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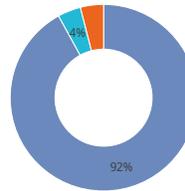
Statistics for applicants residing in this country

Patent applications; global rank	25	↑31.6%	112 th
Resident applications	23	↑35.3%	
Abroad applications; global rank	2	→0%	140 th
Regional rank and share	Africa - 15 th		0.5%
	West Africa - 2 nd		14.4%
Resident applications per million inhabitants; global rank	0.7		104 th
Resident applications per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	10.7		99 th
Utility model applications; global rank	1		105 th
PCT international applications; global rank			
PCT applications per million inhabitants; global rank			
PCT publications relating to renewable energy (2022-2024)			
Share of university applications (2022-2024)			
Share of women inventors (2022-2024)			
PCT national phase entries; global rank	1		121 st
Share of abroad applications using the PCT System		50%	
PCT top applicants (2022-2024)			

Patent applications



Top technical fields; share



Top foreign destinations; share



Statistics for the IP office

Total applications; global rank		
Resident; share		
Non-resident; share		
Patent Grants		
Patents in force; global rank		
National IP office - applications per examiner		
National IP office - grant delay in months		
Filings via regional office - resident	African Intellectual Property Organization	23
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Intellectual Property Organization	458

Country of origin of non-resident applications; share

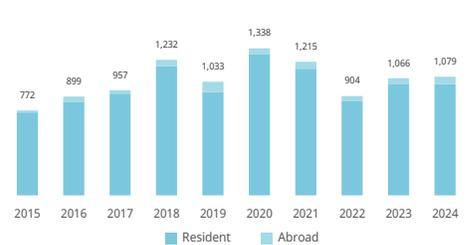
Cameroon	79	17.2%
United States of America	60	13.1%
France	45	9.8%
China	26	5.7%
Russian Federation	24	5.2%

Trademark

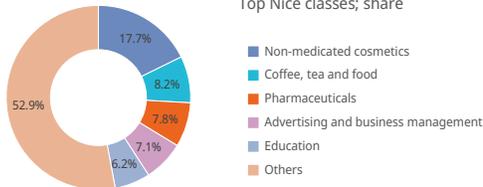
Statistics for applicants residing in this country [1]

Trademark filings; global rank	1,079	↑1.2%	119 th
Resident filings	1,013	↑0.3%	
Abroad filings; global rank	66	↑17.9%	149 th
Regional rank and share	Africa - 16 th		0.9%
	West Africa - 1 st		18.1%
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank	31.7		114 th
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	471		120 th
Madrid international applications; global rank			
Madrid applications per million inhabitants; global rank			
Abroad filings via the Madrid System			
Share of abroad filings using the Madrid System			
Madrid top applicants (2022-2024)			

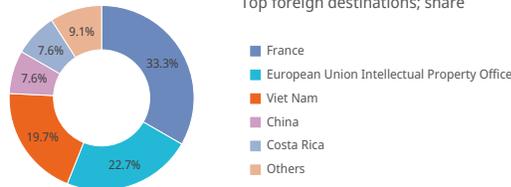
Trademark class count in applications



Top Nice classes; share



Top foreign destinations; share



Statistics for the IP office [1]

Total filings; global rank		
Resident; share		
Non-resident; share		
Number of Classes Specified in Trademark Registrations		
Trademarks in force; global rank		
National IP office - applications per examiner		
National IP office - registration delay in days		
Filings via regional office - resident	African Intellectual Property Organization	1,013
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Intellectual Property Organization	11,780

Country of origin of non-resident filings; share

China	1,711	14.5%
France	1,123	9.5%
Cameroon	706	6%
United States of America	625	5.3%
Senegal	603	5.1%

Industrial design

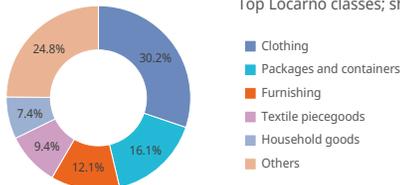
Statistics for applicants residing in this country [2]

Designs in applications; global rank	149	↓9.7%	80 th
Resident filings	142	↓13.9%	
Abroad filings; global rank	7		107 th
Regional rank and share	Africa – 8 th		1.6%
	West Africa – 2 nd		22.2%
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank	4.4		85 th
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank	66.0		72 nd
Hague international filings; global rank			
Abroad filings via the Hague System			
Share of abroad filings using the Hague System			
Hague top applicants (2022-2024)			

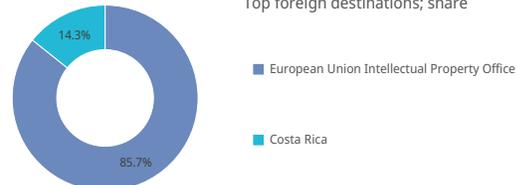
Design count in applications



Top Locarno classes; share



Top foreign destinations; share



Statistics for the IP office [2]

Total filings; global rank		Country of origin of non-resident filings; share		
Resident; share		United Arab Emirates	105	11.2%
Non-resident; share		Germany	104	11.1%
Number of Designs in Industrial Design Registrations		Guinea	91	9.7%
Industrial designs in force; global rank		China	74	7.9%
National IP office - applications per examiner		Italy	58	6.2%
National IP office - registration delay in days				
Filings via regional office - resident	African Intellectual Property Organization		142	
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Intellectual Property Organization		940	

Geographical indications

Geographical Indications in force by product category				Geographical Indications in force by legal means			
Agricultural products and foodstuffs	11	73.3%		Agreements	2	13.3%	
Handicrafts	2	13.3%		Sui generis	13	86.7%	
Wines and spirits	2	13.3%					

Plant variety

Plant variety applications filed by applicants residing in this country				Plant variety in force			
Resident			1	National			0
Abroad			0	African Intellectual Property Organization			17
Regional		African Intellectual Property Organization	1				

Note

- (1) For trademarks, filings refer to the number of classes specified in applications.
- (2) For industrial designs, filings refer to number of designs contained in applications.
- (3) Statistics are produced regardless of whether the home office of the applicants supplied statistics or not. An asterisk symbol indicates that the home IP office did not supply statistics.
- (4) Statistics relating to "technical fields" are extracted from the Patstat database and are based on the publication date.
- (5) The indicator "resident applications per million population" is available for countries with a population greater than one million. The "indicator per GDP" is available for countries whose total GDP exceeds 10 billion US Dollar.
- (6) Percentage with a plus or minus symbol indicates the percentage change from the previous year.
- (7) Both national and regional data are used to establish the list of countries relating to non-resident filings.

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