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Title: Patent statistics

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Information request

Statistics of new use patents in the U.K between years 2005/2011.

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It isn't clear to me whether you are looking for figures of patent applications or of patent grants for each of those years, or whether you are interested in all patents applied for at the UK Intellectual Property Office (regardless of country of origin) or just from applicants based within the UK.

I suggest that you look first in our published Facts & Figures available on our website at: <http://www.ipo.gov.uk/ourpublications-review.htm> . These are listed below the Annual Reports under the title 'Annual Reviews and Facts and Figures'

Clarification of request: "What I am looking for is annual statistics of "new use patents" granted within the UK by your Office; such as 'second indications' in pharmaceuticals products, regardless their origins."

Reply: "I regret that we are unable to help you because we do not have any record of new use patents. We are not sure how we would define and identify them."