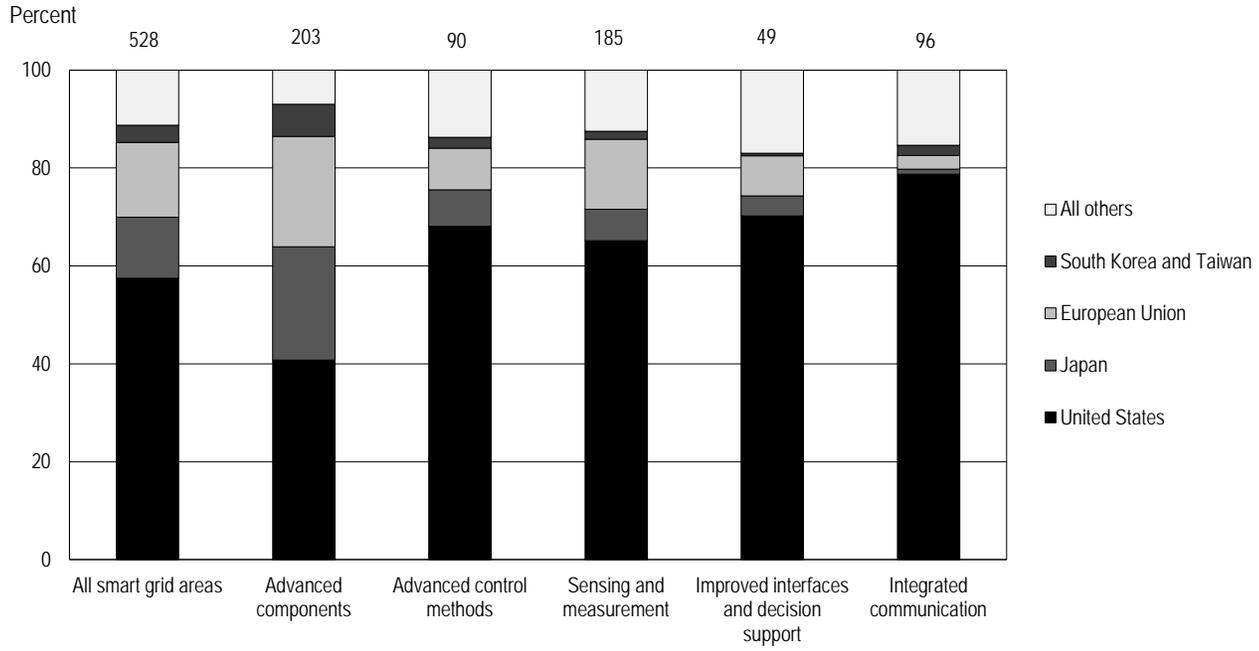


FIGURE 11. USPTO patents granted in smart grid, by technology area and location of inventor: 2010



USPTO = U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

NOTES: Number of patents for each technology area shown above the relevant column. The sum of the technology areas exceeds the total because some patents are classified in multiple technology areas.

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