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Title: Outcomes of trade mark hearings

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Information request:

Of the last 100 appeals [trade mark hearings] how many were successful [i.e. how many decisions were overturned?]

Information released:

The number of hearings completed during 2014-2015 is 912, with 682 cases being published after the hearing. The percentage of marks published for opposition purposes after hearing is therefore 75%.

The number of cases withdrawn or refused following the hearing is 207 with 23 cases that still have ongoing proceedings against them.

(Information only available from annual statistics.)