

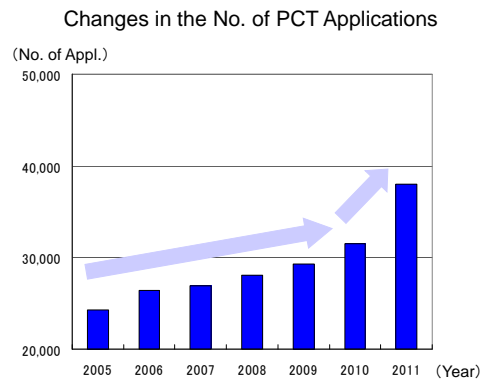
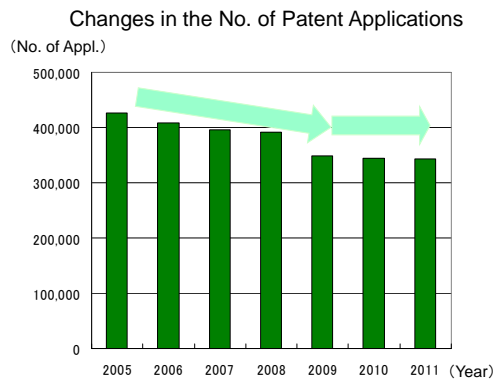
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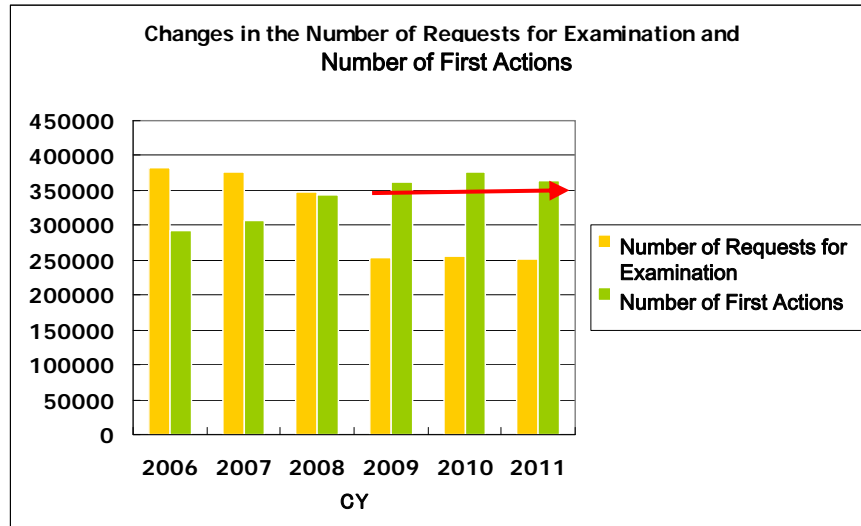
Changes in Number of Patent Applications/PCT Applications Filed with JPO

- Although the number of patent applications filed with JPO is slightly decreasing or flat, the number of PCT applications received by JPO is greatly increasing.
- The PCT applications in 2011 increased 20% compared to the previous year.

Changes in the Number of Patent Applications/PCT Applications Filed in Japan



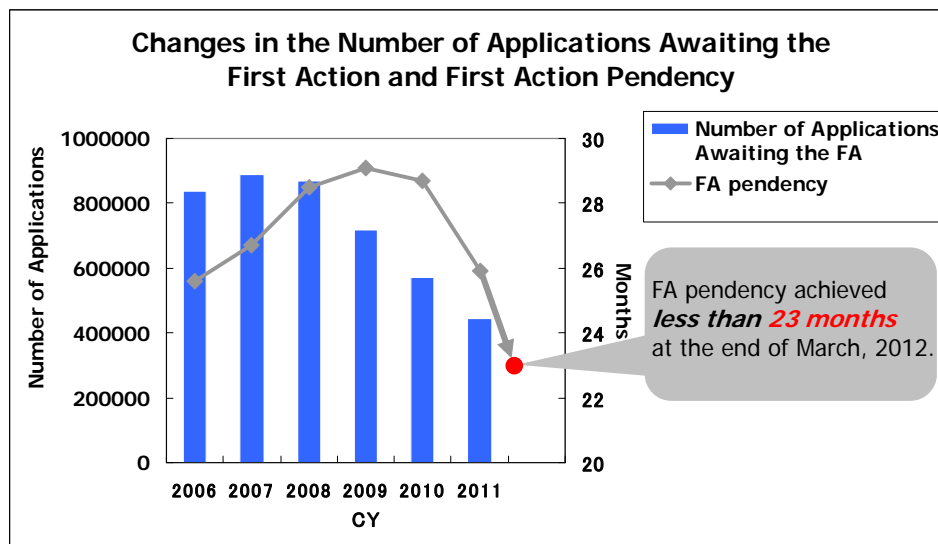
Number of Requests for Examination and Number of First Actions



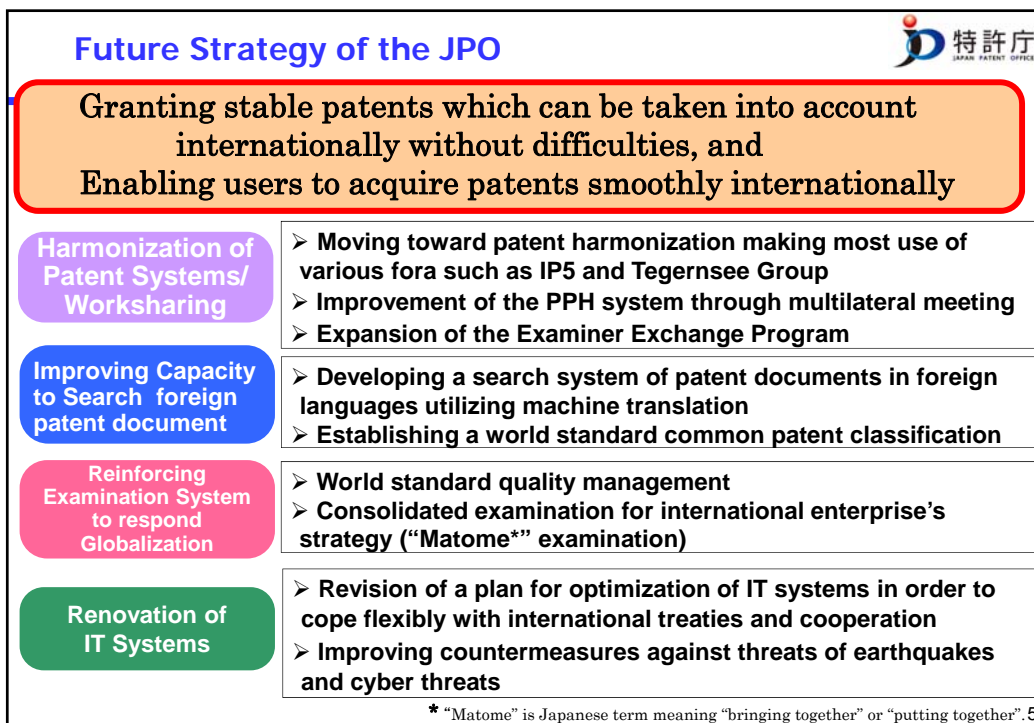
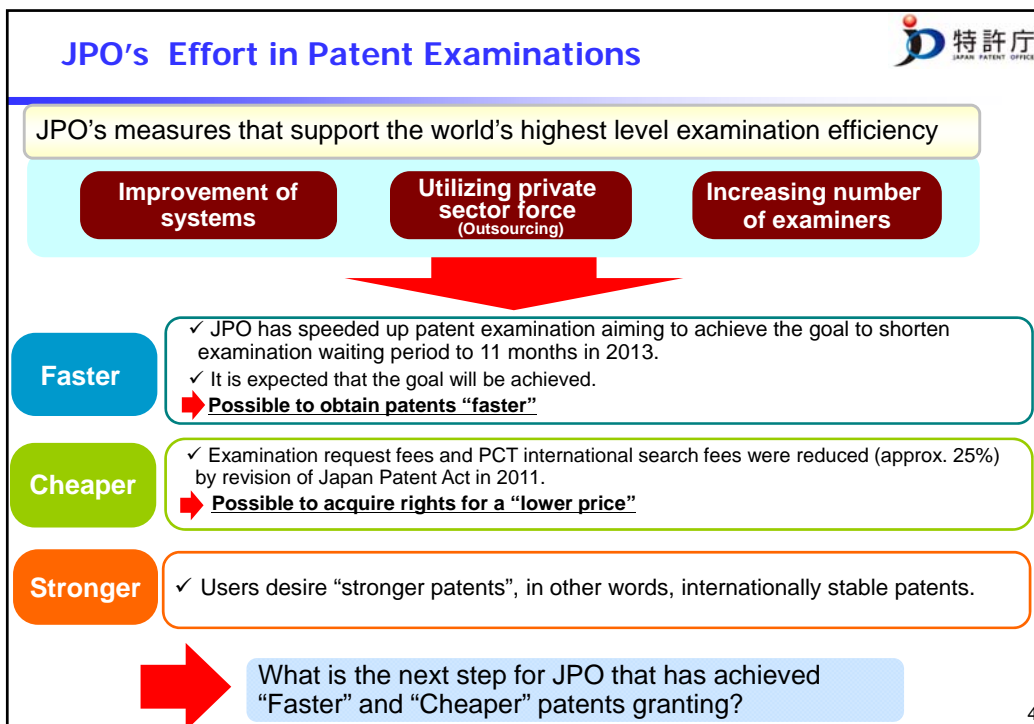
*The number of requests for examination in 2009 – 2011 include those which were applied for requests for deferred payment of examination request fees.

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Number of Applications awaiting the First Action and First Action Pendency



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