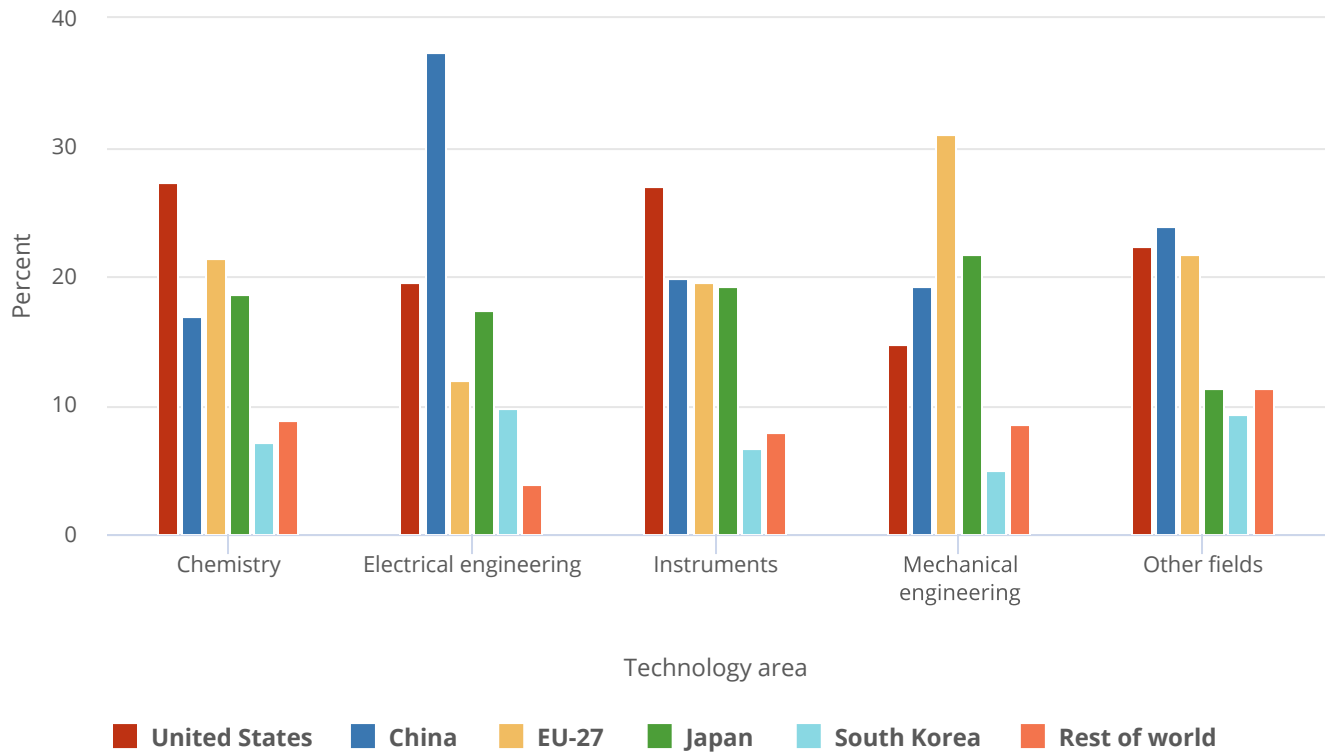


Figure INV-6

PCT applications for selected technology areas, by selected region, country, or economy: 2022



EU-27 = European Union; PCT = Patent Cooperation Treaty.

Note(s):

Figures are based on publication year of PCT applications. China includes Hong Kong. Technology areas are derived from the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) concordance of International Patent Classifications to technology categories available at <https://www.wipo.int/ipstats/en/>. Countries are allocated using the receiving office for each PCT application, which is the location of the inventors. In cases where PCT applications are filed directly with WIPO via its international bureau, the priority country of the earliest document in the same patent family is used (i.e., where the first application in the patent family was filed). See Table SINV-11 through Table SINV-16.

Source(s):

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