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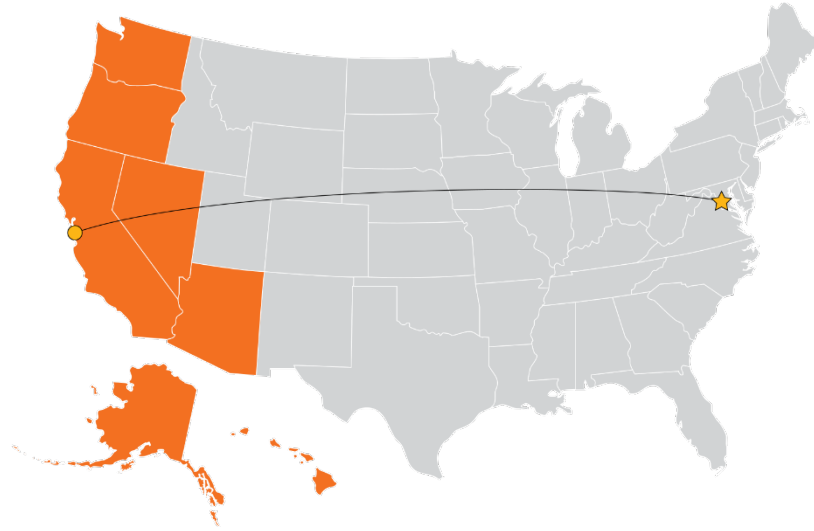
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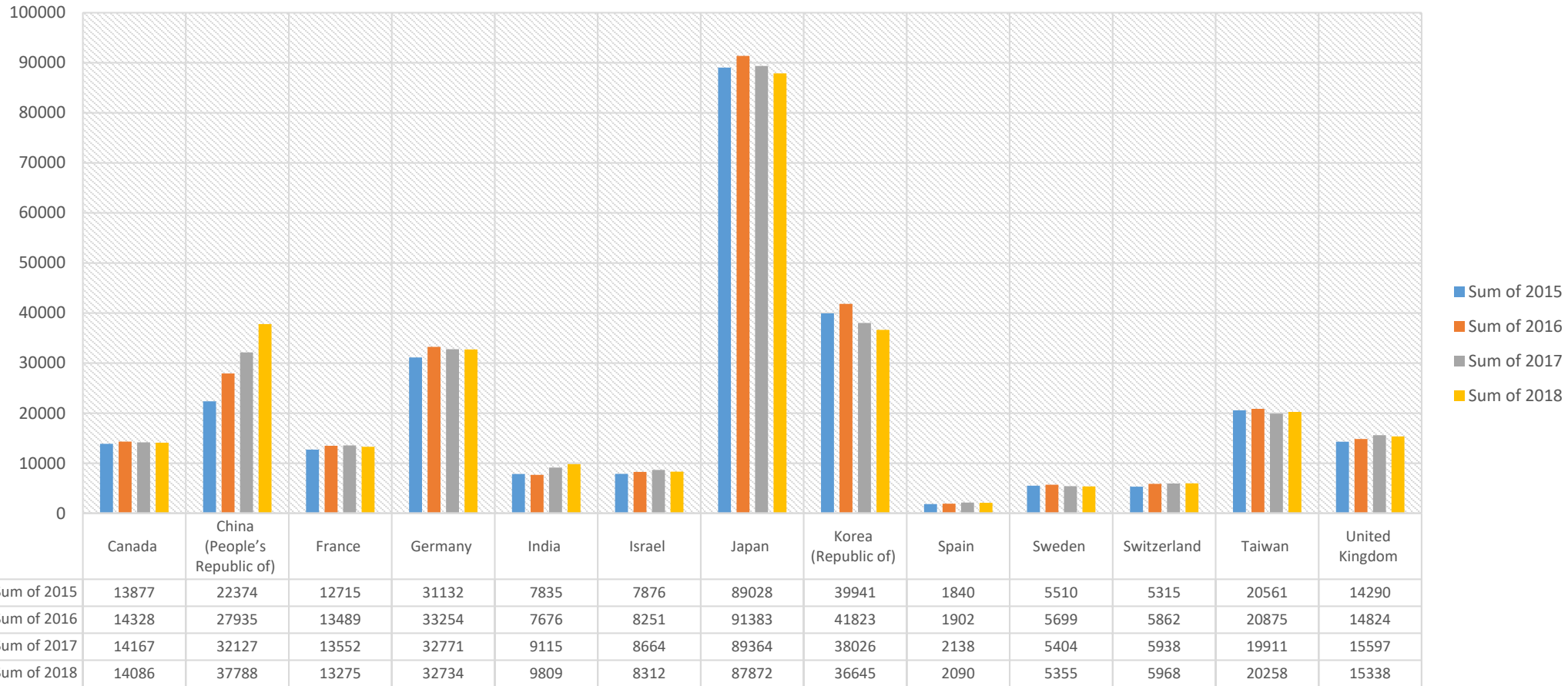


- Office Hours: Monday –Friday, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM PT
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 - Public Search Facility
 - Examiner Interview Rooms
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Patents FY19 at a glance

- Total Patent Pendency: 23.8 months
(as of Sept. 30)
- First Action Pendency: 14.7 months
(as of Sept. 30)
- Total new filings = 667,000 in FY '19

UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATIONS FILED BY RESIDENTS OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES (FY15–FY18)



Trademark Updates

- Mandatory electronic filing
- US counsel requirement for foreign applicants
- TEAS login requirement

Artificial intelligence updates

- Request for comments on copyright, trademark and other IP rights issues impacted by artificial intelligence inventions
(comment period closes Jan. 10, 2020)
- USPTO seeks senior artificial intelligence expert
- Next steps



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