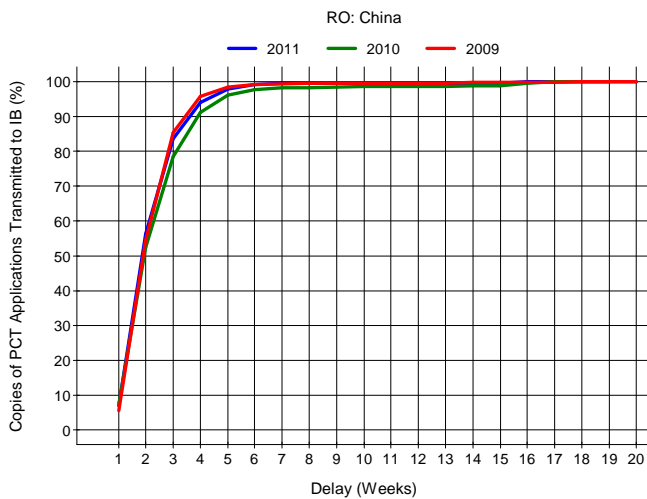
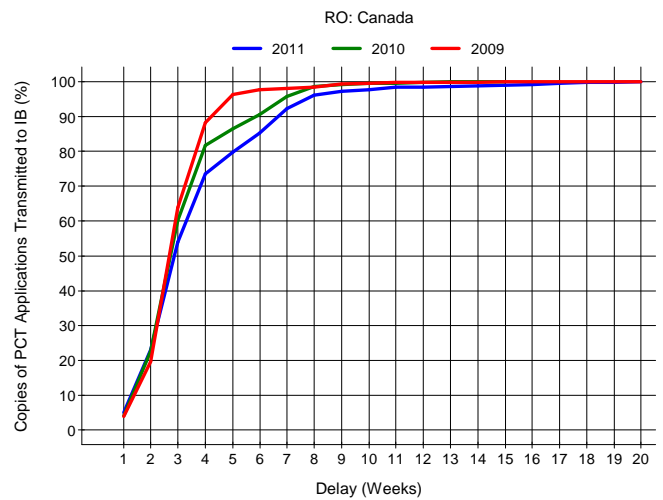
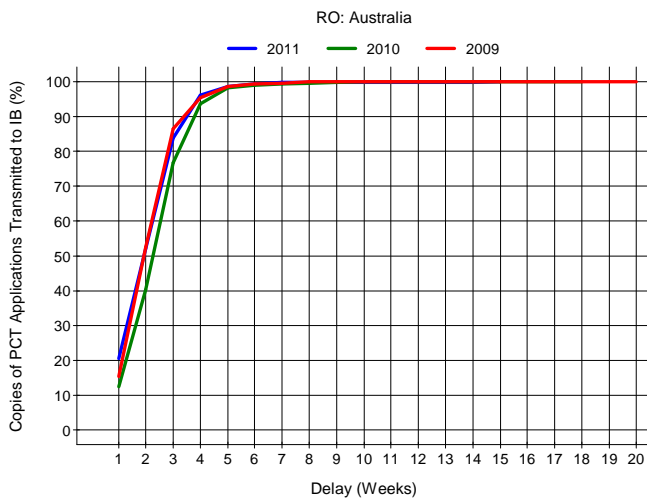
Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Counts are based on the international filing date. EASY (Electronic Application System) and EFS-Web (Electronic Filing System).

		Number of PCT Filings by Medium of Filing						Share of PCT filings by Medium of Filing (%)				
	Month	Total	Paper	EASY	PDF	XML	EFS-Web	Paper	EASY	PDF	XML	EFS-Web
2006	-	149,640	63,453	37,739	19,694	27,496	1,258	42.4	25.2	13.2	18.4	0.8
2007	-	159,926	52,128	23,611	40,256	30,219	13,712	32.6	14.8	25.2	18.9	8.6
2008	-	163,238	41,896	16,802	52,573	32,754	19,213	25.7	10.3	32.2	20.1	11.8
2009	-	155,403	31,216	11,353	57,515	35,372	19,947	20.1	7.3	37.0	22.8	12.8
2010	-	164,303	26,597	9,068	66,976	39,933	21,729	16.2	5.5	40.8	24.3	13.2
2011	to date	145,877	19,619	6,555	62,113	38,443	19,147	13.4	4.5	42.6	26.4	13.1

Year	Month	Total	Paper	EASY	PDF	XML	EFS-Web	Paper	EASY	PDF	XML	EFS-Web
2009	1	10,741	2,447	946	3,486	2,379	1,483	22.8	8.8	32.5	22.1	13.8
2009	2	11,949	2,607	1,046	3,860	2,932	1,504	21.8	8.8	32.3	24.5	12.6
2009	3	14,538	2,941	1,247	4,702	3,965	1,683	20.2	8.6	32.3	27.3	11.6
2009	4	12,897	2,799	929	4,796	2,710	1,663	21.7	7.2	37.2	21.0	12.9
2009	5	11,999	2,567	878	4,656	2,257	1,641	21.4	7.3	38.8	18.8	13.7
2009	6	14,020	2,822	1,012	5,204	3,235	1,747	20.1	7.2	37.1	23.1	12.5
2009	7	13,034	2,697	904	5,024	2,910	1,499	20.7	6.9	38.5	22.3	11.5
2009	8	11,240	2,223	759	4,093	2,621	1,544	19.8	6.8	36.4	23.3	13.7
2009	9	13,567	2,474	987	4,995	3,281	1,830	18.2	7.3	36.8	24.2	13.5
2009	10	13,376	2,543	842	5,158	2,934	1,899	19.0	6.3	38.6	21.9	14.2
2009	11	12,493	2,366	830	5,020	2,706	1,571	18.9	6.6	40.2	21.7	12.6
2009	12	15,549	2,730	973	6,521	3,442	1,883	17.6	6.3	41.9	22.1	12.1
2010	1	9,898	1,802	610	3,574	2,393	1,519	18.2	6.2	36.1	24.2	15.3
2010	2	11,924	2,173	711	4,134	3,221	1,685	18.2	6.0	34.7	27.0	14.1
2010	3	15,844	2,725	1,014	5,657	4,321	2,127	17.2	6.4	35.7	27.3	13.4
2010	4	13,385	2,149	773	5,512	3,046	1,905	16.1	5.8	41.2	22.8	14.2
2010	5	12,762	2,081	716	5,647	2,663	1,655	16.3	5.6	44.2	20.9	13.0
2010	6	15,090	2,322	834	6,576	3,373	1,985	15.4	5.5	43.6	22.4	13.2
2010	7	13,166	2,319	705	5,466	3,058	1,618	17.6	5.4	41.5	23.2	12.3
2010	8	12,492	1,971	659	5,025	3,110	1,727	15.8	5.3	40.2	24.9	13.8
2010	9	14,348	2,234	761	5,840	3,622	1,891	15.6	5.3	40.7	25.2	13.2
2010	10	14,162	2,195	715	5,930	3,417	1,905	15.5	5.0	41.9	24.1	13.5
2010	11	14,358	2,171	747	6,162	3,557	1,721	15.1	5.2	42.9	24.8	12.0
2010	12	16,874	2,455	823	7,453	4,152	1,991	14.5	4.9	44.2	24.6	11.8
2011	1	11,805	1,651	644	4,745	3,145	1,620	14.0	5.5	40.2	26.6	13.7
2011	2	12,992	1,870	684	5,079	3,742	1,617	14.4	5.3	39.1	28.8	12.4
2011	3	17,336	2,402	863	6,646	5,224	2,201	13.9	5.0	38.3	30.1	12.7
2011	4	14,409	1,986	658	6,314	3,531	1,920	13.8	4.6	43.8	24.5	13.3
2011	5	14,730	2,032	664	6,765	3,307	1,962	13.8	4.5	45.9	22.5	13.3
2011	6	16,099	2,118	707	7,133	4,059	2,082	13.2	4.4	44.3	25.2	12.9
2011	7	14,100	2,050	614	6,043	3,766	1,627	14.5	4.4	42.9	26.7	11.5
2011	8	14,346	1,985	568	6,106	3,636	2,051	13.8	4.0	42.6	25.3	14.3
2011	9	15,731	1,806	652	6,927	4,241	2,105	11.5	4.1	44.0	27.0	13.4
2011	10	14,329	1,719	501	6,355	3,792	1,962	12.0	3.5	44.4	26.5	13.7

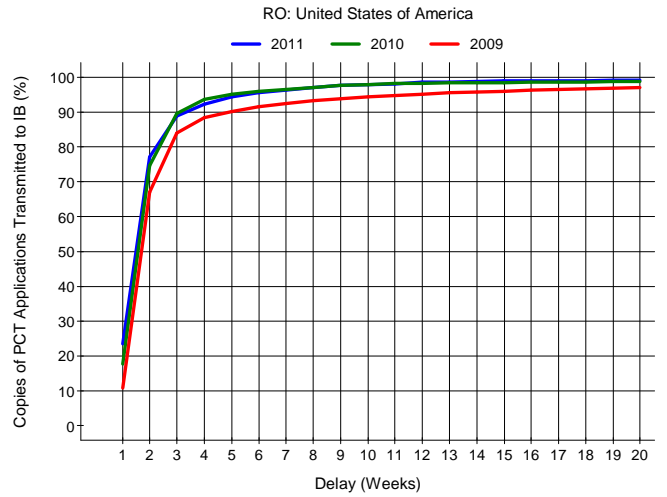
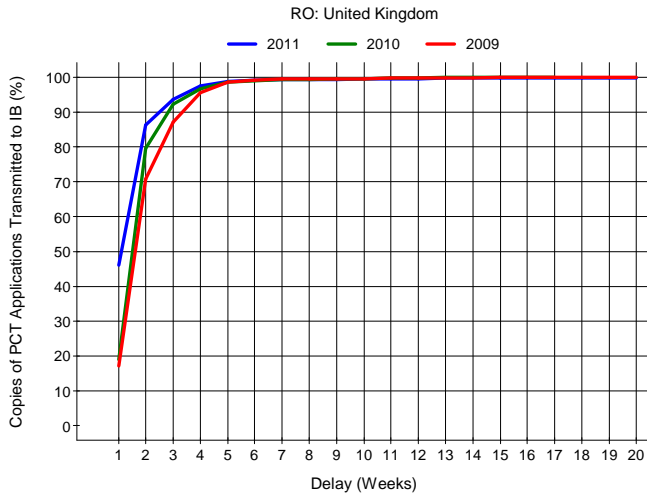
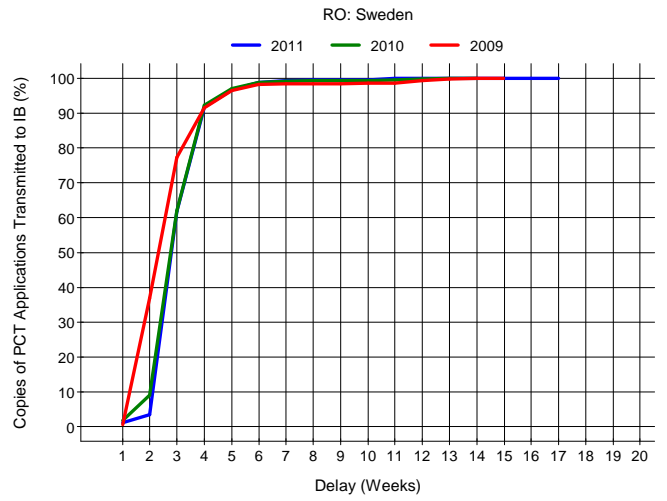
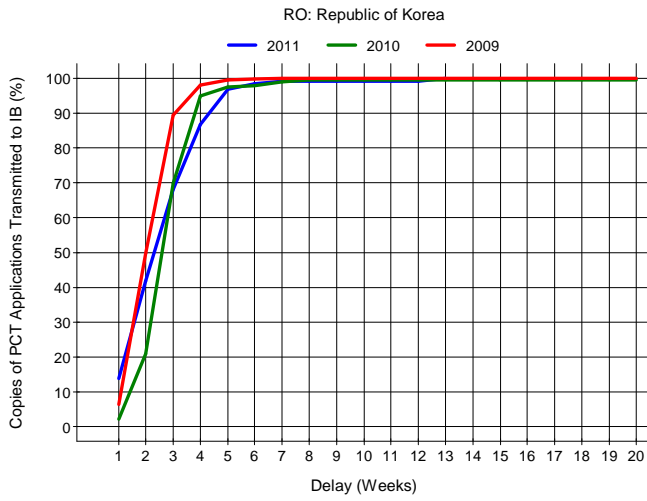
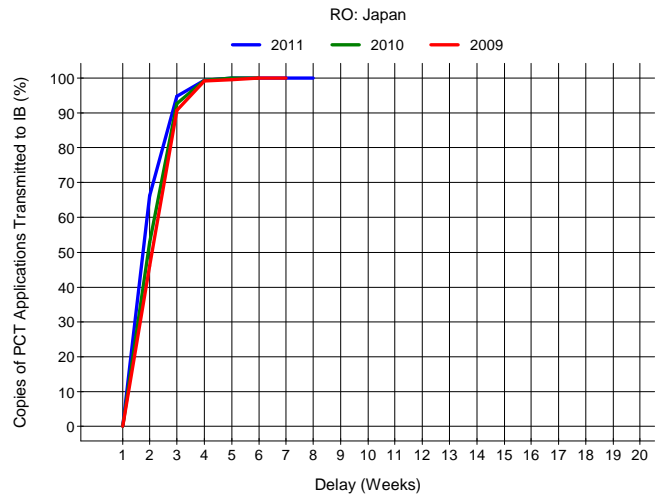
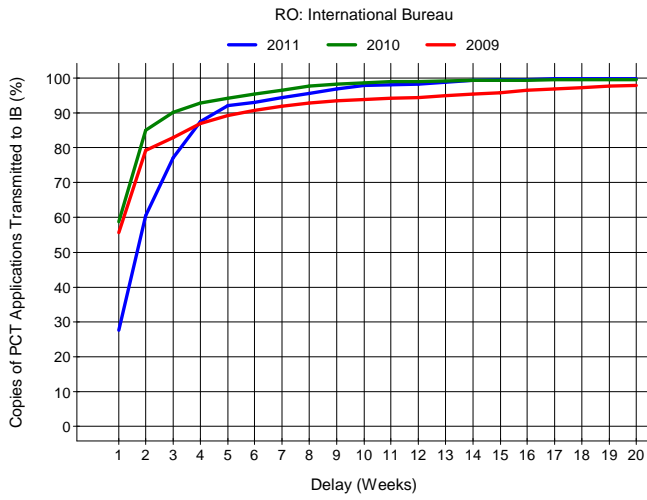
**Figure 3: Timeliness of Receiving Offices (RO) to transmit copies of PCT application to the International Bureau: Selected Receiving Offices**



Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Delay is calculated as the time difference between the international filing date and the date on which the International Bureau received a copy of the PCT application from the Receiving Office.

**Figure 3: Timeliness of Receiving Offices (RO) to transmit copies of PCT application to the International Bureau: Selected Receiving Offices**



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## Timeliness of Receiving Offices (RO) to Transmit Copies of PCT Application to the International Bureau (IB)

RO_Name / Year / Quarter		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	
		-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Australia	1 Weeks	63	76	185	257	226	262	57	32	45	71	67	74	87	68	44	27	54	87	121
	2 Weeks	745	590	895	616	495	404	286	208	123	155	233	105	87	157	134	117	111	115	178
	3 Weeks	812	883	658	567	651	409	152	185	149	150	114	154	108	151	220	172	111	154	144
	4 Weeks	139	286	160	145	301	157	29	20	66	39	3	37	80	49	41	131	71	78	8
	5 Weeks	26	137	9	54	82	32	2	4	20	16		18	33	20	7	22	19	10	3
	6 Weeks	17	109	13	16	14	11		7	2	11	1	2	10	1	2	1	5	5	1
	7 Weeks	29	29	7	3	8	3	1	1	3					6		1	1	1	2
	8 Weeks	28	5	4	3	4		2			3				1	1		2		
	> 8 Weeks	55	14	14	2	6	3	2	1					2		2	2	2	2	
	Total	1,914	2,129	1,945	1,663	1,787	1,281	531	458	408	445	418	392	412	449	451	475	374	449	458
Canada	1 Weeks	4	3	4	75	82	83	1	1	10	17	21	27	32	25	11	14	22	40	21
	2 Weeks	20	312	111	314	375	293	26	16	59	60	95	100	141	93	51	90	81	97	115
	3 Weeks	600	1,032	792	872	758	504	193	214	123	248	253	248	218	186	198	156	147	202	155
	4 Weeks	919	570	712	480	433	320	165	215	103	161	95	121	83	99	127	124	115	113	92
	5 Weeks	379	198	428	160	94	102	66	93	102	33	12	13	15	17	38	24	47	28	27
	6 Weeks	67	40	207	25	80	88	13	12	22	1	1	1	1	17	25	37	25	30	33
	7 Weeks	19	11	56	7	107	116	4	4	5	1	1			16	33	58	37	35	44
	8 Weeks	7	3	21	8	59	63	1		6	1		1		4	32	23	24	24	15
	> 8 Weeks	93	103	61	31	26	63	3	1	29		2		1	3	8	14	24	17	22
	Total	2,108	2,272	2,392	1,972	2,014	1,632	472	556	459	522	480	511	491	460	523	540	522	586	524
China	1 Weeks	20	538	275	430	955	857	8	90	36	96	225	73	386	209	148	212	257	240	360
	2 Weeks	2	630	2,556	3,688	5,843	6,144	836	753	596	922	1,350	820	1,263	1,444	1,590	1,546	1,454	2,304	2,386
	3 Weeks	711	952	1,596	2,327	3,374	3,417	402	408	701	618	502	506	352	959	1,243	820	884	1,431	1,102
	4 Weeks	1,460	1,743	1,049	780	1,629	1,304	196	240	272	156	110	242	285	337	574	433	313	539	452
	5 Weeks	794	981	551	196	636	473	23	30	53	31	7	105	112	111	167	246	226	124	123
	6 Weeks	357	400	86	58	213	174	6	12	8	11	2	37	48	32	26	107	153	14	7
	7 Weeks	140	99	19	16	63	39	5	9	3	1		12	7	11	15	30	35	2	2
	8 Weeks	30	38	4	21	17	13	1	1				21	4	3	4	6	8	4	1
	> 8 Weeks	19	29	33	26	217	43	1	17	16	2	1	7	141	8	35	33	26	4	13
	Total	3,533	5,410	6,169	7,542	12,947	12,464	1,478	1,560	1,685	1,837	2,197	1,823	2,598	3,114	3,802	3,433	3,356	4,662	4,446
European Patent Office	1 Weeks	338	708	187	2,680	4,196	5,644	3	9	277	55	1,281	1,067	632	709	1,574	1,281	1,494	1,875	2,275
	2 Weeks	3,037	4,034	3,040	7,737	8,327	7,343	408	1,067	1,298	1,031	2,310	3,098	2,033	2,101	1,984	2,209	2,409	2,430	2,504
	3 Weeks	4,939	6,837	8,478	7,128	6,846	4,040	2,666	2,747	1,200	2,558	1,569	1,801	1,592	1,638	2,013	1,603	1,241	1,472	1,327
	4 Weeks	4,415	5,762	7,192	4,518	4,579	2,771	2,202	1,993	1,324	1,575	1,093	526	1,189	1,084	985	1,321	1,490	754	527
	5 Weeks	3,605	3,936	4,788	3,004	2,268	1,064	1,081	865	1,405	911	501	187	523	594	489	662	621	260	183
	6 Weeks	2,573	2,120	3,254	1,734	920	497	690	428	1,099	368	192	75	302	223	206	189	295	89	113
	7 Weeks	1,455	951	1,565	755	496	315	217	268	443	142	117	53	204	100	121	71	153	56	106
	8 Weeks	1,024	430	575	257	191	306	81	108	165	37	37	18	54	45	56	36	60	23	223
	> 8 Weeks	1,975	674	512	406	707	483	127	112	181	80	102	43	143	312	177	75	96	46	341
	Total	23,361	25,452	29,591	28,219	28,530	22,463	7,475	7,597	7,392	6,757	7,202	6,868	6,672	6,806	7,605	7,447	7,859	7,005	7,599
France	1 Weeks	8	4	6	1	16	2	1	4		1			9	3	2	2	2		
	2 Weeks		1			1	3											2		
	3 Weeks		1		6	47	14						6	1	29	17			14	
	4 Weeks	1			37	177	216						37	54	72	46	5	3	191	22
	5 Weeks	30	4		146	364	777						146	162	63	81	58	145	419	213
	6 Weeks	182	2		159	573	818					1	158	185	34	164	190	248	291	279
	7 Weeks	460	10		187	1,094	460						187	428	104	174	388	217	99	144
	8 Weeks	743	39	1	217	693	421		1				217	134	221	192	146	264	60	97
	> 8 Weeks	2,248	3,511	3,438	3,959	453	63	951	998	793	1,106	1,152	908	17	111	238	87	52	8	3
	Total	3,672	3,572	3,445	4,712	3,418	2,774	952	1,003	793	1,107	1,153	1,659	990	637	915	876	933	1,068	773
Germany	1 Weeks	24	11	2	2	3	2				1		1	2	1				1	
	2 Weeks		5		3	4	6				3				1	1	2	5	1	
	3 Weeks	65	54	24	16	20	55	5	7	6	6	3	1	3	2	10	5	11	42	2
	4 Weeks	305	351	208	85	63	81	38	44	30	13	21	21	21	18	9	15	3	74	4
	5 Weeks	375	405	322	149	217	87	81	91	47	30	39	33	28	64	82	43	30	49	8
	6 Weeks	455	496	456	310	375	124	113	127	49	64	127	70	73	94	139	69	82	29	13
	7 Weeks	463	451	443	452	487	144	118	126	107	107	110	128	63	135	158	131	98	13	33
	8 Weeks	305	308	256	420	291	138	70	56	89	125	94	112	65	80	52	94	80	27	31
	> 8 Weeks	286	283	413	548	325	482	81	99	187	129	85	147	178	44	23	80	67	176	239
	Total	2,278	2,364	2,124	1,985	1,785	1,119	506	550	515	478	479	513	433	439	474	439	376	412	331

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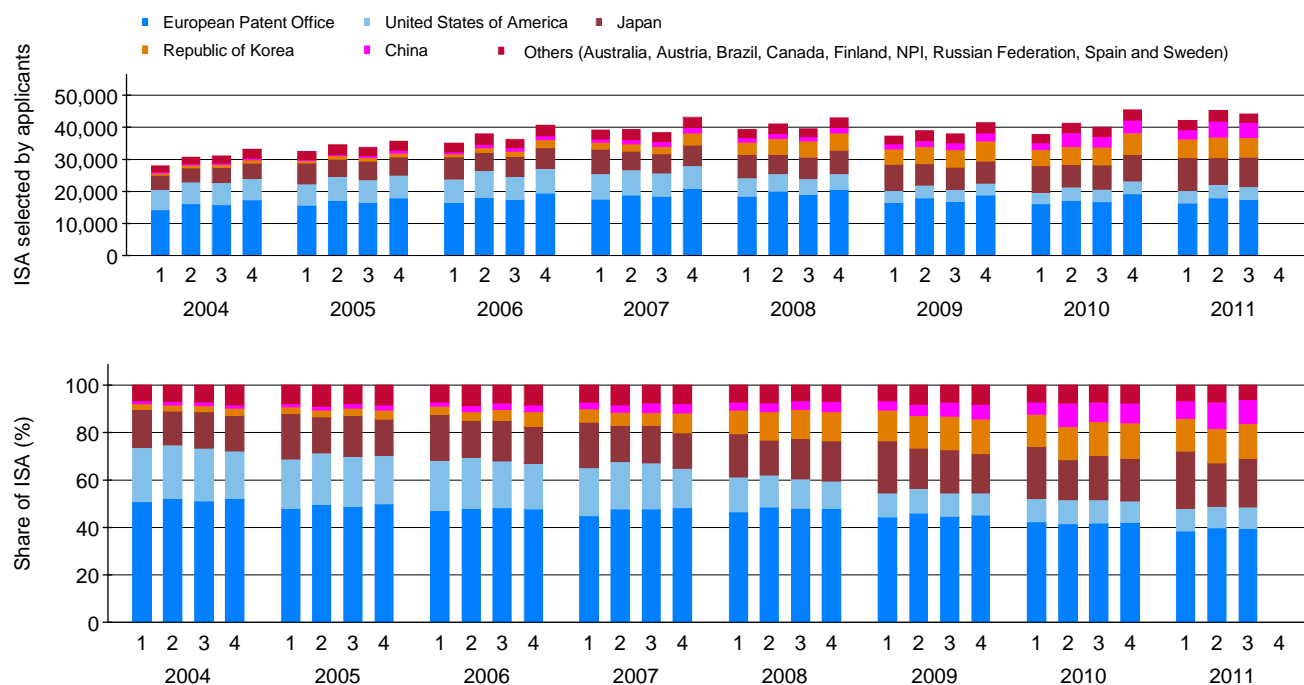
RO_Name / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011	
International Bureau	1 Weeks	1,014	3,131	2,901	5,077	4,939	1,796	647	1,000	1,203	1,251	1,056	1,567	1,369	1,308	958	1,304	733	563	500
	2 Weeks	405	592	670	2,146	2,208	2,118	102	348	439	587	639	481	305	553	844	506	780	884	454
	3 Weeks	417	487	1,199	339	443	1,089	116	375	84	52	142	61	140	51	150	102	145	452	492
	4 Weeks	1,010	378	1,195	380	221	668	214	251	224	74	35	47	50	61	57	53	258	25	385
	5 Weeks	1,167	577	876	201	120	297	166	139	79	44	37	41	39	31	27	23	246	20	31
	6 Weeks	1,115	1,083	484	132	98	55	162	60	29	43	42	18	17	29	29	23	30	15	10
	7 Weeks	1,070	614	388	116	96	90	228	65	27	45	31	13	31	18	20	27	32	43	15
	8 Weeks	633	583	175	82	88	77	101	44	16	20	32	14	36	18	17	17	24	36	17
	> 8 Weeks	1,723	1,964	1,415	651	199	288	336	412	332	155	110	54	53	62	59	25	55	118	115
	Total	8,554	9,409	9,303	9,124	8,412	6,478	2,072	2,694	2,433	2,271	2,124	2,296	2,040	2,131	2,161	2,080	2,303	2,156	2,019
Japan	1 Weeks	5	5	1	1	1	1					1		1						1
	2 Weeks	10,659	8,467	12,889	13,668	16,244	18,858	3,320	4,148	3,416	3,371	3,197	3,684	3,421	2,695	4,795	5,333	6,311	5,942	6,605
	3 Weeks	13,375	14,959	12,606	13,246	12,213	8,105	3,042	3,114	3,155	3,181	3,078	3,832	3,327	4,652	2,240	1,994	3,261	2,753	2,091
	4 Weeks	1,995	2,792	2,130	2,549	2,092	1,306	232	148	983	760	146	660	504	971	274	343	473	535	298
	5 Weeks	124	148	657	102	137	139	488	4	52	44	4	2	22	49	2	64	72	64	3
	6 Weeks	34	4	16	87	11	4	8	1	78	4	2	3	4	3	2	2	1	2	1
	7 Weeks	9	3	5	26	6	4	4		23	1		2	1	3	2		2	2	
	8 Weeks	3	7	6	1		3	3		1									1	2
	> 8 Weeks	6	8	6	5	5	12	3		1	2	2		3		1	1	6		6
	Total	26,210	26,393	28,316	29,685	30,709	28,432	7,100	7,416	7,709	7,363	6,430	8,183	7,283	8,373	7,316	7,737	10,127	9,300	9,005
Republic of Korea	1 Weeks	201	471	256	516	191	1,083	10	6	66	200	145	105	62	81	42	6	121	9	953
	2 Weeks	1,453	3,284	2,732	3,487	1,753	2,200	887	479	511	949	990	1,037	515	602	520	116	395	569	1,236
	3 Weeks	1,243	1,943	3,526	3,183	4,541	2,059	969	1,054	875	633	787	888	1,171	874	1,427	1,069	383	1,500	176
	4 Weeks	999	843	1,066	693	2,335	1,454	197	330	299	114	134	146	351	460	442	1,082	789	600	65
	5 Weeks	870	352	200	123	230	803	45	87	50	21	19	33	46	91	76	17	710	73	20
	6 Weeks	859	25	10	13	35	116	3	5	10	2		1	8	7	7	13	104	4	8
	7 Weeks	354	4		6	110	60			3		1	2	5	2	1	102	58	2	
	8 Weeks	245			2	53	8			1		1					53	8		
	> 8 Weeks	525	56	4	9	40	58			3	2		4	1	37	1	1	52	4	2
	Total	6,749	6,978	7,794	8,032	9,288	7,841	2,111	1,961	1,818	1,921	2,077	2,216	2,159	2,154	2,516	2,459	2,620	2,761	2,460
Sweden	1 Weeks	142	64	20	13	30	19	3	11	4	2	4	3	9	4	2	15	6	7	6
	2 Weeks	794	716	675	787	124	31	206	197	197	164	155	271	95	15	6	8	8	18	5
	3 Weeks	691	813	804	879	895	825	217	239	201	270	182	226	172	226	196	301	275	296	254
	4 Weeks	321	412	409	310	513	425	25	73	110	121	59	20	97	152	143	121	145	151	129
	5 Weeks	93	128	139	110	80	72	5	19	59	13	36	2	22	24	19	15	26	27	19
	6 Weeks	13	66	16	36	31	30	1	1	5	1	30		3	17	6	5	8	3	19
	7 Weeks	3	5	8	3	7	6			5	3				4	3		4	1	1
	8 Weeks	1	1	44		1	4	43									1		2	2
	> 8 Weeks	2	29	209	34	10	5	144	60	27	5	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	1	1
	Total	2,060	2,234	2,324	2,172	1,691	1,417	644	605	606	576	467	523	399	445	378	469	475	506	436
United Kingdom	1 Weeks	258	303	582	819	844	1,474	150	211	142	182	229	266	225	228	176	215	490	402	582
	2 Weeks	2,831	2,899	2,866	2,556	2,673	1,297	742	682	641	646	642	627	604	774	612	683	422	511	364
	3 Weeks	1,173	1,239	1,130	768	558	234	317	221	277	211	169	111	183	111	167	97	99	71	64
	4 Weeks	608	548	497	399	199	119	82	105	111	79	81	128	57	47	45	50	54	39	26
	5 Weeks	251	326	179	155	76	46	42	32	60	23	48	24	25	12	22	17	26	12	8
	6 Weeks	108	132	53	30	24	14	9	5	14	5	10	1	5	1	4	14	6	4	4
	7 Weeks	27	22	30	11	12	3	6	5	4	4	3		2	3	4	3	2	1	
	8 Weeks	13	10	6	6	4	2	2				3	3			5	1	1	2	1
	> 8 Weeks	17	21	28	14	22	16	3	6	1	2	6	5	1	2	6	13	4	5	7
	Total	5,286	5,500	5,371	4,758	4,414	3,207	1,353	1,267	1,250	1,152	1,191	1,165	1,102	1,178	1,041	1,093	1,104	1,047	1,056
United States of America	1 Weeks	15	31	2,787	5,026	8,066	8,359	936	887	1,306	990	1,491	1,239	1,552	1,930	2,630	1,954	2,001	2,801	3,557
	2 Weeks	2	71	18,155	26,175	25,760	19,115	5,547	7,188	5,576	6,645	6,039	7,915	5,185	7,782	5,689	7,104	5,616	7,114	6,385
	3 Weeks	17	1,046	10,788	8,019	6,802	4,133	3,580	3,109	2,996	1,771	1,548	1,704	2,357	1,429	1,410	1,606	1,964	1,191	978
	4 Weeks	162	1,574	5,243	2,018	1,865	1,302	1,140	880	616	409	592	401	684	300	478	403	673	330	299
	5 Weeks	903	1,813	3,551	849	613	739	244	128	107	168	323	251	325	82	80	126	305	304	130
	6 Weeks	1,847	2,265	2,529	581	441	401	137	48	46	136	271	128	168	35	97	141	155	163	83
	7 Weeks	4,758	3,569	1,368	432	247	278	270	29	15	200	166	51	79	28	81	59	103	86	89
	8 Weeks	9,466	5,442	1,594	363	259	259	188	38	21	189	124	29	49	119	41	50	130	106	23
	> 8 Weeks	34,555	36,327	16,186	3,153	1,295	1,020	2,614	1,011	598	696	1,016	843	487	259	264	285	426	183	411
	Total	51,725	52,138	62,201	46,616	45,348	35,606	14,656	13,318	11,281	11,204	11,570	12,561	10,886	11,964	10,770	11,728	11,373	12,278	11,955

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### Figure 4: International Searching Authorities (ISA) Selected by PCT Applicants

ISA Selected by Applicants



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### International Search Authorities (ISAs) Selected by PCT Applicants, by Country of Origin

#### ISA Australia: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,752</b>	<b>2,811</b>	<b>2,753</b>	<b>2,666</b>	<b>3,426</b>	<b>2,387</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>697</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>726</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>877</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>962</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>866</b>	<b>801</b>
Australia	1,924	1,956	1,854	1,667	1,702	1,213	473	464	383	432	447	405	366	442	435	459	360	437	416
United States of America	39	34	26	153	461	310	3	8	23	35	39	56	51	129	145	136	111	102	97
Singapore	323	310	370	328	400	287	111	93	68	87	83	90	118	98	90	94	112	81	94
New Zealand	315	348	328	270	270	209	93	86	41	66	69	94	61	65	62	82	52	70	87
India	22	36	38	53	173	66	7	20	10	10	11	22	17	33	65	58	29	16	21
Malaysia	18	34	25	62	172	165	8	7	12	16	19	15	18	44	61	49	11	119	35
Republic of Korea	10	5	7	11	77	31			1	2		8	2	15	22	38	14	7	10
South Africa	10	14	12	29	67	47	6	2	7	6	10	6	14	17	19	17	15	12	20
Switzerland	5	10	5	11	17	2	1	2				11	3	6	3	5		1	1
United Kingdom	16	13	12	9	16	6		4	2	3	1	3	2	7	4	3	3	1	2
Others	70	51	76	73	71	51	18	11	15	26	16	16	11	21	18	21	13	20	18

#### ISA Austria: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,094</b>	<b>1,168</b>	<b>1,193</b>	<b>1,588</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>65</b>
Republic of Korea	546	488	318	575	139	35	62	76	100	149	177	149	44	28	42	25	14	10	11
India	207	241	400	405	100	54	107	125	100	87	90	128	45	25	14	16	23	14	17
South Africa	14	19	15	119	60	55	4	6	21	36	31	31	20	15	13	12	17	22	16
Brazil	193	247	277	253	27	17	89	63	66	81	62	44	11	5	5	6	2	6	9
Egypt	39	38	42	29	27		14	8	9	5	6	9	6	6	10	5			
Singapore	39	65	66	115	21	14	20	18	28	27	28	32	6	1	9	5	5	4	5
Syrian Arab Republic	6	2	5	9	11	3	1	3	2	1	1	5	4	2	5		1	1	1
United Arab Emirates	10	2	5	11	9	4			3	5	2	1		3		6			4
United States of America	5	7	13	13	3	1	2	3	3	5	4	1	2		1			1	
Viet Nam	8	2	2	1	3	1		1				1	1	1	1			1	
Others	27	57	50	58	9	7	10	20	16	9	15	18	3	3	1	2	2	3	2

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## International Search Authorities (ISAs) Selected by PCT Applicants, by Country of Origin

### ISA Brazil: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	-	-	-	66	311	310	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Brazil				65	308	308					16	49	75	74	79	80	82	92	134
United States of America					3	1							2	1					1
Finland						1											1		
Uruguay				1								1							

### ISA Canada: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	2,317	2,529	2,478	2,053	2,208	1,768	556	613	443	542	498	570	512	559	564	573	584	634	550
Canada	2,206	2,394	2,314	1,942	2,094	1,693	505	572	412	513	479	538	481	533	539	541	557	614	522
United States of America	38	46	53	41	35	19	11	12	11	12	7	11	8	5	10	12	4	4	11
Bahamas	6	23	12	1	13	2	8	2		1			7	3	1	2			2
Switzerland	12	7	21	7	12	10	11	2		2	3	2	5	3	1	3	5	4	1
Singapore			3	9	9	3	2	1	6	3			1	3	2	3			1
Germany	6	5	10	6	7	6	3	5	2		1	3	2	2	3	2	2	2	2
Andorra					5								1	2					
China	6	7	4	10	5	7			3	2	3	2	3		1	1	3		4
Barbados	16	15	26	11	4	10	6	11	1	2	3	5	2		1	1	1	7	2
Ireland	3	7	5	2	4	1	1	3	2				1	1		2	1		
Others	24	25	30	24	20	17	9	5	6	7	2	9	3	7	7	3	11	2	4

### ISA China: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	3,892	5,492	6,188	8,095	13,273	12,588	1,561	1,819	1,491	1,856	2,196	2,552	1,969	4,041	3,343	3,920	3,062	5,035	4,491
China	3,768	5,277	5,935	7,723	12,111	11,369	1,496	1,760	1,422	1,791	2,128	2,382	1,748	3,732	3,067	3,564	2,701	4,628	4,040
United States of America	58	96	115	138	295	312	24	27	25	26	24	63	47	81	69	98	84	112	116
India	9	12	15	5	219	178	6	1	2	1	1	1	30	57	65	67	67	56	55
Finland			1	40	136	80			3	1	1	35	41	39	23	33	20	27	33
Japan	3	17	12	19	96	152	3	3	3	4	5	7	25	28	26	17	37	61	54
Sweden	5	2	19	36	73	54	5	8	6	4	6	20	20	20	11	22	22	18	14
United Kingdom	10	11	7	20	55	63	1		2	2	2	14	9	15	20	11	34	14	15
Netherlands			6	14	52	50	6		1	1	8	4	2	11	10	29	14	9	27
Germany	1	1	30	31	51	167	5	7	14	6	6	5	5	11	10	25	39	63	65
France	31	60	22	30	47	42	6	5	8	9	6	7	21	11	6	9	8	16	18
Others	7	16	26	39	138	121	9	8	5	11	9	14	21	36	36	45	36	31	54

### ISA European Patent Office: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	71,513	75,387	77,908	69,960	68,926	51,584	19,042	20,563	16,464	17,892	16,888	18,716	15,986	17,111	16,730	19,099	16,227	17,943	17,414
Germany	16,644	17,697	18,698	16,690	17,425	13,291	4,881	4,871	3,896	4,076	4,292	4,426	4,054	3,938	4,671	4,762	4,101	4,470	4,720
United States of America	21,790	22,421	21,152	17,882	16,951	12,790	4,972	5,155	4,310	4,604	4,324	4,644	3,898	4,394	4,086	4,573	3,918	4,523	4,349
France	6,066	6,375	6,918	6,991	7,054	5,134	1,564	2,066	1,506	1,788	1,612	2,085	1,502	1,771	1,648	2,133	1,666	1,837	1,631
United Kingdom	4,928	5,370	5,362	4,926	4,739	3,446	1,308	1,319	1,226	1,252	1,253	1,195	1,224	1,228	1,118	1,169	1,170	1,122	1,154
Netherlands	4,486	4,373	4,301	4,313	3,856	2,247	922	1,318	909	1,180	986	1,238	849	1,078	920	1,009	746	795	706
Switzerland	3,356	3,597	3,605	3,452	3,437	2,599	851	997	804	895	821	932	753	854	840	990	740	941	918
Italy	2,685	2,926	2,871	2,639	2,650	1,980	674	753	650	653	634	702	617	679	621	733	614	731	635
Sweden	1,357	1,524	2,142	1,931	1,730	1,371	547	699	465	612	339	515	410	383	356	581	403	548	420
Japan	1,733	1,628	1,487	1,281	1,222	1,093	409	380	418	316	270	277	353	278	260	331	365	335	393
Austria	909	999	945	1,021	1,127	992	239	246	225	248	262	286	236	304	270	317	344	291	357
Belgium	993	1,082	1,104	992	1,036	843	277	284	253	239	249	251	235	287	222	292	281	299	263
Denmark	1,056	1,071	1,287	1,217	1,017	769	293	364	266	316	290	345	250	256	198	313	253	268	248
Israel	674	754	1,031	889	744	558	246	248	225	234	220	210	198	172	177	197	224	181	153
Finland	507	767	1,458	1,008	713	513	314	457	278	290	176	264	178	191	152	192	166	211	136
India	475	452	482	372	614	526	117	104	118	63	98	93	148	142	146	178	198	144	184
Others	3,854	4,351	5,065	4,356	4,611	3,432	1,428	1,302	915	1,126	1,062	1,253	1,081	1,156	1,045	1,329	1,038	1,247	1,147

### ISA Finland: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	642	718	660	860	921	667	119	205	204	296	153	207	211	264	157	289	224	265	178
Finland	610	687	635	845	903	659	113	198	196	295	150	204	206	260	152	285	220	262	177
Denmark	2	2		1	4	3						1	3	1			2	1	
United States of America		1			4	2									3	1		2	
Indonesia					3	1								1		2	1		
Sweden	16	17	18	6	3	1	4	6	5			1		2	1				1
Others	14	11	7	8	4	1	2	1	3	1	3	1	2	2			1		

### ISA Japan: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	25,021	25,947	27,117	28,446	30,856	27,707	6,723	7,167	8,147	6,518	6,954	6,827	8,248	6,957	7,448	8,203	10,206	8,345	9,156
Japan	25,021	25,837	26,983	28,307	30,597	27,570	6,683	7,130	8,115	6,494	6,909	6,789	8,193	6,922	7,363	8,119	10,166	8,309	9,095
United States of America	52	49	54	61	91	32	16	17	9	4	33	15	22	15	22	32	6	6	20
Republic of Korea	3	3	4	3	70	52	2				1	2			39	31	24	6	22
Sweden	20	14	29	23	40	10	12	7	6	6	3	8	10	8	11	11	4	2	4
Germany	4	15	12	10	14	6	2	4	1	6	1	2	4	4	5	1	2	1	3
Thailand			1	1	13	8						1	9	3	1				5
Switzerland	6	4	3	6	9	4	1	2	3	1		1	3	4	1			2	2
France	2	1	1	6	8	10					4	2</							

## International Search Authorities (ISAs) Selected by PCT Applicants, by Country of Origin

### ISA Nordic Patent Institute: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
<b>Total</b>			102	239	299	212	17	26	34	70	57	78	71	82	60	86	84	75	53
Norway			64	158	189	90	9	12	23	47	39	49	50	52	39	48	43	22	25
Denmark			35	72	97	103	8	11	8	23	17	24	16	28	19	34	34	44	25
Iceland			2	3	9	6						3	2	2	3	4	1	1	
United Kingdom			1	2	2	1		1	1		1	2	2				1		
Others				4	2	12			2			2	1			1	2	8	2

### ISA Republic of Korea: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
<b>Total</b>	6,673	10,238	19,020	21,714	23,292	18,760	4,814	5,366	4,805	5,401	5,378	6,130	5,118	5,797	5,690	6,687	5,760	6,570	6,430
United States of America	1,190	3,449	10,904	13,452	12,985	10,845	2,842	3,077	3,074	3,430	3,286	3,662	2,998	3,382	3,098	3,507	3,301	3,762	3,782
Republic of Korea	5,359	6,548	7,553	7,434	9,342	7,173	1,825	2,067	1,556	1,752	1,882	2,244	1,944	2,202	2,372	2,824	2,223	2,538	2,412
Canada	5	28	95	147	149	165	25	35	37	54	29	27	13	38	46	52	43	75	47
Malaysia	14	35	125	134	146	34	34	66	27	19	46	42	23	19	18	86	14	12	8
Netherlands		2	6	103	121	66	3	2	11	33	28	31	41	17	22	41	26	22	18
Japan	2	8	26	51	103	30	10	13	11	9	10	21	28	26	22	27	15	3	12
France	43	23	42	86	70	57	12	11	10	26	20	30	14	15	15	26	16	20	21
Singapore	7	23	47	48	66	70	13	21	15	14	10	9	9	19	17	21	24	28	18
Sweden		3	4	4	64	29			2		1	1	1	19	15	29	4	11	14
United Kingdom	4	9	13	22	30	22	4	2	4	2	11	5	8	10	4	8	11	4	7
Others	49	110	205	233	216	269	46	72	58	62	55	58	39	50	61	66	83	95	91

### ISA Russian Federation: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
<b>Total</b>	807	856	895	849	937	732	236	210	188	184	204	273	165	247	228	297	242	268	222
Russian Federation	619	640	707	654	745	567	190	164	146	149	152	207	139	194	171	241	196	218	153
Ukraine	66	71	73	66	77	78	21	19	12	13	16	25	9	25	23	20	20	27	31
Hungary	12	20	10	23	18	24	1	2	10	2	7	4	2	7	5	4	6	5	13
Kazakhstan	13	16	4	18	18	11	2		4	6	5	3	6	4	6	2	4	3	4
Belarus	15	6	7	15	10	12	1	2	3	4	3	5	1	4	1	4	4	3	5
Canada	3	25	32	7	10	5	2	7	1	1		5		4	1	5	1	3	1
Colombia	7	4	4	1	7	5	1			1				2		5	1	4	
Latvia	9	3	2	10	7	5	1		1	2	5	2	1		4	2	3	2	
Netherlands		3		1	6					1		1		1	1	4			
Bulgaria	6	6	7	4	5	6	1	4	1	1	1	1		2	3			3	3
Others	57	62	49	50	34	19	16	12	10	6	13	21	7	4	13	10	7	4	8

### ISA Spain: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
<b>Total</b>	1,063	1,141	1,201	1,351	1,453	1,068	245	309	274	360	320	397	341	376	334	402	354	404	310
Spain	853	922	957	1,087	1,154	831	176	241	226	315	242	304	284	319	246	305	272	325	234
Mexico	138	153	166	149	168	118	42	45	31	31	44	43	29	31	48	60	36	46	36
Chile		5	5	36	61	65	1	3	6	4	14	12	12	9	22	18	26	13	26
Colombia	15	26	21	40	30	27	7	5	5	4	7	24	5	6	9	10	10	10	7
Peru			1	8	7	4				1	5	2	1	4	1	1	4		
Argentina	6	7	5	3	6	6	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	1	1	1	4
United States of America	8	5	2		4	3	1						1	2	1	2	1		
Dominican Republic		2	5	1	3	4	2	1	1					3			2	2	
Saudi Arabia				5	3						1	4	3						
Andorra	3	1	1		2			1					1		1				
Others	40	20	38	22	15	10	13	11	4	5	6	7	1	3	7	4	1	6	3

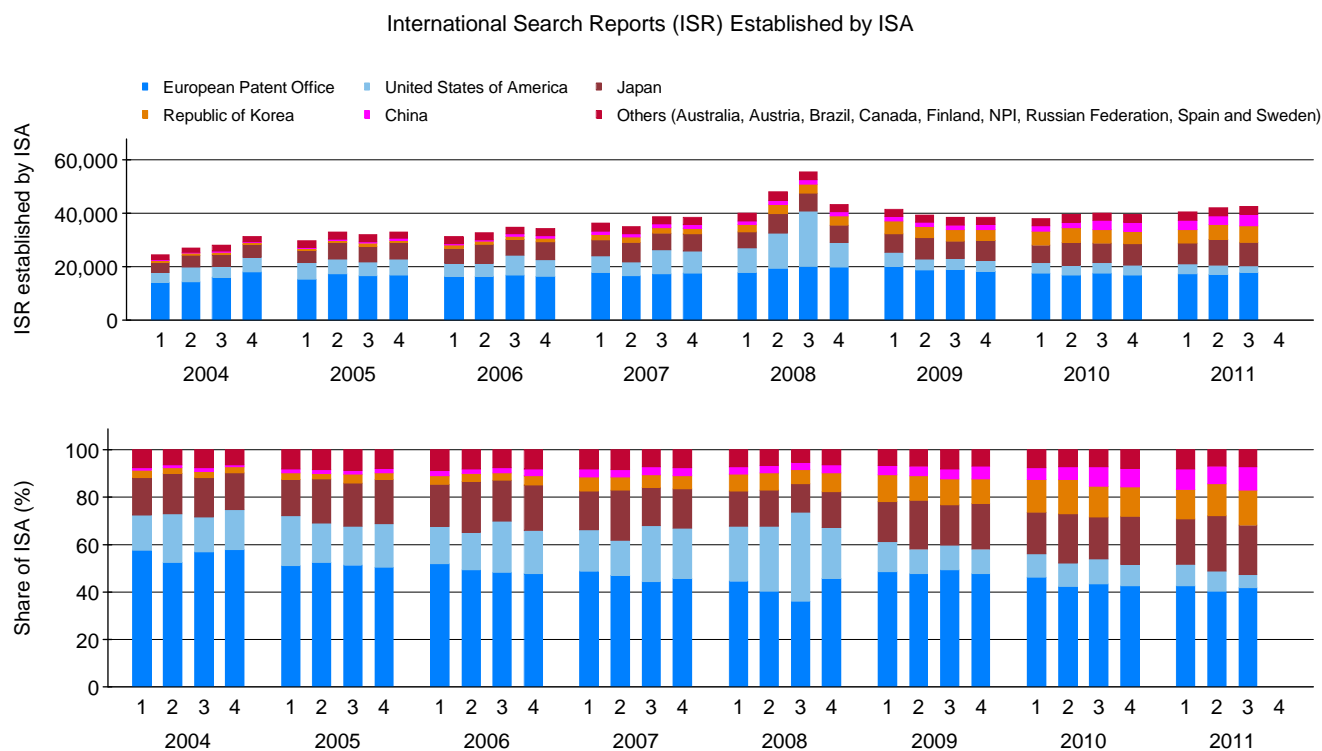
### ISA Sweden: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
<b>Total</b>	3,190	3,131	2,338	2,039	2,073	1,401	399	598	436	623	390	590	496	575	410	592	484	560	357
Sweden	1,907	2,061	1,894	1,554	1,382	990	319	451	341	514	285	414	340	382	248	412	348	417	225
Finland	708	545	107	208	375	237	23	25	16	44	60	88	94	117	67	97	84	77	76
Norway	346	346	201	117	126	103	40	51	39	31	26	21	30	23	32	41	35	32	36
Luxembourg	2	2	42	74	51	3		42	25	2	1	46	10	2	38	1	1	1	1
Switzerland	96	68	19	24	45	13	3	7	4	7	8	5	7	26	6	6	4	5	4
Denmark	79	64	21	20	22	10	6	7	4	7	5	4	6	5	6	5	2	5	3
United States of America	12	12	14	23	17	16	3	6	4	8	5	6	2	4	7	4	4	11	1
China	1	2	7	3	9	3				1		2	3	3		3			
Ecuador					9	3								4	2	3	2	1	
Barbados		3			5	3										5		1	2
Others	39	28	33	16	32	23	5	9	3	9		4	4	9	4	15	4	10	9

### ISA United States of America: Top Origins

Origin / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
<b>Total</b>	30,537	30,506	21,380	15,458	15,889	12,112	4,974	4,975	3,829	4,079	3,672	3,878	3,660	4,182	3,927	4,120	4,023	4,108	3,981
United States of America	28,076	27,911	19,291	13,830	14,130	10,664	4,458	4,441	3,403	3,671	3,307	3,449	3,220	3,735	3,533	3,642	3,566	3,670	3,428
Israel	913	979	850	652	713	487	228	230	183	157	144	168	166	166	171	210	181	146	160
India	120	159	122	94	151	168	25	27	24	24	25	21	55	41	29	26	39	40	89
Canada	148	166	145	171	149	104	35	37	47	46	34	44	33	49	29	38	36	32	36
Switzerland	116	128	95	89															

**Figure 5: International Search Reports (ISR) Established by International Searching Authorities (ISA)**



Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Counts are based on the transmittal date of the International Search Report to the International Bureau. NPI (Nordic Patent Institute).

## International Search Reports (ISR) Established by International Searching Authorities (ISA)

### Number of ISR established by ISA

ISA_Name Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008 3	2008 4	2009 1	2009 2	2009 3	2009 4	2010 1	2010 2	2010 3	2010 4	2011 1	2011 2	2011 3
Total	133,030	148,637	186,571	157,599	157,297	125,116	55,465	43,214	41,418	39,151	38,558	38,472	38,054	39,529	40,078	39,636	40,554	41,933	42,629
Australia	2,606	2,796	2,771	2,523	3,125	2,484	706	704	597	588	728	610	712	682	814	917	940	733	811
Austria	846	941	943	1,485	1,038	521	210	206	301	377	515	292	238	260	257	283	207	171	143
Brazil				22	256	259						22	47	46	92	71	81	89	89
Canada	2,117	2,317	2,576	2,158	2,037	1,890	757	533	531	502	618	507	557	457	516	507	681	562	647
China	3,109	4,954	5,892	6,822	10,615	10,856	1,668	1,521	1,630	1,543	1,648	2,001	1,980	2,107	3,353	3,175	3,524	3,078	4,254
European Patent Office	65,497	69,035	76,896	76,204	68,672	52,132	20,037	19,722	20,110	18,698	19,030	18,366	17,632	16,768	17,432	16,840	17,310	16,960	17,862
Finland	596	707	625	842	749	779	144	140	170	249	187	236	189	222	147	191	285	280	214
Japan	25,016	26,059	26,523	28,931	29,989	26,279	6,774	6,592	7,015	8,014	6,493	7,409	6,605	8,331	7,081	7,972	7,761	9,707	8,811
Nordic Patent Institute			68	194	283	233	24	19	28	36	66	64	71	83	73	56	83	82	68
Republic of Korea	4,766	8,347	13,006	17,040	20,962	16,975	3,251	3,363	4,719	4,120	4,196	4,005	5,261	5,630	5,171	4,900	5,033	5,675	6,267
Russian Federation	694	757	798	772	851	714	194	236	190	194	196	192	204	171	223	253	217	251	246
Spain	858	1,084	1,189	1,170	1,363	929	242	358	284	253	288	345	337	385	296	345	216	313	400
Sweden	2,957	2,982	2,828	2,128	1,989	1,469	662	550	659	497	525	447	472	575	465	477	550	478	441
United States of America	23,968	28,658	52,456	17,308	15,368	9,596	20,796	9,270	5,184	4,080	4,068	3,976	3,749	3,812	4,158	3,649	3,666	3,554	2,376

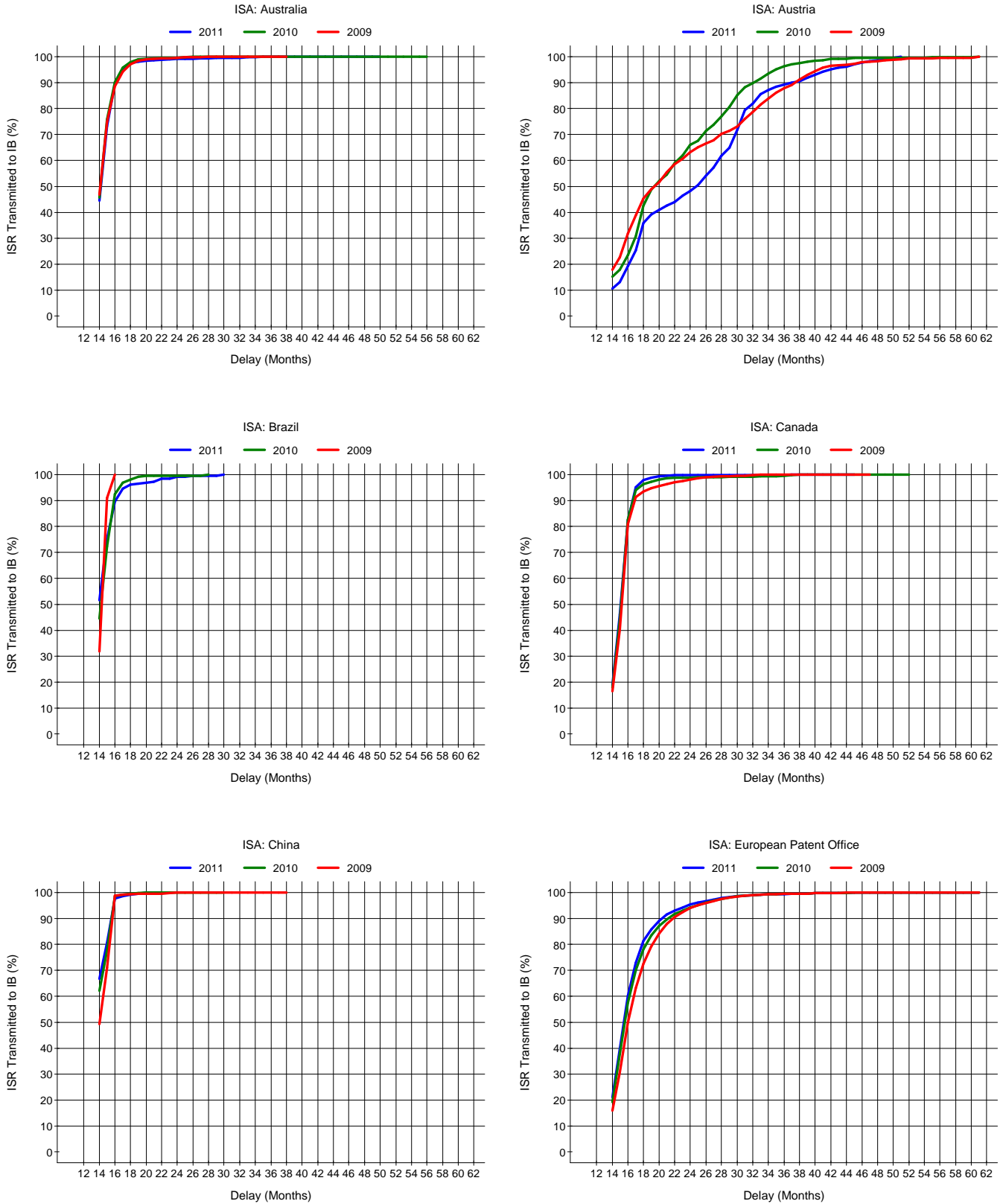
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ISA_Name Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008 3	2008 4	2009 1	2009 2	2009 3	2009 4	2010 1	2010 2	2010 3	2010 4	2011 1	2011 2	2011 3
Australia	2.0	1.9	1.5	1.6	2.0	2.0	1.3	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.9	1.6	1.9	1.7	2.0	2.3	2.3	1.7	1.9
Austria	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.3	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.3
Brazil				0.0	0.2	0.2						0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Canada	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.6	1.3	1.5	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.7	1.3	1.5
China	2.3	3.3	3.2	4.3	6.7	8.7	3.0	3.5	3.9	3.9	4.3	5.2	5.2	5.3	8.4	8.0	8.7	7.3	10.0
European Patent Office	49.2	46.4	41.2	48.4	43.7	41.7	36.1	45.6	48.6	47.8	49.4	47.7	46.3	42.4	43.5	42.5	42.7	40.4	41.9
Finland	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.5
Japan	18.8	17.5	14.2	18.4	19.1	21.0	12.2	15.3	16.9	20.5	16.8	19.3	17.4	21.1	17.7	20.1	19.1	23.1	20.7
Nordic Patent Institute			0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Republic of Korea	3.6	5.6	7.0	10.8	13.3	13.6	5.9	7.8	11.4	10.5	10.9	10.4	13.8	14.2	12.9	12.4	12.4	13.5	14.7
Russian Federation	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6
Spain	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.7	0.9	0.5	0.7	0.9
Sweden	2.2	2.0	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.5	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.1	1.0
United States of America	18.0	19.3	28.1	11.0	9.8	7.7	37.5	21.5	12.5	10.4	10.6	10.3	9.9	9.6	10.4	9.2	9.0	8.5	5.6

Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Counts are based on the transmittal date of the International Search Report to the International Bureau. NPI (Nordic Patent Institute).

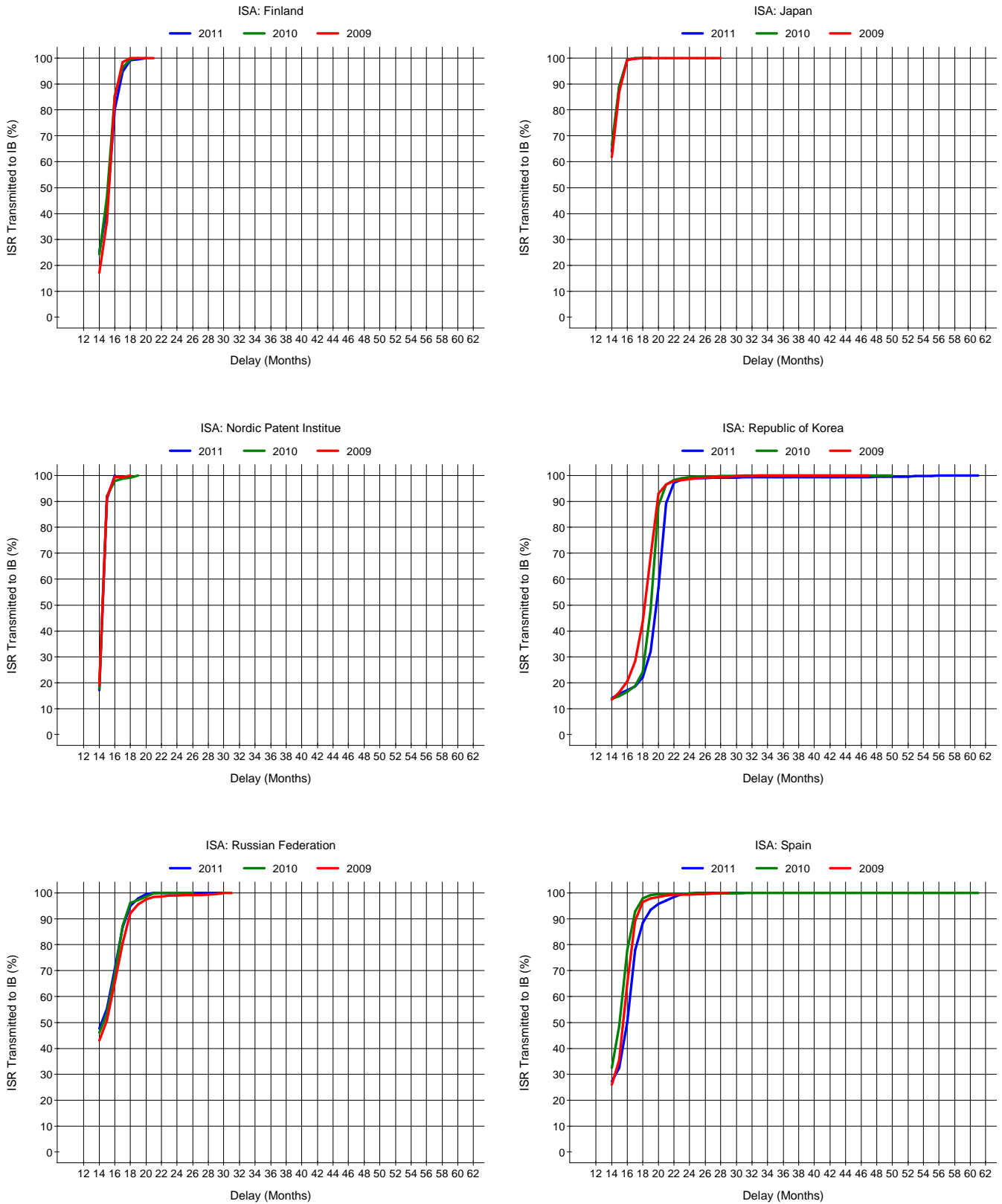
**Figure 6: Timeliness of International Searching Authorities (ISAs) to transmit International Search Reports (ISRs) to the International Bureau**



Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Delay is calculated as the time difference between the priority date and the date on which the ISA transmits the ISR to the International Bureau.

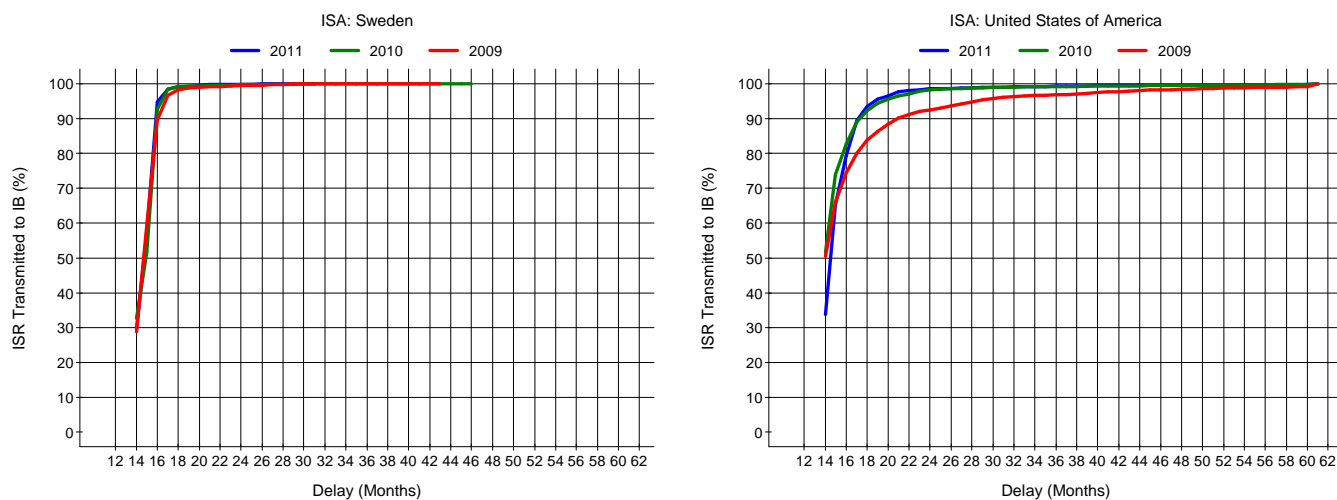
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**Figure 6: Timeliness of International Searching Authorities (ISAs) to transmit International Search Reports (ISRs) to the International Bureau**



Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

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**Timeliness of International Searching Authorities (ISAs) to transmit International Search Reports (ISRs) to the International Bureau**

**ISA: Australia**

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	2,606	2,796	2,771	2,523	3,125	2,484	706	704	597	588	728	610	712	682	814	917	940	733	811
14 Months	1,373	1,457	1,335	1,182	1,429	1,109	360	328	241	298	356	287	301	357	373	398	399	345	365
15 Months	714	735	747	705	941	711	197	209	185	145	193	182	209	196	260	276	261	213	237
16 Months	354	368	369	352	453	408	97	112	101	50	108	93	106	73	122	152	168	98	142
17 Months	99	128	145	138	172	136	37	30	44	25	41	28	58	37	27	50	47	47	42
18 Months	34	52	64	75	63	56	3	11	18	33	10	14	16	10	19	18	24	20	12
19 Months	13	13	37	33	35	17	3	5	4	21	5	3	13	6	7	9	7	6	4
20 Months	5	14	26	14	8	8	5	4	1	8	4	1	4		1	3	7		1
21 Months	4	8	10	5	7	6	1	1	1	1	2	1	2		1	4	4		2
22-30 Months	10	19	35	17	16	24	3	3	2	6	9		3	3	4	6	16	3	5
> 30 Months		2	3	2	1	9		1				1				1	7	1	1

**ISA: Austria**

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	846	941	943	1,485	1,038	521	210	206	301	377	515	292	238	260	257	283	207	171	143
14 Months	233	227	203	266	158	55	35	64	49	69	89	59	53	55	32	18	24	14	17
15 Months	85	60	51	69	28	13	13	15	12	12	19	26	10	9	4	5	4	3	6
16 Months	122	108	118	137	58	32	31	25	30	30	30	47	32	13	10	3	12	9	11
17 Months	104	135	106	106	76	32	21	31	13	20	39	34	23	14	17	22	14	5	13
18 Months	93	87	86	95	123	55	23	13	8	21	39	27	37	43	19	24	23	20	12
19 Months	40	67	64	55	64	17	12	10	6	16	21	12	17	21	7	19	8	4	5
20 Months	17	40	61	40	34	9	14	8	6	4	16	14	4	11	11	8	5	1	3
21 Months	18	20	43	54	25	9	6	6	9	5	27	13	4	5	13	3	4	5	
22-30 Months	97	121	141	265	318	152	40	29	37	70	115	43	49	63	83	123	65	59	28
> 30 Months	37	76	70	398	154	147	15	5	131	130	120	17	9	26	61	58	48	51	48

**ISA: Brazil**

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total				22	256	259							22	47	46	92	71	81	89
14 Months				7	114	134							7	22	18	47	27	38	50
15 Months				13	71	61							13	16	17	18	20	27	19
16 Months				2	52	37							2	9	9	19	15	11	14
17 Months					11	13									1	6	4	2	5
18 Months					3	4										2	1	1	3
19 Months					3	1									1		2	1	
20 Months					1	1											1		
21 Months					1	1													1
22-30 Months					1	7											1	1	1

Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Delay is calculated as the time difference between the priority date and the date on which the ISA transmits the ISR to the International Bureau.

## Timeliness of International Searching Authorities (ISAs) to transmit International Search Reports (ISRs) to the International Bureau

### ISA: Canada

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	2,117	2,317	2,576	2,158	2,037	1,890	757	533	531	502	618	507	557	457	516	507	681	562	647
14 Months	277	290	370	356	364	358	116	88	77	66	113	100	106	79	105	74	132	112	114
15 Months	262	354	476	515	531	512	138	171	108	68	186	153	169	144	132	86	180	169	163
16 Months	1,154	1,201	1,225	878	789	687	380	190	251	239	213	175	196	158	205	230	258	183	246
17 Months	310	315	321	224	230	242	91	43	60	65	57	42	60	39	48	83	88	66	88
18 Months	50	48	65	45	49	51	14	16	11	15	8	11	8	13	12	16	12	23	16
19 Months	10	19	13	28	19	20		4	6	7	4	11	6	6	3	4	4	4	12
20 Months	8	5	12	16	15	11	3	1	1	6	4	5	5	2	2	6	4	1	6
21 Months	16	11	17	18	11	4	5	7	2	8	6	2	4	1	3	3	1	1	2
22-30 Months	29	61	74	70	13	2	10	12	13	25	24	8	2	8	1	2	1	1	
> 30 Months	1	13	3	8	16	3		1	2	3	3		1	7	5	3	1	2	

### ISA: China

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	3,109	4,954	5,892	6,822	10,615	10,856	1,668	1,521	1,630	1,543	1,648	2,001	1,980	2,107	3,353	3,175	3,524	3,078	4,254
14 Months	1,523	2,482	2,910	3,363	6,606	7,250	893	674	668	764	826	1,105	1,192	1,319	2,135	1,960	2,207	2,077	2,966
15 Months	535	858	1,119	1,482	1,656	1,507	307	308	371	350	392	369	360	300	574	422	519	409	579
16 Months	895	1,446	1,775	1,894	2,204	1,852	447	525	578	397	408	511	408	464	608	724	731	520	601
17 Months	128	112	24	27	74	90	6	3	4	10	8	5	11	17	16	30	12	31	47
18 Months	11	21	25	21	39	67	6	1	5	4	6	6	5	3	9	22	16	22	29
19 Months	3	5	9	8	17	47	2	2		1	4	3	1	2	9	5	23	6	18
20 Months	3	5	7	2	11	35	2	2	1	1			1	1	2	8	12	12	11
21 Months	4	5	3	3	6	5	1	1	1	1	1		2	1		3	2	1	2
22-30 Months	7	19	20	19	2	3	4	5	2	14	3			1		1	2		1
> 30 Months		1		3						1		2							

### ISA: European Patent Office

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	65,497	69,035	76,896	76,204	68,672	52,132	20,037	19,722	20,110	18,698	19,030	18,366	17,632	16,768	17,432	16,840	17,310	16,960	17,862
14 Months	8,984	8,703	9,600	12,227	13,216	10,991	2,661	2,676	2,771	2,786	3,287	3,383	2,926	3,085	3,632	3,573	3,233	3,676	4,082
15 Months	9,981	7,831	8,409	11,270	12,713	9,770	2,450	2,498	2,450	2,562	3,070	3,188	3,161	3,092	3,281	3,179	3,149	3,051	3,570
16 Months	13,719	12,534	14,140	14,497	13,625	10,695	4,023	3,767	3,983	3,444	3,709	3,361	3,703	3,233	3,477	3,212	3,768	3,234	3,693
17 Months	12,627	12,129	12,089	10,117	8,496	6,621	3,081	2,796	2,949	2,599	2,282	2,287	2,250	2,095	2,087	2,064	2,314	2,221	2,086
18 Months	6,462	9,719	9,491	7,145	5,657	4,286	2,065	2,054	2,022	1,759	1,660	1,704	1,479	1,540	1,350	1,288	1,408	1,572	1,306
19 Months	3,664	5,368	6,298	5,078	3,572	2,391	1,488	1,451	1,422	1,404	1,157	1,095	924	976	805	867	797	861	733
20 Months	2,638	3,440	4,458	3,876	2,502	1,673	1,093	1,150	1,143	1,074	910	749	739	610	611	542	606	537	530
21 Months	1,791	2,446	3,262	2,856	1,804	1,249	819	763	800	816	724	516	541	451	394	418	473	389	387
22-30 Months	5,064	6,055	8,140	8,001	6,098	3,769	2,083	2,269	2,266	1,974	1,983	1,778	1,670	1,445	1,512	1,471	1,307	1,204	1,258
> 30 Months	567	810	1,009	1,137	989	687	274	298	304	280	248	305	239	241	283	226	255	215	217

### ISA: Finland

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	596	707	625	842	749	779	144	140	170	249	187	236	189	222	147	191	285	280	214
14 Months	97	113	90	145	182	196	23	16	35	29	24	57	49	54	35	44	66	86	44
15 Months	202	105	91	166	165	133	19	36	9	55	46	56	57	63	22	23	27	49	57
16 Months	264	393	345	405	294	296	95	65	115	106	79	105	65	89	63	77	129	92	75
17 Months	31	78	92	113	80	114	6	20	9	56	34	14	15	12	19	34	53	33	28
18 Months		11	5	12	26	34	1	2	2	3	4	3	3	4	7	12	9	17	8
19 Months	2	4	1		2	3			1									3	
20 Months		1	1			3											1		2
21 Months		2		1								1							

### ISA: Japan

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	25,016	26,059	26,523	28,931	29,989	26,279	6,774	6,592	7,015	8,014	6,493	7,409	6,605	8,331	7,081	7,972	7,761	9,707	8,811
14 Months	12,637	15,001	15,838	17,878	19,945	16,814	4,060	4,118	4,229	4,649	4,150	4,850	4,341	5,400	4,716	5,488	5,136	6,070	5,608
15 Months	7,384	6,932	6,782	7,267	6,760	6,556	1,633	1,629	1,723	2,266	1,528	1,750	1,438	1,995	1,550	1,777	1,740	2,616	2,200
16 Months	4,653	3,933	3,773	3,635	3,137	2,765	1,053	819	1,027	1,065	765	778	777	895	782	683	831	986	948
17 Months	207	123	89	102	111	104	18	19	25	23	34	20	35	34	27	15	42	24	38
18 Months	47	32	26	39	29	31	4	4	7	10	12	10	12	5	4	8	9	9	13
19 Months	13	6	8	2	6	7	4	1	1		1		1	2	2	1	3	2	2
20 Months	6	2	1			1													1
21 Months	2	2		2						2									
22-30 Months	67	27	5	6		1	2		3	1	1	1							1
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Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

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## Timeliness of International Searching Authorities (ISAs) to transmit International Search Reports (ISRs) to the International Bureau

### ISA: Nordic Patent Institute

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Delay	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Total			68	194	283	233	24	19	28	36	66	64	71	83	73	56	83	82	68
14 Months			11	37	50	40	4	5	5	3	12	17	14	19	9	8	14	13	13
15 Months			48	141	172	172	18	10	19	30	52	40	55	59	55	42	65	58	49
16 Months			6	15	16	21	1	2	3	3	2	7	2	3	6	5	4	11	6
17 Months			3		3	3	1	2						1	1	1			
18 Months				1	1				1						1				
19 Months					2								1	1					

### ISA: Republic of Korea

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Delay	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Total	4,766	8,347	13,006	17,040	20,962	16,975	3,251	3,363	4,719	4,120	4,196	4,005	5,261	5,630	5,171	4,900	5,033	5,675	6,267
14 Months	1,593	2,152	3,041	2,308	2,893	2,386	805	779	747	665	557	339	666	742	829	656	683	796	907
15 Months	967	1,500	1,477	477	238	275	262	146	235	124	75	43	53	67	62	56	89	84	102
16 Months	1,633	2,498	2,985	728	329	243	684	315	326	202	126	74	83	93	110	43	92	74	77
17 Months	448	1,143	2,772	1,314	508	275	1,044	671	497	438	238	141	146	169	109	84	70	75	130
18 Months	108	711	1,886	2,608	1,132	570	374	929	1,074	776	483	275	318	423	236	155	181	191	198
19 Months	8	203	547	4,297	4,996	1,703	30	405	1,499	1,039	932	827	1,150	1,434	1,211	1,201	837	463	403
20 Months	3	48	108	4,112	8,426	4,155	9	42	183	605	1,370	1,954	2,375	2,233	1,923	1,895	1,601	1,251	1,303
21 Months	2	30	38	598	1,710	5,531	8	12	49	138	180	231	316	318	560	516	957	2,089	2,485
22-30 Months	4	60	147	556	697	1,716	35	61	104	125	224	103	147	144	126	280	502	562	652
> 30 Months		2	5	42	33	121		3	5	8	11	18	7	7	5	14	21	90	10

### ISA: Russian Federation

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Delay	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Total	694	757	798	772	851	714	194	236	190	194	196	192	204	171	223	253	217	251	246
14 Months	347	394	384	333	392	340	100	106	78	87	87	81	108	79	95	110	106	104	130
15 Months	73	67	62	59	64	55	12	18	13	16	18	12	16	8	22	18	14	23	18
16 Months	111	111	115	114	128	110	31	32	21	31	32	30	30	28	24	46	33	39	38
17 Months	105	119	122	116	159	114	25	40	23	23	32	38	38	34	38	49	35	44	35
18 Months	42	37	48	89	75	59	9	16	35	18	19	17	10	11	33	21	17	30	12
19 Months	8	12	22	26	10	21	6	5	7	11	3	5	1	2	1	6	6	9	6
20 Months	3	1	10	15	12	13	5	3	7	2	3	3	1	5	5	1	6	2	5
21 Months	4	8	23	8	9	1	4	8	2	4	2		4	4	1				1
22-30 Months	1	7	12	11	2	1	2	8	4	2		5		1	1				1
> 30 Months		1		1								1							

### ISA: Spain

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Delay	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Total	858	1,084	1,189	1,170	1,363	929	242	358	284	253	288	345	337	385	296	345	216	313	400
14 Months	297	327	358	304	441	253	70	106	85	59	78	82	99	125	115	102	67	63	123
15 Months	100	65	58	111	220	48	25	13	10	33	38	30	52	68	59	41	13	9	26
16 Months	201	179	244	345	401	165	52	46	103	70	110	62	116	102	88	95	70	37	58
17 Months	190	312	375	285	204	259	55	158	52	73	43	117	42	71	22	69	48	97	114
18 Months	39	132	131	85	69	97	35	35	19	13	12	41	24	14	7	24	16	64	17
19 Months	22	45	4	16	19	46	2	4			3	9	1	2	4	12	1	26	19
20 Months	2	8	5	6	4	22	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	2		1		8	14
21 Months	3	3	5	7		12	1		3	3	1							1	11
22-30 Months	3	11	2	11	2	26	1	5	1	2	3	2					1	7	18
> 30 Months	1	2	7		3	1								1	1	1		1	

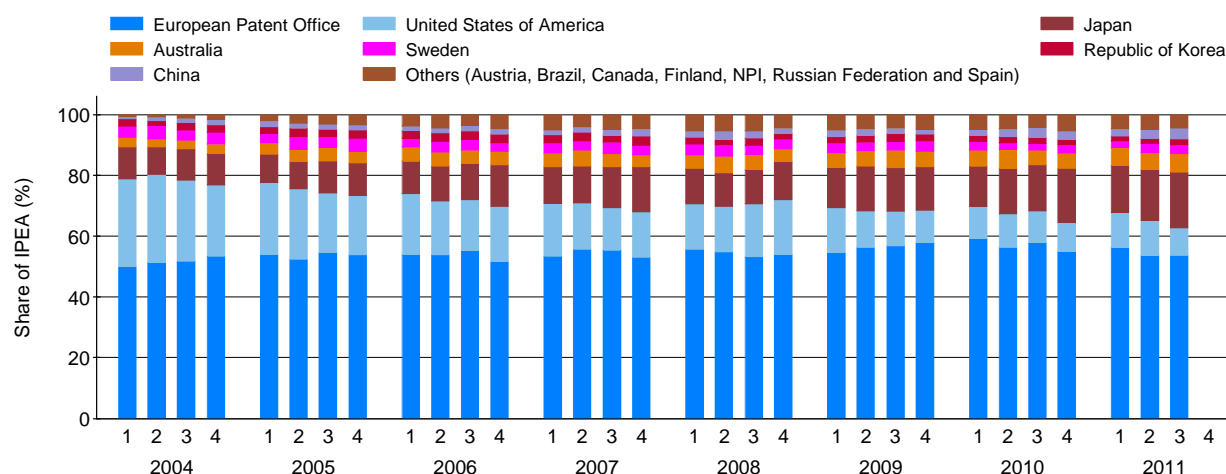
### ISA: Sweden

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Delay	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Total	2,957	2,982	2,828	2,128	1,989	1,469	662	550	659	497	525	447	472	575	465	477	550	478	441
14 Months	743	743	748	613	650	435	194	187	184	124	151	154	144	197	141	168	162	155	118
15 Months	644	566	592	648	379	404	136	84	152	146	216	134	52	137	109	81	156	156	92
16 Months	971	940	814	647	814	553	190	164	223	169	125	130	233	214	169	198	211	146	196
17 Months	346	311	283	152	115	54	64	60	65	37	27	23	35	18	37	25	16	13	25
18 Months	175	229	166	30	17	12	40	34	19	9		2	1	7	6	3	2	4	6
19 Months	40	102	95	14	3	1	14	7	9	4	1			1	1	1			
20 Months	14	48	48	4	2	6	6	5		3	1		1	1			1	3	2
21 Months	4	16	25	4	2	1	2	1	1	2	1		2						1
22-30 Months	19	24	53	14	6	2	15	5	5	2	3	4	3		2	1		1	1
> 30 Months	1	3	4	2	1	1	1	3	1	1			1					1	

### ISA: United States of America

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Delay	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Total	23,968	28,658	52,456	17,308	15,368	9,596	20,796	9,270	5,184	4,080	4,068	3,976	3,749	3,812	4,158	3,649	3,666	3,554	2,376
14 Months	1,055	900	3,590	8,757	7,950	3,243	1,059	1,590	2,265	2,048	2,262	2,182	1,560	1,984	2,213	2,193	1,513	1,381	349
15 Months	289	130	4,757	2,663	3,402	3,009	1,453	2,734	1,115	580	464	504	1,014	846	947	595	1,251	1,145	613
16 Months	729	243	3,880	1,466	1,360	1,369	1,676	840	407	306	443	310	388	285	390	297	330	321	718
17 Months	1,358	639	3,649	970	969	963	1,402	419	310	220	221	219	252	281	222	214	283	318	362
18 Months	1,573	1,219	3,530	667	514	380	1,157	301	207	188	118								

**Figure 7: Demand for International Preliminary Examination (IPE) by International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs)**



Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Counts are based on the date of filing of the Chapter II demand.

**Demand for International Preliminary Examination (IPE) by International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs)**

**Number of demand by IPEA**

IPEA	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Year / Quarter						to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Total	21,637	19,489	18,118	15,254	13,875	10,165	4,446	4,556	4,011	3,768	3,703	3,772	3,458	3,537	3,512	3,368	3,434	3,343	3,388
Australia	970	872	865	789	745	604	220	200	193	194	214	188	180	221	170	174	206	190	208
Austria	114	100	103	68	36	9	21	23	27	7	11	23	15	7	9	5	2	4	3
Brazil					7	18							1	3	1	2	8	2	8
Canada	431	413	480	290	271	182	122	108	83	80	75	52	57	75	66	73	67	60	55
China	364	384	416	303	359	312	106	82	89	83	67	64	65	95	108	91	81	106	125
European Patent Office	11,603	10,586	9,862	8,592	7,914	5,530	2,366	2,463	2,190	2,114	2,106	2,182	2,045	1,987	2,030	1,852	1,928	1,789	1,813
Finland	125	151	154	144	123	98	34	30	31	35	31	47	41	24	29	29	29	32	37
Japan	2,580	2,555	2,122	2,152	2,120	1,714	511	565	534	549	531	538	465	529	527	599	532	562	620
Nordic Patent Institute				26	40	29			6	6	2	12	11	7	9	13	8	11	10
Republic of Korea	598	511	358	340	271	172	101	83	79	84	98	79	69	70	73	59	59	53	60
Russian Federation	114	121	97	66	76	50	32	18	14	16	21	15	17	19	14	26	19	18	13
Spain	111	126	107	142	123	90	32	26	44	35	27	36	30	29	25	39	29	34	27
Sweden	686	666	620	468	353	269	137	143	129	104	103	132	100	81	82	90	71	98	100
United States of America	3,941	3,004	2,934	1,874	1,437	1,088	764	815	592	461	417	404	362	390	369	316	395	384	309

**Distribution of IPE demand by IPEA (%)**

IPEA	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Year / Quarter						to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Australia	4.5	4.5	4.8	5.2	5.4	5.9	4.9	4.4	4.8	5.1	5.8	5.0	5.2	6.2	4.8	5.2	6.0	5.7	6.1
Austria	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Brazil					0.1	0.2							0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2
Canada	2.0	2.1	2.6	1.9	2.0	1.8	2.7	2.4	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.4	1.6	2.1	1.9	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.6
China	1.7	2.0	2.3	2.0	2.6	3.1	2.4	1.8	2.2	2.2	1.8	1.7	1.9	2.7	3.1	2.7	2.4	3.2	3.7
European Patent Office	53.6	54.3	54.4	56.3	57.0	54.4	53.2	54.1	54.6	56.1	56.9	57.8	59.1	56.2	57.8	55.0	56.1	53.5	53.5
Finland	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.2	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8	1.0	1.1
Japan	11.9	13.1	11.7	14.1	15.3	16.9	11.5	12.4	13.3	14.6	14.3	14.3	14.3	15.0	15.0	17.8	15.5	16.8	18.3
Nordic Patent Institute				0.2	0.3	0.3			0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3
Republic of Korea	2.8	2.6	2.0	2.2	2.0	1.7	2.3	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.6	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.1	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.8
Russian Federation	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.4
Spain	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.6	1.1	0.9	0.7	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	1.2	0.8	1.0	0.8
Sweden	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.1	2.5	2.6	3.1	3.1	3.2	2.8	2.8	3.5	2.9	2.3	2.3	2.7	2.1	2.9	3.0
United States of America	18.2	15.4	16.2	12.3	10.4	10.7	17.2	17.9	14.8	12.2	11.3	10.7	10.5	11.0	10.5	9.4	11.5	11.5	9.1

Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

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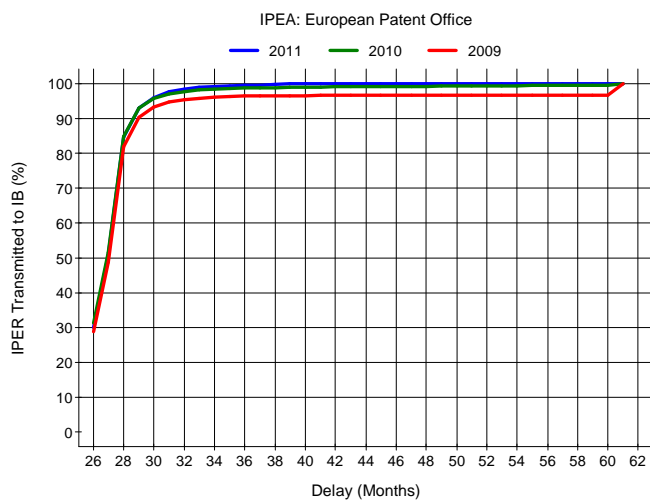
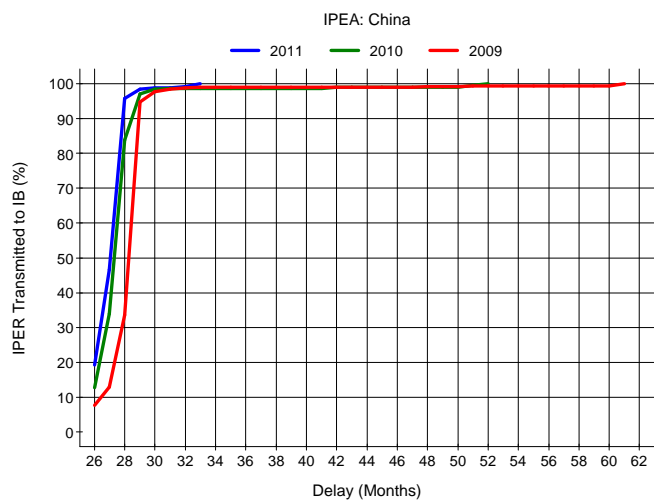
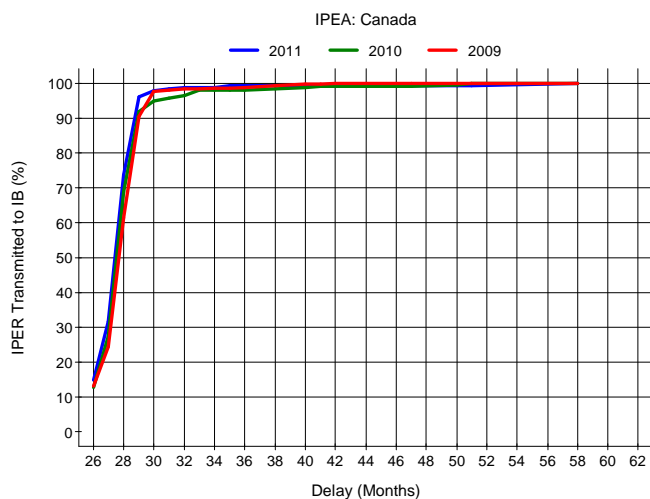
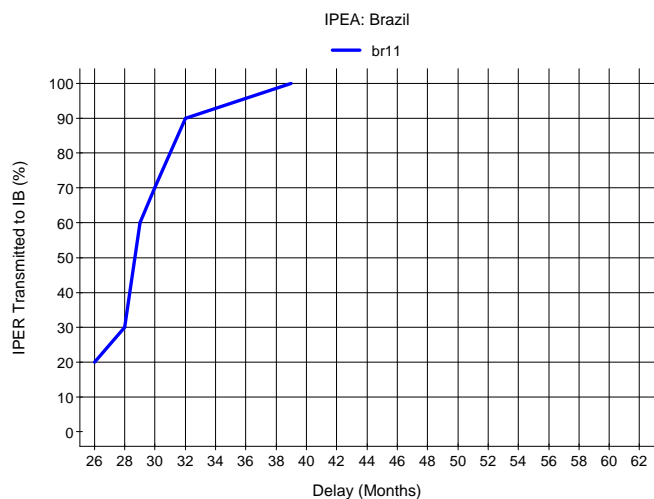
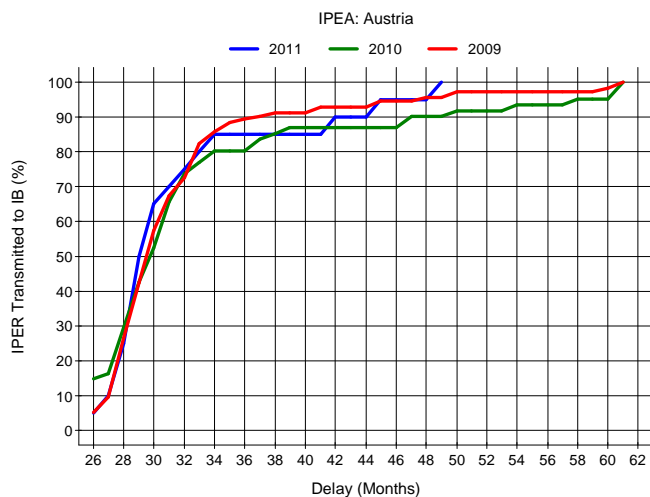
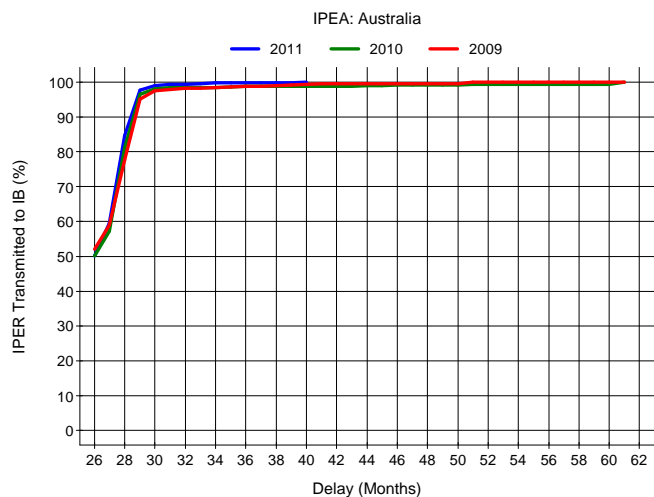
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Year / Quarter	-	-	to date	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	
Total	24	41	24	6	3	10	5	10	13	8	10	9	7	8	
Austria			1											1	
European Patent Office			3								1	2	1	3	
Nordic Patent Institute			1							1					
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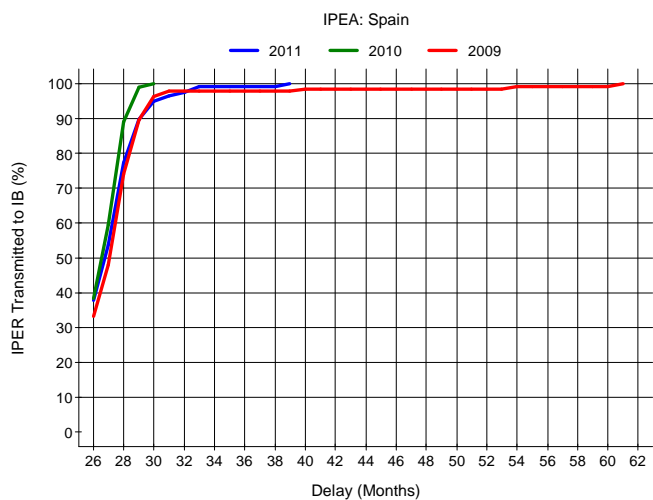
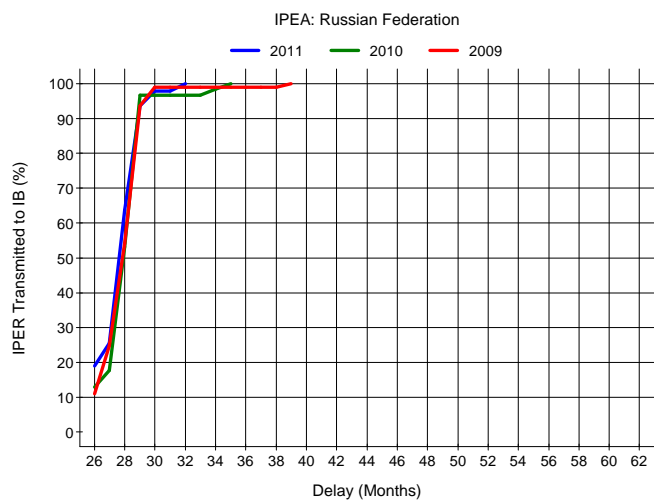
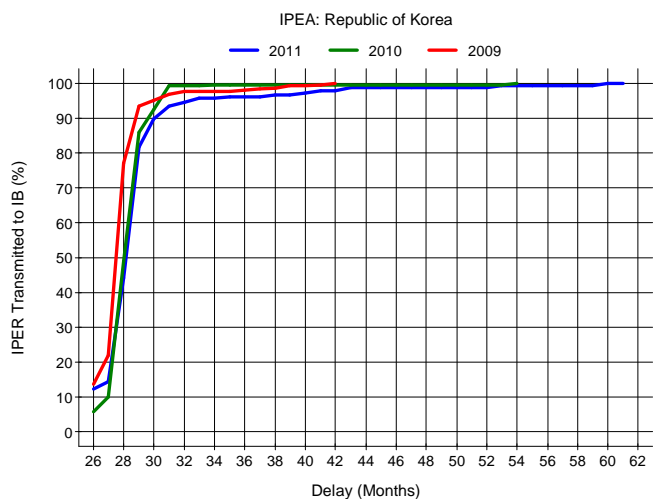
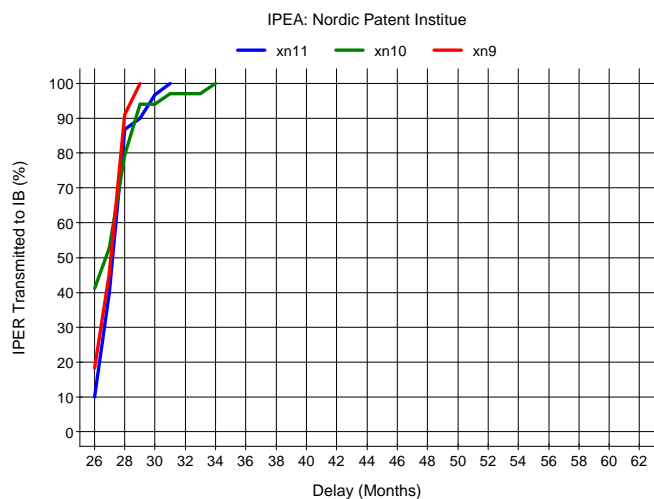
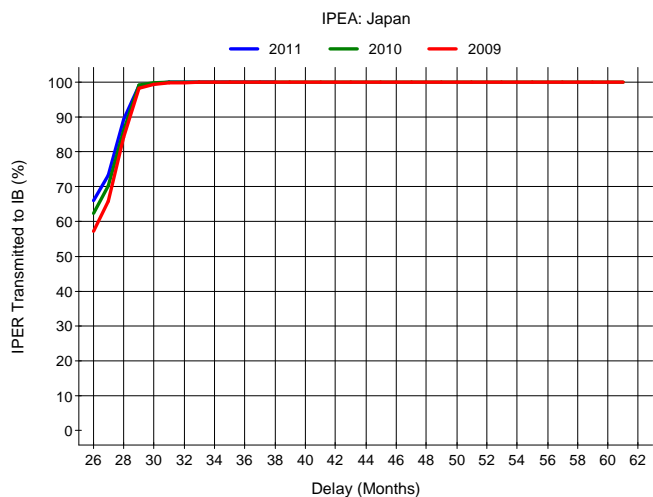
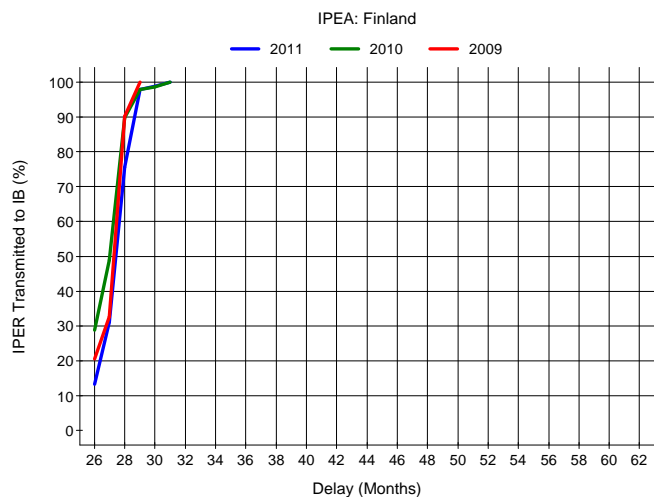
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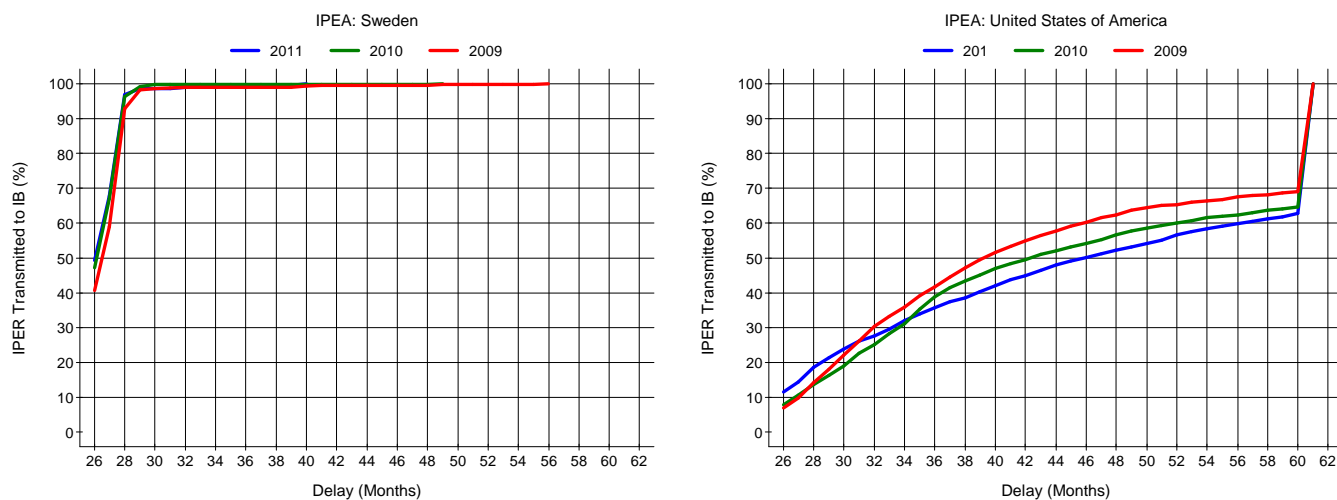
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**Timeliness of International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs) to transmit International Preliminary Examination Reports (IPERs) to the International Bureau**

**IPEA: Australia**

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	1,024	1,016	826	725	851	533	247	203	192	187	188	158	210	222	226	193	183	153	197	
26 Months	613	569	510	377	427	267	147	125	94	106	102	75	93	121	119	94	91	74	102	
27 Months	61	63	40	50	61	50	14	7	13	13	15	9	14	12	19	16	17	14	19	
28 Months	193	210	168	136	203	134	57	51	41	27	33	35	45	43	61	54	47	41	46	
29 Months	121	132	80	127	131	70	20	16	33	32	31	31	48	42	22	19	22	23	25	
30 Months	10	13	13	16	12	7	3	1	6	3	4	3	7	2	2	1	2		5	
31 Months	10	4	3	4	4	2		1		1	2	1	1	2	1		2			
32 Months			2	2			2			1		1								
> 32 Months	16	25	10	13	13	3	4	2	5	4	1	3	2		2	9	2	1		

**IPEA: Austria**

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	139	131	100	113	61	20	35	12	33	37	28	15	15	16	6	24	10	6	4	
26 Months	20	14	10	6	9	1	3	2	2	1	3		4	2	2	1	1			
27 Months	8	10	6	5	1	1	4	1	3	1						1	1			
28 Months	20	4	12	19	8	3	6	1	5	6	6	2	4	3	1			2	1	
29 Months	26	20	10	18	8	5	3		3	7	2	6		3		5	5			
30 Months	12	22	14	17	6	3	2	4	10	2	3	2	3	1		2	1	1	1	
31 Months	11	10	10	11	8	1	2		1	4	4	2	1	4	1	2		1		
32 Months	5	5	10	6	5	1	4	1	1	1	1	3				5			1	
> 32 Months	37	46	28	31	16	5	11	4	10	13	8		3	3	2	8	2	2	1	

**IPEA: Brazil**

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total						10	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	
26 Months						2													1	1
28 Months						1														1
29 Months						3												1	2	
30 Months						1														1
32 Months						2												2		
> 32 Months						1														1

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### IPEA: Canada

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	424	462	419	427	258	183	121	118	117	125	91	94	73	52	56	77	75	66	42
26 Months	40	34	36	56	33	27	12	10	12	17	14	13	7	6	7	13	10	11	6
27 Months	44	39	48	48	38	31	15	15	12	10	16	10	9	7	9	13	12	9	10
28 Months	124	146	151	158	107	77	54	39	41	48	30	39	36	21	25	25	37	25	15
29 Months	184	224	161	125	59	41	34	49	36	33	29	27	15	14	11	19	14	18	9
30 Months	26	11	15	30	8	3	4	5	16	8	2	4	3	1	2	1	1	1	1
31 Months	5	3	5	2	2	1	1								1				1
32 Months		2		1	2	1				1					1	1			1
> 32 Months	1	3	3	7	9	2	1			6			1	2	2		5		1

### IPEA: China

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	325	363	396	425	394	255	102	90	138	108	99	80	148	67	79	100	99	72	84
26 Months	102	70	53	33	50	49	18	10	10	9	10	4	23	5	10	12	10	15	24
27 Months	14	16	25	22	84	70	9	5	9	3	9	1	28	24	13	19	27	13	30
28 Months	49	44	68	88	196	125	15	15	27	23	22	16	47	37	53	59	56	40	29
29 Months	117	189	219	260	53	7	50	57	82	67	57	54	47	1	2	3	4	3	
30 Months	36	39	22	12	5	1	9	2	5	2		5	1		1	3			1
31 Months	2	2	5	3	1		1	1	3				1						
32 Months				2	1	1				1									1
> 32 Months	5	3	4	5	5	2			1	3	1		1				4	1	1

### IPEA: European Patent Office

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	12,805	11,245	10,855	9,587	8,266	5,788	2,537	2,570	2,822	2,352	2,263	2,150	2,136	2,134	2,062	1,934	2,019	1,827	1,942
26 Months	4,946	3,604	2,903	2,763	2,585	1,736	717	633	704	709	687	663	636	699	669	581	551	621	564
27 Months	1,932	1,841	1,867	1,905	1,687	1,212	489	450	516	463	481	445	430	431	454	372	430	380	402
28 Months	2,999	3,491	3,750	3,191	2,737	1,956	907	861	964	740	742	745	758	678	661	640	734	578	644
29 Months	1,373	1,189	968	804	680	484	206	225	252	205	191	156	192	193	130	165	160	129	195
30 Months	549	448	338	280	231	170	90	76	100	62	68	50	53	59	66	53	55	44	71
31 Months	273	195	158	142	106	98	42	39	30	45	31	36	21	27	27	31	39	31	28
32 Months	167	120	80	62	51	46	17	22	20	13	14	15	13	14	15	9	19	12	15
> 32 Months	566	357	791	440	189	86	69	264	236	115	49	40	33	33	40	83	31	32	23

### IPEA: Finland

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	51	138	184	132	139	90	31	52	27	32	41	32	44	39	26	30	27	24	39
26 Months	11	23	12	27	40	12	2	10	3	8	6	10	17	11	2	10	6	2	4
27 Months	21	29	21	16	28	16	6	4	1	3	9	3	10	6	7	5	5	3	8
28 Months	19	76	121	76	57	40	17	33	22	19	22	13	15	19	15	8	8	13	19
29 Months		8	28	13	11	20	5	5	1	2	4	6	2	3	2	4	8	6	6
30 Months		1	1		1	1	1										1		1
31 Months					2	1											2		1
> 32 Months		1	1																

### IPEA: Japan

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	2,754	2,720	2,376	2,175	1,905	1,627	612	556	491	565	479	640	470	555	442	438	568	530	529
26 Months	1,520	1,421	1,305	1,246	1,188	1,075	308	316	282	330	268	366	286	344	271	287	394	345	336
27 Months	249	289	202	187	152	118	43	51	34	68	37	48	51	42	31	28	34	50	34
28 Months	487	483	448	398	302	258	138	101	86	93	89	130	65	94	79	64	77	80	101
29 Months	405	441	355	308	248	162	112	75	82	57	80	89	65	74	56	53	60	49	53
30 Months	61	52	43	25	11	9	9	7	5	11	4	5	2	1	4	4	2	3	4
31 Months	18	7	9	7	2	3	2	5	2	3	1	1	1				1	1	1
32 Months	1	2																	
> 32 Months	13	25	14	4	2	2		1		3		1				2			2

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### IPEA: Nordic Patent Institute

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
26 Months				2	14	3			1	7	3	7	11	6	10	11	8	11	
27 Months				3	4	9					3	1	3	1			3	2	4
28 Months				5	9	14					3	2	2	1	2	4	6	5	3
29 Months				1	5	1					1		1						1
30 Months						2											1		1
31 Months					1	1							1					1	
> 32 Months					1									1					

### IPEA: Republic of Korea

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	669	598	476	368	308	186	151	102	107	87	85	89	102	80	74	52	66	64	56
26 Months	114	80	81	50	18	23	12	23	20	12	6	12	6	6	4	2	10	9	4
27 Months	60	36	33	31	13	4	13	6	14	7	6	4	10	2	1		2	1	1
28 Months	252	401	309	203	120	55	109	61	55	52	45	51	45	27	29	19	15	17	23
29 Months	179	66	37	60	114	70	10	9	9	13	22	16	35	34	22	23	26	28	16
30 Months	11	8	8	6	20	15	3	3	1	2	1	2	3	5	6	6	9	2	4
31 Months	3	1	4	7	21	7	3			1	2	4	3	5	12	1	2	2	3
32 Months	5	2	2	2	2	2	1				2								2
> 32 Months	45	4	2	9	2	10			8		1			1		1	2	3	5

### IPEA: Russian Federation

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	123	105	90	109	62	47	30	14	33	25	26	25	15	11	14	22	16	19	12
26 Months	46	26	13	12	8	9	6	1	4	2	4	2	2	2	3	1	4	4	1
27 Months	4	5	11	15	3	3	4	1	7	3	2	3	1	1		1	1	2	
28 Months	23	19	22	32	22	18	6	2	4	8	12	8	7	5	4	6	3	10	5
29 Months	39	49	31	43	27	14	12	7	16	8	8	11	5	3	6	13	7	2	5
30 Months	1	6	10	6		2	1	2	2	3		1					1		1
31 Months	5																		
32 Months						1													1
> 32 Months	5		3	1	2		1	1		1					1	1			

### IPEA: Spain

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	132	126	117	135	109	119	17	37	21	49	25	40	41	25	24	19	47	33	39
26 Months	56	58	49	45	42	45	5	14	11	18	7	9	21	11	6	4	18	14	13
27 Months	14	13	22	20	23	19	6	6	2	6	4	8	3	4	9	7	6	7	6
28 Months	23	29	25	35	32	28	4	6	6	6	7	16	13	7	8	4	11	5	12
29 Months	19	14	11	21	11	15	2	4	2	8	7	4	4	3		4	6	4	5
30 Months	3		1	9	1	6			1	7		2			1		3	1	2
31 Months	4	1		2		2				1		1					2		
32 Months						1													1
> 32 Months	13	11	9	3		3		7		3							1	1	1

### IPEA: Sweden

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	827	714	724	523	409	229	153	181	157	140	115	111	101	129	87	92	96	65	68
26 Months	297	280	274	213	193	113	51	88	60	59	43	51	52	54	30	57	47	33	33
27 Months	121	94	104	95	81	42	30	17	22	20	30	23	21	26	16	18	22	13	7
28 Months	322	234	253	178	120	67	51	65	58	50	41	29	24	45	40	11	26	16	25
29 Months	65	70	66	28	12	4	14	5	14	6	1	7	4	3	1	4	1	2	1
30 Months	9	15	12	2	2		4		1			1				1			
31 Months		4	4	1			3			1									
32 Months	2	1	1	1		1		1		1									1
> 32 Months	11	16	10	5	1	2		5	2	3						1			2

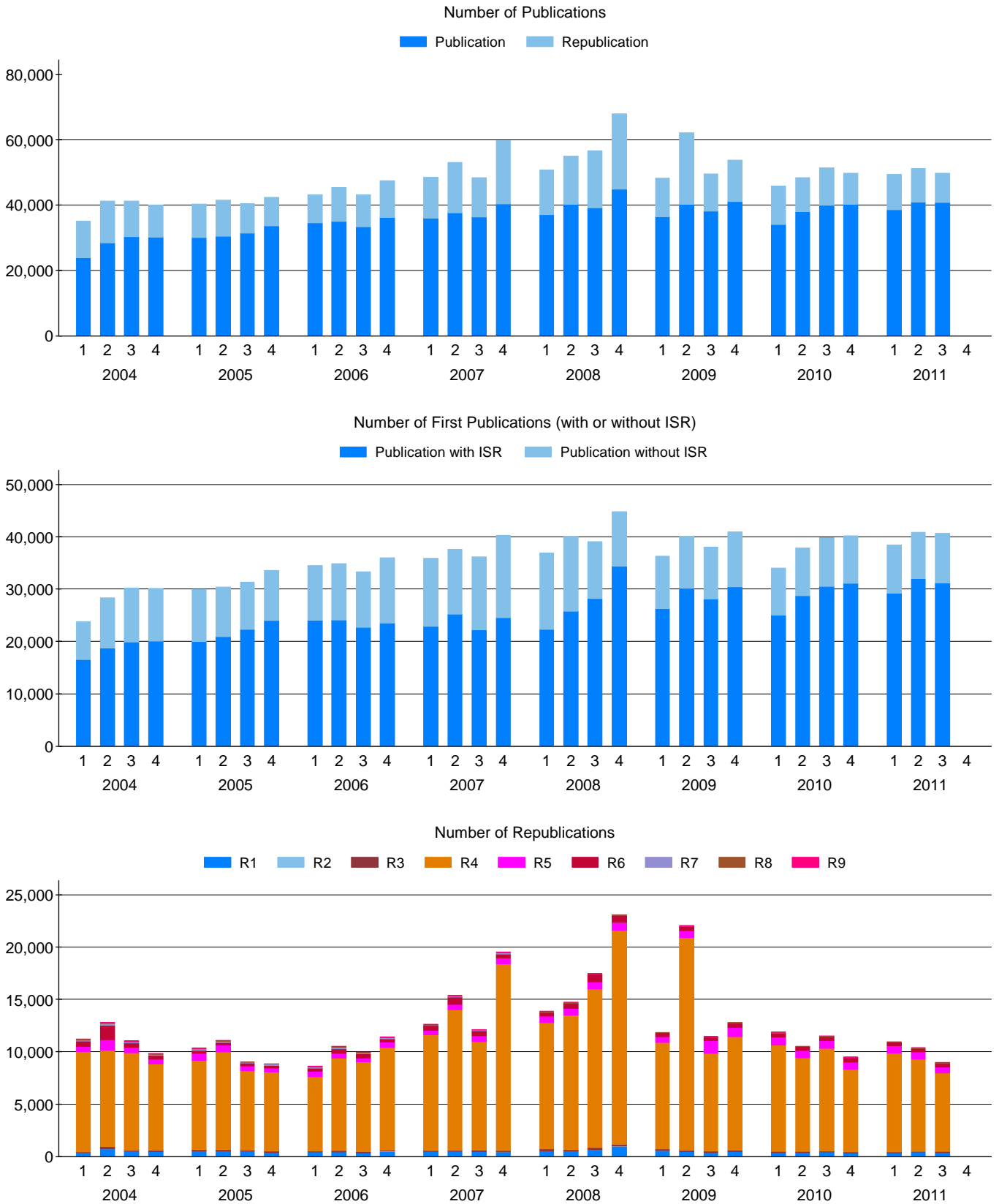
### IPEA: United States of America

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 to date	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
Total	7,020	5,195	2,183	2,151	2,881	2,427	534	820	728	544	368	511	755	724	725	677	812	963	652
26 Months	957	506	183	148	228	281	24	114	62	16	23	47	44	68	67	49	97	100	84
27 Months	242	152	65	63	81	71	13	30	32	13	10	8	10	17	32	22	22	22	27
28 Months	248	183	77	95	82	102	19	39	39	20	19	17	22	18	30	12	49	27	26
29 Months	264	187	88	84	81	66	12	54	41	15	16	12	18	14	26	23	30	22	14
30 Months	245	156	72	88	75	61	9	44	34	20	27	7	16	23	21	15	21	27	13
31 Months	253	184	91	83	105	52	13	51	29	22	12	20	26	21	27	31	18	26	8
32 Months	301	167	81	91	71	38	10	39	30	32	20	9	19	9	29	14	17	13	8
> 32 Months	4,510	3,660	1,526	1,499	2,158	1,756	434	449	461	406	241	391	600	554	493	511	558	726	472

Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Delay is calculated as the time difference between the priority date and the date on which the International Bureau received a copy of the IPER from IPEA.

**Figure 9: Publication and Republication of PCT applications by the International Bureau**



Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Publication (replication) counts are based on the date of publication (replication) of the PCT application by the International Bureau. ISR (International Search Report).

## Number of Applications Published and Republished by the International Bureau (IB)

### Number of PCT Applications Published by the International Bureau

Publication code / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	
<b>Total</b>	<b>138,738</b>	<b>150,074</b>	<b>161,029</b>	<b>155,515</b>	<b>151,898</b>	<b>120,054</b>	<b>39,070</b>	<b>44,816</b>	<b>36,334</b>	<b>40,127</b>	<b>38,075</b>	<b>40,979</b>	<b>34,033</b>	<b>37,866</b>	<b>39,812</b>	<b>40,187</b>	<b>38,424</b>	<b>40,900</b>	<b>40,730</b>	
A1: Published with International Search Report	94,245	94,718	110,504	114,973	115,319	92,361	28,137	34,334	26,332	30,140	28,076	30,425	25,025	28,738	30,462	31,094	29,210	32,035	31,116	
A2: Published without International Search Report	44,493	55,356	50,525	40,542	36,579	27,693	10,933	10,482	10,002	9,987	9,999	10,554	9,008	9,128	9,350	9,093	9,214	8,865	9,614	

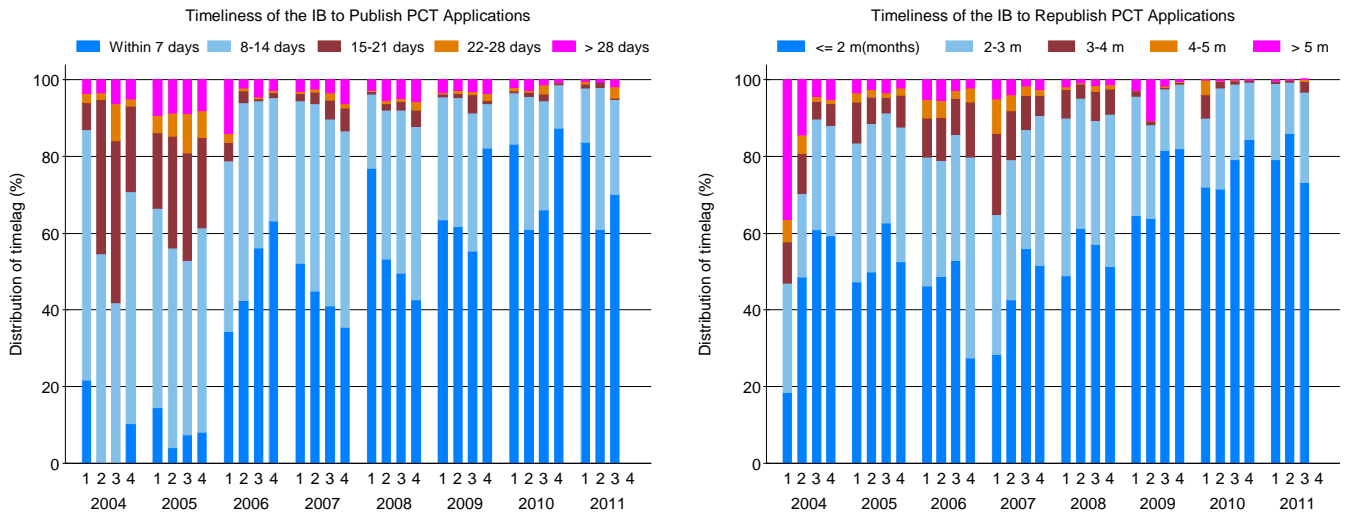
### Number of PCT Applications Republished by the International Bureau

Publication code / Year / Quarter	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	
<b>Total</b>	<b>40,320</b>	<b>59,539</b>	<b>69,067</b>	<b>58,082</b>	<b>43,321</b>	<b>30,247</b>	<b>17,439</b>	<b>23,077</b>	<b>11,821</b>	<b>22,030</b>	<b>11,427</b>	<b>12,804</b>	<b>11,862</b>	<b>10,540</b>	<b>11,464</b>	<b>9,455</b>	<b>10,947</b>	<b>10,371</b>	<b>8,929</b>	
R1 - Late Publication of Article 19 Amendment	1,568	1,767	2,591	1,775	1,413	1,069	647	935	530	435	364	446	350	364	389	310	321	387	361	
R2 - Supplementary ISR	1	5	24	2			7	12	2											
R3 - Revised ISR	548	496	640	531	361	243	153	209	165	134	113	119	91	92	99	79	86	74	83	
R4 - Late Publication of ISR	34,285	52,677	60,560	50,684	36,865	25,802	15,179	20,439	10,150	20,321	9,358	10,855	10,177	8,973	9,819	7,896	9,470	8,806	7,526	
R5 - Correction of an Entry in Section I	1,856	2,074	2,723	3,320	2,923	1,962	665	745	553	686	1,198	883	760	702	763	698	691	690	581	
R6 - Corrected Pamphlet	1,462	1,947	2,249	1,538	1,495	1,013	748	673	388	389	345	416	370	360	340	425	329	365	319	
R7 - Corrected Version of a Pamphlet Front Page	447	415	5																	
R8 - Later Publication Of A Declaration Under Article 17(2)(A)	146	145	271	229	254	154	39	63	33	63	48	85	113	49	51	41	50	48	56	
R9 - Revised Version of ISR Translation	7	13	4	3	10	4	1	1		2	1		1		3	6		1	3	

Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: Publication (republishing) counts are based on the date of publication (republishing) of the PCT application by the International Bureau. ISR (International Search Report).

**Figure 10: Timeliness of the International Bureau to Publish and Republish PCT Applications**



Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Publication delay is calculated as the time difference between the theoretical publication date (18 months from the priority date) and the actual publication date. Republication delay is calculated as the time difference between the date of the receipt of ISR at the IB and the date of republication by the International Bureau. ISR (International Search Report).

### Timeliness of the International Bureau to Publish PCT Applications

#### Number of PCT applications published by the IB, by delay

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Total	138,738	150,074	161,029	155,515	151,898	120,054	39,070	44,816	36,334	40,127	38,075	40,979	34,033	37,866	39,812	40,187	38,424	40,900	40,730
Within 7 days	68,077	64,680	88,215	102,468	112,768	85,663	19,368	19,071	23,072	24,719	21,026	33,651	28,297	23,085	26,294	35,092	32,160	24,946	28,557
Between 8 - 14 days	57,555	71,904	59,579	43,606	33,428	30,552	16,587	20,299	11,614	13,489	13,728	4,775	4,527	13,101	11,302	4,498	5,377	15,120	10,055
Between 15 - 21 days	3,470	5,944	3,698	2,825	1,576	1,068	848	1,875	229	437	1,791	368	181	436	711	248	398	517	153
Between 22 - 28 days	1,392	1,680	1,839	1,604	1,540	1,461	357	1,002	221	391	321	671	336	203	933	68	255	59	1,147
More than 28 days	8,244	5,866	7,698	5,012	2,586	1,310	1,910	2,569	1,198	1,091	1,209	1,514	692	1,041	572	281	234	258	818

#### Distribution of the PCT applications published by the IB, by delay (%)

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Within 7 days	49.1	43.1	54.8	65.9	74.2	71.4	49.6	42.6	63.5	61.6	55.2	82.1	83.1	61.0	66.0	87.3	83.7	61.0	70.1
Between 8 - 14 days	41.5	47.9	37.0	28.0	22.0	25.4	42.5	45.3	32.0	33.6	36.1	11.7	13.3	34.6	28.4	11.2	14.0	37.0	24.7
Between 15 - 21 days	2.5	4.0	2.3	1.8	1.0	0.9	2.2	4.2	0.6	1.1	4.7	0.9	0.5	1.2	1.8	0.6	1.0	1.3	0.4
Between 22 - 28 days	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.2	0.9	2.2	0.6	1.0	0.8	1.6	1.0	0.5	2.3	0.2	0.7	0.1	2.8
More than 28 days	5.9	3.9	4.8	3.2	1.7	1.1	4.9	5.7	3.3	2.7	3.2	3.7	2.0	2.7	1.4	0.7	0.6	0.6	2.0

Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Delay is calculated as the time difference between the theoretical publication date (18 months from the priority date) and the actual publication date.

### Timeliness of the International Bureau to Republish PCT Applications with International Search Report (ISR)

#### Number of PCT applications republished by the IB with ISR, by delay

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Total	34,285	52,677	60,559	50,684	36,865	25,802	15,178	20,439	10,150	20,321	9,358	10,855	10,177	8,973	9,819	7,896	9,470	8,806	7,526
Within 2 months	14,780	23,846	32,894	36,031	28,139	20,557	8,652	10,471	6,543	12,956	7,638	8,894	7,321	6,403	7,759	6,656	7,484	7,565	5,508
Between 2 - 3 months	13,002	19,093	22,330	11,429	7,311	4,830	4,901	8,107	3,160	4,961	1,485	1,823	1,826	2,367	1,933	1,185	1,884	1,178	1,768
Between 3 - 4 months	3,921	5,922	3,885	453	904	310	1,159	1,356	139	219	41	54	613	161	94	36	63	40	207
Between 4 - 5 months	1,256	2,047	589	100	429	61	226	229	33	24	24	19	402	10	9	8	9	12	40
More than 5 months	1,326	1,769	861	2,671	82	44	240	276	275	2,161	170	65	15	32	24	11	30	11	3

#### Distribution of IB republication with ISR, by delay (%)

Year / Quarter / Delay	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011	2011
	-	-	-	-	-	to date	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
Within 2 months	43.1	45.3	54.3	71.1	76.3	79.7	57.0	51.2	64.5	63.8	81.6	81.9	71.9	71.4	79.0	84.3	79.0	85.9	73.2
Between 2 - 3 months	37.9	36.2	36.9	22.5	19.8	18.7	32.3	39.7	31.1	24.4	15.9	16.8	17.9	26.4	19.7	15.0	19.9	13.4	23.5
Between 3 - 4 months	11.4	11.2	6.4	0.9	2.5	1.2	7.6	6.6	1.4	1.1	0.4	0.5	6.0	1.8	1.0	0.5	0.7	0.5	2.8
Between 4 - 5 months	3.7	3.9	1.0	0.2	1.2	0.2	1.5	1.1	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2	4.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.5
More than 5 months	3.9	3.4	1.4	5.3	0.2	0.2	1.6	1.4	2.7	10.6	1.8	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.0

Source: WIPO Statistics Database, January 2012

Note: 2011 data are provisional and incomplete. Delay is calculated as the time difference between the date of receipt of ISR at the IB and the date of republication by the IB.

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