



# **JGAP updates and its approach**

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# Japan Good Agricultural Practice

Corporate name

JGAP office

Organizational Status

incorporated nonprofit organization

Date Established

Nov 2006

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Activities

1. Develop voluntary standards, JGAP, for the certification of farm and farm group in Japan
2. Train the-JGAP-trainer

Membership

Farmer, food retailer and all stakeholders of agriculture and food industry

Partnership

GLOBALGAP (scope: F&V)

# Board Member of JGAP office

## ● Management

- Hirokazu Kiuchi, Chairman of JGAP, Farmers group WAGOEN.
- Noboru Uesugi, Vice-Chairman of JGAP Mitsubishi Shoji Agri-Service Corporation
- Shigeo Fujii, Vice-Chairman of JGAP, AEON
- Yasuaki Takeda, Managing director of JGAP

## ● Producer representatives

- Hiroshi Kawamori, Mushroom producer org
- Yozo Kurita, Vegetable producer
- Kazushi Saito, Rice producer
- Takashi Saduka, Green tea, Japan Agricultural Cooperatives
- Yosuke Tamatsukuri, Vegetable producer org
- Ryuzo Nakano, Vegetable, Japan Agricultural Cooperatives
- Kazunari Hattori, Fruit producer org

## ● Retail & Food service representatives

- Sadao Izutani, Daiei
- Kazuo Uchiyama, Japan COOP union
- Yoshinobu Emoto, Ito-Yokado, SEVEN&I holdings
- Yoshiyasu Osaki, Delca Foods
- Nobuyuki Tsuji, CGC, Cooperative Grocer Chain
- Hisashi Nakai, Japan food service association
- Kenjiro Fujii, KI fresh access

## ● Consumer and others

- Mutsuo Masuda, former vice-presidents of The Norinchukin Bank
- Wada, Japan Consumer Association

20 board members  
from key company!

More than 300  
members are  
registered from  
key industry  
segment!

# History: GAP in Japan

- 2002: AEON developing their own GAP
- 2005: Private sector and public sector developing their own GAP
- 2005: JGAP Secretariat founded by producers to establish JGAP and to harmonize GAP in Japan
- 2006-2007: Efforts towards harmonization of GAP in Japan
- 2007: JGAP starts certification by accredited Certification Bodies.
- 2008/June: Major stakeholders (both retailers and producers) join JGAP Board
- 2010/Apr: Japanese MAFF announced “GAP guideline” for standardization

# JGAP implementation and certification

- **System of JGAP certificate**

- Accreditation Body => JGAP office
- Certification Body => 3 CBs
- Registration Body of auditor => JGAP office

- **Type of JGAP certificate, and statistics**

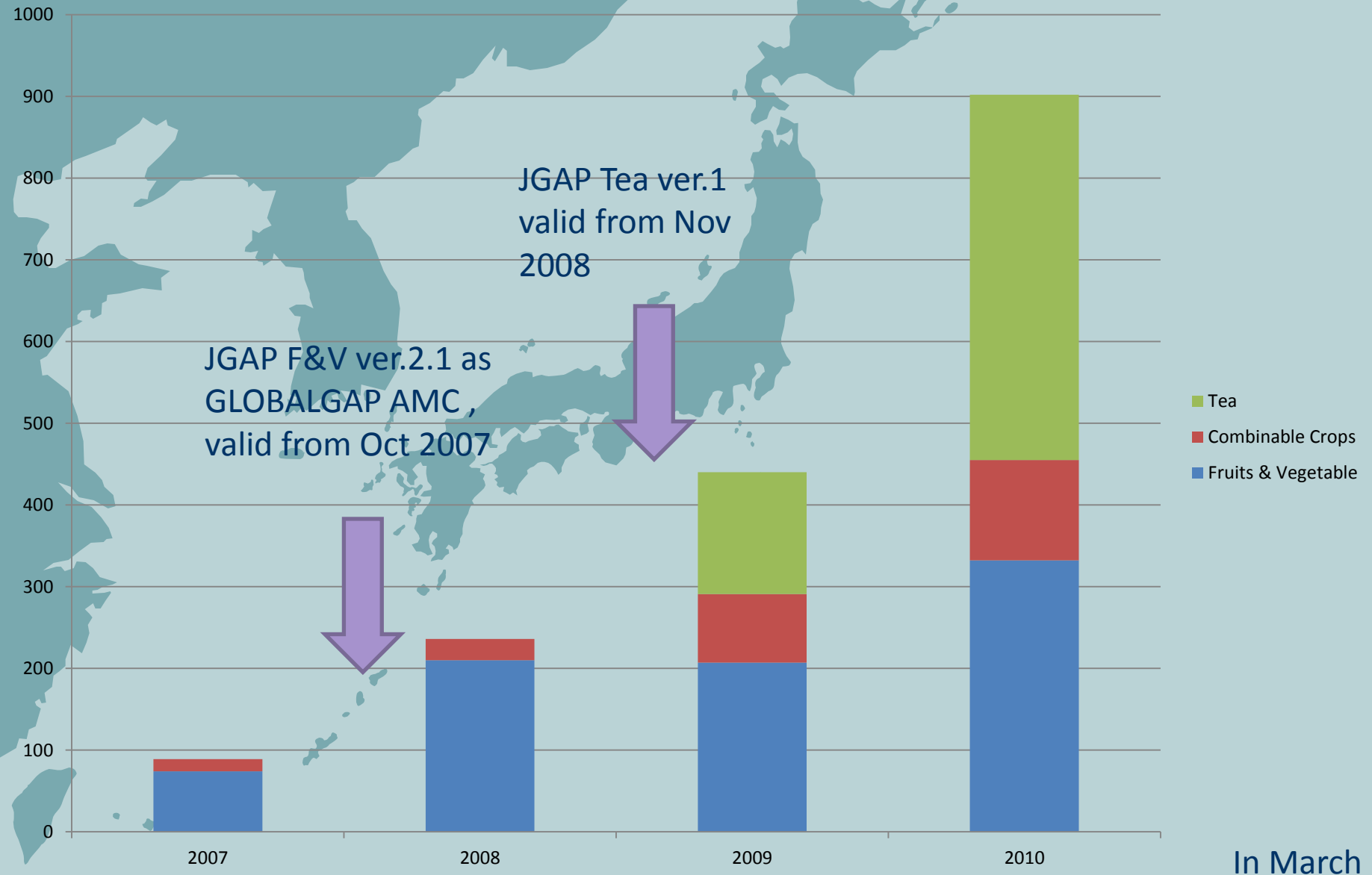
- 902 certified producers in total.
- Individual certificate, 98 farms in March 2010
- Group certificate, 23 farm groups (incl. 804 farms) in March 2010

- **JGAP trainer**

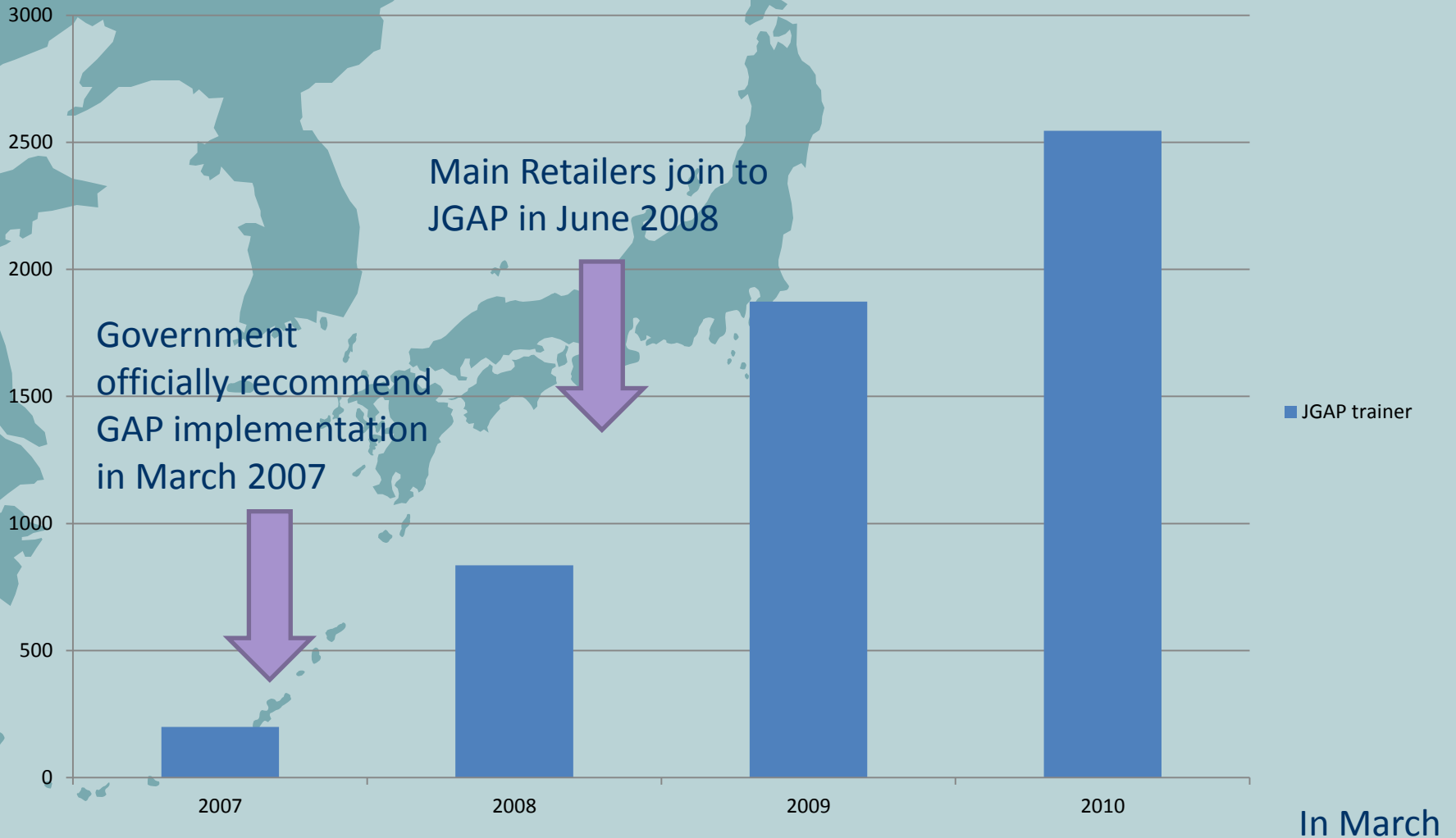
- 2,545 trainers in March 2010
- JGAP office trains them directly
- Their core business is as below
  - Producer, staff in producer group and Japan Agricultural Cooperatives, public employee for Agricultural Advisory, retailer, food service, wholesaler, and other agricultural business

New standards  
JGAP 2010  
for F&V  
was announced.

# Number of JGAP certification



# Number of JGAP trainer



**JGAP mark that certified farm and farmers group can use  
for labeling, including for use of B to C.  
It started from July 2010.**

JGAP mark that farm and farmers  
group use

Certified farm and farmers group  
use on the product such as  
vegetable, fruit, brown rice, polished  
rice and raw green tea.



JGAP mark that food maker use

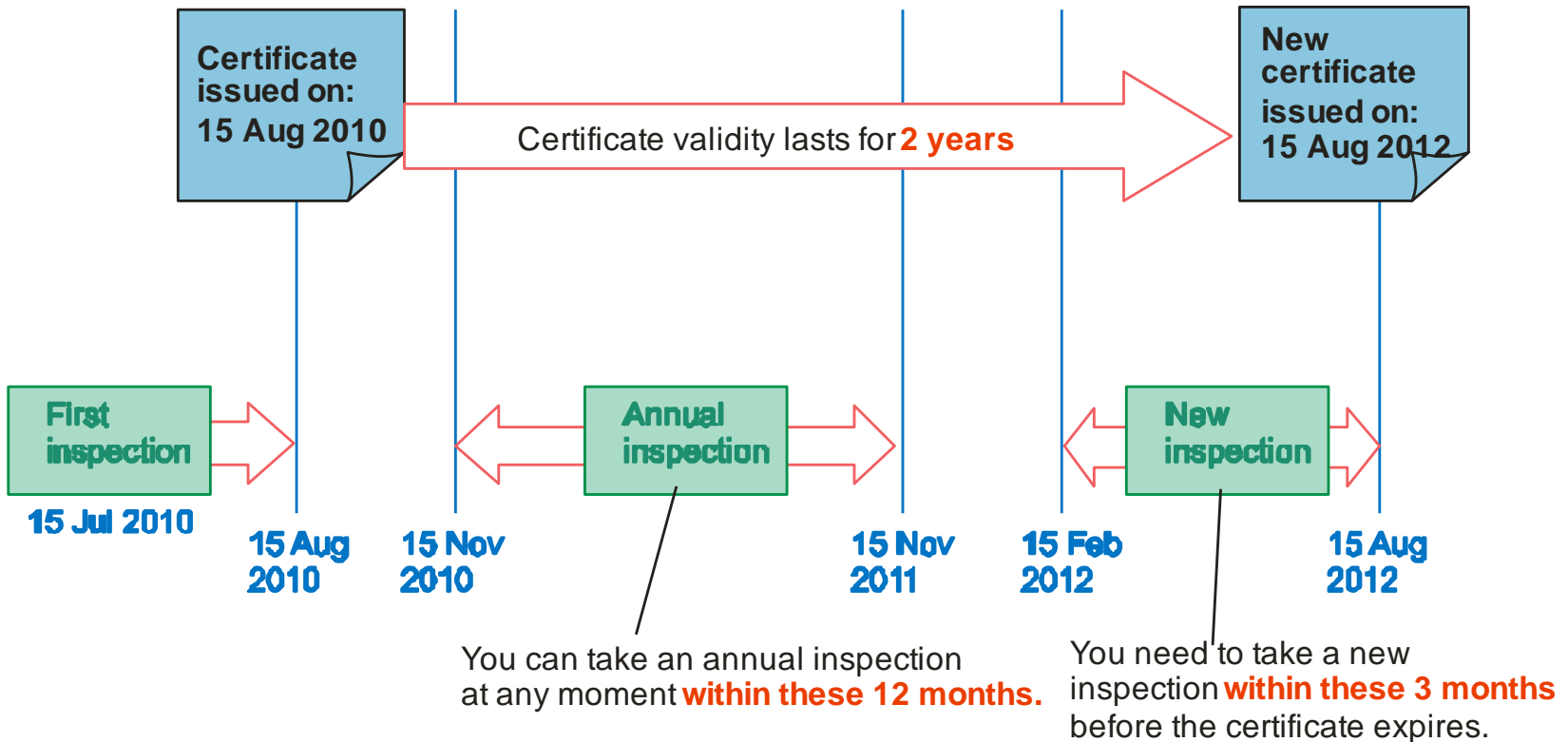
Food maker use on the grocery such  
as polished rice, green tea, fruit and  
vegetable juice and tea beverage,  
those should be made by raw  
material from certified farm and  
farmers group.



# Inspection timing and certificate validity

## Audit frequency and certificate validity of JGAP

For example, a farm was inspected for the first time on the **15th of July, 2010**.  
The certificate was issued on the **15th of August, 2010**.



# Position of GAP in Japan

- **GAP is not only for certification, but also for self-training program in farm.**
- **Most of farm use GAP as reference material for their management.**
- **There are many GAP standard from region to region. Approximately more than 40 kinds of GAP in Japan.**
- **Only JGAP and GLOBALGAP provide certification service.**
- **Retailer and food-service begin to use JGAP and GLOBALGAP for their procurement standard recently.**
- **Bottleneck is the high cost of certification. ¥70,000 for JGAP certification , and ¥300,000 for GLOBALGAP certification.**

# Solution to be trying

- JGAP2010 has two kind of level. One is JGAP and another is JGAP+G that means “JGAP” CPCC plus additional control points.
- JGAP+G apply benchmarking to GLOBALGAP, in AMC category.
- Because of AMC approach, Farmer can choose JGAP certification or JGAP+G certification. It depends on who is their buyer.
- JGAP certified farm must be easy to get JGAP+G certification.
- AMC approach is the best way in Japanese market now.
- Trying to make CBs in Japan to be CBs for both of JGAP and JGAP+G, as much as possible.
- That helps the cost reduction for both certification because of “an economy of scale”, and it makes farmer and retailer be easy to use JGAP and GLOBALGAP system.
- JGAP office will provide financing help to GLOBALGAP CB for extending their scope to JGAP2010(JGAP+G) as AMC of GLOBALGAP.

# Benchmarking(Approved Modified Checklist)

● JGAP ver. 2.1

Valid from Oct 2007 to Jun 2011

● GLOBALGAP ver. 2

● JGAP ver. 2.2

Not yet published  
because of No CB

● GLOBALGAP ver. 3

● JGAP2010(JGAP+G)

Valid from Jul 2010

Ready to apply

● GLOBALGAP ver. 4

Valid from Jan 2011

JGAP CB

JGAP&GGAP CB

GGAP CB

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# Concept of JGAP about equivalency with GLOBALGAP on JGAP2010

- JGAP standard should be most suitable one from the view point of the production circumstance and social situation in Japan, because the standard followed by Japanese farmer should be the best for Japanese farmer and Japanese consumer. Most of the Japanese produce is consumed in Japanese market. GLOBALGAP standard is not perfectly suited at this moment.
- GLOBALGAP F&V standard is broadly known, so recognition in the market about equivalency with GLOBALGAP is useful.
- JGAP has 2 parts. One is JGAP basic. And another one is called +G that is for equivalency with GLOBALGAP. “+G” part includes only difference between JGAP and GLOBALGAP.

	Standard of farm management			Regulation of inspection and certification		Certification you get	
Type of inspection 1 JGAP certification	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">JGAP2010 basic Control Point and Compliance Criteria</div>		+	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">JGAP2010 General Regulation</div>	=	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">JGAP certification</div>	
Type of inspection 2 JGAP+G certification	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">JGAP2010 basic Control Point and Compliance Criteria</div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">JGAP2010 +G part</div>	+	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">GGAP General Regulation Version 3.1</div>	=	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">JGAP+G certification</div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">GLOBALGAP certificaton</div>

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