

Table 15.
Summary of Trademark Examining Activities

(FY 1994 - FY 1998)

Item	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Applications for registration:					
Applications filed	135,096	150,508	170,783	188,080	193,034
Applications including additional classes ¹	155,376	175,307	200,640	224,355	232,384
Disposal of trademark applications:²					
Registrations	68,853	75,372	91,339	112,509	106,279
Abandonments	42,467	42,214	49,189	64,409	71,838
Trademark first actions ²	147,343	176,764	198,160	226,651	238,191
Applications approved for publication ²	97,347	118,727	127,481	149,721	145,209
Certificates of registration issued,³ total					
1946 Act principal register	38,238	44,531	56,022	60,416	56,730
Principal register:					
ITU-Statements of Use register	19,563	18,513	19,683	33,131	29,287
1946 Act supplemental register	1,996	2,618	2,969	3,747	3,617
Total active certificates of registration (as of 9/30)	727,983	751,783	784,667	839,071	901,805
Renewal of registration:					
Applications filed	7,004	7,220	7,543	6,720	7,413
Registrations renewed	6,136	6,785	7,346	7,389	6,504
Affidavits, Sec. 8/15:					
Affidavits filed	20,850	23,497	22,169	20,781	33,231
Affidavits disposed	17,846	17,935	33,661	24,533	26,199
Affidavits for benefits under sec. 12(c):					
Affidavits filed	4	3	6	2	-
Published under sec. 12(c)	11	4	11	11	8
Amendments to Allege Use filed	4,033	5,169	6,232	7,292	6,955
Statements of Use filed	22,057	19,869	25,388	31,784	37,060
Notices of Allowance issued	40,741	51,473	71,117	80,693	78,072
Pendency—average months:					
Between filing and examiner's first action	5.2	5.3	5.9	6.4	7.2
Between filing and registration (Use Applications), abandonments, and NOAs	16.3	16.7	16.5	16.9	17.8
Between filing and issuing a NOA (Intent to Use applications)	15.9	16.4	15.9	16.3	17.8

- Represents zero.

¹"Applications filed" refers simply to the number of individual trademark applications received by the PTO. There are, however, 47 different classes of items in which a trademark may be registered. An application must request registration in at least one class, but may request registration in multiple classes. Each class application must be individually researched for registerability. "Applications filed, including additional classes" reflects this fact, and therefore more accurately reflects the Trademark business workload.

²Including additional classes.

³With the exception of Certificates of Registration, Renewal of Registration, Affidavits filed under Section 8/15 and 12(c), the workload count includes extra classes.