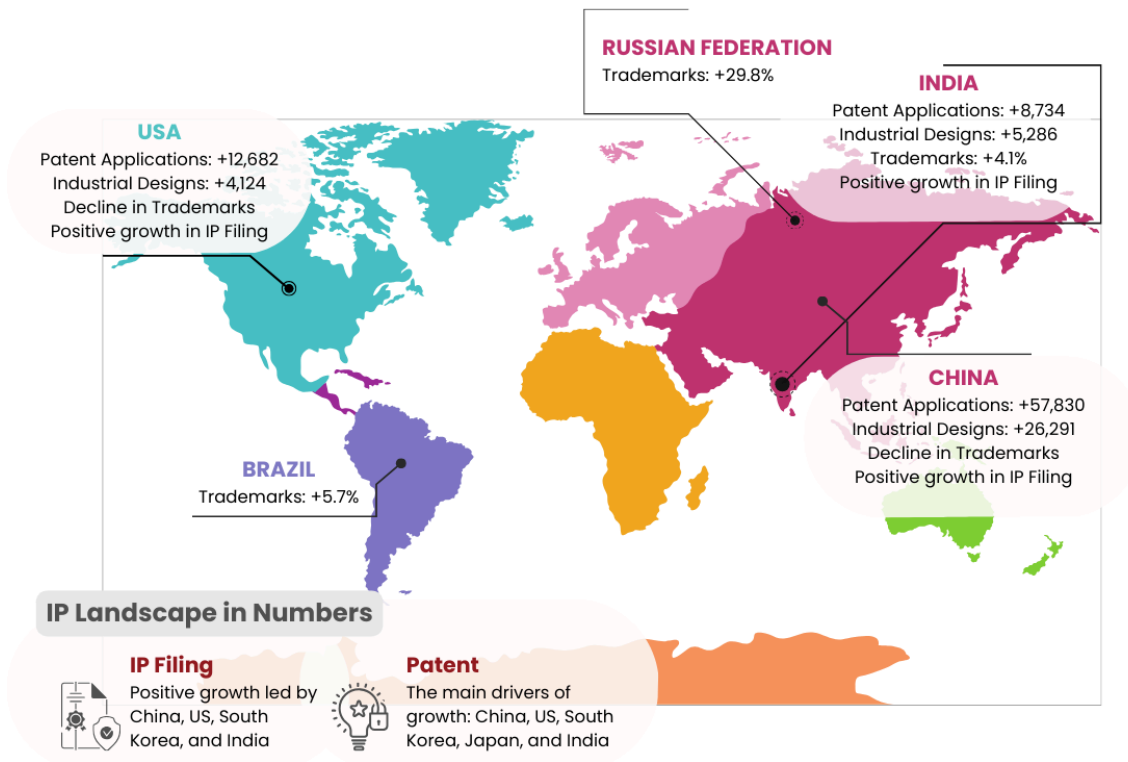


India Secures Position in Top Ten Countries in Patents, Trademarks, and Industrial Designs: WIPO 2024 Report

The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) has published the World Intellectual Property Indicators (WIPI) 2024, underscoring global trends in intellectual property (IP) filings. The report reveals significant patent, trademark, and industrial design application growth across top economies. India's achievement of securing a spot in the global top 10 for all three significant intellectual property (IP) rights—patents, trademarks, and industrial designs—is a testament to its growing influence in the global IP landscape. This solidifies India's position as a worldwide leader in the intellectual property (IP) landscape, showing substantial progress and marking new milestones in IP activity.

India recorded the fastest growth in patent (+15.7%) applications in 2023 among the top 20 origins, marking the fifth consecutive year of double-digit growth. India ranks sixth globally for patents with 64,480 applications, with resident filings accounting for over half of all submissions (55.2%)—a first for the country. The patent office granted 149.4% more patents in 2023 than the previous year, underlining the country's fast-evolving IP ecosystem.



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The report indicates a steady rise (36.4%) in India’s industrial design applications, which aligns with increasing emphasis on product design, manufacturing, and creative industries within India. The top three sectors—Textiles and Accessories, Tools and Machines, and Health and Cosmetics—made up almost half of all design filings. Between 2018 and 2023, patent and industrial design applications more than doubled, while trademark filings increased by 60%, reflecting the country’s growing emphasis on IP and innovation. India’s patent-to-GDP ratio also saw significant growth, rising from 144 to 381 in the past decade, indicating that IP activity is scaling alongside economic expansion.

India ranked fifth globally in trademark filings, with a 4.1% increase in 2023. Nearly 90% of these filings were by residents, with key sectors including Health (21.9%), Agriculture (15.3%), and Clothing (12.8%) leading the way. India's trademark office holds the second-largest number of active registrations worldwide, with over 3.2 million trademarks in force, reflecting the country's strong position in global brand protection.

The report underscores the continued growth in global intellectual property (IP) filings, a testament to innovation resilience despite economic challenges. Key findings show a record of 3.55 million patent applications filed worldwide in 2023, up 2.7% from 2022, with notable contributions from leading Asian economies. Residents in China, the United States, Japan, South Korea, and India largely drove this increase. This growth trend, especially in resident filings, emphasizes a shift towards local innovation, with many countries, including India, demonstrating resilience and a commitment to strengthening their domestic IP landscapes.

The findings from WIPO's World Intellectual Property Indicators 2024 showcase India's advancements in innovation and IP. The steady increase in resident filings demonstrates the impact of government initiatives, such as the 'Make in India' and 'Startup India' campaigns, to make India a global innovation leader. These initiatives have not only encouraged local innovation but also attracted foreign investment, contributing to India's strong position in the global IP landscape.

The complete report is available [here](#).