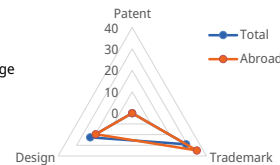




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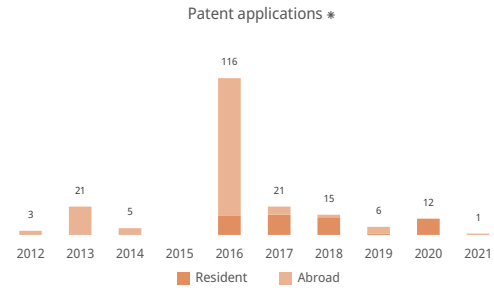
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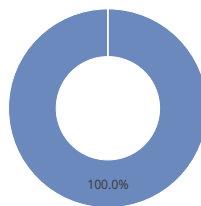
Patent

Patent applications filed by applicants residing in this country

Patent applications; global rank *	1	164
Resident applications *		
Abroad applications; global rank	1	157
Regional average; regional rank and share	159 (Africa)	37 (0.0%)
	126 (West Africa)	11 (0.0%)
Resident applications per million inhabitants; global rank		
Resident applications per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank		
Utility model applications; global rank	1	105
PCT international applications; global rank	1	114
PCT applications per million inhabitants; global rank		
PCT publications relating to renewable energy (2019-2021)		
Share of university applications (2019-2021)		
Share of women inventors (2019-2021)		
PCT national phase entries; global rank		
Share of abroad applications using the PCT System		
PCT top applicants (2019-2021)		



Top technical fields; share



Top foreign destinations; share

United States of America

National Intellectual Property Office - Patent statistics

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 Regional Intellectual Property Organization	0
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization	833

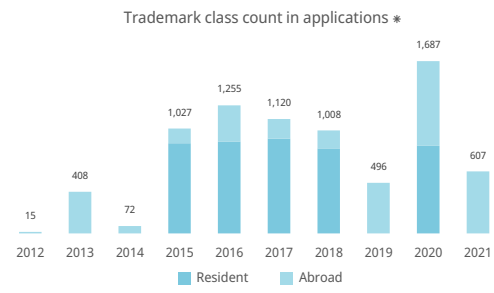
Country of origin of non-resident applications; share

United States of America	247	29.7%
India	50	6.0%
Germany	47	5.6%
United Kingdom	44	5.3%
South Africa	42	5.0%

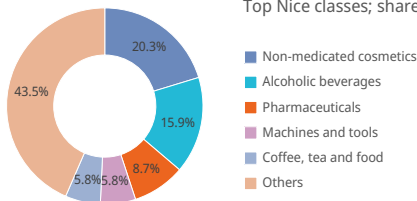
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Trademark class count in applications filed by applicants residing in this country

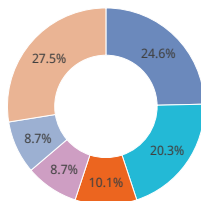
Trademark filings; global rank *	607	140
Resident filings *		
Abroad filings; global rank	607 (-26.8%)	128
Regional average; regional rank and share	5,738 (Africa)	29 (0.2%)
	4,193 (West Africa)	12 (0.9%)
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank		
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank		
Madrid international applications; global rank	1 (-66.7%)	107
Madrid applications per million inhabitants; global rank		
Abroad filings via the Madrid System	19 (-92.8%)	109
Share of abroad filings using the Madrid System		3.1%
Madrid top applicants (2019-2021)		
	Dirk Laeremans	2
	Timo Van Vooren	1
	Mass Industries Limited	1



Top Nice classes; share



Top foreign destinations; share



National Intellectual Property Office - Trademark statistics

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 Regional Intellectual Property Organization	6
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization	1,044

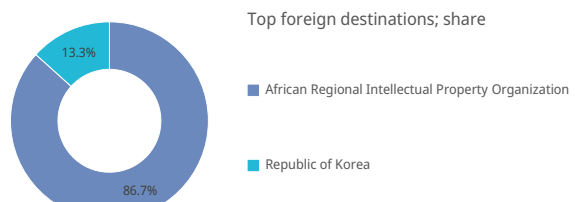
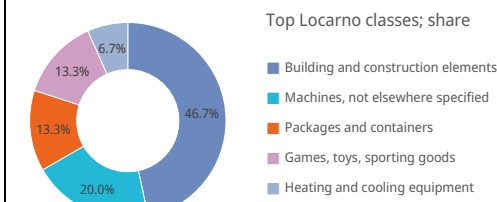
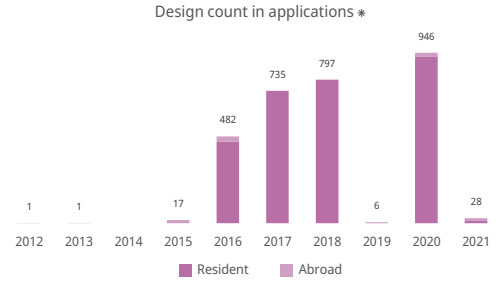
Country of origin of non-resident filings; share

Zimbabwe	304	29.1%
United States of America	95	9.1%
Mauritius	91	8.7%
South Africa	86	8.2%
Germany	50	4.8%

Industrial design

Industrial design count in applications filed by applicants residing in this country

Designs in applications; global rank *	28	117
Resident filings *	13	
Abroad filings; global rank	15 (-25.0%)	111
Regional average; regional rank and share	257 (Africa)	21 (0.2%)
	217 (West Africa)	9 (0.8%)
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank		
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank		
Hague international filings; global rank		
Abroad filings via the Hague System		
Share of abroad filings using the Hague System		
Hague top applicants (2019-2021)	Oladayo Matthew Faniran	1



National Intellectual Property Office - Design statistics

Total filings; global rank *		Country of origin of non-resident filings; share	
Resident; share		South Africa	18 25.0%
Non-resident; share		China	17 23.6%
Number of Designs in Industrial Design Registrations		India	8 11.1%
Industrial designs in force; global rank		Australia	5 6.9%
National IP office - applications per examiner		United Kingdom	5 6.9%
National IP office - registration delay in days			
Filings via regional office - resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization	13	
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization	72	

Geographical indications

Geographical indications in force by product category

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Geographical indications in force by legal means

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Plant variety

Plant variety applications filed by applicants residing in this country

Resident	
Abroad	
Regional	

Plant variety in force

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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) Shares of the top foreign destinations are based on absolute count of applications, that is, one application filed at a regional office is counted as one application only.
- (7) One application filed at the Eurasian Patent Organization, the African Intellectual Property Organization, the Benelux Office for Intellectual Property, the European Union Intellectual Property Office or the Patent Office of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf is multiplied by the corresponding number of member states. One application filed at the European Patent Office or the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization is counted as one application abroad if the applicant does not reside in a respective member state, or as one resident application and one application abroad if the applicant resides in a respective member state.
- (8) Percentage with a plus or minus symbol indicates the percentage change from the previous year.
- (9) Both national and regional data are used to establish the list of countries relating to non-resident filings.

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