

STATISTICS

2017 - 2018

Applications and Registrations

		Applications		Registrations	
		2017	2018	2017	2018
Trade Marks	Total (Classes)	50,035	51,698	37,030	41,204
	Local	10,570	11,512	8,595	8,526
	Foreign	39,465	40,186	28,435	32,678
	National	26,012	27,028	20,895	20,780
	Applications filed under Madrid Protocol	24,023	24,670	16,135	20,424
Patents	Total (Applicatio	10,930	11,845	6,217	5,172
	Local	1,609	1,575	414	312
	Foreign	9,321	10,270	5,803	4,860
	National	3,667	4,105	1,402	1,139
	PCT applications entering National Phase	7,263	7,740	4,815	4,033
Industrial Designs	Total (No. of design	1,524	1,252	1,389	1,129
	Local	587	336	492	342
	Foreign	937	916	897	787

Note: 1) Local or foreign is determined based on the first named applicant.

2) Hague applications for Industrial Designs were omitted due to incomplete data at WIPO.

International applications filed through Singapore

	2017	2018
Trade Mark international applications filed through Singapore as the office of origin ¹	1,018	1,444
PCT international applications filed through Singapore as the receiving office	664	654
Industrial Design international applications filed through Singapore	0	0

Registrations in force in Singapore

	2017	2018
Trade Marks	440,149	460,416
Patents ²	49,514	45,583
Industrial Designs	14,558	14,142

¹ TM IA by class counts.

² Patent registrations in force do not include patents pending restoration. Data for 2018 was extracted in Jan 2019.

Renewals filed in Singapore

	2017	2018
Trade Marks	28,230	21,709
Patents	47,233	45,880
Industrial Designs	1,297	1,342

¹ TM IA by class counts.

² Patent registrations in force do not include patents pending restoration. Data for 2018 was extracted in Jan 2019.

Top 10 filers of applications in Singapore in 2018

	Rank	Overall filers	Number	Local filers	Number
Trade Marks	1	AMAZON TECHNOLOGIES, INC. US	300	WESTERN MAHUA PTE. LTD.	226
	2	ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LIMITED KY	138	GRABTAXI HOLDINGS PTE. LTD.	130
	3	SOUTHERN AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY BW	135	SINGAPORE UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES	96
	4	TARGET BRANDS, INC. US	129	1) SINGAPORE TOURISM BOARD 2) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD 3) MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION	88
	5	1) SHISEIDO COMPANY, LIMITED JP 2) AKTSIONERNOE OBSHCHESTVO <TSIFROVOE TELEVIDENIE> RU	115	VELOX TECHNOLOGY HOLDINGS PTE. LTD.	72
	6	1) LENZING AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT AT 2) MERCK KGAA DE	102	OVERSEA-CHINESE BANKING CORPORATION LIMITED	65
	7	RAYBO (BEIJING) TECHNOLOGY CO., LTD. CN	101	YITU PTE. LTD.	59
	8	1) ŠKODA AUTO A.S. CZ 2) HONDA MOTOR CO., LTD. JP	98	TWG TEA COMPANY PTE. LTD.	52
	9	FORMULA ONE LICENSING B.V. NL	94	NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE	42
	10	KAO KABUSHIKI KAISHA (ALSO TRADING AS KAO CORPORATION) JP	86	1) SINGAPORE TELECOMMUNICATIONS LTD 2) AURUM LAND (PRIVATE) LIMITED	41

Numbers are in Class Counts

	Rank	Overall filers	Number	Local filers	Number
Patents	1	AGENCY FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND RESEARCH SG	298	AGENCY FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND RESEARCH	298
	2	NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY SG	162	NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY	162
	3	ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LIMITED KY	156	NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE	144
	4	SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD. KR	148	SINGAPORE UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND DESIGN	35
	5	NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE SG	144	RAZER (ASIA-PACIFIC) PTE. LTD.	27
	6	MASTERCARD INTERNATIONAL INCORPORATED US	142	SINGAPORE HEALTH SERVICES PTE. LTD.	26
	7	DISCO CORPORATION JP	103	ASLAN PHARMACEUTICALS PTE. LTD.	23
	8	QUALCOMM INCORPORATED US	99	DELTA ELECTRONICS INT'L (SINGAPORE) PTE LTD	17
	9	PHILIP MORRIS PRODUCTS S.A. CH	75	TEMASEK POLYTECHNIC	13
	10	EXXONMOBIL RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING COMPANY US	68	KAHA PTE. LTD.	11

Numbers are in Application Counts

	Rank	Overall filers	Number	Local filers	Number
Industrial Designs	1	APPLE INC. US	48	RAZER (ASIA-PACIFIC) PTE. LTD.	26
	2	KING FURNITURE AUSTRALIA PTY LTD AU	42	SK JEWELLERY PTE. LTD.	24
	3	RAZER (ASIA-PACIFIC) PTE. LTD. SG	26	SRI RAHARDJO	20
	4	SK JEWELLERY PTE. LTD. SG	24	LOVE & CO. PTE. LTD.	12
	5	WORLD TREND ENTERPRISES LIMITED HK	23	1) ASPIAL-LEE HWA JEWELLERY SINGAPORE PTE. LTD. 2) AUTIUM PTE. LTD. 3) SINGAPORE TECHNOLOGIES KINETICS LTD	9
	6	SRI RAHARDJO SG	20	1) WOHA ARCHITECTS PTE. LTD. 2) CELCEM PTE LTD	8

7	NISSAN JIDOSHA KABUSHIKI KAISHA (ALSO TRADING AS NISSAN MOTOR CO., LTD.) JP	19	PLAYPOINT (SINGAPORE) PTE LTD	7
8	VALENTINO S.P.A. IT	18	1) BENEL SINGAPORE PTE LTD 2) POH HENG JEWELLERY (PRIVATE) LIMITED 3) CHOO YILIN ARTISAN JEWELLERY PTE. LTD. 4) NOM & CO	6
9	INNER MONGOLIA YILI INDUSTRIAL GROUP CO., LTD. CN	17	1) LA BELLE COLLECTION PTE LTD 2) SP INNOVATION PTE LTD 3) LAFIRE ASIA (PTE.) LTD.	5
10	HOSHIZAKI CORPORATION JP	16		

Numbers are in Design Counts

Note: Only filers with more than 4 designs are included.

Country / Economy	Trade Marks				Patents				Industrial Designs	
	Applications		Registrations		Applications		Registrations		Applications	Registrations
	National	Madrid	National	Madrid	National	PCT	National	PCT	National	National
Denmark	12	176	13	272	8	52	1	32	0	1
Dominica	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dominican Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dutch Antilles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ecuador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Egypt	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estonia	0	35	0	12	0	1	0	0	0	0
Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
European Union	0	1,046	0	359	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fiji	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Finland	11	235	13	187	3	39	8	24	0	0
France	235	1,943	150	1,498	71	264	25	178	22	28
Georgia	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Germany	137	2,663	117	2,324	129	423	68	262	7	6
Ghana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	0	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greece	3	45	2	21	0	4	0	0	0	0
Guernsey	8	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Guatemala	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guyana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Holy See	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hong Kong SAR	1,163	21	786	25	7	8	4	0	41	28
Hungary	1	26	4	38	0	4	0	1	0	0
Iceland	0	10	0	4	0	1	0	1	0	0
India	142	115	135	148	28	73	6	18	6	6
Indonesia	185	8	133	2	0	0	0	0	1	1
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0	12	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
Iraq	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Ireland	36	85	24	100	35	33	9	18	0	0
Isle of Man	15	0	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Israel	23	87	10	71	30	70	6	34	4	4
Italy	50	1,060	35	911	9	63	11	42	22	22
Jamaica	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Japan	1,733	2,650	1,686	1,883	536	1,290	191	743	208	192
Jersey	25	4	1	19	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jordan	6	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Kazakhstan	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kenya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kyrgyzstan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kuwait	10	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Latvia	0	26	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lebanon	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liberia	1	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liechtenstein	49	48	24	59	0	10	0	1	0	0
Lithuania	1	27	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Luxembourg	82	79	55	128	6	37	1	12	0	0
Macau SAR	16	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Country / Economy	Trade Marks				Patents				Industrial Designs	
	Applications		Registrations		Applications		Registrations		Applications	Registrations
	National	Madrid	National	Madrid	National	PCT	National	PCT	National	National
Macedonia, the Former Yugoslav Republic of	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madagascar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malaysia	650	8	577	0	15	21	6	9	13	15
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mali	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malta	12	15	8	13	0	2	0	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	4	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mauritius	22	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mexico	14	8	7	12	0	4	0	2	0	0
Monaco	0	60	1	17	0	0	1	0	0	0
Mongolia	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montenegro	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Morocco	2	0	2	7	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mozambique	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Myanmar	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nepal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Netherlands	43	227	71	270	36	118	16	69	0	0
Netherlands Antilles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	62	273	76	172	19	45	1	8	0	0
Nigeria	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Northern Mariana Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norway	26	137	5	117	8	58	6	30	0	0
Oman	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pakistan	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Panama	1	2	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Paraguay	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peru	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Philippines	39	38	26	45	1	0	1	1	0	0
Poland	0	50	3	92	1	12	0	2	0	0
Portugal	21	55	0	41	2	1	0	1	0	0
Puerto Rico	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Qatar	13	0	13	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Republic of Korea	828	697	631	530	188	166	29	87	54	37
Republic of Moldova	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reunion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Romania	5	18	0	4	0	3	0	0	0	0
Russian Federation	55	390	35	282	6	7	0	5	0	0
Saint Kitts and Nevis	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saint Lucia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saint Vincent and The Grenadines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Samoa	24	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Marino	0	7	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saudi Arabia	64	0	16	0	9	57	1	38	1	1
Serbia	2	9	0	13	0	1	0	0	0	0
Sierra Leone	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Trade Mark applications (by classes) in 2018 according to the Nice Classification

Class	Goods and Services	Number
1	Chemicals used in industry etc	696
2	Paints, varnishes, lacquers etc	190
3	Cleaning preparations, soaps, perfumery, essential oils, cosmetics etc	2,812
4	Industrial oils and greases, lubricants etc	323
5	Pharmaceutical and veterinary preparations etc	2,173
6	Common metals and their alloys etc	529
7	Machines and machine tools etc	1,114
8	Hand tools and implements (hand-operated); cutlery; side arms; razors	279
9	Scientific, nautical, surveying, photographic, cinematographic etc	5,884
10	Surgical, medical, dental and veterinary apparatus and instruments, artificial limbs etc	864
11	Apparatus for lighting, heating, steam generating, cooking, etc	955
12	Vehicles; apparatus for locomotion by land, air or water	784
13	Firearms; ammunition and projectiles; explosives; fireworks	50
14	Precious metals and their alloys etc	753
15	Musical instruments	49
16	Paper, cardboard etc	1,341
17	Rubber, gutta-percha, gum, asbestos, mica etc	326
18	Leather and imitations of leather etc	983
19	Building materials (non-metallic); non-metallic rigid pipes for building etc	435
20	Furniture, mirrors, picture frames etc	709
21	Household or kitchen utensils and containers etc	726
22	Ropes, string, nets, tents, awnings, tarpaulins, sails etc	95
23	Yarns and threads, for textile use	37
24	Textiles and textile goods, not included in other classes; bed and table covers etc	375
25	Clothing, footwear, headgear	1,849
26	Lace and embroidery, ribbons and braid; buttons, hooks and eyes etc	156
27	Carpets, rugs, mats and matting, linoleum etc	157
28	Games and playthings; gymnastic and sporting articles etc	836
29	Meat, fish, poultry and game; meat extracts etc	1,232
30	Coffee, tea, cocoa, sugar, rice, tapioca, sago, powder; salt etc	1,839
31	Agricultural, horticultural and forestry products and grains for animals; malt etc	470
32	Beers; mineral and aerated waters and other non-alcoholic drinks etc	787
33	Alcoholic beverages (except beers) etc	664
34	Tobacco; smokers' articles; matches	210
35	Advertising; business management; business administration; office functions	4,928
36	Insurance; financial affairs; monetary affairs; real estate affairs	2,283
37	Building construction; repair; installation services	925
38	Telecommunications	1,266
39	Transport; packaging and storage of goods; travel arrangement	961
40	Treatment of materials	397
41	Education; providing of training; entertainment; sporting and cultural activities	2,908
42	Scientific and technological services and research and design relating thereto etc	3,768
43	Services for providing food and drink; temporary accommodation	1,924
44	Medical services; veterinary services; hygienic and beauty care for human beings etc	916
45	Legal services; personal and social services rendered by others to meet the needs of individuals etc	740

51,698**Top 10 Trade Mark classes filed in 2018**

Rank	Overall filers		Local filers	
	Class	Number	Class	Number
1	09	5,884	35	1,363
2	35	4,928	09	1,017
3	42	3,768	41	923
4	41	2,908	42	875
5	03	2,812	43	812
6	36	2,283	36	694
7	05	2,173	30	473
8	43	1,924	05	358
9	25	1,849	25	354
10	30	1,839	29	346

Industrial Design applications (by design counts) in 2018 according to the Locarno Classification

Class	Goods	Number
1	Foodstuffs	4
2	Articles of clothing and haberdashery	29
3	Travel goods, cases, parasols and personal belongings, not elsewhere specified	66
4	Brushware	11
5	Textile Piecegoods, Artificial and Natural Sheet Material	11
6	Furnishing	87
7	Household goods, not elsewhere specified	75
8	Tools and hardware	33
9	Packages and containers for the transport or handling of goods	123
10	Clocks and watches and other measuring instruments, checking and signalling instruments	53
11	Articles of adornment	133
12	Means of transport or hoisting	83
13	Equipment for production, distribution or transformation of electricity	43
14	Recording, communication or information retrieval equipment	216
15	Machines, not elsewhere specified	67
16	Photographic, cinematographic and optical apparatus	14
17	Musical instruments	2
18	Printing and office machinery	4
19	Stationery and Office equipment, artists and teaching materials	25
20	Sales and advertising equipment, signs	19
21	Games, toys, tents and sports goods	66
22	Arms, pyrotechnic articles, articles for hunting, fishing and pest killing	3
23	Fluid distribution equipment, sanitary heating, ventilation and air-conditioning equipment, solid fuel	80
24	Medical and laboratory equipment	68
25	Building units and construction elements	34
26	Lighting apparatus	21
27	Tobacco and smokers' supplies	9
28	Pharmaceutical and cosmetic products, toilet articles and apparatus	43
29	Devices and equipment against fire hazards, for accident prevention and for rescue	9
30	Articles for the care and handling of animals	8
31	Machines and appliances for preparing food or drink, not elsewhere specified	8
99	Miscellaneous	0
Note: Possible for an Industrial Design application to have more than one class		1,447

Top 10 Industrial Design classes filed in 2018

Rank	Overall filers		Local filers	
	Class	Number	Class	Number
1	14	216	11	95
2	11	133	03	46
3	9	123	14	40
4	6	87	21	38
5	12	83	06	33
6	23	80	07	31
7	7	75	23	29
8	24	68	08	25
9	15	67	12	16
10	3 21	66	9 19 24	14

Patents granted in 2018 according to the International Patent Classification

Class	Field of invention	Number
A	Human Necessities	1273
B	Performing Operations; Transporting	923
C	Chemistry; Metallurgy	1740
D	Textiles; Paper	26
E	Fixed Constructions	223
F	Mechanical Engineering; Lighting; Heating; Weapons	323
G	Physics	1208
H	Electricity	1009

Note: Possible for a patent application to have more than one class

Intellectual Property Disputes filed with IPOS

	2017	2018
Trade Marks (by class)		
Intended Oppositions	362	407
Oppositions	199	310
Percentage of TM oppositions to TM published	0.56%	0.71%
Invalidations/Revocations/Rectifications	77	86
Patents		
Revocations	3	2
Others*	0	1
Industrial Designs		
Revocations	0	0

* 'Others' include cases such as Patent Entitlement or Opposition to Inventorship

IPOS Hearings in 2018

	Trade Marks (by class)	Patents	Industrial Designs
Case Management Conferences	113	1	0
Pre-hearing Reviews	83	0	0
Interlocutory Hearings	12	0	0
Taxation Hearings	24	0	0
Ex Parte Hearings	0	0	0
Inter Partes Hearings			
Oppositions	21	1	-
Invalidations	11	-	-
Revocations	1	2	0
Appeals to the High Court / Court of Appeal	12	0	0

IPOS Hearings Outcome in 2018

	Application Successful			Application Unsuccessful		
	Trade Marks (by class)	Patents	Industrial Designs	Trade Marks (by class)	Patents	Industrial Designs
Ex Parte Hearings	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Action Successful			Action Unsuccessful		
	Trade Marks (by class)	Patents	Industrial Designs	Trade Marks (by class)	Patents	Industrial Designs
Inter Partes Hearings						
Oppositions	6	0	-	17	0	-
Invalidations	10	-	-	0	-	-
Revocations	4	2	0	0	0	0

High Court / Court of Appeal Outcome in 2018

	IPOS Decision Upheld			IPOS Decision Overturned		
	Trade Marks (by class)	Patents	Industrial Designs	Trade Marks (by class)	Patents	Industrial Designs
Ex Parte Hearings	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inter Partes Hearings						

Oppositions	6	0	-	0	0	-
Invalidations	0	-	-	0	-	-
Revocations	0	0	0	0	0	0
