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Key Statistics

- **FY 2016 End of Year Statistics**

UPR First Action pendency finished at 16.2 months

- *compare to FY 2015 17.3 months*

(FY 2017: Current up to Feb. 2017 - 15.7 months)

UPR Total Pendency finished at 25.3 months

- *compare to FY 2015 26.6 months*

(FY 2017: Current up to Feb. 2017 - 25.6 months)

537,655 Unexamined Applications

- *compare to FY 2015 553,221*

(FY 2017: Current up to Feb. 2017 - 546,702)

Allowance rate finished at approximately 57%

(FY 2017: Current up to Feb. 2017 51%)



FY 2016 Filings

- **Total UPR filings up 5.1%**
 - Serialized filings up 1.6% (418,506 filings)
 - RCE filings up 13.6% (190,049 filings)
- **Prioritized Examination filings up 7.8%**
(10,011 filings)
- **Design filings up 7.1%** (40,406 filings)
- **Provisional filings down 1.9%**



Patents Workforce

- As of January 31, 2017
 - 8,179 UPR Examiners
 - 188 Design Examiners
- 9,537 total for Patents



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