

RIAJ YEARBOOK 2016

Statistics Trends

The Recording Industry in Japan
2016

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N.B. 1. The current year's statistics are compiled results of the member companies of RIAJ. The figures also include OEM sales by RIAJ members for non-RIAJ members.
2. Figures are rounded, hence the possible difference between breakdown and total.
3. The categories of digital music sales have been changed since 2013.

Overview of Production of Recordings and Digital Music Sales in 2015

In 2015, the total production value of recorded music (audio and music videos) increased slightly versus the previous year to 254.4 billion yen, the first increase in three years, while unit production posted a year-on-year decline of 1% to 224 million units. Meanwhile, sales of digital music were up 8% from the previous year to 47.1 billion yen, marking the second consecutive year-on-year increase. As a result, the production value of recorded music and digital music sales increased 1% to 301.5 billion yen, the first upturn in three years.

Audio Recordings

In terms of audio recordings, unit production declined 2% to 169.65 million units and decreased 2% to 182.6 billion yen on a value basis from the previous year. Specifically, unit production and value of CD albums declined 2% to 112.70 million units and 3% to 138.4 billion yen, respectively, while unit production and value of CD singles also declined 1% to 55.14 million units and decreased slightly to 41.7 billion yen, respectively, versus the previous year. Total unit production and value of CD albums and CD singles thus both declined from the previous year. Nevertheless, unit production and value of audio recordings of domestic recorded music rose 4% to 145.64 million units and 2% to 159.1 billion yen, respectively, from the previous year, as both unit production and value increased. The composition of domestic and international recorded music was 87% and 13% (versus 84% and 16% in the previous year) on a value basis, as evidenced by a further uptrend in the percentage of domestic recorded music. Moreover, unit production and value of vinyl discs jumped 65% and 73%, respectively, as unit production and value again continued to increase significantly from the previous year.

Music Videos

Production of music videos increased 1% to 54.07 million units with a value of 71.9 billion yen, representing a 6% increase, as both unit production and value rose from the previous year. Specifically, unit production and value of music DVDs declined 7% to 43.72 million units and 4% to 47.3 billion yen, respectively, as both unit production and value declined from the previous year. However, unit production of music Blu-ray Discs, for which the market is steadily expanding, rose a sharp 57% year-on-year to 10.34 million units and value increased 32% to 24.6 billion yen, thereby covering the decline in music DVDs.

Digital Music

Digital music sales increased 8% to 47.1 billion yen on a value basis, marking the second consecutive year-on-year increase, boosted by 58% year-on-year growth in subscription services. Specifically, single tracks declined 5% year-on-year on a unit basis to 114.87 million downloads and 8% in terms of value to 19.0 billion yen. On the other hand, albums posted growth and increased 9% on a unit basis to 8.44 million downloads and 10% in terms of value to 9.2 billion yen. Subscription services posted a steep rise and increased 58% in terms of value to 12.4 billion yen from the previous year.

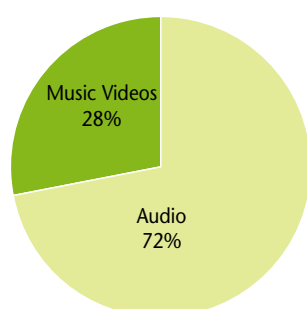
(Millions/Billions of yen)

	Units	vs. prev. yr	Value	vs. prev. yr
Audio	170	98%	182.6	98%
Music Videos	54	101%	71.9	106%
Recorded Music (Total of Audio/Music Videos)	224	99%	254.4	100%
Digital Music	178	91%	47.1	108%
Total of Recorded Music and Digital Music	—	—	301.5	101%

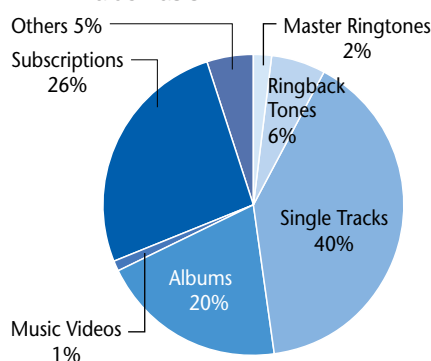
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Composition of Recorded Music and Digital Music — Value Basis

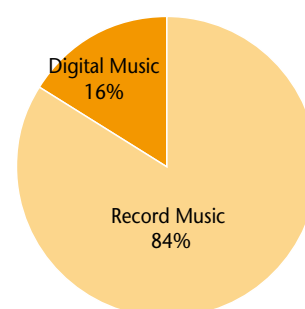
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— Value Basis



● Composition of Digital Music by Format in 2015
— Value Basis



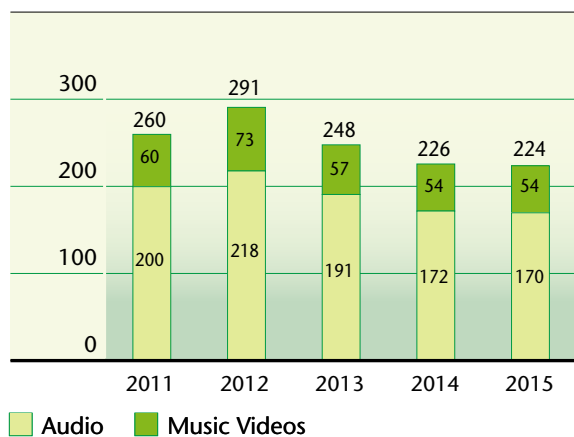
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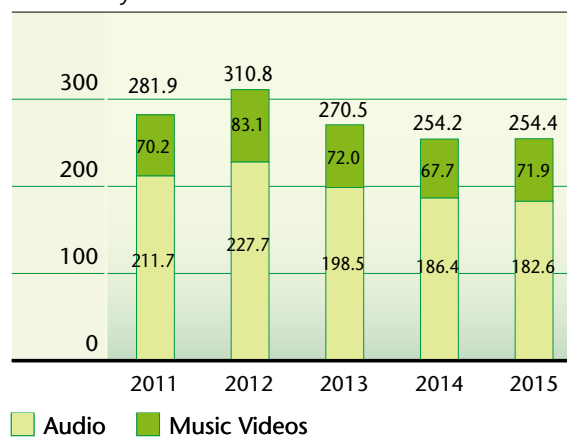
Recorded Music — Unit Basis

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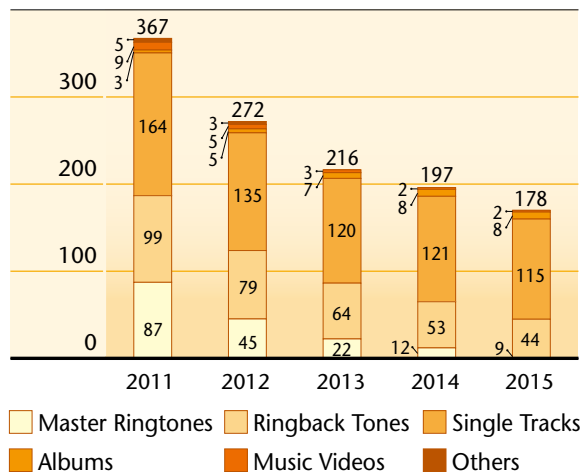
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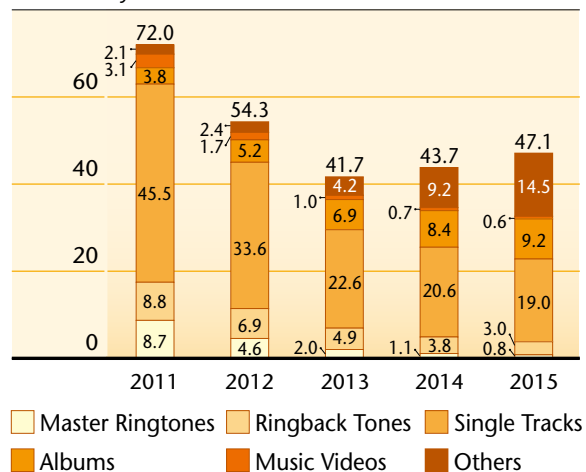
Digital Music — Unit Basis

Millions of units



Digital Music — Value Basis

Billions of yen



Recorded Music and Digital Music

(Millions/Billions of yen)

		Audio	Music Videos	Recorded Music (Total of Audio/ Music Videos)	Digital Music	Total of Recorded Music and Digital Music
2011	Units	200	60	260	367	
	Value	211.7	70.2	281.9	72.0	353.9
2012	Units	218	73	291	272	
	Value	227.7	83.1	310.8	54.3	365.1
2013	Units	191	57	248	216	
	Value	198.5	72.0	270.5	41.7	312.1
2014	Units	172	54	226	197	
	Value	186.4	67.7	254.2	43.7	297.9
2015	Units	170	54	224	178	
	Value	182.6	71.9	254.4	47.1	301.5

● Production of Recorded Music in 2015

(Thousands/Millions of yen)

Item			Units	Share	vs. prev. yr	Value	Share	vs. prev. yr	
Audio	3" CD Singles	D.	37	0	124%	23	0	120	
		I.	0	0	148%	0	0	152	
		T.	38	0	124%	23	0	121	
	5" CD Singles	D.	55,031	32	101%	41,618	23	101	
		I.	75	0	10%	47	0	9	
		T.	55,106	32	99%	41,665	23	100	
	Singles Total	D.	55,068	32	101%	41,641	23	101	
		I.	76	0	10%	47	0	9	
		T.	55,144	33	99%	41,688	23	100	
	5" CD Albums	D.	89,222	53	107%	115,886	63	103	
		I.	23,474	14	75%	22,537	12	77	
		T.	112,696	66	98%	138,422	76	97	
	CD Total	D.	144,290	85	104%	157,527	86	102	
		I.	23,550	14	73%	22,583	12	76	
		T.	167,839	99	99%	180,110	99	98	
	Vinyl Discs	D.	362	0	195%	639	0	204	
		I.	300	0	139%	536	0	147	
		T.	662	0	165%	1,175	1	173	
	Cassettes	D.	798	0	75%	692	0	76	
		I.	1	0	595%	3	0	715	
		T.	800	0	75%	695	0	77	
	Others	D.	187	0	85%	245	0	90	
		I.	160	0	69%	341	0	68	
		T.	348	0	77%	586	0	76	
	Total	D.	145,638	86	104%	159,103	87	102	
		I.	24,011	14	74%	23,463	13	76	
		T.	169,649	100	98%	182,566	100	98	
Music Videos	DVDs	D.	42,402	78	94%	45,577	63	97	
		I.	1,322	2	71%	1,738	2	80	
		T.	43,724	81	93%	47,315	66	96	
	Blu-ray Discs	D.	9,828	18	154%	23,550	33	131	
		I.	516	1	246%	1,014	1	164	
		T.	10,344	19	157%	24,564	34	132	
	Tapes and Others			2	0	75%	3	0	73
Total	D.	52,232	97	101%	69,131	96	106		
	I.	1,838	3	89%	2,752	4	99		
	T.	54,070	100	101%	71,883	100	106		
Recorded Music (Total of Audio/Music Videos)	Audio		169,649	76	98%	182,566	72	98	
	Music Videos		54,070	24	101%	71,883	28	106	
Total			D.	197,869	88	103%	228,233	90	103
			I.	25,849	12	75%	26,216	10	78
			T.	223,719	100	99%	254,449	100	100
Videos (inc. Music Videos)	DVDs		72,306	73	91%	98,590	59	87	
	Blu-ray Discs		26,292	27	123%	69,424	41	116	
	Tapes and Others		2	0	76%	4	0	73	
	Total		98,601	100	98%	168,018	100	97	
Total of Audio/Videos			268,250	100	98%	350,584	100	98	

N.B. 1. The current year's statistics are compiled results of the member companies of RIAJ. The figures also include OEM sales by RIAJ members for non-RIAJ members.
2. Others in Audio: Total number of SACDs, DVDs-Audio, DVDs-Music and MDs

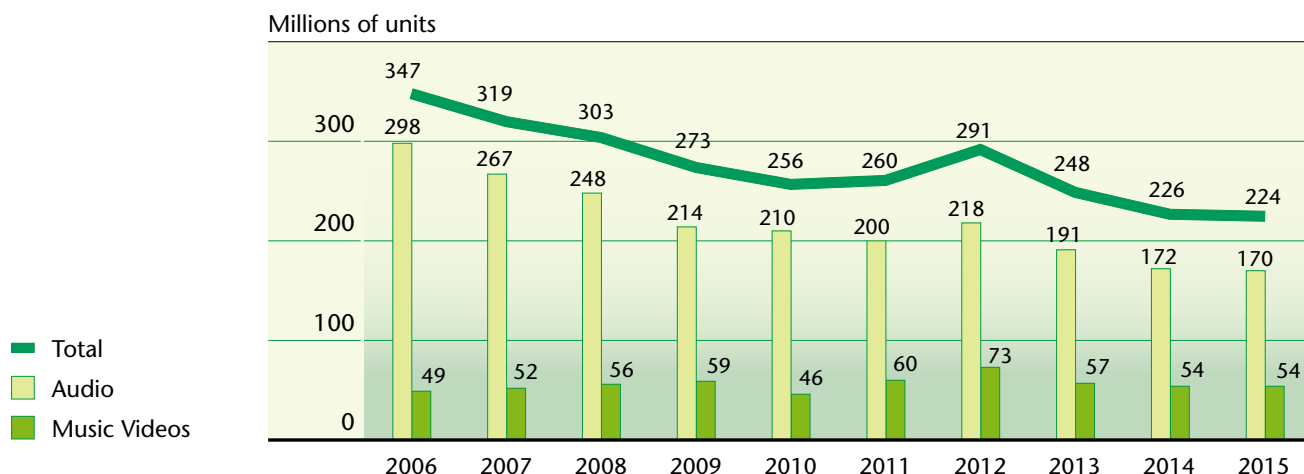
● Digital Music Sales in 2015

(Thousands/Millions of yen)

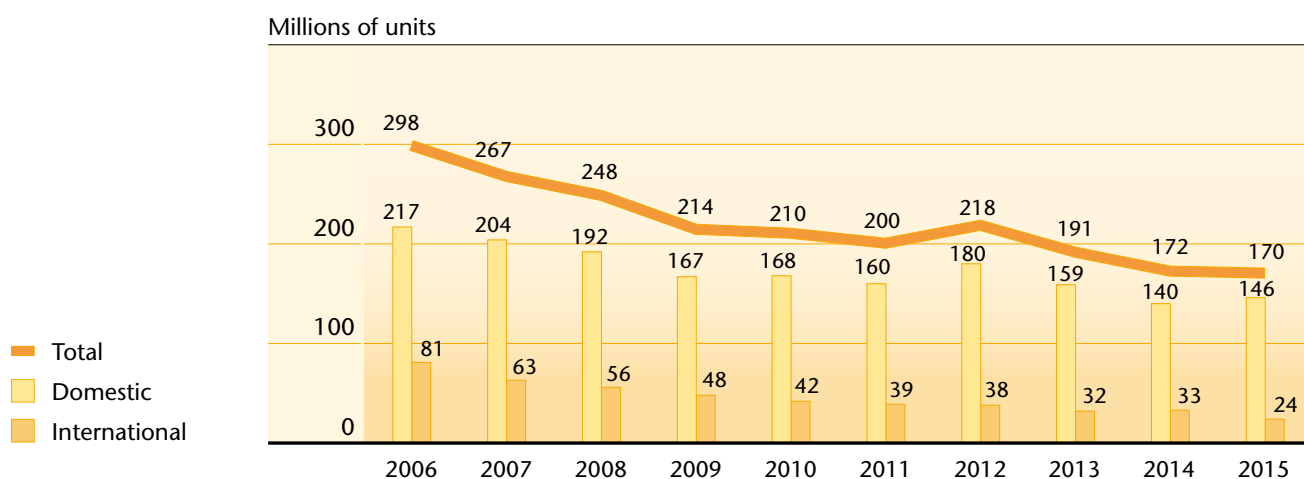
	Units	Share	vs. prev. yr	Value	Share	vs. prev. yr
Master Ringtones	8,808	5%	71%	786	2%	73%
Ringback Tones	43,994	25%	83%	2,981	6%	79%
Single Tracks	114,869	64%	95%	18,992	40%	92%
Albums	8,437	5%	109%	9,229	20%	110%
Music Videos	2,005	1%	81%	570	1%	82%
Subscriptions	—	—	—	12,393	26%	158%
Others	—	—	—	2,123	5%	159%
Total	178,113	100%	91%	47,073	100%	108%

N.B. 1. Figures represent digital music sales revenue derived from direct, license or consignment sales by RIAJ member companies.
2. Units: Number of downloads; Value: Net income by RIAJ member companies

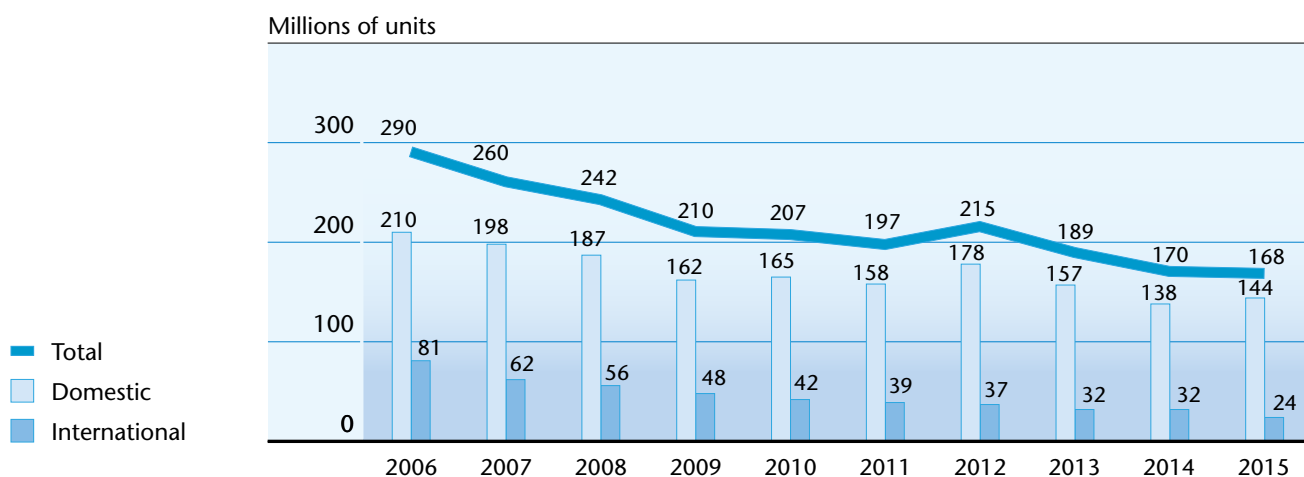
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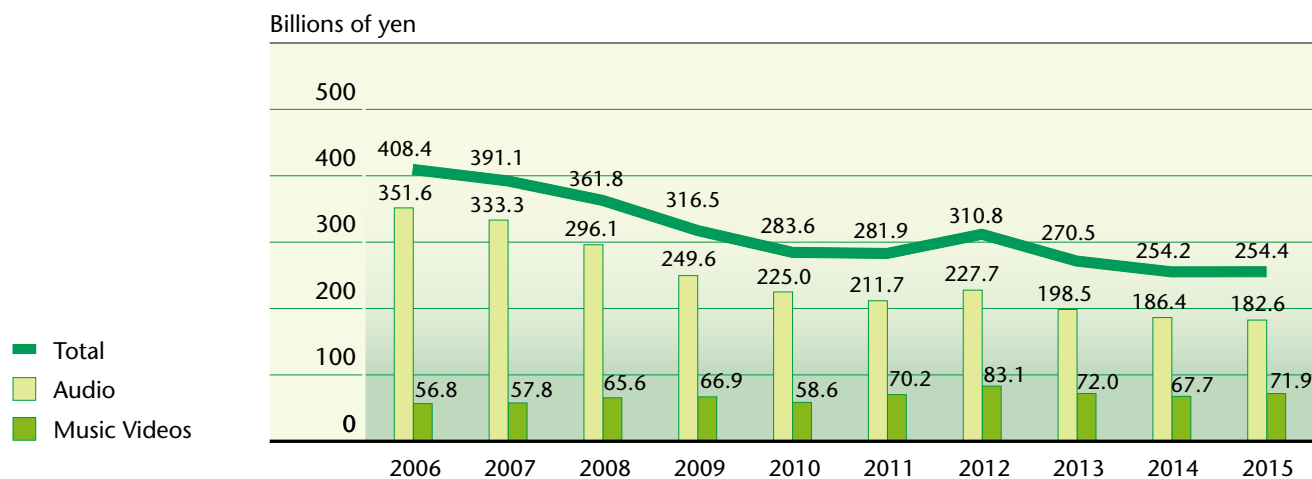
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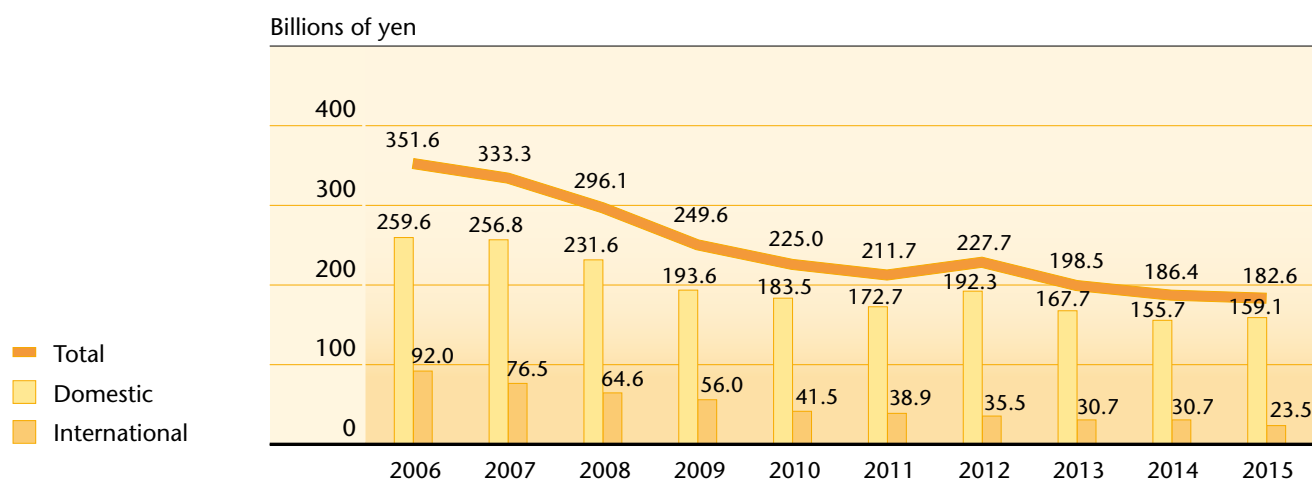
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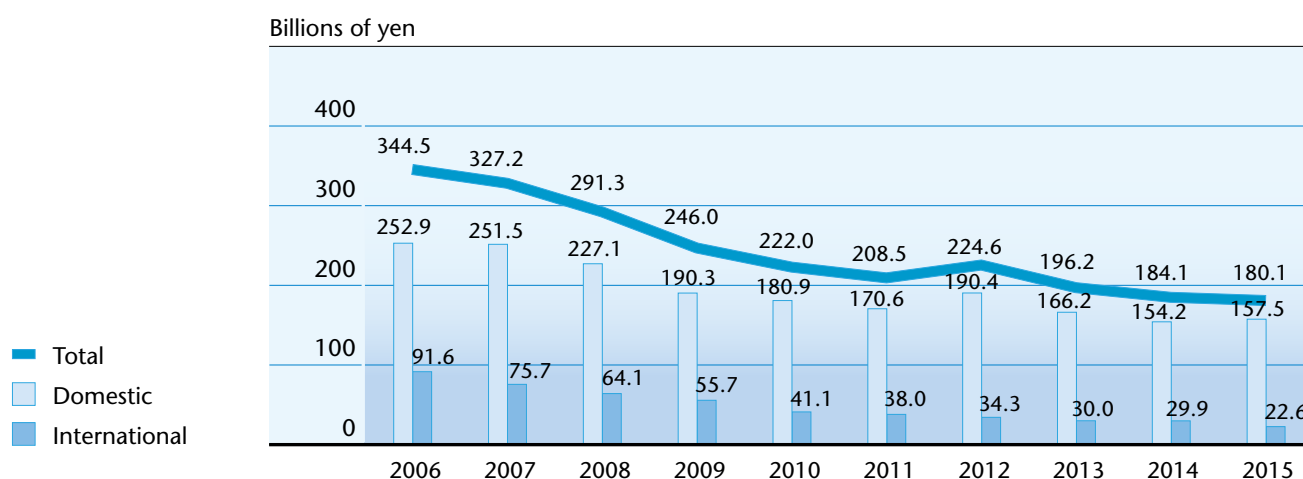
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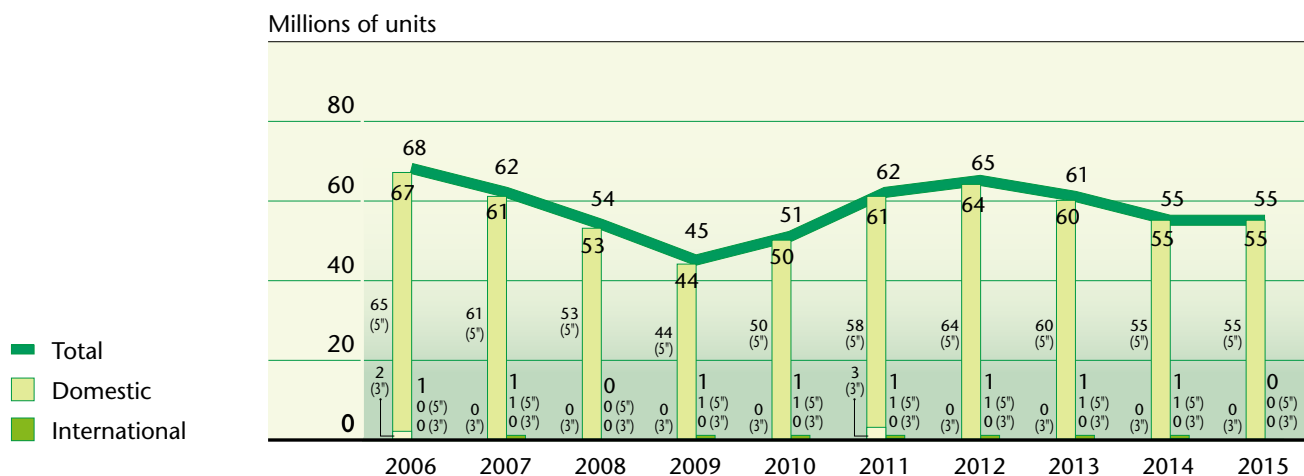
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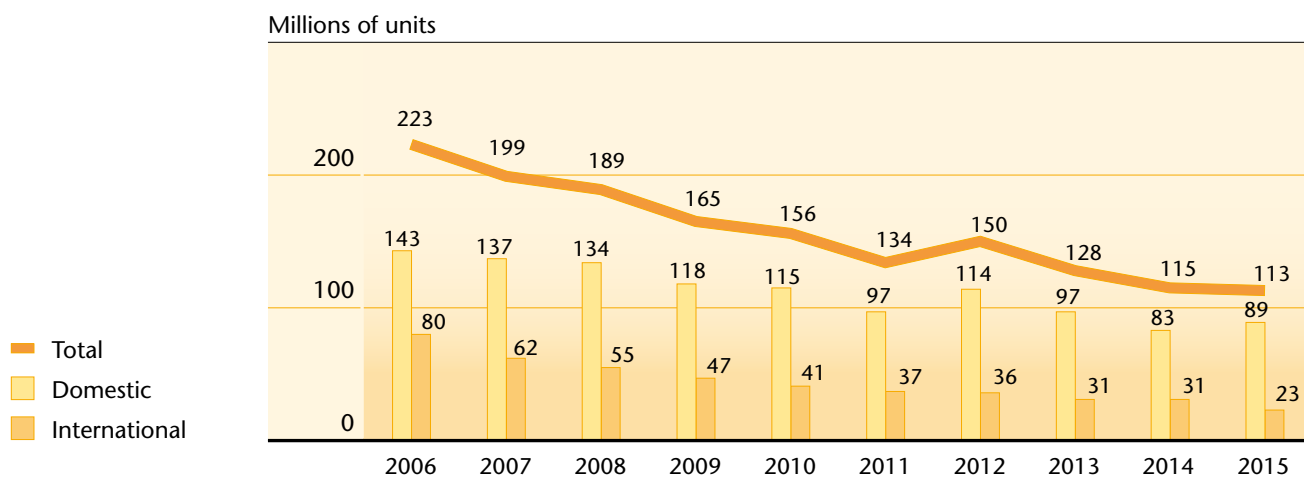
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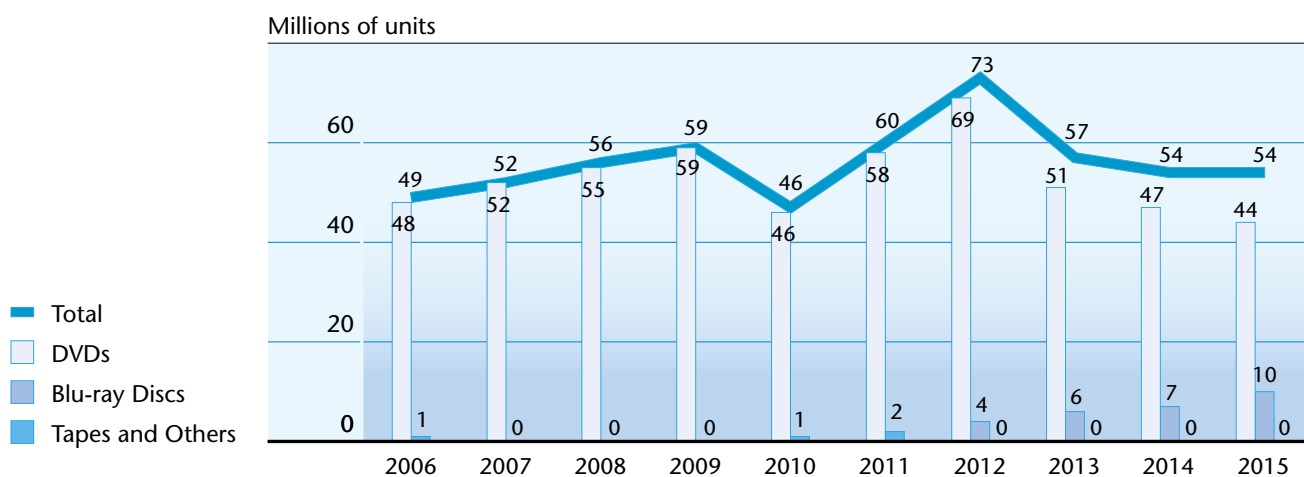
7. CD Singles — Production on Unit Basis



8. 5" CD Albums — Production on Unit Basis

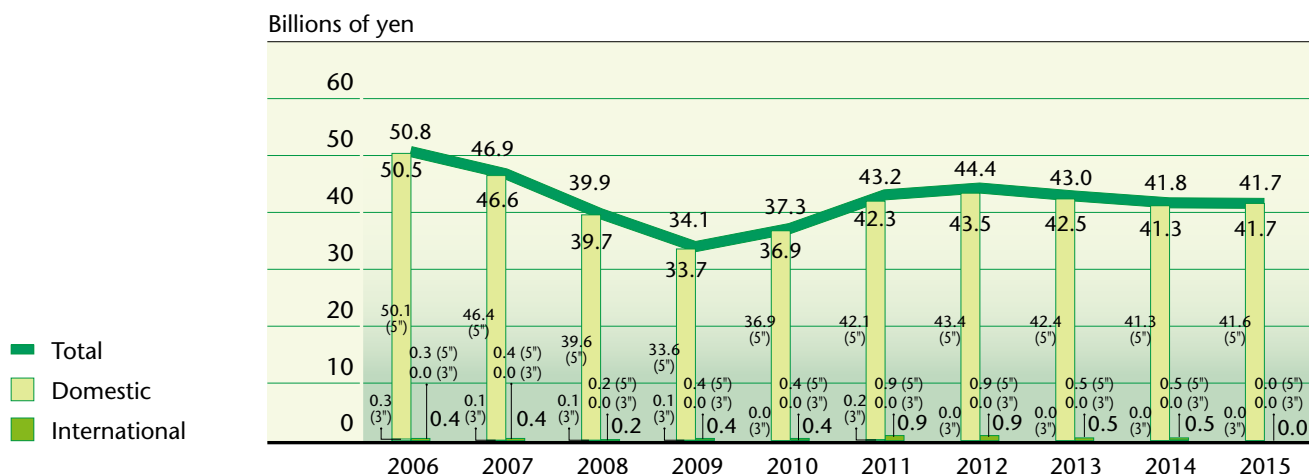


9. Music Videos — Production on Unit Basis

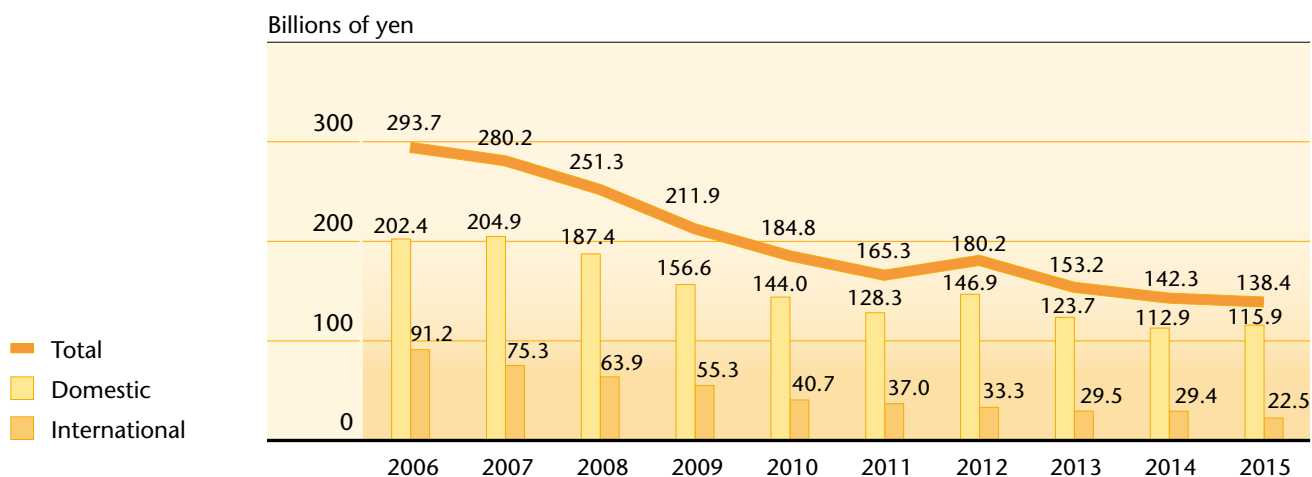


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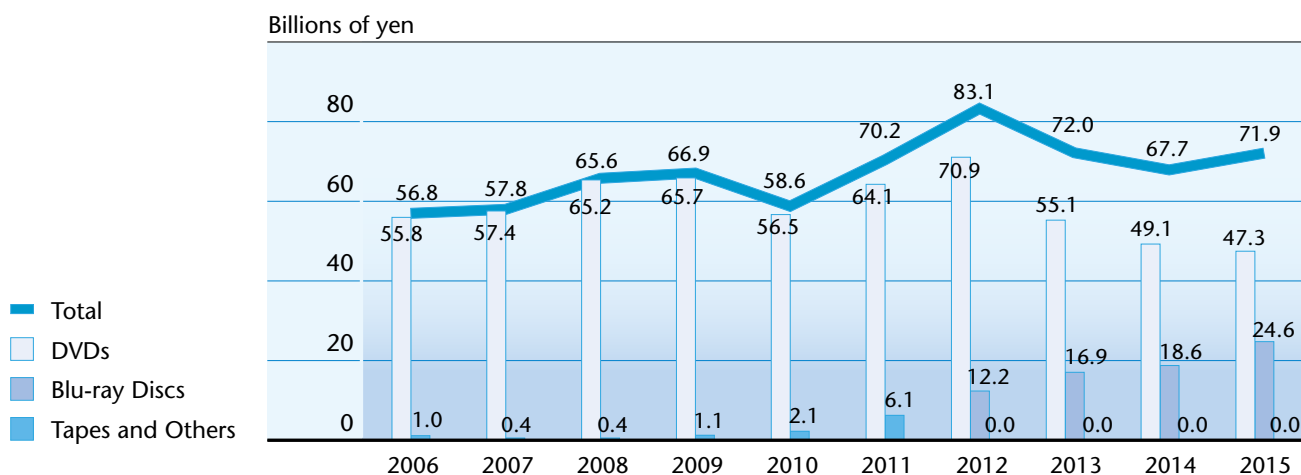
10. CD Singles — Production on Value Basis



11. 5" CD Albums — Production on Value Basis



12. Music Videos — Production on Value Basis



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13. Digital Music Sales

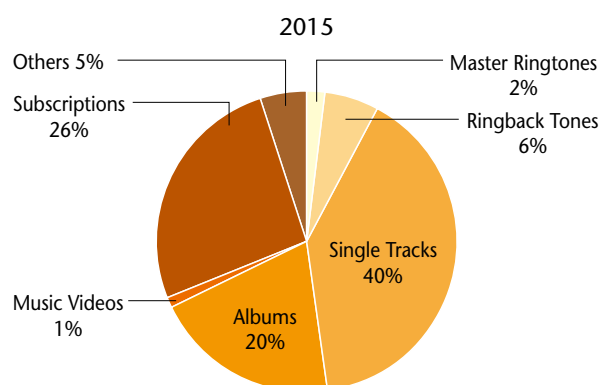
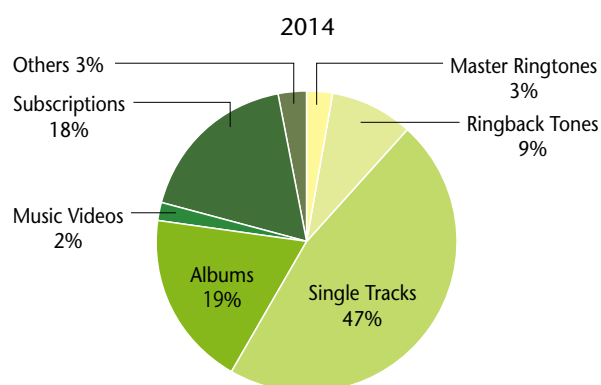
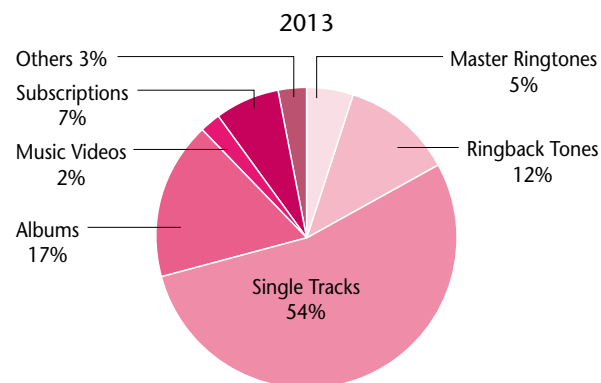
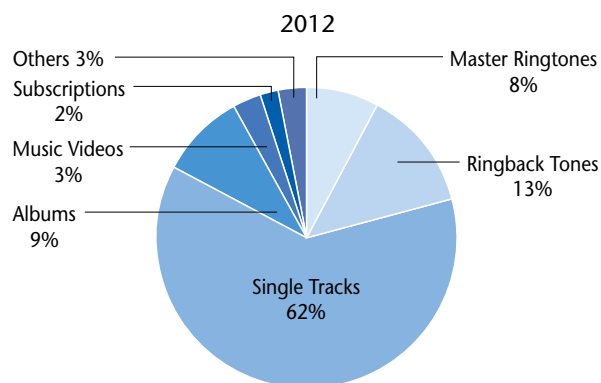
● 2015

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	Format	Units	Share	vs. prev. yr	Value	Share	vs. prev. yr
Master Ringtones		8,808	5%	71%	786	2%	73%
Ringback Tones		43,994	25%	83%	2,981	6%	79%
Single Tracks	PC / Smartphone	108,848	61%	100%	17,438	37%	100%
	Feature Phone	6,021	3%	51%	1,554	33%	50%
	Total	114,869	64%	95%	18,992	40%	92%
Albums	PC / Smartphone	8,437	5%	109%	9,229	20%	111%
	Feature Phone	0	0%	0%	0	0%	0%
	Total	8,437	5%	109%	9,229	20%	110%
Music Videos	PC / Smartphone	1,776	1%	88%	496	1%	90%
	Feature Phone	228	0%	53%	74	0%	51%
	Total	2,005	1%	81%	570	1%	82%
Subscriptions	PC / Smartphone	—	—	—	12,388	26%	158%
	Feature Phone	—	—	—	4	0%	79%
	Total	—	—	—	12,393	26%	158%
Others	Other Digital Music Contents	—	—	—	2,123	5%	159%
Grand Total		178,113	100%	91%	47,073	100%	108%

N.B. Please refer to notes for Digital Music Sales in 2015 on page 3.

● Composition of Digital Music by Format — Value Basis



● Digital Music Sales (2006-2015)

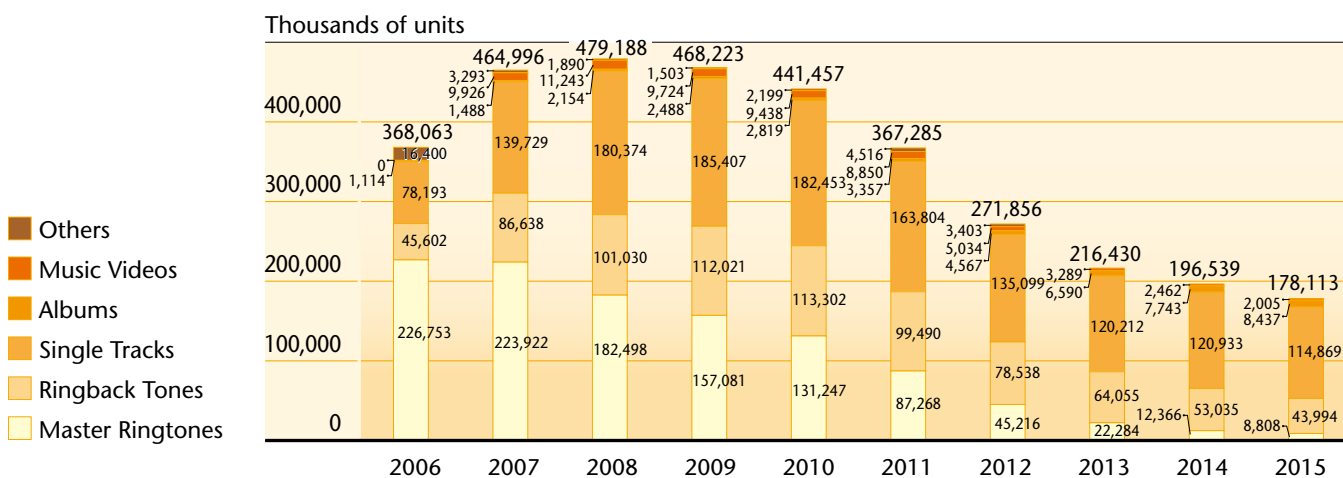
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		Master Ringtones	Ringback Tones	Single Tracks		Albums	Music Videos		Subscriptions		Others Other Digital Music Contents	Total
				PC / Smartphone	Feature Phone		PC / Smartphone	Feature Phone	PC / Smartphone	Feature Phone		
2006	Units	226,753	45,602	22,369	55,824	1,114	—	—	—	—	16,400	368,063
	Value	24,609	2,688	3,524	17,952	1,364	—	—	119	0	3,223	53,478
2007	Units	223,922	86,638	28,644	111,085	1,488	829	9,097	—	—	3,293	464,996
	Value	24,857	6,143	3,959	34,376	1,746	207	2,039	454	423	1,283	75,487
2008	Units	182,498	101,030	38,105	142,269	2,154	1,574	9,669	—	—	1,890	479,188
	Value	20,249	8,509	5,872	47,629	2,668	461	2,867	811	402	1,080	90,547
2009	Units	157,081	112,021	42,511	142,896	2,488	1,748	7,976	—	—	1,503	468,223
	Value	16,426	9,801	6,540	49,447	3,099	543	2,892	702	381	1,150	90,982
2010	Units	131,247	113,302	44,617	137,836	2,819	2,024	7,414	—	—	2,199	441,457
	Value	13,299	10,082	6,295	47,590	3,246	567	2,843	380	354	1,334	85,990
2011	Units	87,268	99,490	54,955	108,849	3,357	2,700	6,150	—	—	4,516	367,285
	Value	8,708	8,754	8,112	37,378	3,758	697	2,423	359	259	1,513	71,961
2012	Units	45,216	78,538	70,148	64,951	4,567	2,354	2,680	—	—	3,403	271,856
	Value	4,556	6,865	12,191	21,392	5,151	643	1,076	526	481	1,417	54,298
2013	Units	22,284	64,055	91,634	28,578	6,590	2,260	1,029	—	—	—	216,430
	Value	2,025	4,905	14,846	7,751	6,919	608	358	2,725	335	1,188	41,661
2014	Units	12,366	53,035	109,035	11,899	7,743	2,029	433	—	—	—	196,539
	Value	1,076	3,753	17,487	3,137	8,368	548	145	7,847	5	1,332	43,699
2015	Units	8,808	43,994	108,848	6,021	8,437	1,776	228	—	—	—	178,113
	Value	786	2,981	17,438	1,554	9,229	496	74	12,388	4	2,123	47,073

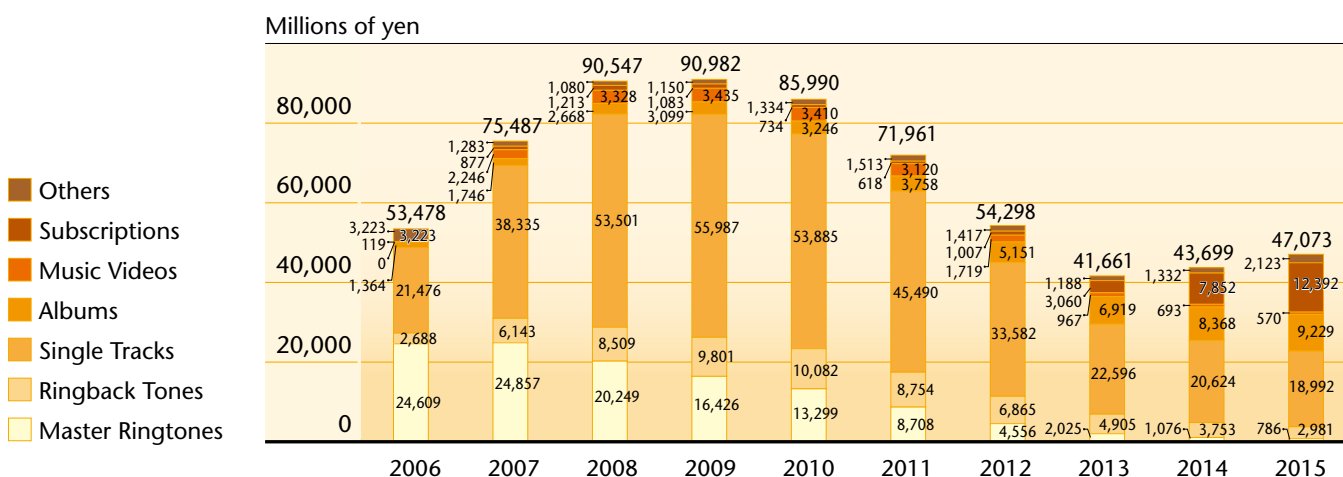
N.B. 1. Figures for Albums are the sum of PC and smartphones and feature phones.

2. Figures for Music Videos are included in Others until 2006 and accounted for as an individual item from 2007.

● Digital Music — Unit Basis



● Digital Music — Value Basis



14. Recorded Music — Production on Unit Basis

(Thousands of units)

	Discs							Tapes			Others	Total
	SPs	7"		10"/12"		CDs		Cartridges	Cassettes	Open Reels		
		33rpm	45rpm	33rpm	45rpm	3"	5"					
1929	10,483											
1930	14,400											
1931	16,895											
1932	17,016											
1933	24,675											
1934	25,731											
1935	28,927											
1936	29,638											
1937	26,409											
1938	19,634											
1939	24,385											
1940	20,928											
1941	19,714											
1942	17,085											
'43-'45 (18-20)	Unknown											
1946	6,420											
1947	8,847											
1948	11,962											
1949	16,860											
1950	11,828											
1951	14,904											
1952	17,806											17,806
1953	19,357			52								19,409
1954	15,896		455	209								16,560
1955	12,781		1,172	547								14,500
1956	11,540		2,379	1,019								14,938
1957	9,877		3,889	1,821								15,587
1958	8,520		5,417	3,264								17,201
1959	5,536		8,726	5,127								19,389
1960	3,078	73	13,530	7,323								24,004
1961	1,976	765	19,428	10,653								32,822
1962	584	2,765	26,927	13,462								43,738
1963	25	6,606	39,234	13,730								59,595
1964		9,012	50,954	13,847								73,813
1965		14,693	61,887	14,354								90,934
1966		15,285	63,063	16,142								94,490
1967		15,686	65,338	18,863	213							100,100
1968		16,968	75,489	27,757	217			5,529	631	171		126,762
1969		16,712	78,473	38,332	55			12,394	1,250	206		147,422
1970		11,749	71,704	50,095	7			18,338	3,790	192		155,875
1971		10,453	81,414	58,443	1			14,844	5,837	279		171,271
1972		8,004	82,909	61,137	0			13,535	6,770	239		172,594
1973		6,997	86,744	78,520	0			15,606	10,591	242		198,700
1974		6,735	91,166	83,758	0			12,790	11,154	111		205,714
1975		6,307	86,399	84,665	0			12,160	14,090	44		203,665
1976		5,548	99,543	94,599	62			11,388	20,187	14		231,341
1977		5,896	85,759	92,189	219			9,055	25,612	15		218,745
1978		4,801	98,283	93,012	132			11,699	34,855	6		242,788
1979		4,036	106,302	88,346	120			15,087	46,220	2		260,113
1980		5,188	99,172	90,504	79			22,858	57,107	0		274,908
1981		2,756	84,929	80,383	466			26,152	60,627			255,313
1982		2,451	76,285	73,022	158			36,489	61,115			249,520
1983		2,569	76,649	69,049	469			33,113	64,618			246,467
1984		1,149	69,979	66,708	1,503		6,365	21,973	60,917			228,595
1985		1,180	60,959	58,057	4,320		20,638	13,826	60,694			219,673

(Thousands of units)

	Discs							Tapes			Others	Total
	SPs	7"		10"/12"		CDs		Cartridges	Cassettes	Open Reels		
		33rpm	45rpm	33rpm	45rpm	3"	5"					
1986		1,415	59,152	42,751	2,732		45,120	8,355	62,517			222,041
1987		818	45,432	25,996	1,749		64,992	5,893	68,925			213,804
1988		564	26,855	10,935	1,109	25,557	89,980	3,415	76,074			234,490
1989		910	6,770	2,182	194	47,094	143,424	1,666	72,301			274,542
1990		224	1,382	703	23	61,820	169,129	672	56,541			290,494
1991		9	87	885	1	88,776	210,497	254	44,579			345,087
1992		14	17	982	1	110,559	222,671	47	38,853			373,142
1993		0	76	766	0	153,795	227,756	4	35,333			417,730
1994		620				138,271	241,699	0	29,860			410,450
1995		534				164,581	275,369		25,031			465,515
1996		944				166,294	282,556		22,512			472,305
1997		1,034				167,827	289,313		22,534			480,706
1998		1,186				154,260	302,913		21,818			480,177
							Singles	Albums				
1999		2,985				86,333	61,145	276,279	17,608			444,351
2000		1,914				33,124	104,601	276,327	17,174			433,140
2001		1,297				9,788	99,605	259,233	15,160	Music Videos		385,083
2002		697				7,967	74,793	245,919	12,972	14,909	968	358,224
2003		580				20,815	67,323	227,129	11,733	32,183	807	360,570
2004		894				15,363	66,473	220,420	8,999	34,772	531	347,451
2005		306				1,943	62,745	237,116	7,425	43,267	418	353,219
2006		248				1,693	65,861	222,698	6,665	49,137	476	346,778
2007		324				371	61,324	198,646	5,557	51,846	594	318,662
2008		212				239	53,488	188,724	4,586	55,742	498	303,490
2009		102				155	44,742	165,162	3,777	59,164	391	273,492
2010		105				107	50,503	155,929	2,866	46,475	369	256,354
2011		210				3,152	59,247	134,164	2,104	60,174	635	259,685
2012		453				51	64,807	150,311	1,800	72,632	609	290,663
2013		268				44	60,556	128,137	1,387	56,857	453	247,702
2014		401				30	55,428	114,925	1,071	53,680	455	225,989
2015		662				38	55,106	112,696	800	54,070	348	223,719

N.B. 1. 7" and 10"/12" analog recordings were consolidated in 1994.
2. Others: Total number of SACDs, DVDs-Audio, DVDs-Music and MDs

15. Recorded Music — Production on Value Basis

(Millions of yen)

	Discs							Tapes			Others	Total
	SPs	7"		10"/12"		CDs		Cartridges	Cassettes	Open Reels		
		33rpm	45rpm	33rpm	45rpm	3"	5"					
1952												2,269
1953												3,016
1954												3,186
1955												3,018
1956	2,084		792	1,181								4,058
1957	1,774		1,191	2,007								4,972
1958	1,496		1,365	2,859								5,719
1959	962		1,870	4,089								6,921
1960	516	21	2,749	5,685								8,971
1961	334	206	3,789	8,233								12,562
1962	104	699	5,275	11,180								17,259
1963	4	1,760	7,722	11,433								20,919
1964		2,369	9,855	12,966								25,190
1965		4,140	12,557	12,696								29,393
1966		4,381	13,306	14,278								31,965
1967		3,983	14,009	16,413	242							34,646
1968		4,988	19,155	24,821	281							49,245
1969		5,114	20,830	34,352	73							60,369
1970		3,765	19,578	42,368	9							65,720
1971		3,249	22,498	50,829	1			30,434	4,879	352		112,242
1972		2,757	25,050	55,474	0			26,662	5,628	303		115,876
1973		2,535	29,706	75,310	0			33,475	10,007	280		151,314
1974		2,649	31,771	98,005	0			28,816	14,542	177		175,960
1975		2,533	30,159	104,442	0			26,674	20,997	78		184,883
1976		2,295	37,604	123,627	36			21,383	33,402	35		218,381
1977		2,495	34,745	126,030	269			14,334	44,723	42		222,638
1978		1,908	40,172	129,980	148			12,107	61,371	18		245,704
1979		1,659	43,753	125,884	103			14,191	76,993	6		262,589
1980		2,300	42,673	136,187	78			21,265	90,341			292,844
1981		1,191	39,766	130,652	798			24,529	91,718			288,654
1982		1,053	35,920	118,148	171			35,152	90,594			281,037
1983		1,366	36,724	114,092	500			32,290	96,691			281,663
1984		533	33,720	110,948	1,369		14,439	21,696	91,406			274,111
1985		1,150	29,425	95,910	3,761		47,931	13,708	89,453			281,337
1986		733	28,323	71,624	2,625		97,912	8,482	89,220			298,920
1987		448	21,956	45,967	1,562		139,016	6,340	96,295			311,584
1988		328	12,925	18,842	1,111	18,825	186,423	3,680	100,812			342,947
1989		400	3,107	3,349	286	29,756	257,005	1,678	87,752			383,332
1990		140	640	1,034	41	37,556	285,793	693	61,872			387,770
1991		5	38	1,441	0	53,967	345,829	259	47,714			449,252
1992		10	8	1,834	1	69,064	369,467	45	37,819			478,247
1993		0	43	1,479	0	97,710	382,754	4	31,689			513,679
1994		1,081				88,371	403,870		25,924			519,246
1995		881				100,565	450,604		21,982			574,031
1996		1,312				104,418	458,164		19,969			583,862
1997		1,369				103,891	463,187		19,573			588,019
1998		1,484				95,478	492,400		18,132			607,494
							Singles	Albums				
1999		3,575				54,077	46,850	450,369	14,680			569,551
2000		2,069				15,046	82,393	426,440	13,868			539,816
2001		1,351				3,885	76,432	409,261	12,132	Music Videos		503,061
2002		782				3,861	56,677	371,268	10,542	37,683	642	481,454
2003		676				3,128	51,310	333,550	9,867	56,489	1,159	456,179
2004		520				1,393	50,591	316,627	7,437	53,900	802	431,269
2005		406				424	48,431	310,945	6,322	54,973	710	422,210
2006		337				383	50,464	293,671	5,613	56,844	1,096	408,408
2007		563				156	46,788	280,230	4,506	57,823	1,046	391,113
2008		352				107	39,837	251,321	3,740	65,626	791	361,775
2009		190				58	33,999	211,914	2,943	66,883	527	316,515
2010		170				40	37,239	184,755	2,300	58,614	495	283,612
2011		336				225	43,015	165,260	1,727	70,197	1,090	281,850
2012		673				39	44,358	180,234	1,461	83,106	957	310,828
2013		408				22	42,947	153,217	1,144	72,008	723	270,468
2014		678				19	41,766	142,303	905	67,733	771	254,176
2015		1,175				23	41,665	138,422	695	71,833	586	254,449

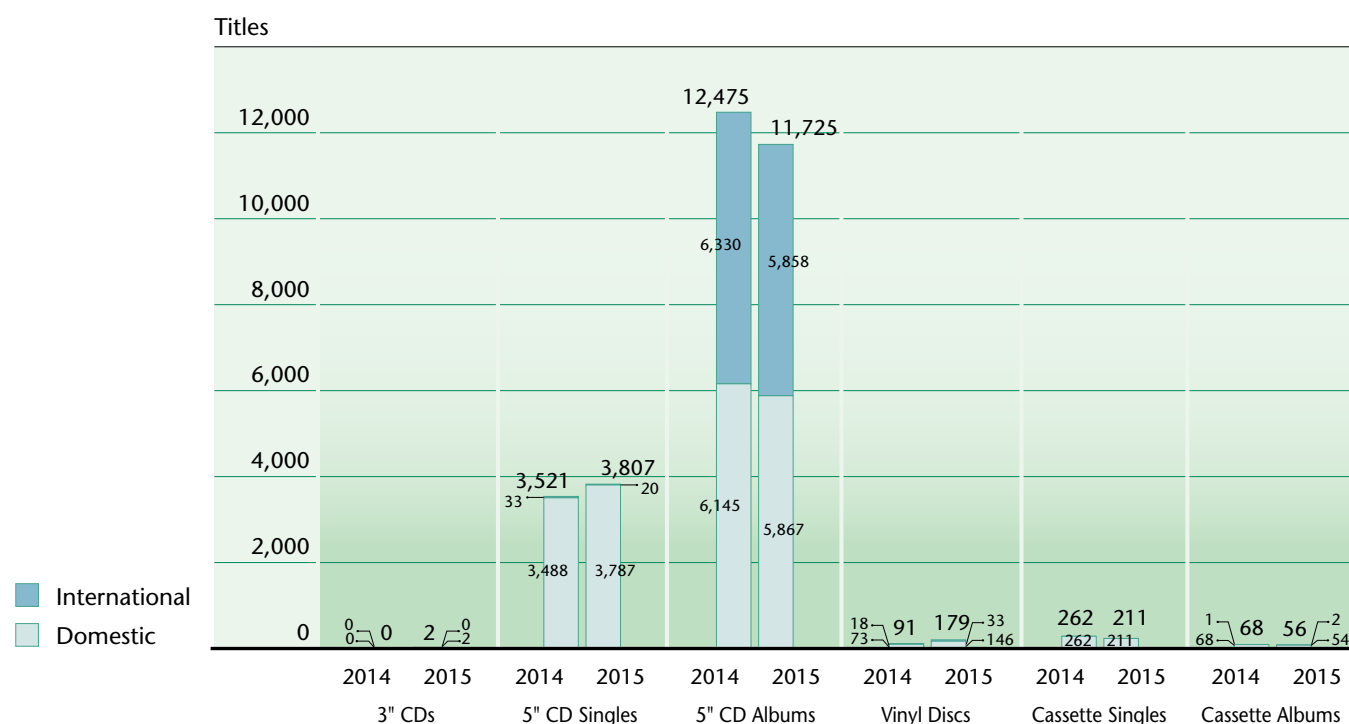
N.B. 1. Producers' sales prices including tax from 1969 and prices excluding consumption tax from 1989

2. 7" and 10"/12" analog recordings were consolidated in 1994.

3. Others: Total number of SACDs, DVDs-Audio, DVDs-Music and MDs

16. Newly Released Audio Recordings

● Newly Released Audio Recordings by Format

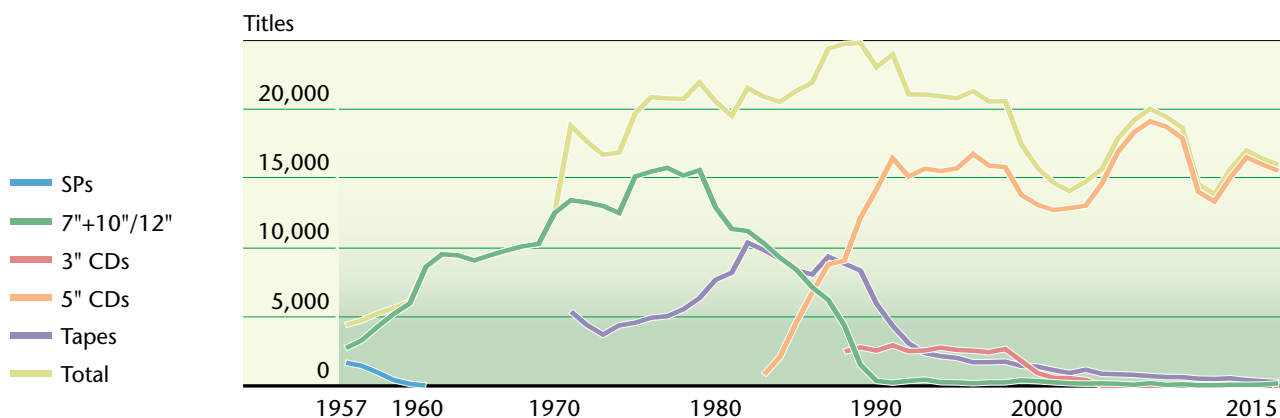


● Breakdown by Genre and Format in 2015

Genre		3" CDs	5" CDs			Vinyl Discs	Cassettes		Total
			Singles	Albums	Total		Singles	Albums	
DOMESTIC	Enka	0	544	421	965	0	195	49	1,209
	Pop	1	1,696	1,952	3,649	47	4	1	3,701
	New Music	1	964	2,103	3,068	98	2	1	3,169
	Light Music	0	7	223	230	1	0	0	231
	Traditional	0	11	101	112	0	10	2	124
	Kids	0	1	225	226	0	0	0	226
	Anime	0	550	472	1,022	0	0	0	1,022
	Classical	0	9	120	129	0	0	0	129
	Karaoke	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Non-Musical	0	5	250	255	0	0	1	256
	Domestic Total	2	3,787	5,867	9,656	146	211	54	10,067
		(-)	(109%)	(95%)	(100%)	(200%)	(81%)	(79%)	(100%)
INTERNATIONAL	Rock/Dance	0	8	2,104	2,112	9	0	0	2,121
	Jazz/Fusion	0	0	1,093	1,093	5	0	0	1,098
	Pop	0	9	732	741	16	0	1	758
	Screen	0	0	188	188	2	0	0	190
	Others	0	0	28	28	0	0	1	29
	Classical	0	3	1,702	1,705	0	0	0	1,705
	Non-Musical	0	0	11	11	1	0	0	12
	International Total	0	20	5,858	5,878	33	0	2	5,913
		(-)	(61%)	(93%)	(92%)	(183%)	(-)	(-)	(93%)
Grand Total		2	3,807	11,725	15,534	179	211	56	15,980
		(-)	(108%)	(94%)	(97%)	(197%)	(81%)	(82%)	(97%)

N.B. 1. Figures in parentheses: Percentage change compared with previous year
 2. Total number of newly released recordings in 2015

17. Newly Released Audio Recordings (1957-2015)



*Tapes: Cassettes + Cartridges + Open Reels

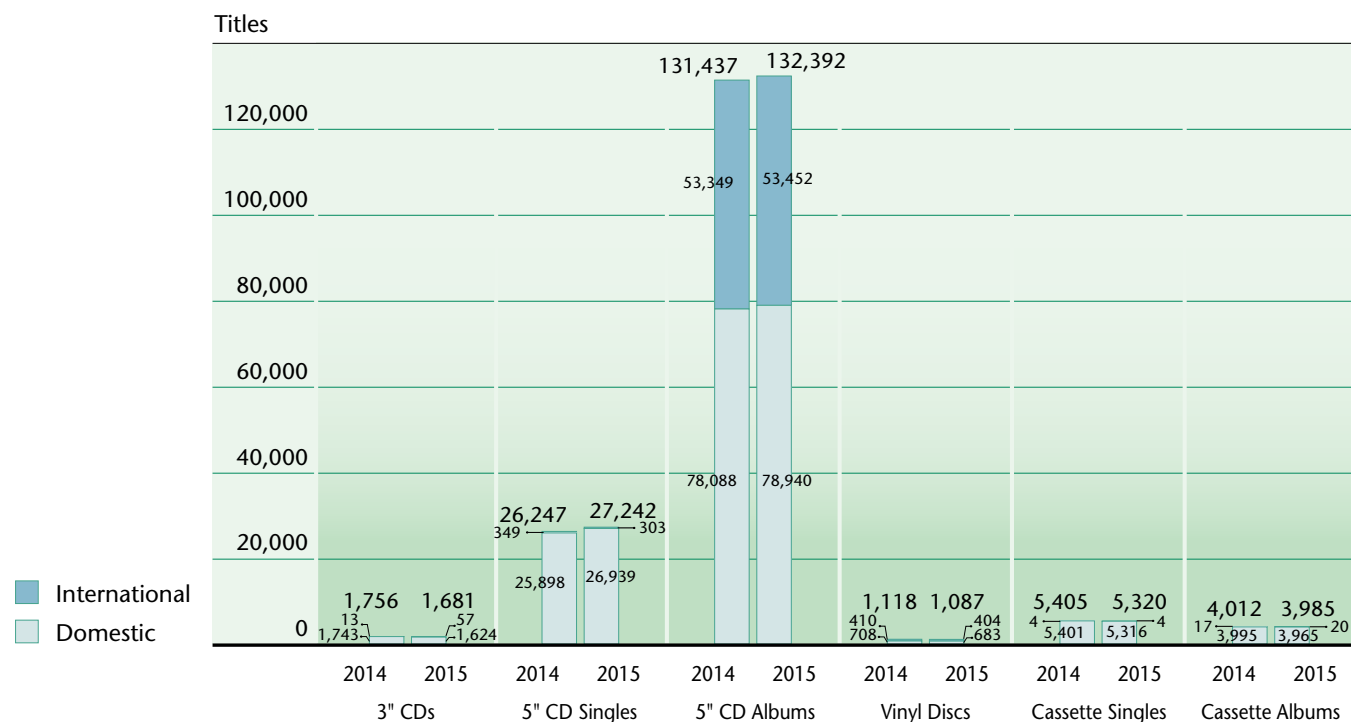
	Discs					Tapes			Total
	SPs	7"	10"/12"	3" CDs	5" CDs	Cassettes	Cartridges	Open Reels	
1957	1,673	1,651	1,070						4,394
1958	1,451	1,789	1,493						4,733
1959	964	2,074	2,202						5,240
1960	414	2,433	2,769						5,616
1961	139	2,475	3,483						6,097
1962	15	3,425	5,187						8,627
1963		4,231	5,281						9,512
1964		5,053	4,379						9,432
1965		4,954	4,111						9,065
1966		5,414	4,030						9,444
1967		5,416	4,366						9,782
1968		5,382	4,704						10,086
1969		4,807	5,451						10,258
1970		5,159	7,346						12,505
1971		5,006	8,415			2,162	2,933	295	18,811
1972		4,378	8,884			1,834	2,353	211	17,660
1973		3,818	9,186			1,767	1,781	157	16,709
1974		3,286	9,210			2,437	1,821	106	16,860
1975		3,930	11,198			2,720	1,816	23	19,687
1976		4,042	11,452			3,614	1,746	15	20,869
1977		4,681	11,075			3,891	1,110	26	20,783
1978		4,021	11,185			4,607	915	15	20,743
1979		4,233	11,358			5,526	818	3	21,938
1980		4,049	8,851			6,393	1,270	1	20,564
1981		3,224	8,119			6,504	1,672		19,519
1982		3,224	7,965			7,674	2,667		21,530
1983		3,246	7,052		788	7,277	2,543		20,906
1984		2,761	6,503		2,097	7,047	2,133		20,541
1985		2,668	5,750		4,546	6,504	1,845		21,313
1986		2,535	4,593		6,719	6,768	1,310		21,925
1987		2,547	3,661		8,772	7,872	1,520		24,372
1988		2,066	2,299	2,468	9,053	7,671	1,164		24,721
1989		993	528	2,780	12,155	7,691	642		24,789
1990		155	198	2,549	14,203	5,655	276		23,036
1991			229	2,933	16,451	4,188	160		23,961
1992		4	350	2,502	15,135	3,049	24		21,064
1993	MDs	9	439	2,556	15,697	2,362		DCCs	21,063
1994	177	258		2,761	15,527	2,142		65	20,930
1995	159	245		2,592	15,722	2,015		64	20,797

(Titles)

	Discs						Tapes			Total
	SPs	7"	10"/12"	3" CDs	5" CDs		Cassettes	Cartridges	Open Reels	
					Singles	Albums				
1996	117	183		2,540	371	16,385	1,702		2	21,300
1997	252	242		2,431	428	15,497	1,710			20,560
1998	119	248		2,659	599	15,208	1,746			20,579
1999	33	396		1,795	1,225	12,573	1,436			17,458
2000	17	338		929	1,760	11,333	1,388			15,765
2001	1	253		575	1,904	10,808	1,141			14,682
2002		188		557	1,677	10,734	923			14,079
2003		157		419	2,094	10,933	1,165			14,768
2004		177		21	2,581	12,019	870			15,668
2005		144		3	2,769	14,136	833			17,885
2006		74		3	2,954	15,377	793			19,201
2007		195		1	2,977	16,146	704			20,023
2008		68		1	2,917	15,823	636			19,445
2009	1	117			2,860	15,054	629			18,661
2010		42			2,718	11,305	518			14,583
2011		41			2,945	10,382	495			13,863
2012		79			3,451	11,625	544			15,699
2013		71			3,516	13,012	414			17,013
2014		91			3,521	12,475	330			16,417
2015		179		2	3,807	11,725	267			15,980

18. Audio Recording Catalogue Listings

● Audio Recording Catalogue Listings by Format

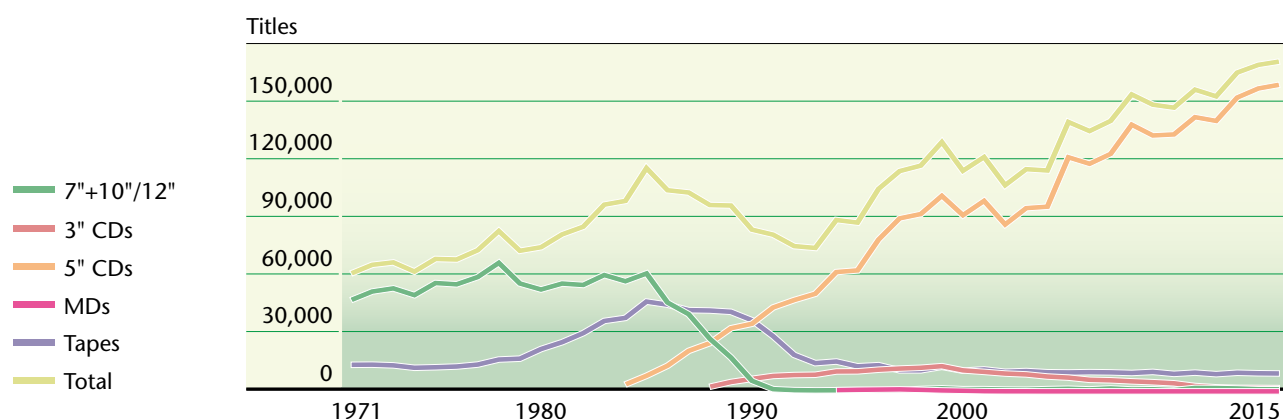


● Breakdown by Genre and Format in 2015

Genre		(Titles)							
		3" CDs	5" CDs			MDs	Vinyl Discs	Cassettes	
			Singles	Albums	Total			Singles	Albums
DOMESTIC	Enka	378	4,649	5,019	9,668	0	8	4,288	2,080
	Pop	334	9,533	16,237	25,770	0	212	192	152
	New Music	802	8,233	28,842	37,075	1	441	29	43
	Light Music	1	82	3,858	3,940	0	8	23	121
	Traditional	31	206	2,574	2,780	0	0	739	970
	Kids	4	99	3,026	3,125	0	0	26	177
	Anime	23	3,983	9,830	13,813	0	0	11	280
	Classical	0	10	4,454	4,464	0	8	1	2
	Karaoke	0	21	630	651	0	0	0	0
	Non-Musical	51	123	4,470	4,593	0	6	7	140
	Domestic Total	1,624	26,939	78,940	105,879	1	683	5,316	3,965
INTERNATIONAL	Rock/Dance	52	196	16,874	17,070	0	250	0	14
	Jazz/Fusion	0	11	8,023	8,034	0	103	1	0
	Pop	4	69	5,493	5,562	0	2	0	4
	Screen	1	2	794	796	0	2	0	2
	Others	0	9	829	838	0	3	3	0
	Classical	0	13	21,305	21,318	0	44	0	0
	Non-Musical	0	3	134	137	0	0	0	0
	International Total	57	303	53,452	53,755	0	404	4	20
Grand Total		1,681	27,242	132,392	159,634	1	1,087	5,320	3,985
		(96%)	(104%)	(101%)	(101%)	(100%)	(97%)	(98%)	(99%)

N.B. 1. Figures in parentheses: Percentage change compared with previous year
2. Number of catalogues as of 2015 year-end

19. Audio Recording Catalogue Listings (1971-2015)



*Tapes: Cassettes + Cartridges + Open Reels

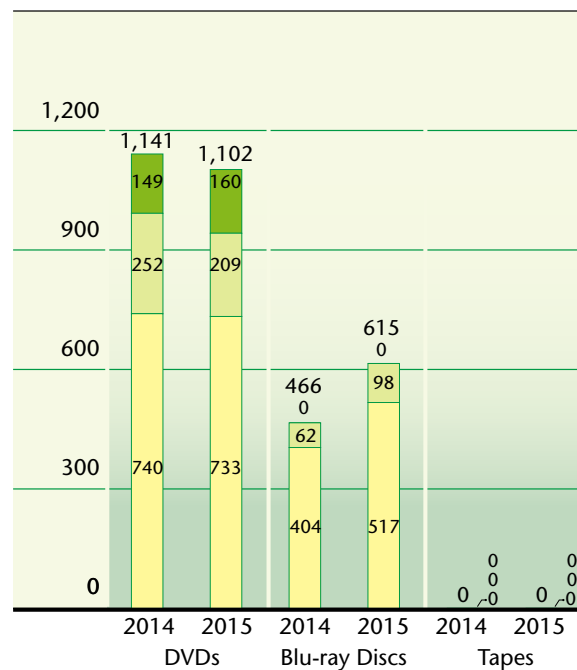
(Titles)									
	Discs				MDs	Tapes			Total
	7"	10"/12"	3" CDs	5" CDs		Cassettes	Cartridges	Open Reels	
1971	20,593	26,939				4,962	7,557	1,305	61,356
1972	19,244	32,725				5,499	6,993	1,410	65,871
1973	18,006	35,605				6,000	6,134	1,398	67,143
1974	15,596	34,502				6,064	5,158	1,048	62,368
1975	15,925	40,470				6,748	5,159	636	68,938
1976	14,627	41,087				8,206	4,205	517	68,642
1977	16,558	42,955				9,707	4,001	239	73,460
1978	17,747	49,140				12,790	3,514	255	83,446
1979	15,253	40,903				13,965	2,946	111	73,178
1980	15,052	37,960				18,771	3,176	81	75,040
1981	15,991	40,126				20,779	4,815		81,711
1982	15,915	39,478				24,014	6,292		85,699
1983	17,280	43,275				28,365	8,284		97,204
1984	15,937	41,388		3,572		28,596	9,648		99,141
1985	17,692	43,672		8,112		35,171	11,573		116,220
1986	14,813	31,414		13,360		34,223	10,893		104,703
1987	13,235	26,919		21,079		33,252	9,030		103,515
1988	11,181	16,231	2,387	25,105		35,470	6,622		96,996
1989	7,918	9,725	4,856	32,843		33,736	7,673		96,751
1990	2,524	2,961	6,494	35,185		30,504	6,510		84,178
1991	595	552	8,020	43,659		26,208	2,545		81,579
1992	182	442	8,488	47,525		18,273	713		75,623
1993	93	435	8,642	50,799		14,687	6	DCCs	74,662
1994	24	548	10,353	62,108	635	14,979	6	550	89,203
1995	11	613	10,417	62,970	801	12,481		562	87,855
1996	576		11,277	79,009	917	13,438		192	105,409
1997	741		11,866	90,066	1,038	10,874		82	114,667
1998	1,214		12,276	92,313	773	10,932		11	117,519
				Singles	Albums				
1999	1,596		13,123	2,680	99,090	488	12,778	4	129,759
2000	1,134		10,929	3,517	88,206	297	10,751		114,834
2001	1,152		10,138	4,982	94,173	89	11,436		121,970
2002	945		9,272	6,526	80,364	34	10,196		107,337
2003	857		8,816	8,001	87,384	26	10,582		115,666
2004	1,165		7,724	9,757	86,378	2	9,956		114,982
2005	1,366		7,153	12,384	109,474	2	9,843		140,222
2006	1,021		6,009	14,009	104,467	2	10,002		135,510
2007	1,521		5,749	16,751	106,884	2	9,887		140,794
2008	980		5,215	18,027	120,795		9,565		154,582
2009	1,103		4,770	18,669	114,561	3	10,127		149,233
2010	649		4,199	19,491	114,266	2	9,096		147,703
2011	1,780		2,780	23,809	118,937	6	9,758		157,070
2012	1,722		2,103	22,581	118,215	2	8,958		153,581
2013	1,502		1,807	25,172	127,793	1	9,688		165,963
2014	1,118		1,756	26,247	131,437	1	9,417		169,976
2015	1,087		1,681	27,242	132,392	1	9,305		171,708

Statistics by Format (Unit Basis — Value Basis)

20. Newly Released Music Videos

● Newly Released Music Videos by Format

Titles



Domestic International Karaoke

N.B. Total number of newly released music videos in 2015

● Breakdown by Genre and Format in 2015

(Titles)

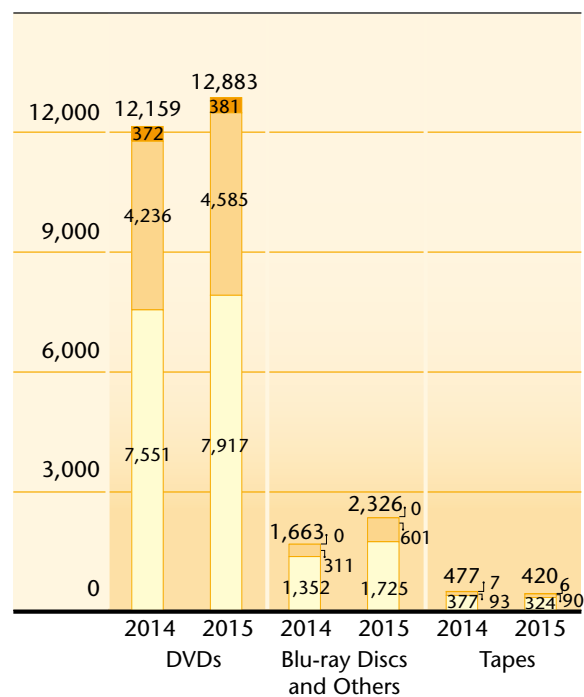
Genre		Discs		Tapes	Total
		DVDs	Blu-ray Discs		
MUSIC	Domestic	733	517	0	1,250
	International	209	98	0	307
	Karaoke	160	0	0	160
Total		1,102 (97%)	615 (132%)	0 (-)	1,717 (107%)

N.B. Figures in parentheses: Percentage change compared with previous year

21. Music Video Catalogue Listings

● Music Video Catalogue Listings by Format

Titles



Domestic International Karaoke

N.B. 1. Number of music video catalogues as of 2015 year-end
2. Others includes LDs.

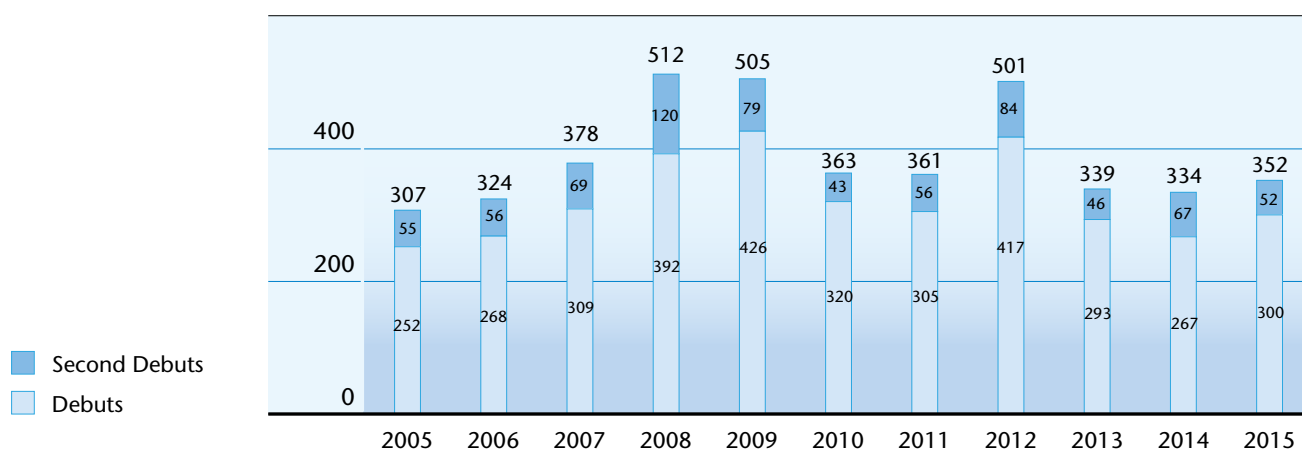
● Breakdown by Genre and Format in 2015

(Titles)

Genre		Discs		Tapes	Total
		DVDs	Blu-ray Discs and Others		
MUSIC	Domestic	7,917	1,725	324	9,966
	International	4,585	601	90	5,276
	Karaoke	381	0	6	387
Total		12,883 (106%)	2,326 (140%)	420 (88%)	15,629 (109%)

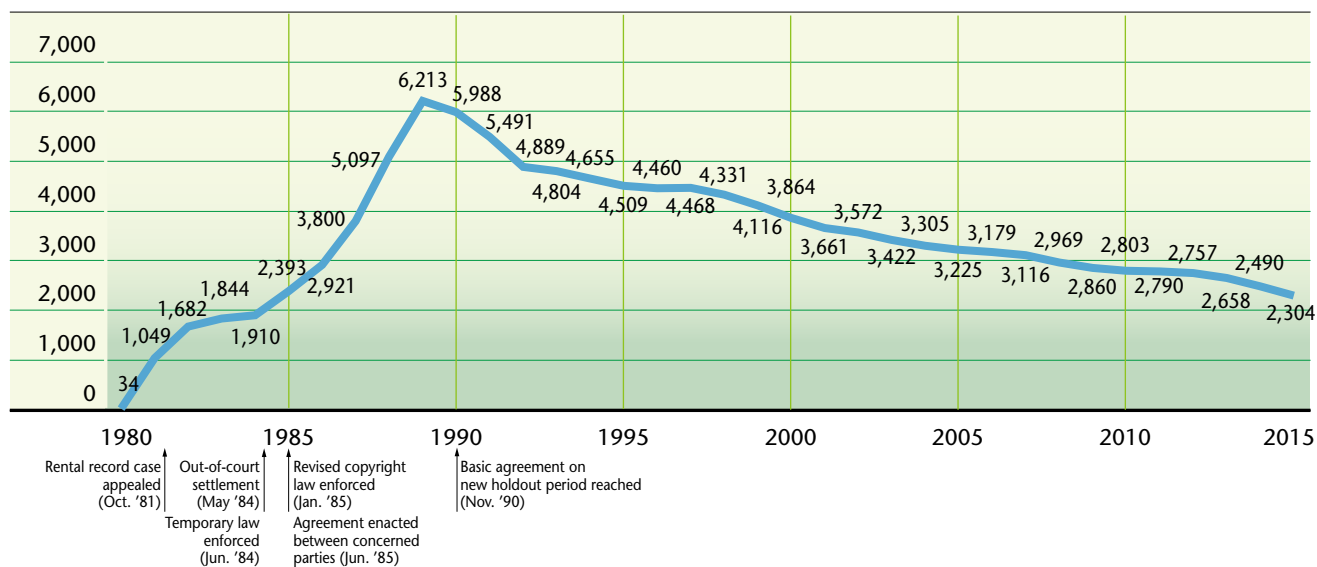
N.B. Figures in parentheses: Percentage change compared with previous year

22. Number of Domestic Debut Artists



N.B. Group is counted as one artist.

23. Number of Record Rental Shops



N.B. Number of shops is based on figures at each year-end.

Related Data

24. 30th Japan Gold Disc Award 2016

Artist Awards

Artist of the Year Artists generating the highest net sales for works or songs released in 2015

Domestic	ARASHI	J Storm Inc.
International	THE BEATLES	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC

Best Asian Artist Among artists of the same category, the artist generating the highest net sales for works or songs released in 2015

Asia	TOHOSHINKI	avex music creative Inc.
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Best Enka/Kayokyoku Artist Among artists of the same genre, the artist generating the highest net sales for works or songs released in 2015

	KIYOSHI HIKAWA	NIPPON COLUMBIA CO., LTD.
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New Artist of the Year Artists among New Artist award winners generating the highest net sales for works or songs

Domestic	[Alexandros]	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
International	Sam Smith	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
Asia	EXO	avex music creative Inc.

Best 5 New Artists Top five domestic debut artists with the largest net sales for works or songs

Domestic	Ayumikurikamaki	Sony Music Labels Inc.
	[Alexandros]	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
	THE HOOPERS	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
	Arisa Takigawa	Sony Music Labels Inc.
	whiteeeen	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC

Best 3 New Artists Top three international debut artists with the highest net sales for works or songs

International	Collabro	Sony Music Labels Inc.
	Sam Smith	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
	Meghan Trainor	Sony Music Labels Inc.

Best 3 New Artists Top three debut artists from respective Asian countries with the largest net sales for works or songs

Asia	EXO	avex music creative Inc.
	Dal★Shabet	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
	Block B	KING RECORD CO., LTD.

Best Enka/Kayokyoku New Artist Among debut artists of the same genre, the artist generating the highest net sales for works or songs released in 2015

	Kumamushi	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
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Album Awards

Album of the Year Albums released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)

Domestic	Japonism	ARASHI	J Storm Inc.
International	THE BEATLES 1	THE BEATLES	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
Asia	Present	SUPER JUNIOR-D&E	avex music creative Inc.

Best 5 Albums Top five albums released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)

Domestic	Japonism	ARASHI	J Storm Inc.
	kokoga Rhodus da kokodetobe!	AKB48	KING RECORD CO., LTD.
	0 to 1 no aida	AKB48	KING RECORD CO., LTD.
	PLANET SEVEN	J Soul Brothers III from EXILE TRIBE	avex music creative Inc.
	DREAMS COME TRUE THE BEST! WATASHINO DORIKAMU	DREAMS COME TRUE	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC

Best 3 Albums Top three albums released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)

International	FURIOUS 7 SOUNDTRACK	O.S.T.	Warner Music Japan Inc.
	THE BEATLES 1	THE BEATLES	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
	MADE IN THE A.M.	One Direction	Sony Music Labels Inc.

Best 3 Albums Top three albums released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)

Asia	SO GOOD	JUNHO From 2PM	Sony Music Labels Inc.
	Present	SUPER JUNIOR-D&E	avex music creative Inc.
	2PM OF 2PM	2PM	Sony Music Labels Inc.

Classic Album of the Year		Album released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)	
	AMOR & PASION	IL DIVO	Sony Music Labels Inc.
Jazz Album of the Year		Album released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)	
	Wallflower	Diana Krall	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
Instrumental Album of the Year		Album released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)	
	DELUXE -Best Duets-	Taro Hakase	HATS UNLIMITED CO., LTD.
Soundtrack Album of the Year		Album released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)	
	FURIOUS 7 SOUNDTRACK	O.S.T.	Warner Music Japan Inc.
Animation Album of the Year		Album released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)	
	μ's Best Album Best Live! Collection 2	μ's	Lantis Co., Ltd.
Traditional Japanese Music Album of the Year		Album released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)	
	Japanese Songs	Hideki Togi	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
Concept Album of the Year		Album released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)	
	Tamariku	Masaharu Fukuyama	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC

Single Awards

Single of the Year		Single released in 2015 with the most unit sales	
	Bokutachiwa Tatakawanai	AKB48	KING RECORD CO., LTD.
Best 5 Singles		Top five singles released in 2015 with the most unit sales	
	Kuchibiruni Be My Baby	AKB48	KING RECORD CO., LTD.
	Green Flash	AKB48	KING RECORD CO., LTD.
	Halloween Night	AKB48	KING RECORD CO., LTD.
	Bokutachiwa Tatakawanai	AKB48	KING RECORD CO., LTD.
	Taiyou Nokku	Nogizaka46	Sony Music Labels Inc.

Digital Music Awards

Song of the Year By Download		Songs available for download in 2015 with the largest combined digital downloads (single track)	
Domestic	Torisetu	Kana Nishino	Sony Music Labels Inc.
International	I Really Like You	Carly Rae Jepsen	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
Asia	BANG BANG BANG -KR Ver.-	BIGBANG	avex music creative Inc.
Best 5 Songs By Download		Top five songs available for download in 2015 with the largest combined digital downloads (single track)	
	Kimiga Kureta Natsu	Leo Ieiri	JVCKENWOOD Victor Entertainment Corp.
	I Really Like You	Carly Rae Jepsen	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
	Attakaindakaraa	Kumamushi	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
	Torisetu	Kana Nishino	Sony Music Labels Inc.
	Moshimounmeinohitogairunonara	Kana Nishino	Sony Music Labels Inc.

Video Awards

Best Music Videos		Top three domestic music videos/international and Asian music videos released in 2015 with the most unit sales (set)	
Domestic	ARASHI BLAST in Hawaii	ARASHI	J Storm Inc.
	ARASHI LIVE TOUR 2014 THE DIGITALIAN	ARASHI	J Storm Inc.
	J Soul Brothers III LIVE TOUR 2015 "BLUE PLANET"	J Soul Brothers III from EXILE TRIBE	avex music creative Inc.
International	THE BEATLES 1	THE BEATLES	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
Asia	TOHOSHINKI LIVE TOUR 2015 WITH	TOHOSHINKI	avex music creative Inc.

Special Award

	—	Love Live! related releases	Lantis Co., Ltd.
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N.B. The above data cover the period from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

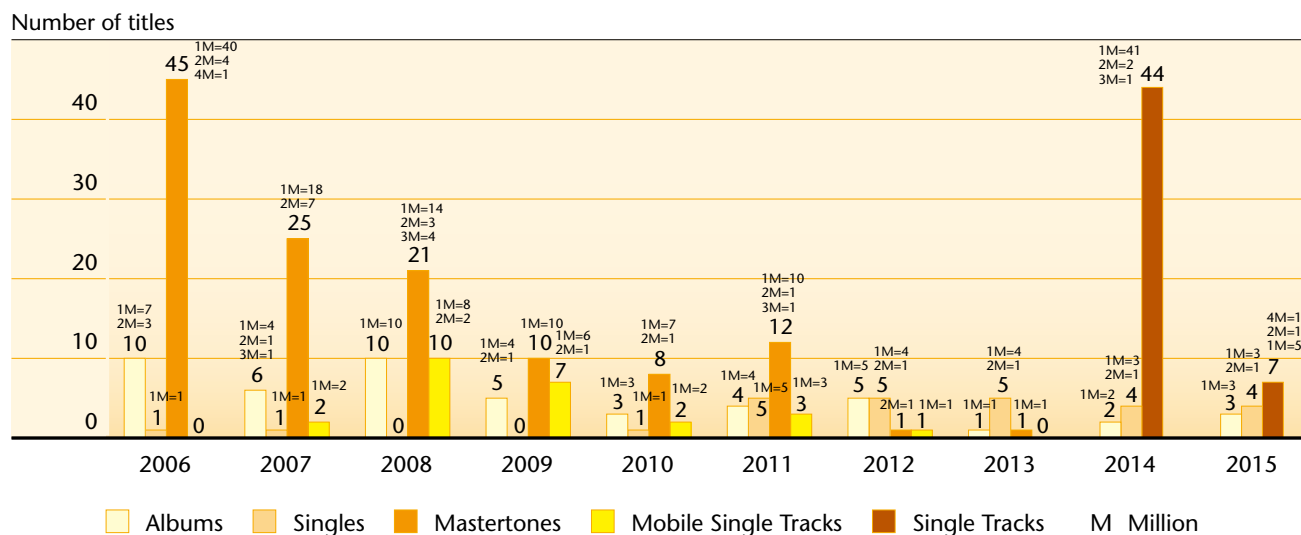
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●1st - 29th Artists of the Year

1st 1987	● D AKINA NAKAMORI Warner-Pioneer	● I MADONNA Warner-Pioneer
2nd 1988	● D REBECCA CBS-Sony Group	● I THE BEATLES TOSHIBA-EMI
3rd 1989	● D BOØWY TOSHIBA-EMI, Victor Musical Inds, Tokuma Japan	● I BON JOVI Nippon Phonogram
4th 1990	● D Southern All Stars Victor Musical Inds	● I MADONNA Warner-Pioneer
5th 1991	● D Yumi Matsutoya TOSHIBA-EMI	● I MADONNA Warner-Pioneer
6th 1992	● D CHAGE and ASKA PONY CANYON	● I GUNS N' ROSES MCA Victor
7th 1993	● D CHAGE and ASKA PONY CANYON	● I MADONNA WARNER MUSIC JAPAN
8th 1994	● D WANDS POLYDOR, TOSHIBA-EMI, B-Gram RECORDS	● I THE BEATLES TOSHIBA-EMI
9th 1995	● D trf AVEX D.D.	● I MARIAH CAREY Sony Music Entertainment
10th 1996	● D trf AVEX D.D.	● I MARIAH CAREY Sony Music Entertainment
11th 1997	● D Namie Amuro AVEX D.D., TOSHIBA-EMI	● I ME & MY TOSHIBA-EMI
12th 1998	● D GLAY PLATINUM RECORDS, POLYDOR	● I Celine Dion Sony Music Entertainment
13th 1999	● D B'z ROOMS RECORDS	● I Celine Dion Sony Music Entertainment
14th 2000	● D UTADA HIKARU TOSHIBA-EMI	● I Celine Dion Sony Music Entertainment
15th 2001	● D ayumi hamasaki AVEX	● I THE BEATLES TOSHIBA-EMI
16th 2002	● D ayumi hamasaki AVEX	● I BACKSTREET BOYS Zomba Records Japan
17th 2003	● D UTADA HIKARU TOSHIBA-EMI	● I AVRIL LAVIGNE BMG FUNHOUSE
18th 2004	● D ayumi hamasaki AVEX	● I TWELVE GIRLS BAND PLATIA ENTERTAINMENT
19th 2005	● D ORANGE RANGE Sony Music Records	● I QUEEN TOSHIBA-EMI
20th 2006	● D Koda Kumi avex entertainment	● I O-zone avex entertainment
21st 2007	● D Koda Kumi AVEX MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS	● I Daniel Powter Warner Music Japan
22nd 2008	● D EXILE AVEX MARKETING	● I AVRIL LAVIGNE BMG JAPAN
23rd 2009	● D EXILE avex marketing Inc.	● I MADONNA Warner Music Japan Inc.
24th 2010	● D ARASHI J Storm Inc.	● I THE BEATLES EMI Music Japan Inc.
25th 2011	● D ARASHI J Storm Inc.	● I LADY GAGA UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
26th 2012	● D AKB48 KING RECORD CO., LTD./Defstar Records Inc./AKS Co., Ltd.	● I LADY GAGA UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
27th 2013	● D AKB48 KING RECORD CO., LTD./avex group/Defstar Records Inc./AKS Co., Ltd.	● I Che'Nelle EMI Music Japan Inc.
28th 2014	● D AKB48 KING RECORD CO., LTD./avex group/Defstar Records Inc./AKS Co., Ltd.	● I ONE DIRECTION Sony Music Japan International Inc.
29th 2015	● D ARASHI J Storm Inc.	● I One Direction Sony Music Labels Inc.

N.B. Company and artist names are all at the time awards were received.

25. Certified Million-selling Titles



N.B. 1. Number of titles certified in the years indicated above (including those released prior to these years)
 2. Certification of digital music started from 2006
 3. Mastertones and Mobile Single Tracks are registered trademarks of Sony Music Entertainment (Japan) Inc.
 4. From January 2014, the Mobile Single Tracks and PC Downloads (Single Tracks) categories were integrated.

26. Certified Million-selling Titles in 2015

Recorded Music

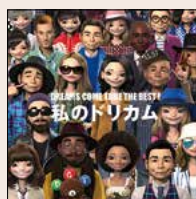
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Albums

Million



PLANET SEVEN
J Soul Brothers III from EXILE TRIBE
2015.01.28
avex music creative Inc.



**DREAMS COME TRUE THE BEST!
WATASHINO DORIKAMU**
DREAMS COME TRUE
2015.07.07
UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC



Japonism
ARASHI
2015.10.21
J Storm Inc.

Singles

2 Million



Bokutachiwa Tatakawanai
AKB48
2015.05.20
KING RECORD CO., LTD.

Million



Green Flash
AKB48
2015.03.04
KING RECORD CO., LTD.



Halloween Night
AKB48
2015.08.26
KING RECORD CO., LTD.



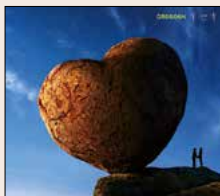
Kuchibiruni Be My Baby
AKB48
2015.12.09
KING RECORD CO., LTD.

Digital Music

The dates indicate start dates of digital release.

Single Tracks

4 Million



KISEKI
GReeeeN
2008.06.04
UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC

Million



Ainouta
Kumi Koda
2007.09.06
avex music creative Inc.



I Wish For You
EXILE
2010.10.06
avex music creative Inc.



Rising Sun
EXILE
2011.09.14
avex music creative Inc.

2 Million



Ti Amo
EXILE
2008.09.10
avex music creative Inc.



**We Are Never Ever Getting
Back Together**
Taylor Swift
2012.10.10
UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC



KOISURU FORTUNE COOKIE
AKB48
2013.08.21
KING RECORD CO., LTD.

List of Certification Standards Recorded Music (Albums, Singles, Music Videos), Digital Music (Mastertones, Single Tracks, Albums) Common Standards

Name	Gold	Platinum	Double Platinum	Triple Platinum	Million	2 million
Standards	100,000 or more	250,000 or more	500,000 or more	750,000 or more	1 million or more	2 million or more

Standards: Recorded Music (number of units), Digital Distribution/DL (number of downloads)

1. Award for Double Platinum and higher for Mastertones only

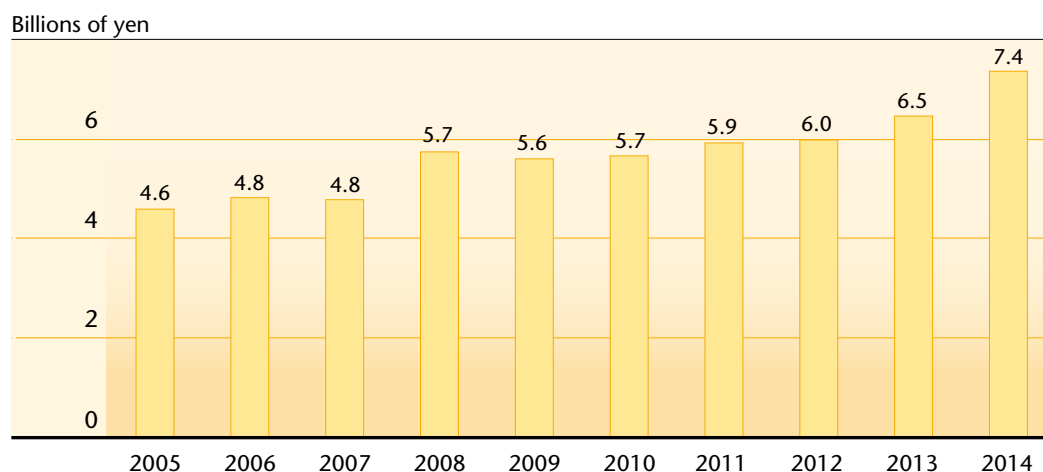
2. Mastertones is a registered trademark of Sony Music Entertainment (Japan) Inc.

3. Certification for each 100,000 after 3 million

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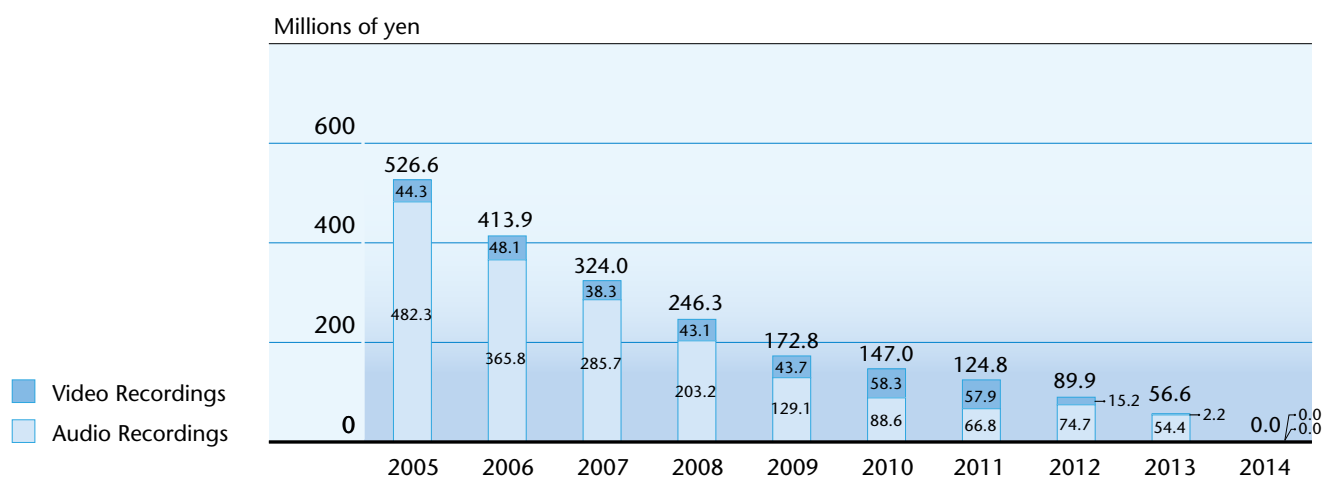
27. Amount Collected for Sound Recordings and Others

● Broadcasting Remuneration

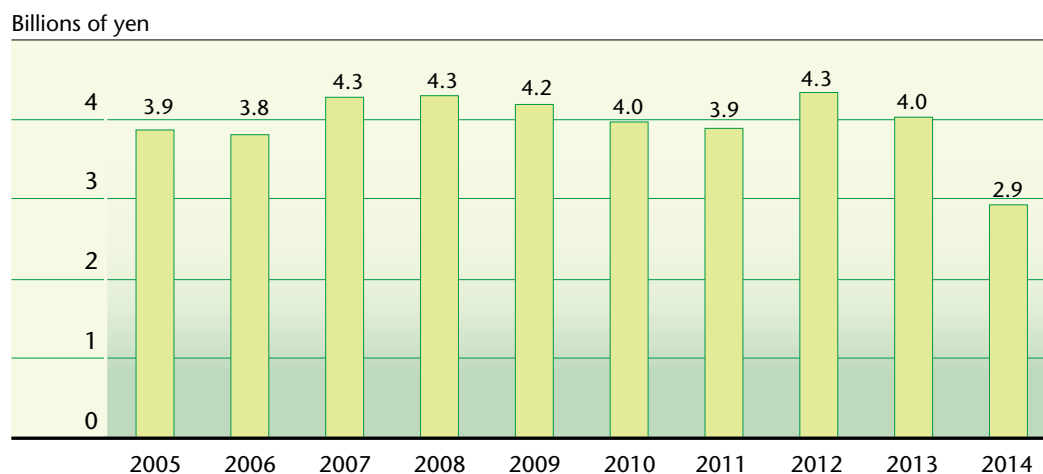


N.B. Broadcasting Remuneration includes royalties on copies for broadcasting use and licensing fees for making transmittable.

● Private Copying Levy



● Record Rental Remuneration



N.B. The years shown in the charts above are fiscal years (April to March).

RIAJ Member Companies
(in chronological order as of the date of joining RIAJ or Company foundation)

[Full Members]	NIPPON COLUMBIA CO., LTD.
	JVCKENWOOD Victor Entertainment Corp.
	KING RECORD CO., LTD.
	TEICHIKU ENTERTAINMENT, INC.
	UNIVERSAL MUSIC LLC
	NIPPON CROWN Co., Ltd.
	TOKUMA JAPAN COMMUNICATIONS CO., LTD.
	Sony Music Labels Inc.
	PONY CANYON INC.
	Warner Music Japan Inc.
	VAP Inc.
	BEING, INC.
	avex music creative Inc.
	FORLIFE MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT, INC.
	YAMAHA MUSIC COMMUNICATIONS CO., LTD.
	DREAMUSIC Inc.
	YOSHIMOTO R and C CO., LTD.
	Lantis Co., Ltd.
[Associate Members]	NBCUniversal Entertainment Japan, LLC
	PRYAD RECORDS INC.
	Johnny's Entertainment Inc.
	LD&K Inc.
	Konami Digital Entertainment Co., Ltd.
	J Storm Inc.
	VENUS RECORDS, INC.
	HATS UNLIMITED CO., LTD.
	Naxos Japan, INC.
	A-Sketch inc.
	Village Again Association Co., Ltd.
	SPIRITUAL BEAST CO., LTD.
	BANDAI VISUAL CO., LTD.
	SPACE SHOWER NETWORKS INC.
	Warner Bros. Japan LLC
	Rambling RECORDS Inc.
	Toho Co., Ltd.
	SDR, INC.
	GAMBIT CO., LTD.
[Supporting Members]	Aniplex Inc.
	T-TOC RECORDS
	WARD RECORDS, INC
	FREE BOARD Co., Ltd.
	HOLIDAY JAPAN Co., Ltd.
	TV ASAHI MUSIC CO., LTD.
	NPP DEVELOP Co., Ltd
	A-force Entertainment Inc.
	TOY'S FACTORY INC.
	Kino Music Co., Ltd
	KING INTERNATIONAL INC.
	Bellwood Records Co., Ltd.
	Sony Music Entertainment (Japan), Inc.
	Sony Music Direct (Japan) Inc.
	Sony Music Marketing Inc.
	AVEX DIGITAL INC.
	CROWN TOKUMA music distribution Co., Ltd.
	FlyingDog, Inc.
	Sony Music Artists Inc.
	ultraCeep Inc.
	COLUMBIA MARKETING CO., LTD.
	Avex Pictures INC.
	CJ Victor Entertainment, Inc.

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