

Table SINV-97

Number of registered USPTO trademarks unassigned under the Nice classification, by region, country, or economy: 1998–2020

(Number)

Region, country, or economy	Economy by income status	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
World	na	975	1,414	1,270	782	958	635	754	462	592	637	593	600	526	493	504	471	508	462	465	521	503	512	484
North America	na	199	166	257	231	393	299	283	275	402	439	429	469	443	382	397	378	389	380	339	389	364	381	385
Canada	High	2	5	0	4	5	3	3	4	7	6	5	6	4	1	8	8	5	7	6	6	3	2	10
Mexico	Upper middle	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
United States	High	197	161	257	227	386	296	279	268	395	433	424	463	439	381	389	370	384	373	333	382	361	378	374
Central America and Caribbean	na	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0
Puerto Rico	High	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South America	na	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	3	2	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	2	0
Argentina	Upper middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brazil	Upper middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
Europe	na	5	8	9	8	9	10	13	8	8	11	17	10	7	8	12	12	8	4	9	7	8	9	7
EU-27 + UK ^a	na	4	7	8	6	7	9	13	6	6	10	16	10	4	8	9	11	8	4	9	7	8	4	7
United Kingdom	High	1	1	0	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	5	3	1	2	1	0	0	3	2	2
EU-27 ^b	na	3	6	8	6	7	6	11	5	6	10	16	7	4	3	6	10	6	3	9	7	5	2	5
Austria	High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Belgium	High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Denmark	High	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Finland	High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
France	High	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	2	0	1	1	2	1	2	2	4	3	0	0	0
Germany	High	1	2	3	2	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Hungary	High	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ireland	High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Italy	High	1	1	2	2	1	1	7	1	1	5	11	3	0	0	1	2	2	0	3	2	3	0	3
Netherlands	High	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Spain	High	0	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
Sweden	High	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Other Europe	na	1	1	1	2	2	1	0	2	2	1	1	0	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
Other Europe-2020 ^b	na	2	2	1	2	2	4	2	3	2	1	1	3	3	5	6	2	2	1	0	0	3	7	2
Belarus	Upper middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moldova	Lower middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norway	High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Russia	Upper middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Switzerland	High	1	1	1	2	2	1	0	2	2	1	1	0	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
Ukraine	Lower middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Asia	na	0	1	1	0	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	6	1	1	8	0	7	4	2	7	0	5	0

Table SINV-97

Number of registered USPTO trademarks unassigned under the Nice classification, by region, country, or economy: 1998–2020

(Number)

Region, country, or economy	Economy by income status	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
China	Upper middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
India	Lower middle	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Japan	High	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Malaysia	Upper middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Singapore	High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Korea	High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	2	0
Taiwan	High	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	0	0	0
Middle East	na	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Israel	High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Africa	na	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
South Africa	Upper middle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Australia and Oceania	na	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	2	0	5	0	2	0	0	1	1
Australia	High	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	1
New Zealand	High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Unclassified	na	770	1,238	1,003	542	555	321	455	177	178	181	142	111	75	95	73	79	97	74	111	114	130	113	90

na = not applicable, metric not calculated at this level.

EU = European Union; UK = United Kingdom; USPTO = U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

^a The United Kingdom was a part of the EU for data purposes from 1973 to 2019.^b Beginning in 2020, the United Kingdom was no longer a member of the EU.**Note(s):**

Trademarks are allocated according to holder information. Trademarks are fractionally allocated among regions, countries, or economies based on the proportion of residences of all named holders. China includes Hong Kong. Trademarks are classified under the 11th edition of the Nice classification of goods and services, which classifies trademarks under 34 categories of goods and 11 categories of services. Fractional counts of trademarks were assigned to each category to assign the proper weight of a trademark to the corresponding category under the classification. These counts are then grouped under 10 industry sectors following a mapping defined by Edital.

Source(s):

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics; Science-Metrix; USPTO data hosted by Reed Tech (LexisNexis), accessed June 2021.

Science and Engineering Indicators