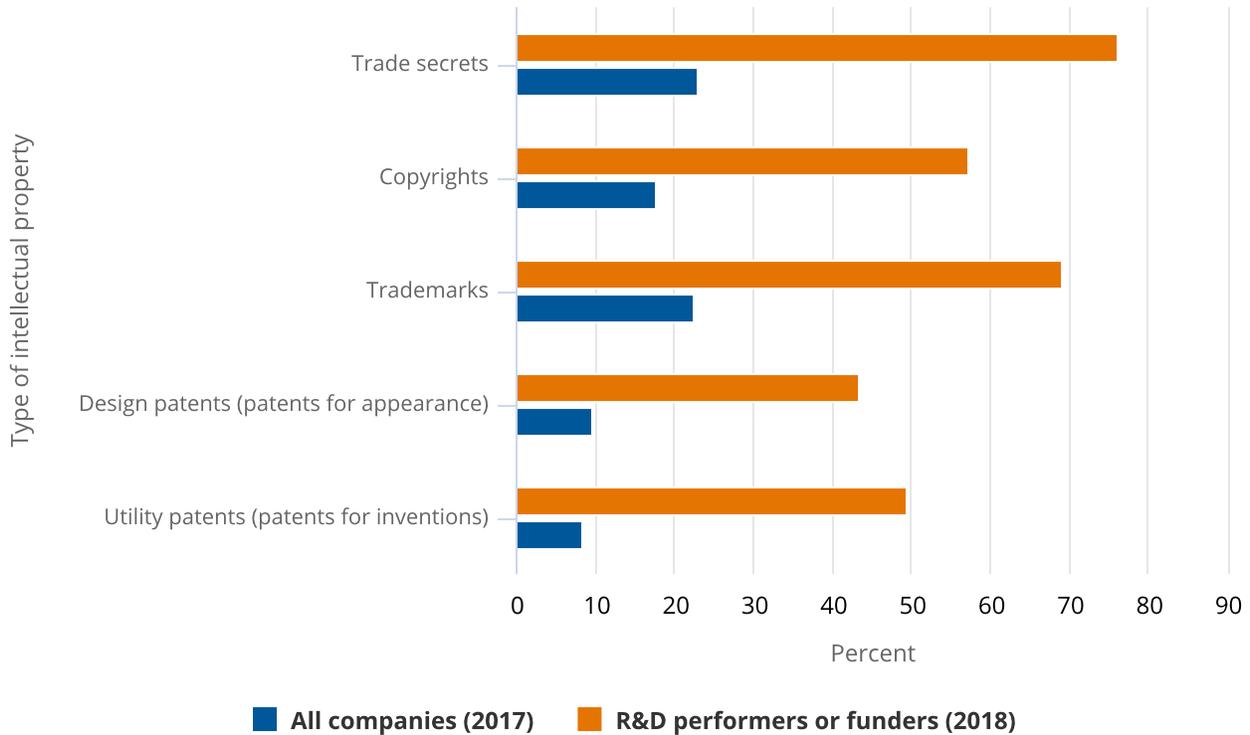


Figure 1

Companies indicating intellectual property protection is very or somewhat important, by type for all companies and R&D-active companies: 2017 and 2018



Note(s):

Statistics for *all companies* are representative of companies located in the United States with at least 10 employees. There were estimated to be 1.1 million such companies in 2017. Statistics for R&D-active companies are representative of companies located in the United States with at least 10 employees that performed or funded \$50,000 or more of R&D in 2018. There were estimated to be 26,871 such companies in 2018.

Source(s):

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics and Census Bureau, Annual Business Survey, 2017, and Business Research and Development Survey, 2018.