

The challenge to establish the Recycling-based Society

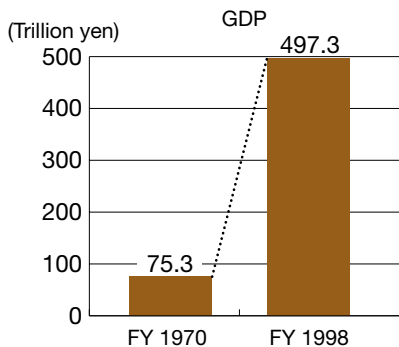
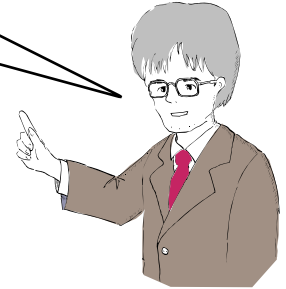
-The Basic Law for Establishing the Recycling-based Society Enacted-



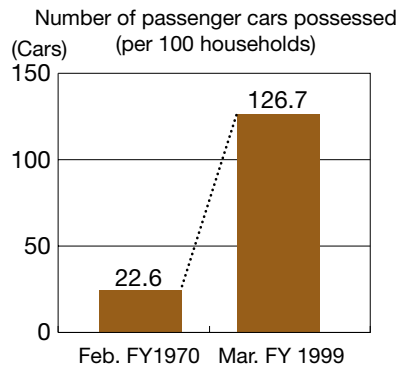
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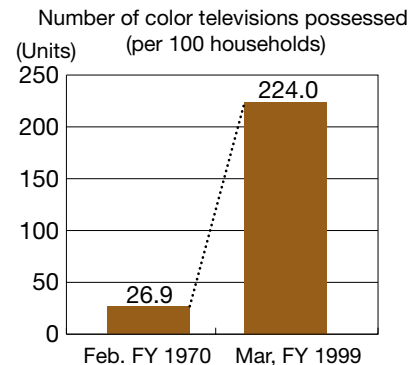
We have lived a prosperous life in the 20th century, which was supported by the system of mass production, mass consumption, and mass disposal.



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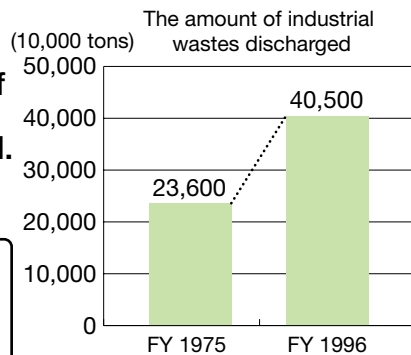


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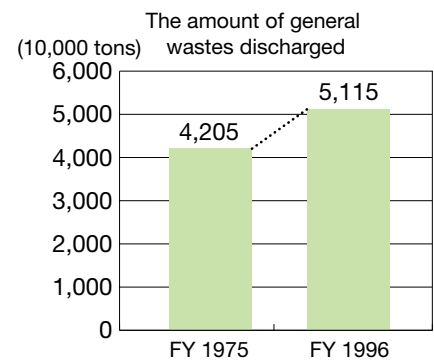


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In exchange for such prosperity, huge amounts of wastes have been discharged.

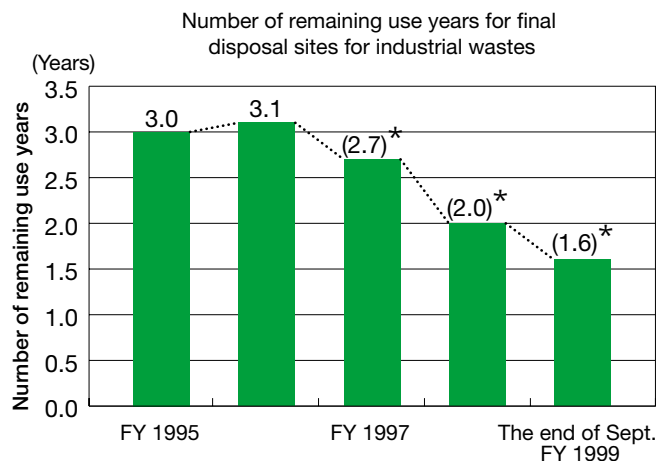


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Waste disposal sites will soon be full.



(Note) The number with * is based on an interview survey conducted in October of FY 1999. As to FY 1999, the number is as of the end of September 1999. (Data by the Ministry of Health and Welfare)

Japan will be filled with wastes unless something is done.



Therefore, we have to tackle, right now...
Changing from a One-Way Society to the Recycling-based Society.