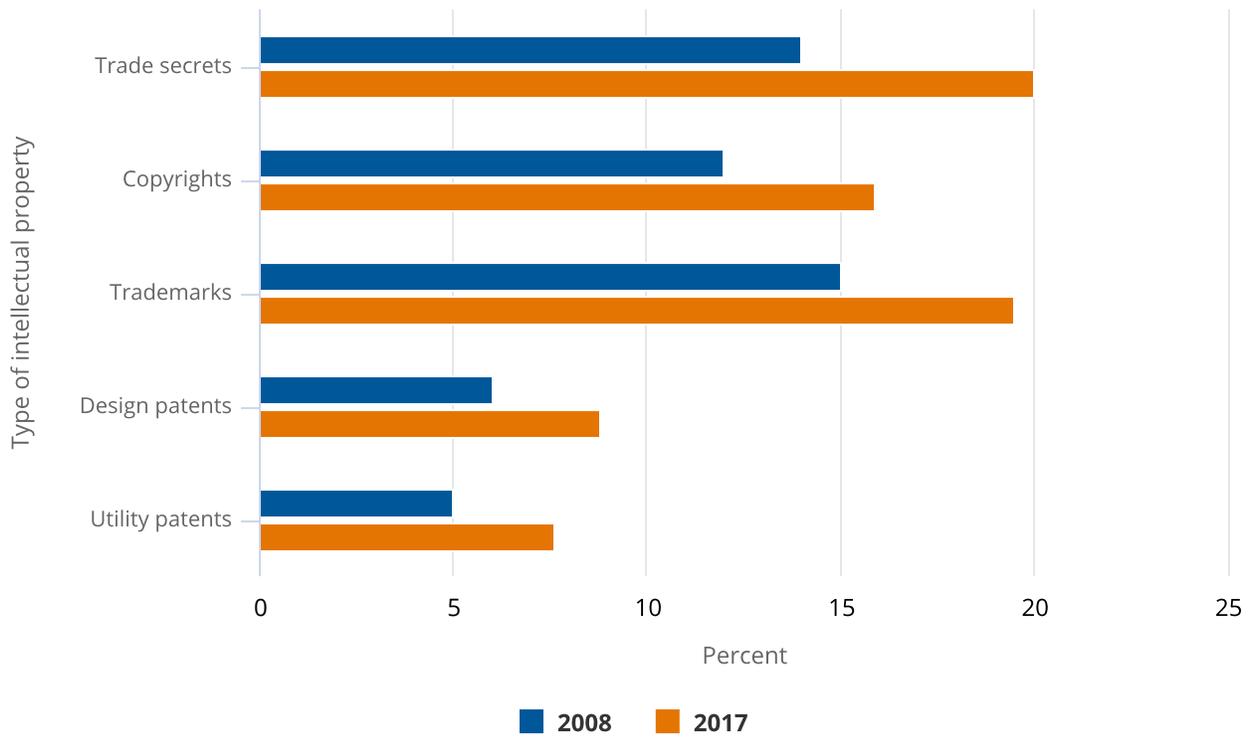


Figure 4

Companies indicating intellectual property protection is very or somewhat important, by type of protection: 2008 and 2017



Note(s):

Statistics are representative of companies located in the United States with five or more employees.

Source(s):

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics and Census Bureau, Business R&D and Innovation Survey, 2008, and Annual Business Survey, 2017.