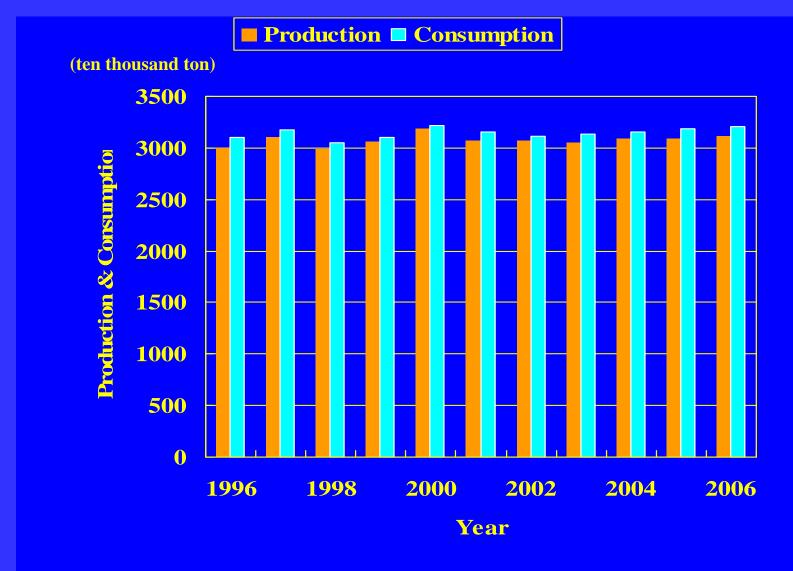
# Paper Recycling in Japan Achievements & Challenges

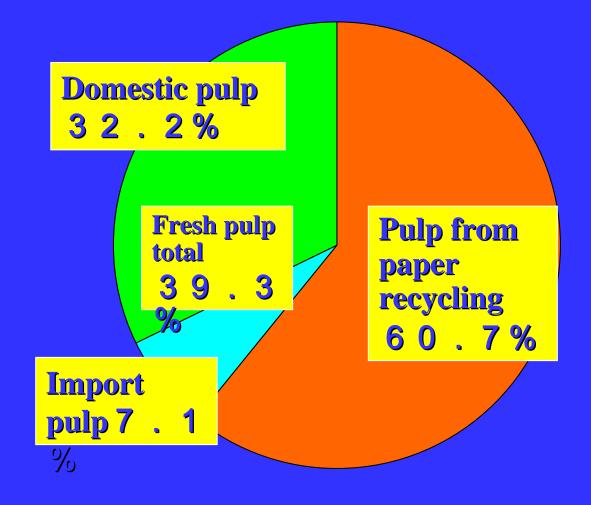


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#### Production & Consumption of Paper & Paperboard In Japan



## Origins of Pulp in Japan(2006)



## Why We Are Promoting Paper Recycling

1. Securing new fiber resource for increasing paper demand Demand for paper and paperboard is increasing

rapidly among the East Asian countries where economic development is remarkable

2. Reducing waste disposal volume 2006y Domestic paper consumption: 32.1 M tons Paper recovered for recycling: 22.8 M tons Not recovered: 9.2 M tons mostly goes to incineration or landfill

## Ways to Reduce Waste Volume and to Utilize it as Resources

- Collaboration among industry, government, and private sector
- Constitution of Laws
  - Law for the Promotion of Utilization of Recycled
  - Resources
  - **Containers and Packaging Recycling Law**
  - Law on Promoting Green Purchasing
- Separate collection of waste is a duty of the local governments.
- Waste from home is classified at the point of disposal for separate collection as in the next slide.
- We believe that separate collection is better than mixed collection

### **Garbage Separation in Home**



According to Containers and Packaging Recycling Law

Packaging Paper Plastics





**Voluntary Collection of Board** 

### **Garbage Collection in Supermarket**







Tray

#### **Collection Station**

#### Pet Bottle



**Aluminum Can** 



#### **Liquid Container**



Container

**Polystyrene Tray** 

## Unwelcome Impurities in Paper Recycling

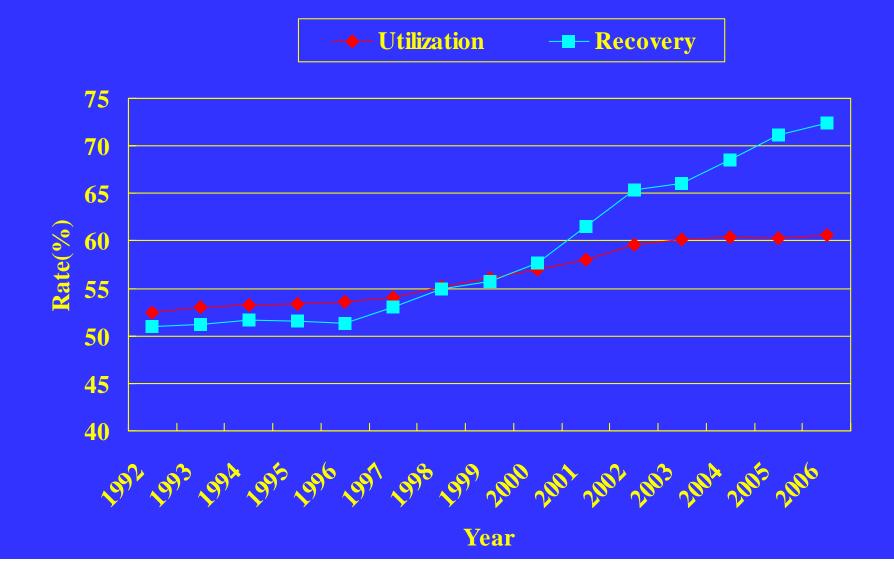
#### 1. Non-paper products

Adhesive tape, Stickers, Metal pieces on folders, Metal clips, Film, Polystyrene foam, Cellophane, Plastic items, Glass items, Cloth, Fragrance

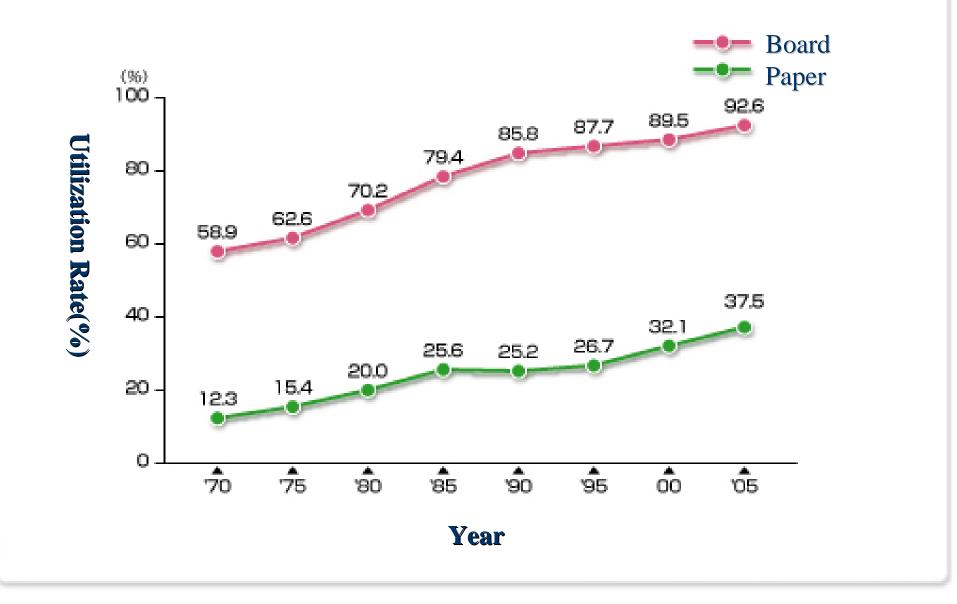
#### 2. Prohibitive paper products

Envelopes with adhered stickers, Plastic-coated paper, Wax paper, Oiled Paper, Photos, Synthetic paper, Processed water-resistant paper, Carbon-backed paper, Carbonless copy paper, Thermal paper (fax paper), Textile printing paper (dye sublimation paper for iron printing etc.), Thermal foaming coated paper

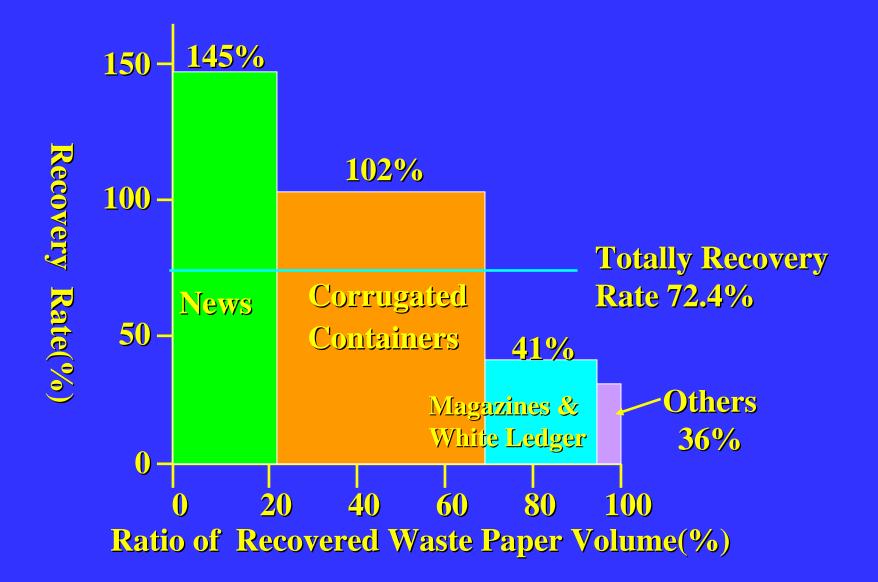
## Paper recycling : Change in the rate of Recovery & Utilization



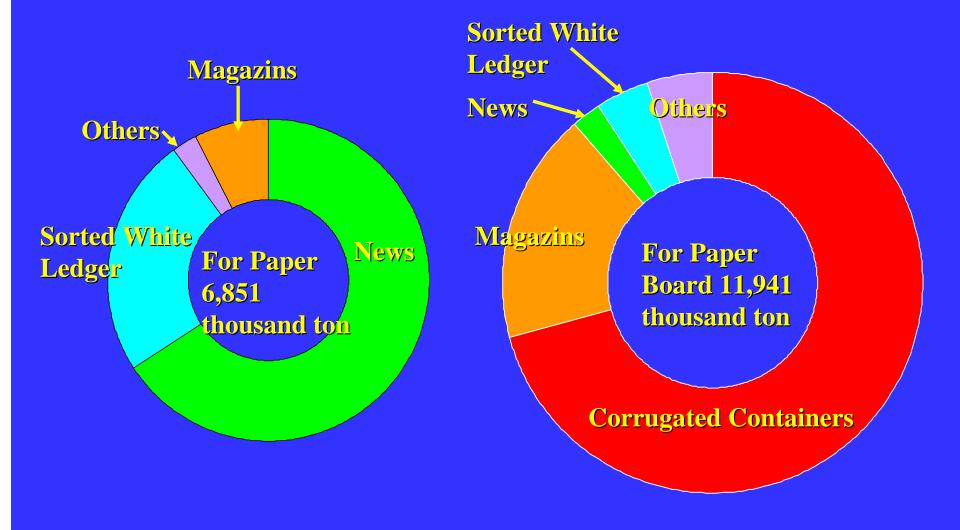
#### **Utilization Rate of Recovered Paper**



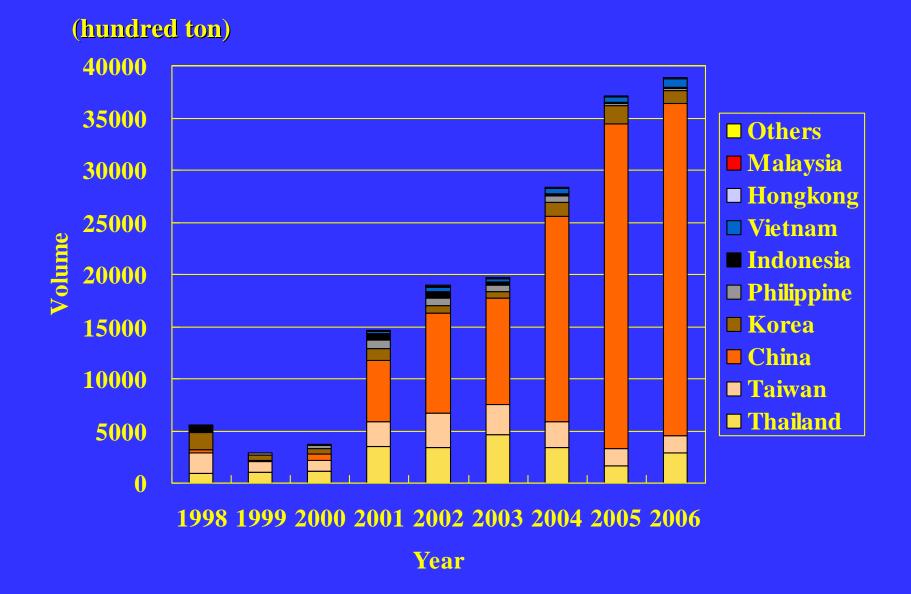
#### Waste Paper: Recovery Volume & Recovery Rate



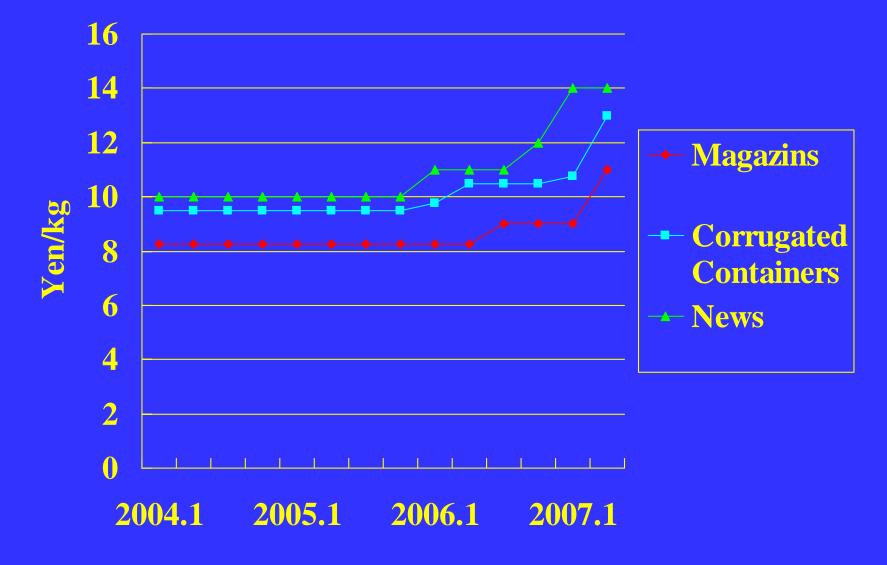
### What Kinds of Recovered Paper Are Used for Paper and Paperboard Production



#### Influences of China (1) Waste Paper Exports from Japan



### Influences of China (2) Waste Paper Prices

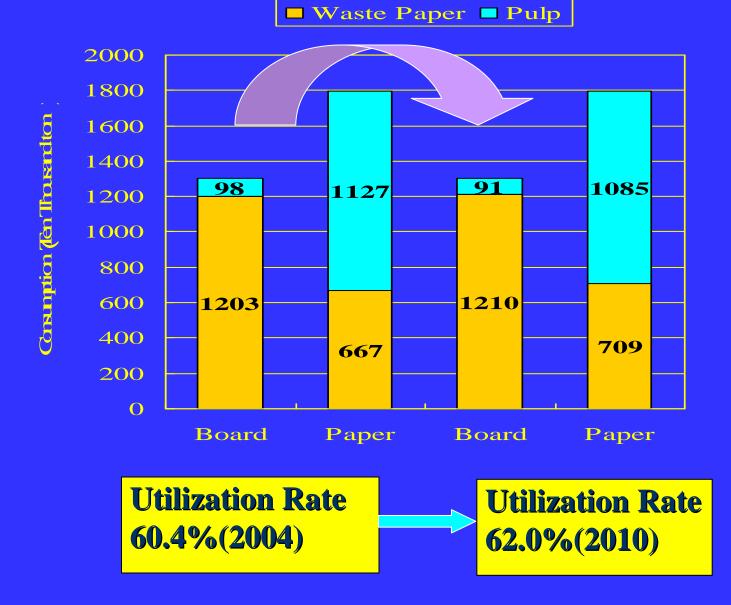


## Waste Paper Utilization in Japan: Targets and Results

 1991y Constitution of "Law for the Promotion of Utilization of Recycled Resources"
 Target: waste paper utilization rate 55% by 1994 Result: accomplished by 53.3% in 1994

- **1995y** New Target: waste paper utilization rate 56% by 2000 Achievement: 56.1% in 1999
- 2000y New Target : waste paper utilization rate 60% by 2005 Achievement : 60.2% in 2003
- **2005y** New Target : waste paper utilization rate 62% by 2010

### **New Target : Utilization Rate 62% by 2010**



## Study on Safety of Food Containers Containing Recycled Pulp

- Cooperative study with the government and the paper industry on food containers containing recycled pulp -No health problems in most cases
   Safety authorization of using recycled pulp for food containers
- The guideline (voluntary standard)
  - -Good management of waste paper & production line -Heavy metal 1µg/ml (as lead) below
  - -Not to be used in ovens and microwave ovens

Studies on Binders and Adhesives for Promoting More Recycling

- Studies on adhesives for bookbinding
  Whether binders should be finely dispersed or not in repulping process?
   Can water soluble binders be a substitute?
- Adhesive Paper

Development of water soluble adhesive Adhesive paper with water soluble adhesive can be recycled

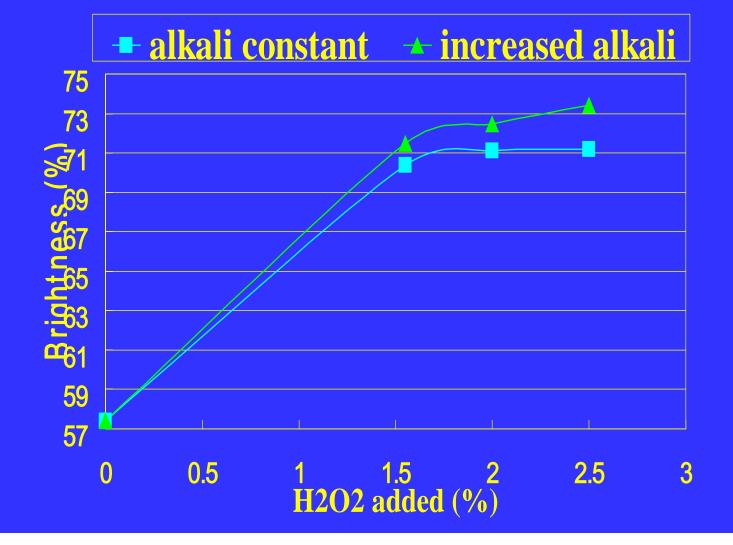
### **Recyclable Inks and Surface Treatments**

classification	type of ink	recyclable by lab. test	pilot test
gold, silver ink	Offset gold ink	0	0
	Offset silver ink	0	0
	Gravure gold ink	О	Х
	Gold leaf	Х	_
Pearl	Pearl	0	-
UV ink	Regular UV ink	Х	_
	Hybrid UV ink hardening type	0	Ο
	Hybrid UV ink polymerization type	0	Ο
gloss treatment	UV coat 3µm	Х	_
	UV coat 10µm	Х	_
PP	Lamination PP	Unknown	X

### **DIP for New Application**

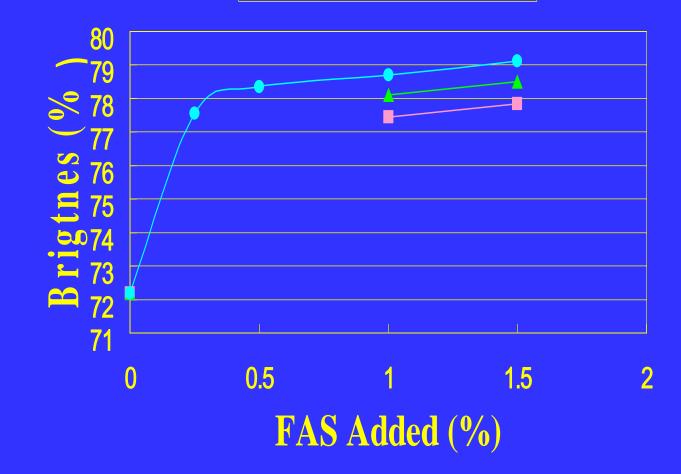
- Increase DIP contents in some paper grades
- Use DIP in products that do not contain DIP yet
- 1) DIP of 80% brightness from old news High brightness, 2 Step bleaching Decrease dirt
- 2) DIP of 70% brightness from old magazines Development low cost DIP with 70% Brightness

## High Grade DIP from Old News Bleaching with H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>



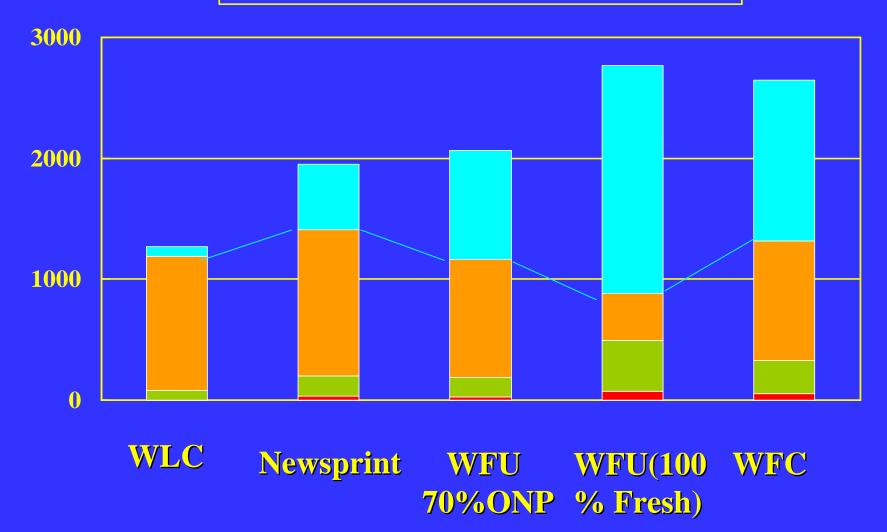
## High Grade DIP from Old News Bleaching with FAS

**-** + 60°C **-** + 80°C **-** + 100°C



#### Paper Product LCA - CO<sub>2</sub> Emission (kgCO<sub>2</sub> / Paper ton)

felling,chipping
 transportation
 production(fosil fuel)
 prodaution(bio fuel)



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