

TABLE 1.1 : PRODUCTION INFORMATION EPO

PRODUCTION FIGURES 1999 AND 2000		
	1999	2000
Filings		
Total including Euro-PCT international phase	123,587	142,941
Total including Euro-PCT regional phase	89,322	100,692
Searches Carried Out		
European searches (Euro + Euro-PCT supplm.)	52,577	53,807
PCT searches (PCT-SAE + PCT-SA)	43,076	54,183
Searches on behalf of national offices	15,349	15,341
Other Searches	4,804	4,692
Total production search	115,806	128,023
Examination: final actions performed		
European examination	40,903	45,881
PCT Ch.II	28,996	35,519
Opposition (final action)	2,318	2,345
Total final actions examination / opposition	72,217	83,745
Appeal		
Technical appeals	1,060	1,141
PCT protests	10	17
Other appeals	49	50
Total decisions appeal	1,119	1,208

TABLE 1.2 : PRODUCTION INFORMATION JPO

Patent Production Figures 1999 and 2000		
	1999	2000
Applications filed		
Domestic	360,180	387,364
Foreign	45,475	49,501
Total	405,655	436,865
Grants		
Domestic	133,960	112,269
Foreign	16,099	13,611
Total	150,059	125,880
Applications in appeals	14,650	16,498

Table 1.3 PRODUCTION INFORMATION U.S.P.T.O.

PATENT PRODUCTION FIGURES FOR 1999 AND 2000				
	1999		2000	
Application filed 1	270,187		295,926	
First Actions	230,326		238,438	
Grants				
U.S. Residents	83,911	54.7%	85,072	54.0%
Japan				
	31,105	20.3%	31,296	19.9%
EPO				
	24,807	16.2%	26,324	16.7%
Others				
	13,670	8.9%	14,805	9.4%
Total Foreign	69,582	45.3%	72,425	46.0%
Total	153,493	100.0%	157,497	100.0%
PCT Chapter II	13,744		15,443	
Applications in appeals and interference proceedings				
	Appeals	Interference	Appeals	Interference
Contested	3,961	78	2,860	137
Disposed	4,689	187	5,134	189
Number of patent cases in litigation				
Total cases filed	69		60	
Total cases disposed	78		49	
Total EOY cases pending 2	38		49	

Table 3.6.1: PATENT FAMILIES DERIVED FROM FIRST FILINGS IN 1995

Bloc of Origin for Which Priority is Claimed	PATENT FAMILIES	Secondary Filings Number of Priority Forming Filings Claimed in Bloc of Origin from:						TRILATERAL PATENT FAMILIES FROM BLOC OF ORIGIN
		All Other Blocs	Other Trilateral Blocs	EPC	Japan	U.S.A.	Other Countries	
EPC contracting states	111,498	34,077 (30.6%)	27,308 (24.5%)	--	18,419 (16.5%)	22,007 (19.7%)	21,479 (19.3%)	13,118 (11.8%)
Japan	332,288	38,977 (11.7%)	36,985 (11.1%)	21,494 (6.5%)	--	33,058 (9.9%)	13,836 (4.2%)	17,567 (5.3%)
U.S.A.	136,286	38,852 (28.5%)	30,310 (22.2%)	28,115 (20.6%)	20,360 (14.9%)	--	29,110 (21.4%)	18,165 (13.3%)
Trilateral Blocs Subtotal	580,072	111,906 (19.3%)	94,603 (16.3%)	49,609 (10.6%)	38,779 (15.7%)	55,065 (12.4%)	64,425 (11.1%)	48,850 (8.4%)
Other Countries	127,068	8,152 (6.4%)	8,152 (6.4%)	4,479 (3.5%)	4,219 (3.3%)	5,922 (4.7%)	--	1,674 (1.3%)
Global Total	707,140	120,058 (17.0%)	102,755 (14.5%)	54,088 (9.1%)	42,998 (11.5%)	60,987 (10.7%)	64,425 (11.1%)	50,524 (7.1%)

Table 4.4.2: Statistics on Procedures

(Definitions are given in the Annex) "n. a." indicates unavailable data "- " means not applicable				
		EPO	JPO	USPTO
Examination	1999	90.5%	49.8%	100.0%
	2000	91.0%	53.3%	100.0%
Grant	1999	63.7%	63.8%	71.0%
	2000	56.5%	60.7%	71.0%
Opposition	1999	6.1%	3.4%	-
	2000	5.7%	4.9%	-
Maintenance	1999	70.8%	n.a.	-
	2000	67.5%	n.a.	-
Appeal - on examinations	1999	51.5%	-	6.0%
	2000	46.2%	-	4.0%
- on oppositions	1999	43.4%	-	-
	2000	45.2%	-	-
- on examinations and oppositions 1	1999	-	14,650	-
	2000	-	16,498	-
Pendency		EPO	JPO	USPTO
Pending applications in search	1999	77,649	-	-
	2000	90,129	-	-

Pendency search in months	1999	18.9	-	-
	2000	20.6	-	-
Applications awaiting request for examination	1999	16,234	2,148,354	-
	2000	16,788	2,152,416	-
Pending applications in examination	1999	158,361	n.a.	400,872
	2000	191,647	n.a.	547,626
Pendency first office actions in months	1999	19.8	19.7	12.8
	2000	20.7	21.1	13.0
Pendency examination in months	1999	39.0	n.a.	25.2
	2000	50.6	n.a.	24.7
Pendency applications in opposition	1999	3,031	n.a.	-
	2000	2,466	n.a.	-
Pendency opposition in months	1999	14.1	n.a.	-
	2000	11.6	n.a.	-

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Table 5.0 Statistics on Other Work

(Definitions are given in the Annex) "-" means not applicable				
		EPO	JPO	USPTO
Request for International Searches	1999	47,415	6,753	31,377
	2000	59,171	8,282	39,211
Requests for International Preliminary Examinations	1999	31,772	3,866	14,293
	2000	38,707	4,804	16,949
Searches for National Offices/Third Parties	1999	17,630	-	-
	2000	18,888	-	-
Design Patent Applications	1999	-	37,368	14,732
	2000	-	38,496	18,292
Utility Model Patents Applications	1999	-	10,283	-
	2000	-	9,587	-
Plant Applications	1999	-	-	421
	2000	-	-	797
Re-Issue Applications	1999	-	-	448
	2000	-	-	761
Trademark Applications	1999	-	121,861	319,880
	2000	-	145,668	361,775