

WIPO IP Statistics Data Center

Patent

Statistics for applicants residing in this country

Patent applications; global rank *	1	→0%	165 th
Resident applications *			
Abroad applications; global rank	1	→0%	147 th
Regional rank and share			Africa - 39 th 0%
			West Africa - 13 th 0.6%
Resident applications per million inhabitants; global rank			
Resident applications per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank			
Utility model applications; global rank			
PCT international applications; global rank			
PCT applications per million inhabitants; global rank			
PCT publications relating to renewable energy (2022-2024)			
Share of university applications (2022-2024)			
Share of women inventors (2022-2024)			
PCT national phase entries; global rank	1	→0%	121 st
Share of abroad applications using the PCT System		100%	
PCT top applicants (2022-2024)			
	Pek Automotive D.o.o		1

Patent applications *



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 Regional Intellectual Property Organization		0
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization		775

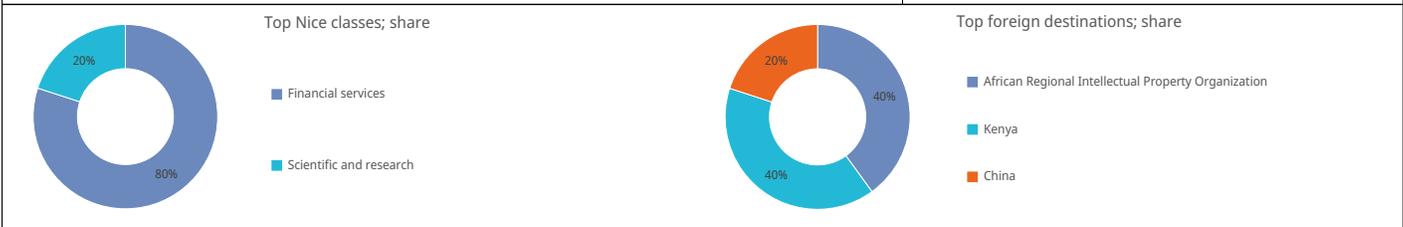
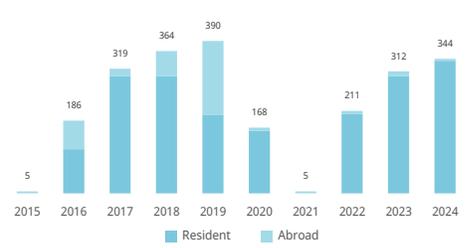
Country	Count	Share
United States of America	258	33.3%
United Kingdom	52	6.7%
South Africa	41	5.3%
India	39	5%
Finland	37	4.8%

Trademark

Statistics for applicants residing in this country [1]

Trademark filings; global rank	344	↑10.3%	140 th
Resident filings	339	↑13%	
Abroad filings; global rank	5	↓58.3%	187 th
Regional rank and share			Africa - 27 th 0.3%
			West Africa - 7 th 5.8%
Resident filings per million inhabitants; global rank			39.2
Resident filings per 100 billion USD GDP; global rank			1,266
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)			
	General Beverages (sl) Limited		1

Trademark class count in applications



Statistics for the IP office [1]

Total filings; global rank	1,915	↓8.6%	125 th
Resident; share	339	↑13%	17.7%
Non-resident; share	1,576	↓12.2%	82.3%
Number of Classes Specified in Trademark Registrations	2,181	↑12.1%	
Trademarks in force; global rank			
National IP office - applications per examiner			638.3
National IP office - registration delay in days			
Filings via regional office - resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization		2
Filings via regional office - non-resident	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization		1,309

Country	Count	Share
China	472	18.1%
Zimbabwe	361	13.8%
Switzerland	240	9.2%
United States of America	202	7.7%
South Africa	183	7%

Industrial design

Statistics for applicants residing in this country [2]

Designs in applications: global rank * Resident filings * Abroad filings: global rank 0 141 st Regional rank and share	<table border="1"> <caption>Design count in applications *</caption> <thead> <tr> <th>Year</th> <th>Resident</th> <th>Abroad</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>2015</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>2016</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>2017</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>2018</td><td>5</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>2019</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>2020</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>2021</td><td>4</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>2022</td><td>0</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>2023</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>2024</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Year	Resident	Abroad	2015	0	0	2016	0	0	2017	0	0	2018	5	0	2019	0	0	2020	0	0	2021	4	0	2022	0	1	2023	0	0	2024	0	0
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Geographical indications

Geographical Indications in force by product category	Geographical Indications in force by legal means

Plant variety

Plant variety applications filed by applicants residing in this country	Plant variety in force
Resident	National
Abroad	
Regional	

Note

- (1) For trademarks, filings refer to the number of classes specified in applications.
- (2) For industrial designs, filings refer to number of designs contained in applications.
- (3) Statistics are produced regardless of whether the home office of the applicants supplied statistics or not. An asterisk symbol indicates that the home IP office did not supply statistics.
- (4) Statistics relating to "technical fields" are extracted from the Patstat database and are based on the publication date.
- (5) The indicator "resident applications per million population" is available for countries with a 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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