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Taiwan's IPR Action Plan 2024-2026 is currently under implementation in accordance with national policy on industrial innovation and development. The main goal of the plan is to strengthen investigations of piracy, counterfeiting and trade secret theft in order to effectively curb infringements, as well as to optimize IPR protection.

1. Piracy and Counterfeit Investigations

Taiwan High Prosecutors Office (THPO)

The Taiwan High Prosecutors Office (THPO) held the Working Group Meeting on Coordinated Supervision of Investigations of IPR infringement in order to better integrate IPR protection operations carried out by various agencies. Infringement rulings rendered by district prosecutor's offices in 2024 are listed below.

Unit: Case

Year	Concluded Investigations	Indictment (Ordinary Procedure)	Summary Offense (Summary Judgment)	Suspended Indictment	No Indictment	Others
2024	5,483	416	340	388	3,177	1,162
2023	6,457	500	551	573	3,671	1,162
Rate of Change (%)	-15.1	-16.8	-38.3	-32.3	-13.5	0

Investigation Bureau, Ministry of Justice

Statistics on violations of the Trademark Act, the Copyright Act, and the Trade Secrets Act are listed below.

Year	Total		Trademark		Copyright		Trade Secret	
	Cases	Suspects (persons)	Cases	Suspects (persons)	Cases	Suspects (persons)	Cases	Suspects (persons)
2024	76	145	36	41	15	46	25	58
2023	73	119	41	48	14	39	18	32
Rate of Change (%)	4.1	21.8	-12.2	-14.6	7.1	17.9	38.9	81.3

National Police Agency (NPA), Ministry of the Interior

Statistics on violations of the Trademark Act and the Copyright Act, cybercrimes, and optical disks (ODs) seizures are listed below.

Year	Total		Trademark		Copyright		Trade Secret		Internet Infringement	ODs Seized
	Cases	Suspects (persons)	Cases	Suspects (persons)	Cases	Suspects (persons)	Cases	Suspects (persons)	Cases	No. of Disks
2024	2,324	3,083	1,337	1,768	967	1,281	20	34	1,652	19
2023	3,556	4,759	2,014	2,580	1,519	2,144	23	35	2,948	92
Rate of Change (%)	-34.6	-35.2	-33.6	-31.5	-36.3	-40.3	-13.0	-2.9	-44.0	-79.3

Criminal Investigation Brigade, Second Special Police Corps, National Police Agency, Ministry of the Interior

Acting under the authority of the National Police Agency, the Criminal Investigation Brigade of the Second Special Police Corps coordinates operations with brigades in Taipei, Taichung, and Kaohsiung specifically tasked with investigating IPR infringement. Cybercrimes made up 72.3% of all IPR infringement cases in 2024, and the various types of infringement are shown below.

Unit: Case

Year	Total	Types of Infringement					
		Internet	Market	Storefronts	Cases Seized by Customs	Factories	Others
2024	1,343	971	3	150	170	1	48
2023	2,972	2,531	24	269	33	1	114
Rate of Change (%)	-54.8	-61.6	-87.5	-44.2	415.2	0	-57.9

2.IP and Commercial Court Rulings of Civil and Criminal Cases

The IP and Commercial Court adjudicates IP-related litigations, and a list of the court's rulings on patent, trademark and copyright cases (for both civil and criminal proceedings) is included below:

Unit: Case

Year	Civil Cases						Criminal Cases	
	First Instance			Second Instance			Special Criminal Law	
	Copyrights	Patent Rights	Trademark Rights	Copyrights	Patent Rights	Trademark Rights	Violation of Copyright Act	Violation of Trademark Act
2024	77	64	58	45	35	24	36	19
2023	79	75	52	44	58	36	39	29
Rate of Change (%)	-2.5	-14.7	11.5	2.3	-39.7	-33.3	-7.7	-34.5

Source: Judicial Yuan's website

3.Skill-Building for Law Enforcement Personnel

In order to facilitate IP infringement investigations, TIPO organized three training sessions titled "Investigating IP & Internet Infringement." These sessions were divided into beginner and advanced levels, and 35 hours were allotted each session for practical and professional training. A total of 72 officers participated in the training in hopes of further enhancing their professional knowledge in 2024.

4.Implementation Results of IPR Action Plan

TIPO holds biannual interagency coordination meetings to review the performance of each agency in performing IP-related tasks. Additionally, TIPO maintains an IPR Action Plan section on the website, providing the public with related efforts in 2024, such as results of counterfeit investigations by different government agencies, statistics and findings from judicial courts, IPR protection measures and international engagement on IPR issues.