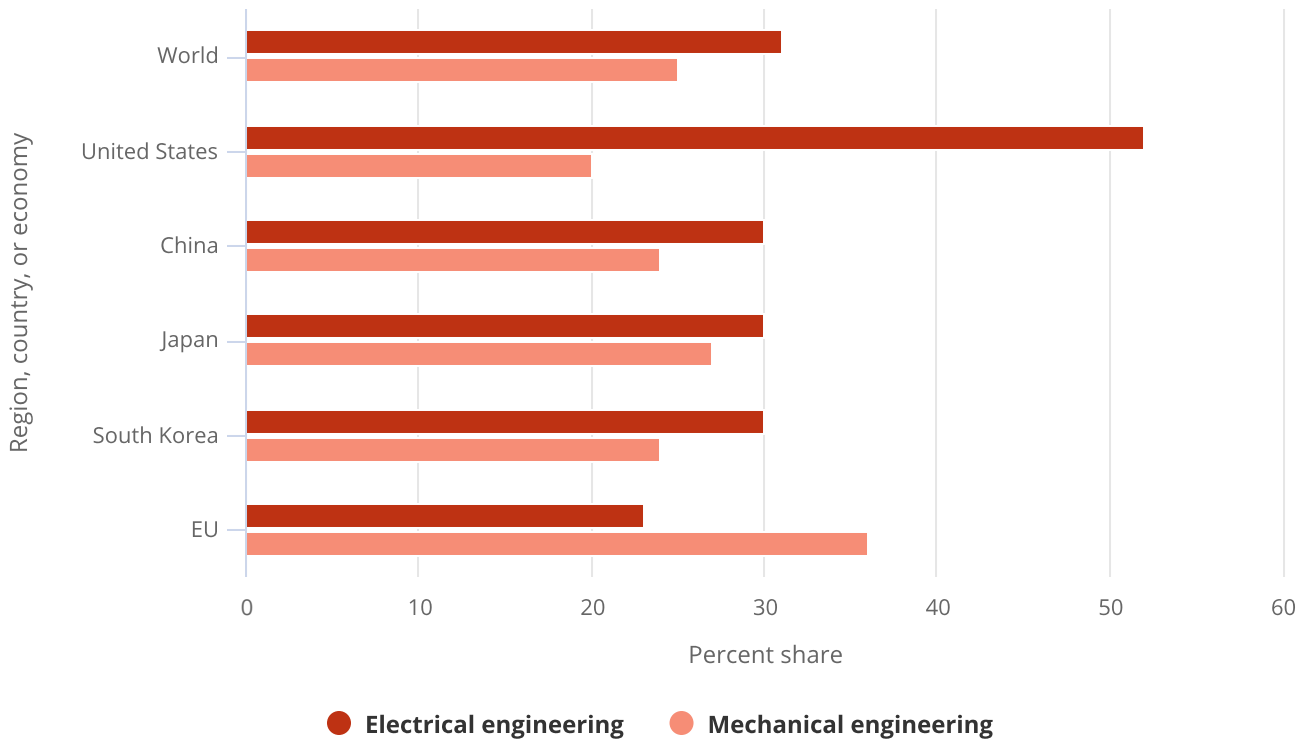


FIGURE 27

Engineering patent families granted to inventors as a share of each selected region's, country's, or economy's patent families: 2018



EU = European Union.

**Note(s)**

Patent families refer to groups of patents that have one unique invention in common. Electrical and mechanical engineering patents exclude patents in civil engineering. For more information on PATSTAT data, see <https://www.epo.org/searching-for-patents/business/patstat.html#tab-1>.

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