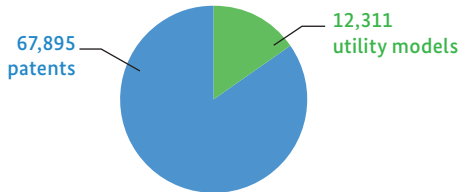


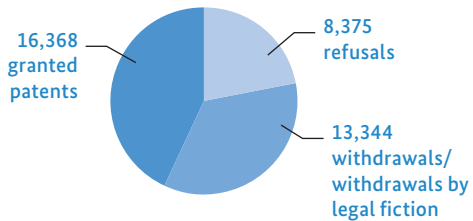


Patents/Utility Models (883 patent examiners)

80,206 applications



38,087 patent examination procedures concluded

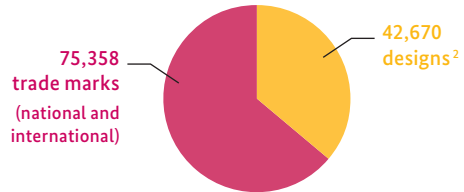


Duration of the procedure **3.1 years (avg.)**
from examination request to grant¹

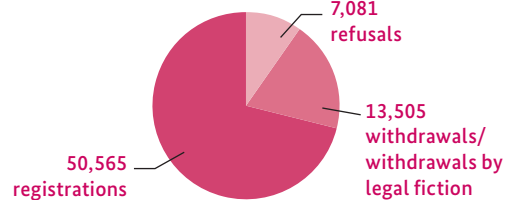
avg. duration of the utility model registration procedure: 4.3 months

Trade Marks/Designs (74 trade mark examiners)

118,028 applications



71,151 trade mark procedures concluded
(without cases handed over to the Federal Patent Court)



avg. duration of the TM registration procedure:
• regular: 2.0 months • accelerated: 1.5 months

avg. duration of the design registration procedure: 5.9 months

Digitisation

jobs with e-file



Online applications

Proportion for all IP rights



Online file inspection

Proportion for patents/utility models
(≈165,000 file inspections)



DEPATISnet

In the archive: **112.7 m** bibliographical data records
94.8 m fax documents

Searches by external users: **24.2 m**
(= about 66,400 per day)

DPMAreger

Searches by external users: **7.2 m**
(= about 20,000 per day)

Personnel

34% women in executive positions
2,602 staff

Number of telework positions at the DPMA

35%

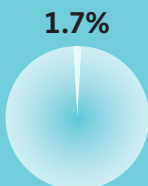


avg. training days per staff at the DPMA

5.9

Customer Care and Services

proportion of complaints received (out of 116,908 customer contacts)



Budget

income:
€ 411.4 m
expenditure:
€ 223.2 m

International examiner exchange

DPMA → JPO 2 examiners
DPMA → KIPO 4 examiners
UK IPO → DPMA 3 examiners
CNIPA → DPMA 3 examiners

¹ provided examination request filed within 4 months and no request for extension of time limit

² Provisional number, since the actual number of designs applied for cannot be determined before the completion of the registration procedure.