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Counts of Utility Model Patent Applications Ranked by International Patent Classification (IPC) in 2021 (TOP 20)

Rank	IPC	IPC Subject	Total
1	G06Q	Electronic commerce	1,074
2	G06F	Electric digital data processing	597
3	H01R	Electrically-conductive connections	545
4	B65D	Containers for storage or transport of articles or materials	412
5	H05K	Printed circuits; casings or constructional details of electric apparatus; manufacture of assemblages of electrical components	398
6	H01L	Semiconductor devices; electric solid state devices not otherwise provided for	381
7	A47G	Household or table equipment	258
8	A47J	Kitchen equipment; coffee mills; spice mills; apparatus for making beverages	216
9	A63B	Apparatus for physical training, gymnastics, swimming, climbing, or fencing; ball games; training equipment	203
10	A01K	Animal husbandry; care of birds, fishes, insects; fishing; rearing or breeding animals, not otherwise provided for; new breeds of animals	202
11	B01D	Separation	200
12	A61B	Diagnosis; surgery; identification	185
13	A61L	Methods or apparatus for sterilizing materials or objects in general; disinfection, sterilization, or deodorization of air	174
14	A47B	Tables; desks; office furniture; cabinets; drawers; general details of furniture	173
14	A62B	Devices, apparatus or methods for life-saving	173
16	A41D	Outerwear; protective garments; accessories	160
16	A61H	Physical therapy apparatus	160
18	B65G	Transport or storage devices	149
19	B23Q	Details, components, or accessories for machine tools	147
20	A01G	Horticulture; cultivation of vegetables, flowers, rice, fruit, vines, hops or seaweed; forestry; watering	141
20	A47C	Chairs; sofas; beds	141

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Note:

1. The table displays in descending order, which is based on counts of patent applications.

2. For detailed classification descriptions, please refer to International Patent Classification version 2021.01.

3. The counts of patent applications of the year are excluded from the annual report owing to the statistical time lag of the classification process; thus, numbers from the last year are counted as the basis of the statistics.