

Latest trends of policy and business for circular economy in Japan



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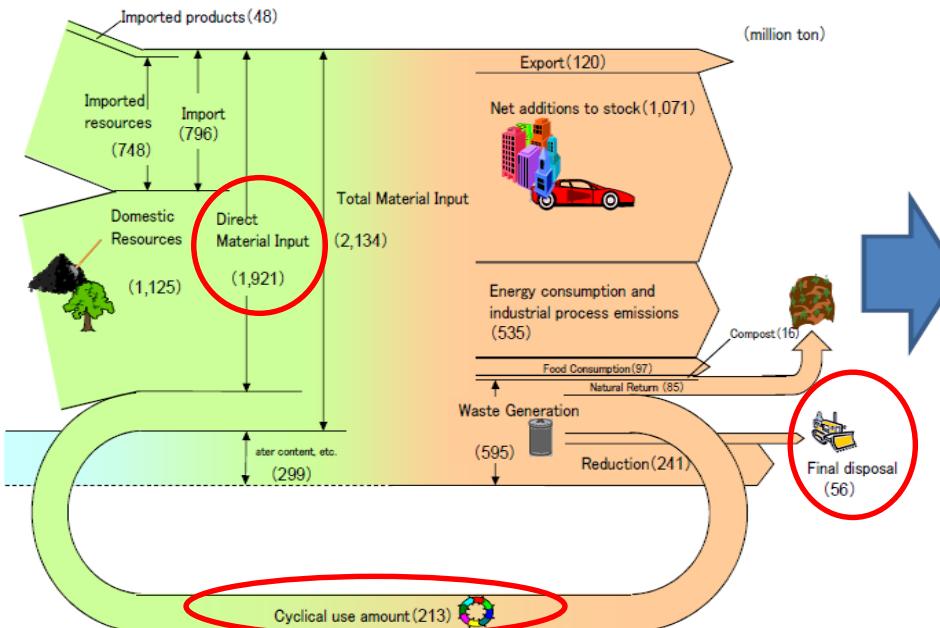
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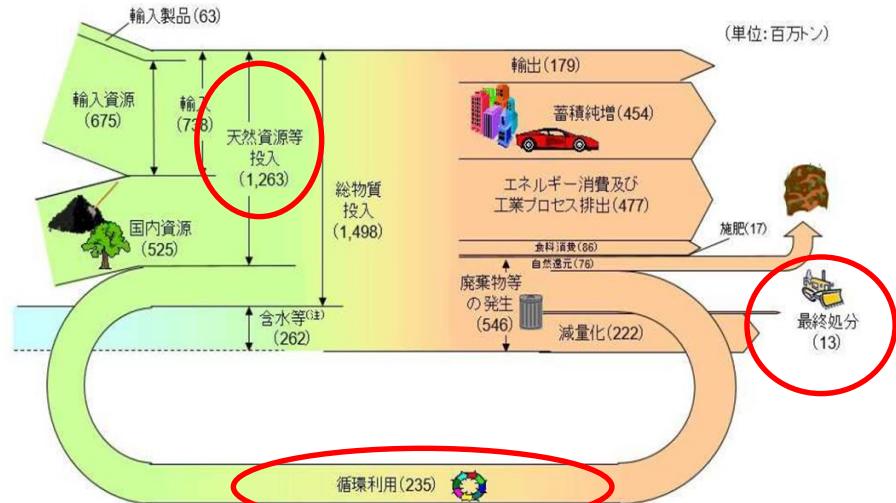
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Material Flow in Japan

FY 2000



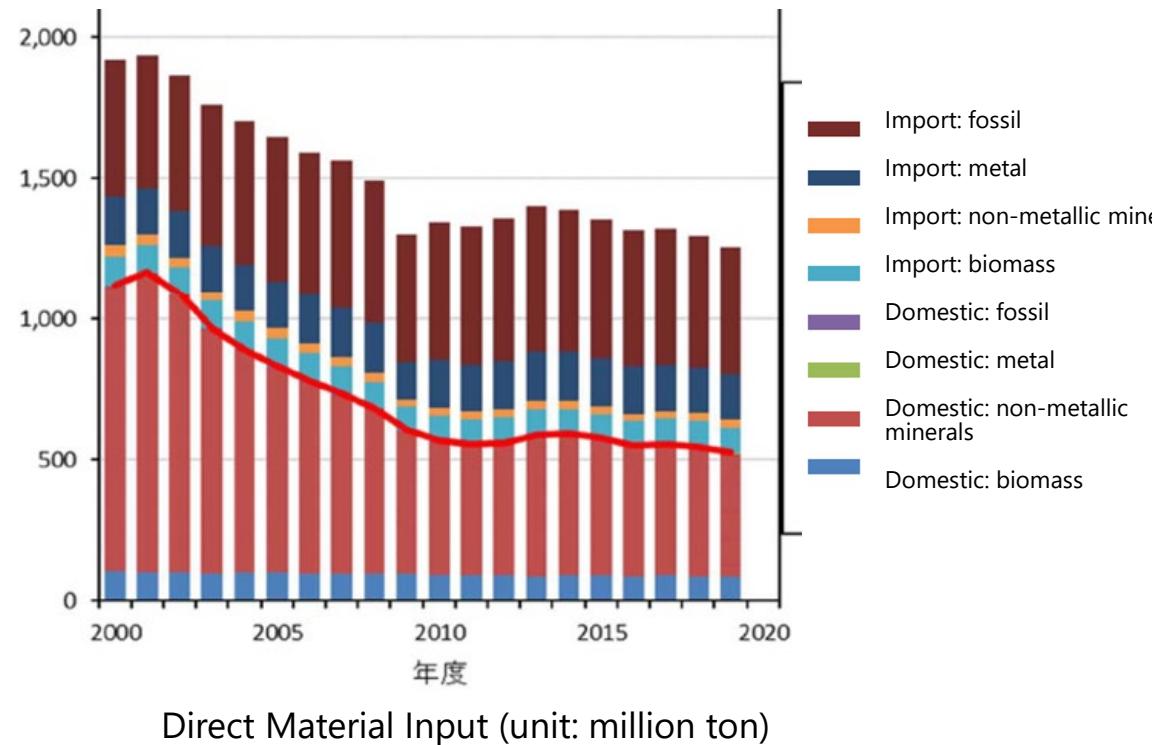
FY 2019



Source: Ministry of the Environment, Japan (MOEJ)

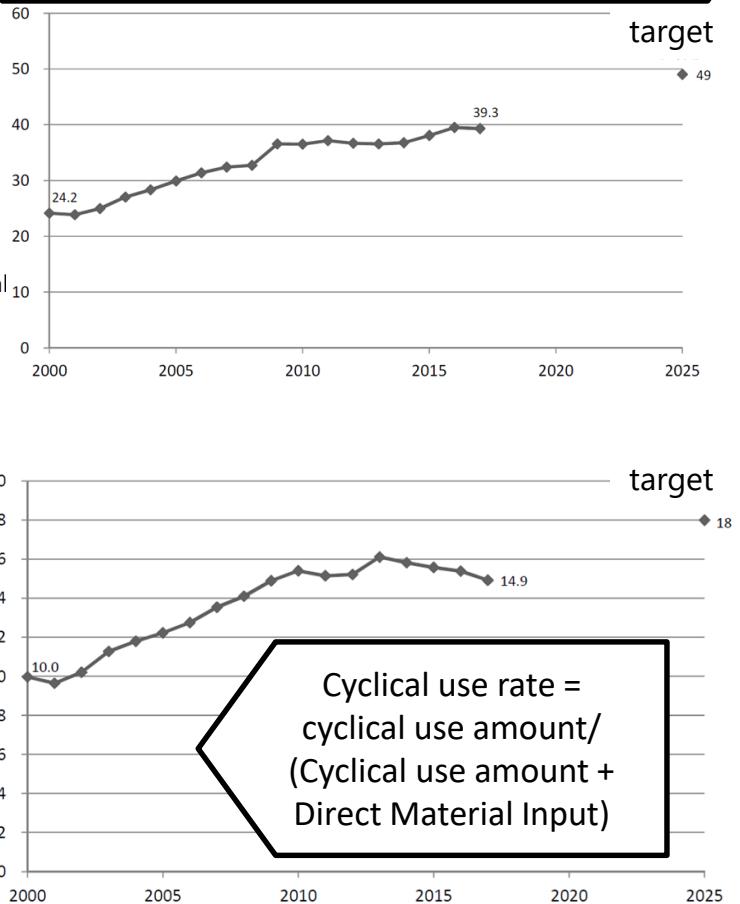
Direct Material Input

← reduction in non metallic minerals



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Resource Productivity
=GDP / Direct Material Input



Policy framework for Sound Material Cycle Society in Japan

Circular Economy Vision
(1999, 2020)
Growth oriented
resource autonomy
strategy
(2023)

Basic Act for Establishing a Sound Material Cycle Society(2001)

Fundamental Plan for Establishing a Sound Material Cycle Society (2003, 2008, 2013, 2018)

Preventing natural resources consumption and
the negative environment impact as much as
possible

1. Plastic resource circulation strategy, 2. Biomass (food loss and waste),
3. Metal, 4. Construction (long life construction), 5.emerging topics (solar
power generation, diaper)

Plastic Resource Circulation Strategy (2019)/Plastic Resource Circulation Act (2022)

Act on the Promotion of Effective Utilization of Resources (2001-)

Design and manufacturing based on the 3Rs, Labeling for sorted collection, Promotion of effective utilization of by-products

Bio-pla
roadmap

Design
Production

Food loss
act

Consumption

Recycling

Treatment
Disposal

Green Purchasing Act(Government's initiative to promote the procurement of recycled items) (2001-)

Containers and Packaging
(2000-)

Home Appliances (2001-)

Food
(2001-)

Construction Material (2002-)

End-of-Life Vehicles (2005-)

Small Home Appliance
(2013-)

Act on the Promotion of Effective Utilization of Resources (2001-) Collection, Recovery and
Recycling of Used Products

Waste Management and Public Cleansing Act (1971-)

Reduction of waste generation, Proper treatment of waste (including recycling), Regulation for establishment of waste treatment facilities, Regulation for waste treatment operators, Establishment of waste treatment standards, etc.

Thank you very much!!!!

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