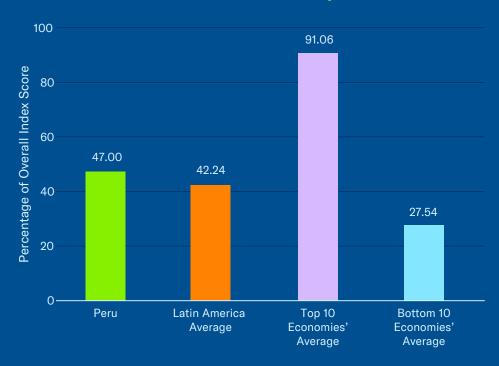


#### **Category Scores**



### **Overall Score in Comparison**



## Peru

### Key Areas of Strength

- Continued injunctive-style relief and copyright enforcement by the national IP office INDECOPI in 2024
- 2021 Decree 063-2021 strengthens public consultation and stakeholder participation in the lawmaking and regulatory process
- INDECOPI support for SMEs strengthened in 2021, creating new technical assistance and IP asset identification programs
- Joined the Global Patent Prosecution Highway in 2019
- INDECOPI continued suspending access to copyright-infringing websites
- Basic IP protections available
- Border measures provided for in legislation
- Efforts made to coordinate IP rights enforcement across government agencies and to raise awareness of the importance of IP protection

### Key Areas of Weakness

- No special IP incentives for orphan medicinal product development
- Compulsory license is actively being considered for biopharmaceuticals based on cost
- Administrative and regulatory barriers are in place for licensing and technology transfer
- Limited patentability and lack of effective IP protection for life sciences
- Rudimentary digital copyright regime (with some exceptions)
- High rates of counterfeiting and piracy
- · Gaps exist in IP enforcement on the ground

Inc	licator	Score
Ca	tegory 1: Patents Rights and Limitations	4.25
1.	Term of protection	1.00
2.	Patentability requirements	0.25
3.	Patentability of CIIs	0.00
4.	Plant variety protection	1.00
5.	Pharmaceutical-related enforcement	0.00
6.	Legislative criteria and use of compulsory licensing	1.00
7.	Pharmaceutical patent term restoration	0.00
8.	Membership of a Patent Prosecution Highway	1.00
9.	Patent opposition	0.00
Ca	tegory 2: Copyrights and Limitations	3.24
10.	Term of protection	0.74
11.	Exclusive rights	0.50
12.	Expeditious legal remedies disabling access to infringing content online	0.75
13.	Cooperative action against online piracy	0.00
14.	Limitations and exceptions	0.25
15.	TPM and DRM	0.50
16.	Government use of licensed software	0.50
Ca	tegory 3: Trademarks Rights and Limitations	2.00
17.	Term of protection	1.00
18.	Protection of well-known marks	0.25
19.	Exclusive rights, trademarks	0.50
20.	Frameworks against online sale of counterfeit goods	0.25
Ca	tegory 4: Design Rights and Limitations	0.90
21.	Industrial design term of protection	0.40
	Exclusive rights, industrial design rights	0.50
	tegory 5: Trade Secrets and the Protection of nfidential Information	0.75
23.	Protection of trade secrets (civil remedies)	0.25
24.	Protection of trade secrets (criminal sanctions)	0.25
25.	Regulatory data protection term	0.25
Ca	tegory 6: Commercialization of IP Assets	2.67
26.	Barriers to market access	0.75
27.	Barriers to technology transfer	0.25
	Registration and disclosure requirements of licensing deals	0.25

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Indicator	Score
29. Direct government intervention in setting licensing terms	0.25
30. IP as an economic asset	0.50
31. Tax incentives for the creation of IP assets	0.67
Category 7: Enforcement	2.85
32. Physical counterfeiting rates	0.47
33. Software piracy rates	0.38
34. Civil and precedural remedies	0.25
35. Pre-established damages	0.25
36. Criminal standards	0.50
37. Effective border measures	0.50
38. Transparency and public reporting by customs	0.50
Category 8: Systemic Efficiency	3.25
39. Coordination of IP rights enforcement	0.75
40. Consultation with stakeholders during IP policy formation	0.75
41. Educational campaigns and awareness raising	0.75
42. Targeted incentives for the creation and use of IP assets for SMEs	0.75
43. IP-intensive industries, national economic impact analysis	0.25
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Category 9: Cutting-Edge Innovation	0.00
44. IP incentives for orphan medicinal product development	0.00
45. IP incentives for orphan medicinal product development, term of protection	0.00
46. Restrictions on the effective use	
of existing IP incentives for orphan medicinal product development	0.00
Category 10: Membership and Ratification	
of International Treaties	5.00
47. WIPO Internet Treaties	1.00
48. Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks and Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks	0.50
49. Patent Law Treaty and Patent Cooperation Treaty	0.50
50. Membership of the International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties	4.00
of Plants, act of 1991	1.00
51. Membership of the Convention on Cybercrime, 2001	1.00
52. The Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs	0.00
53 Post-TRIPS FTA	100

Percentage of Overall Score: 47.00% • Total Score: 24.91

# Spotlight on the National IP Environment

#### Past Editions versus Current Score

Peru's overall score remains unchanged at 24.91 out of 53 indicators.

#### **Copyrights and Limitations**

11. Legal measures, which provide necessary exclusive rights that prevent infringement of copyrights and related rights (including web hosting, streaming, and linking); 12. Expeditious legal remedies disabling access to infringing content online; and 13. Availability of frameworks that promote cooperative action against online piracy:

In 2024, positive legislative developments occurred, and Peru's national IP authority INDECOPI continued to strongly clamp down on online copyright piracy. First, legislative Decree 1649—issued in September 2024 amends Article 217 of the Penal Code. The decree strengthens existing criminal remedies for illegal recording and/or the distribution and dissemination of copyrighted content. On the enforcement side, INDECOPI continued its administrative enforcement activity. In late 2023, the office ordered the shutdown of 328 websites offering illegal access to a range of creative works, including film, television, music, and other copyrighted content. A portion of this enforcement activity relates to a broader international effort to disable copyright piracy across Latin America, Operation 404. First initiated in Brazil in 2020 and 2021, Operação 404 contra pirataria has also received international support from the U.S. Embassy in Brasilia, UK law enforcement, and other Latin American economies, including Peru.

INDECOPI took additional enforcement actions against online piracy over the summer with access disabled to 29 copyright-infringing websites. Finally, the agency released a new public registry listing individuals and companies sanctioned for copyright infringement. The Index continues to recognize and commend the Government of Peru and INDECOPI for their continued efforts and regional leadership regarding this issue. Over the course of the Index, Peru's score on Category 2: Copyrights and Limitations; and Enforcement has increased by close to twothirds, rising from 28.43% in the seventh edition of the Index to 46.29% in this year's edition. This is primarily due to INDECOPI's sustained effort to disable access to infringing content.

Unfortunately, this sustained positive activity against online piracy has not been matched by substantive copyright reform. Most notably, despite the obligation to do so under Article 29(b)(ix) of the U.S.-Peru Free Trade Agreement, Peru has yet to introduce a notice-and-takedown mechanism. Reform proposals have been put forth over the years—for example, in the various iterations of the General Internet Law, Proyecto de Ley no 00878/2021-CR. Lev General de Internet—but 15 years since the agreement came into force, Peru still is no closer to a functioning noticeand-takedown mechanism. The introduction of such a system would result in a potential score increase for indicator 13. The Index will continue to monitor these developments in 2025.

#### **Incentives for Cutting-Edge Innovation**

44. Special market exclusivity incentives for orphan medicinal product development; 45. Special market exclusivity incentives for orphan medicinal product development, term of protection; and 46. Restrictions on the effective use of existing market exclusivity incentives for orphan medicinal product development:

The 2011 Law 29,698 introduced a national legal framework and definition of rare diseases. including the right to comprehensive health care and identification and procurement of relevant medicines and treatments. Subsequent regulations and additional ministerial resolutions have established and defined a national list of approved rare diseases, health technology assessment practices, and additional technical guidelines (Ministerial Resolutions 579-2011, 691-2012, 497-2019, 526-2019, 565-2019, 109-2022, and 112-2022). Based on this work, a national plan was approved in 2020. However, none of these initiatives include any reference to or definition of any special IP-based market exclusivity incentives for orphan medicinal product development.