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Patents relevant to the world market - an international comparison

World market patents ¹ per one million inhabitants									
Country	1991	2000	2010	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Denmark	-	255	319	342	337	335	351	358	372
Germany	156	332	385	372	375	371	381	398	390
Finland	113	383	394	423	399	366	381	407	408
France	96	155	181	190	195	193	184	193	191
Italy	44	86	96	97	96	100	102	102	106
Netherlands	-	263	237	286	292	301	292	315	316
Sweden	148	407	414	435	445	445	471	478	470
Switzerland	-	520	620	604	586	612	614	631	650
Spain	-	30	61	59	61	60	60	61	65
United Kingdom	79	154	136	143	144	141	137	140	138
European Union	65	135	150	154	156	156	157	163	163
China	-	2	12	19	21	27	34	39	41
Japan	100	214	343	375	379	387	407	432	448
Canada	33	104	133	130	114	113	114	110	114
Korea	-	61	247	308	325	341	343	347	383
Russian Federation	-	5	8	9	9	8	9	10	9
United States	89	193	174	216	200	200	201	204	203

1 Inventions registered in the European Patent Office or at the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).

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