

Efforts toward Fully Digital TV Broadcasting in Japan

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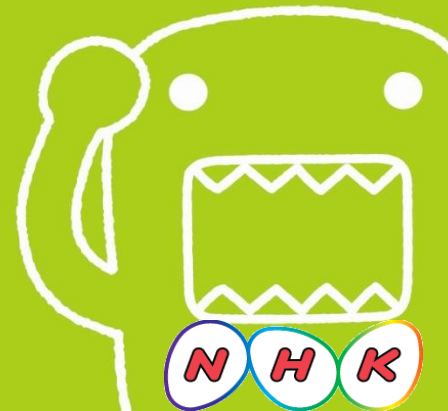


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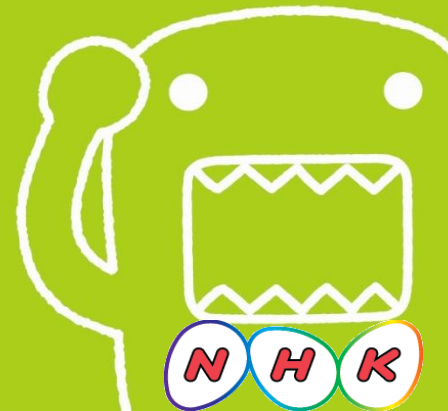
■ Overview of Analog Switch Off (ASO) in Japan

■ Key Measures

- Related to Transmission**

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Objectives of Full Digital TV Broadcasting in Japan

High quality broadcasting services



- HDTV
- Mobile TV service (One-Seg)
- Data broadcasts
- 5.1-channel surround audio
- Closed-captions



Closed-captions

Effective frequency use

Analog TV bandwidth 370 MHz
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 Digital TV bandwidth 240 MHz
 130 MHz Released to be used for new services

- Multimedia Broadcasting
- Applications for disaster control
- Mobile phones
- Intelligent Transport (ITS)

Positive impact on other industries



TV manufactures

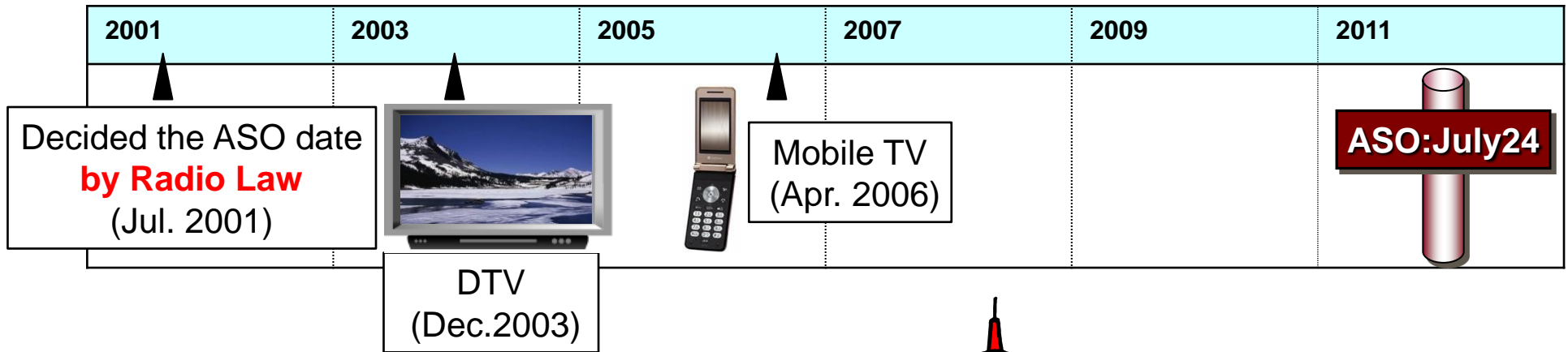
Retailer
 Electronic commerce

Content
 (Digital content commerce)
 (archives)

Internet and mobile
 (Connection with TV)

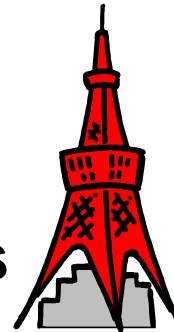
Local government
 (Broadband infrastructure)

Efforts for Fully Digital TV Broadcasting



1. Transmission

- Responsibility: Broadcasters



2. Reception Infrastructures

- Responsibility: Viewers (NHK and MIC supported)



3. Notification to viewers

- Through broadcast programs



ASO notificate open-captions on the analog TV

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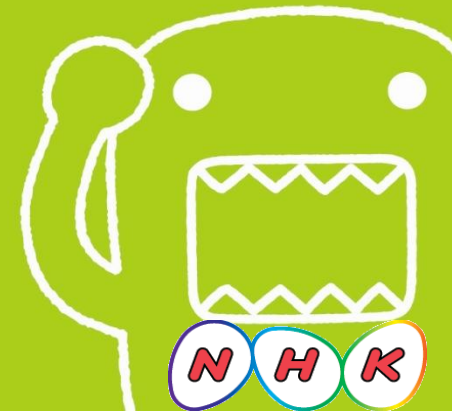
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Frequency Density in Japan

	Digital Transmitters	Relative Geographical Area	Relative Frequency Density, Accounting for Relative Geographical Area
Japan	11,749	1	80
USA	4,296	24.8	1

Frequency density in Japan is very high.



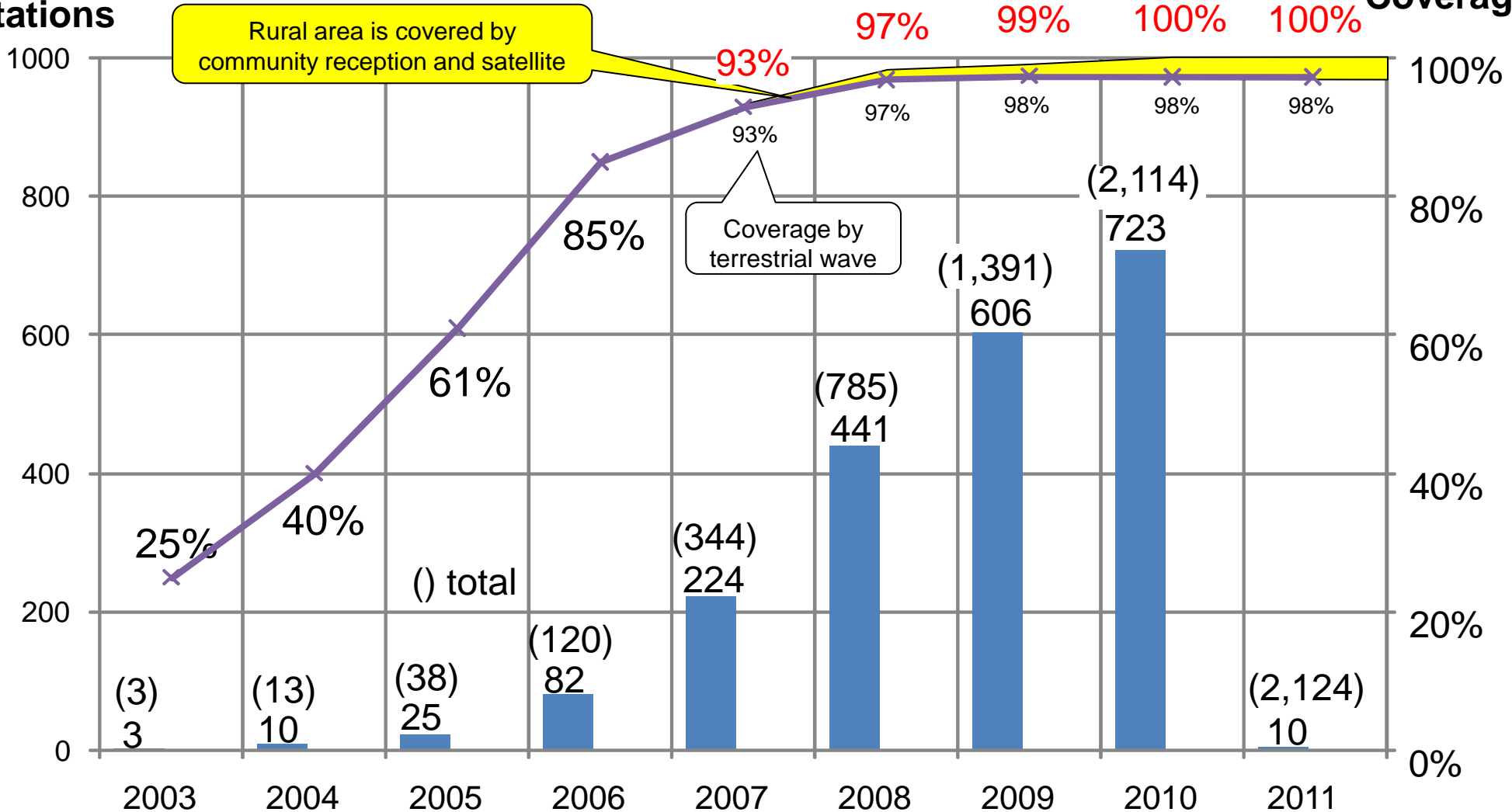
Channel planning in Japan is very difficult.

Plan for building digital stations (NHK)

Coverage and number of digital stations

Number of stations

Coverage



Digital TV coverage ratio has been reached 100% by 2010.

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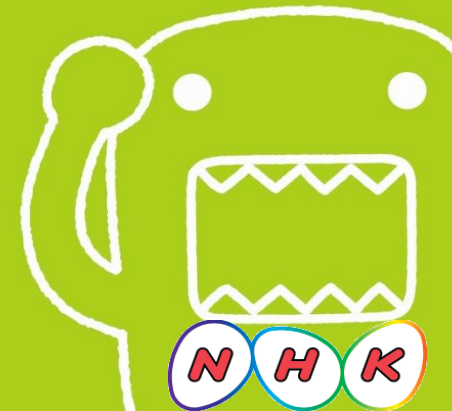
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Effectively Preparing Receiving Parties

MIC DTV Support Center

Overview: MIC established the DTV Support Center nationwide to help viewers with any problems due to the ASO

How: Publicity activities and notification from the DTV Center

Main participating organizations:

Local governments, Retailers, and Broadcasters

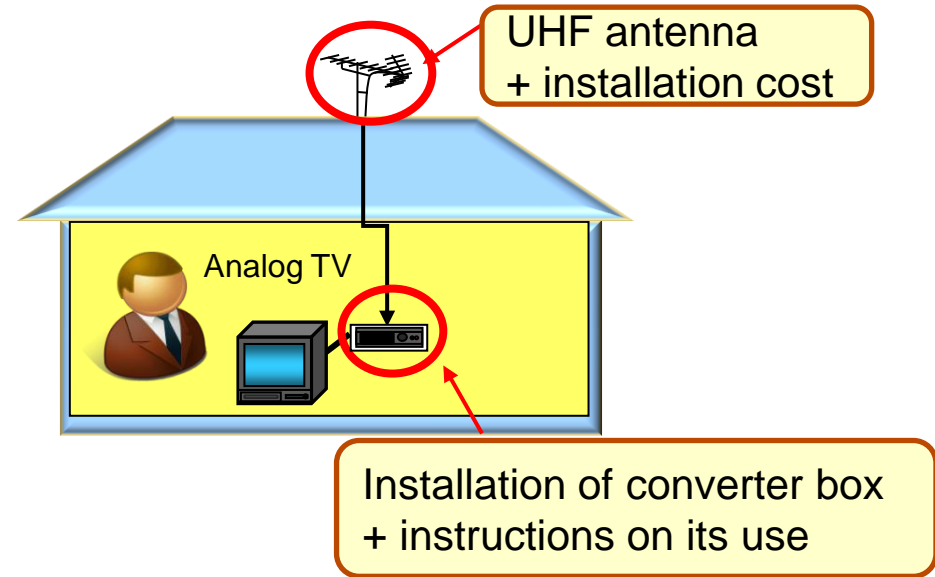
NHK supplied more than 100 engineers who took team-leader roles for the “MIC DTV Support Center”

Government Assistance for Purchase of Receivers

Free Converter Boxes

Support for the economically disadvantaged

2.6 million households



“Eco-Point” Program

- Anti-global warming (CO₂ reduction)
- Economic stimulus
- Widespread ownership of digital TV

Receive “eco-points” (cash back) on purchase of energy-efficiency products



Air conditioner



Refrigerator



Digital TV set

<Example of cash-back for Digital TV>

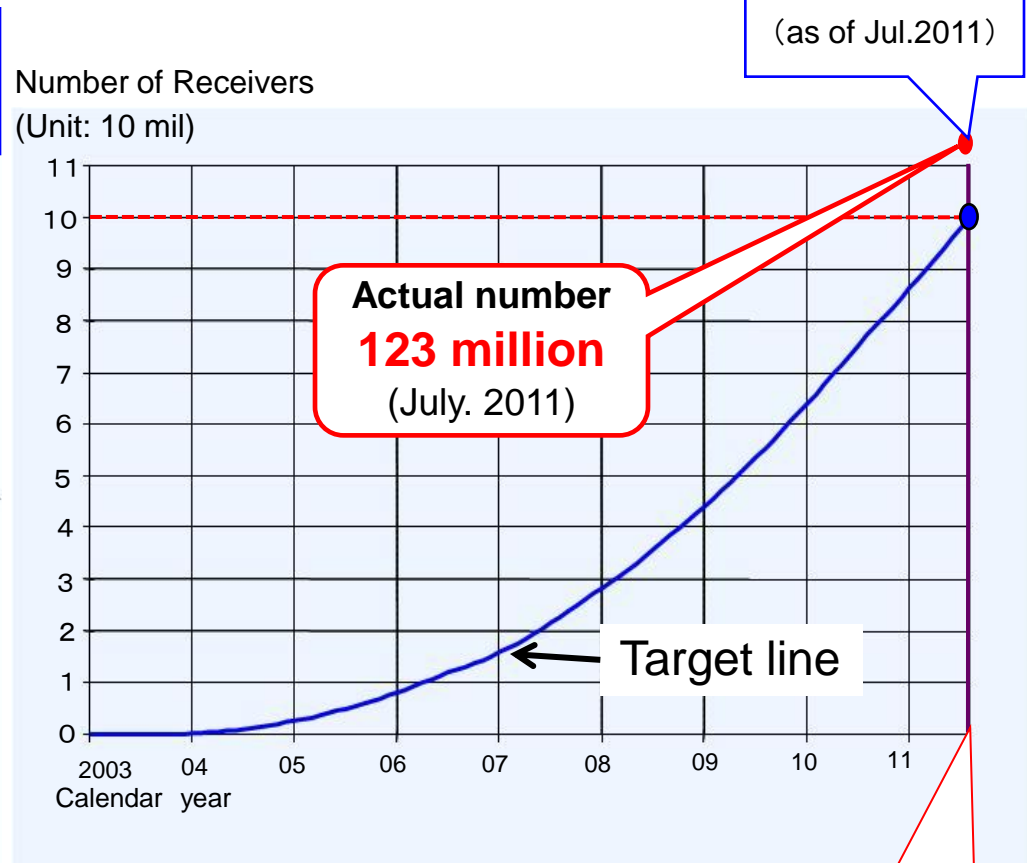
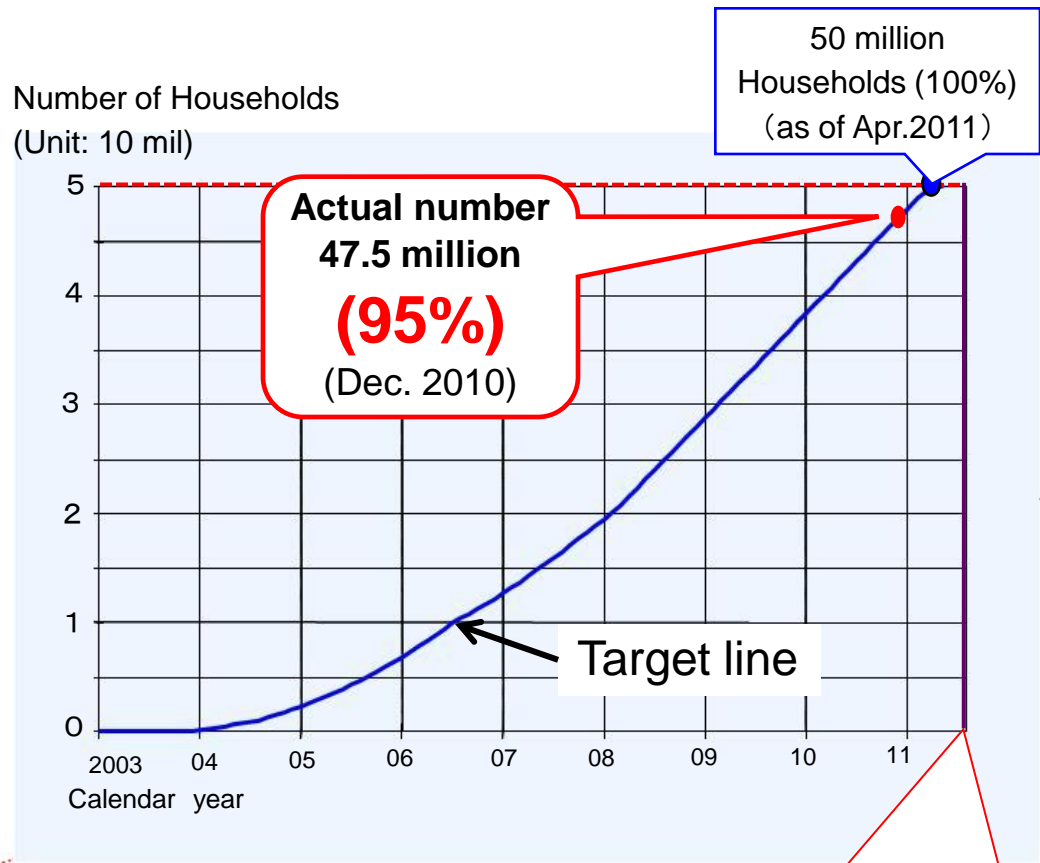
TV size	Eco-point (US \$)
46V and above	450\$
42V, 40V	287\$
37V	212\$
32V, 26V	150\$
Under 26V	88\$

From May 2009 to March 2011.

Dissemination of Digital TV in Japan

Target and Achievement in terms of number of households equipped with receivers

Targets and Achievement in terms of receiver units shipped



Analog TV switch off in July 2011

July 2011

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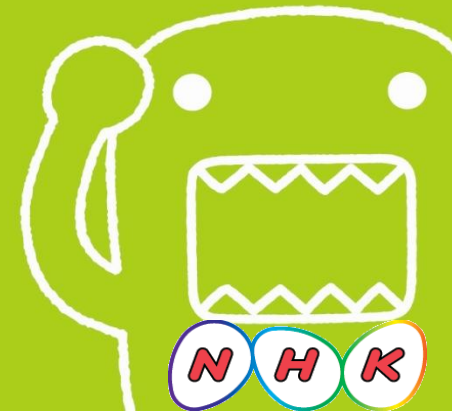
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Termination of Analog TV, Step-by-Step



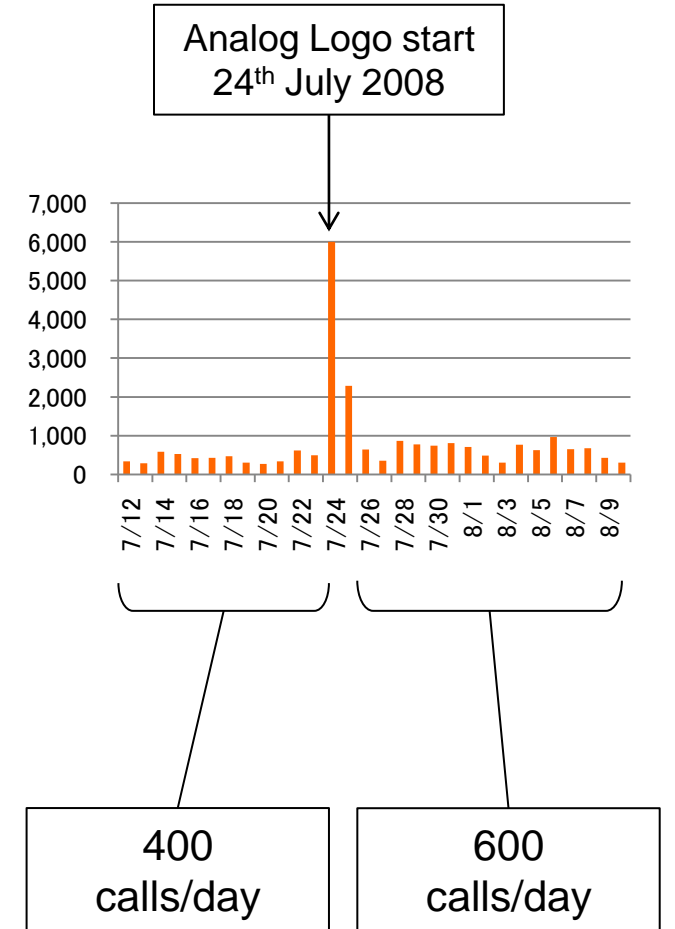
Termination of Analog TV, Step-by-Step 1st Stage



- 3 years before, an analog logo was placed on the screen



24th July 2008



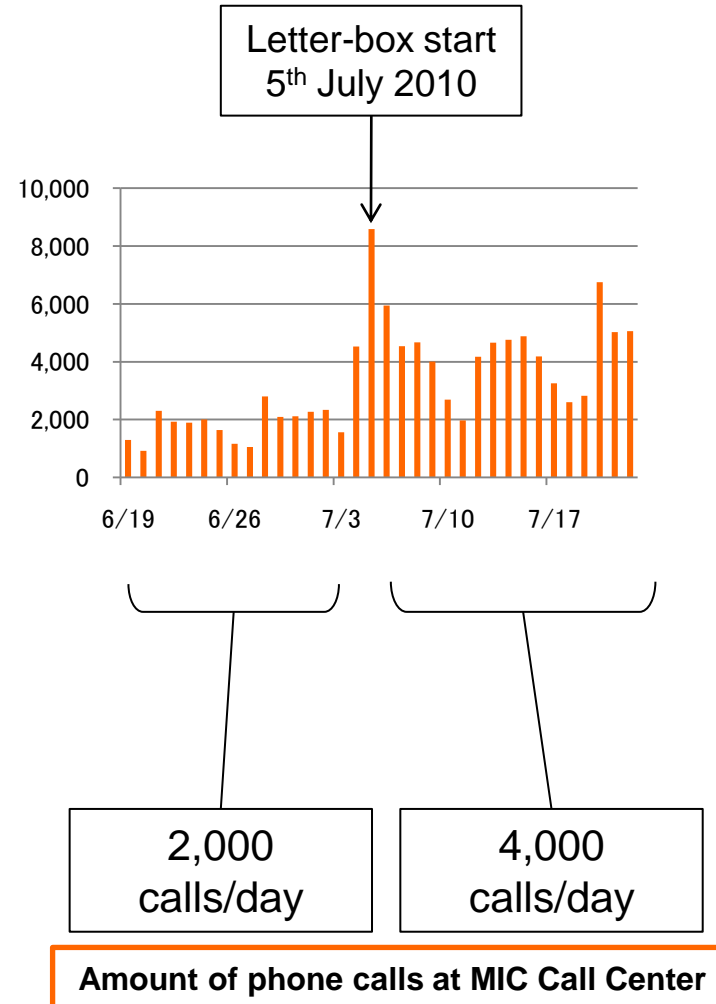
Amount of phone calls at MIC Call Center

Termination of Analog TV, Step-by-Step 2nd Stage

- 1 year before, Conversion to a letter-boxed shape



5th July 2010

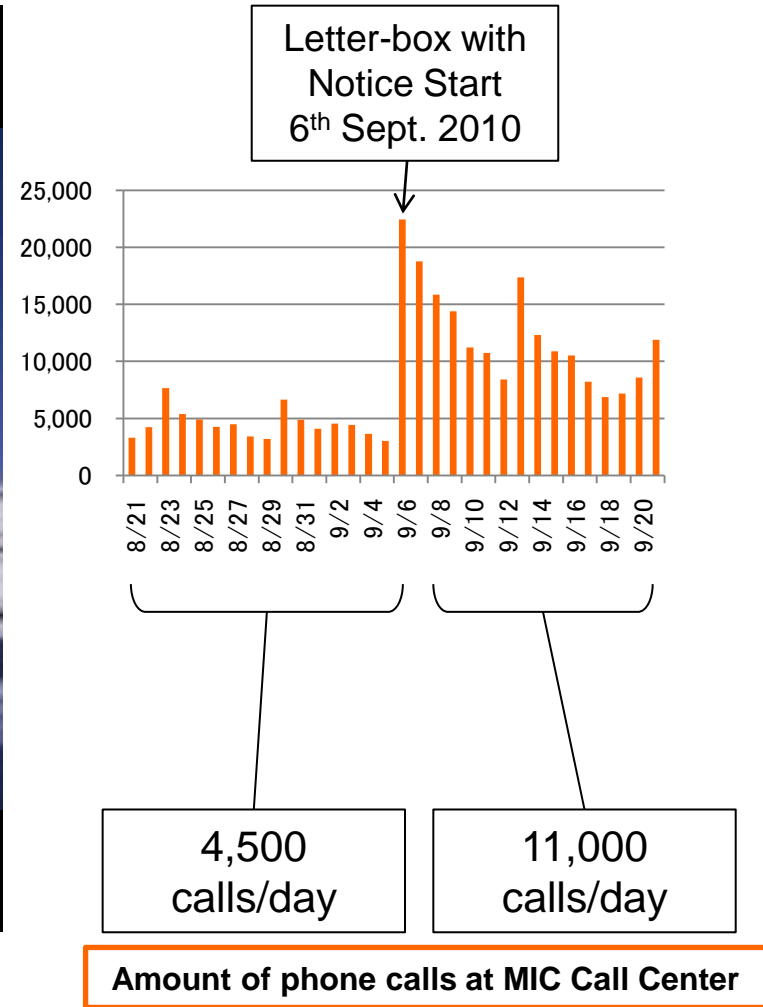


Termination of Analog TV, Step-by-Step 3rd Stage

- 10 months before, Notice added to the letter-box image

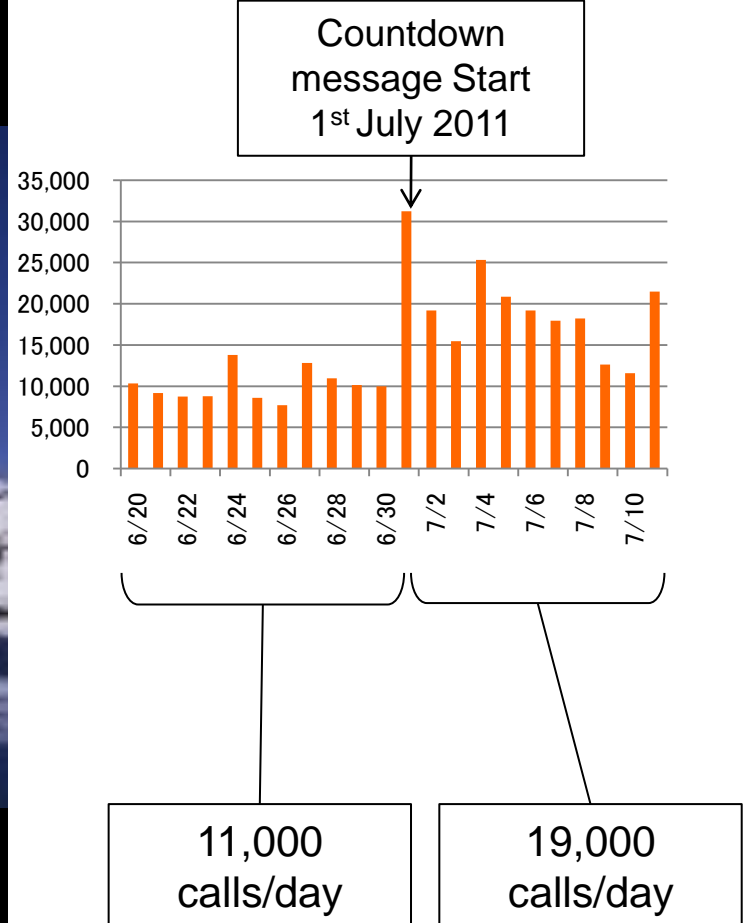


6th Sept. 2010



Termination of Analog TV, Step-by-Step 4th Stage

- 4 weeks before, A countdown message on the program



1st July 2011

Amount of phone calls at MIC Call Center

Termination of Analog TV, Step-by-Step 5th Stage



- At noon on the last day

This analog broadcast will terminate on
July 24, 2011.

Please make arrangements for
digital TV reception.

<Inquiries>

Please contact:

AAAA TV support center

Tel: XXXX-XXX-XXX

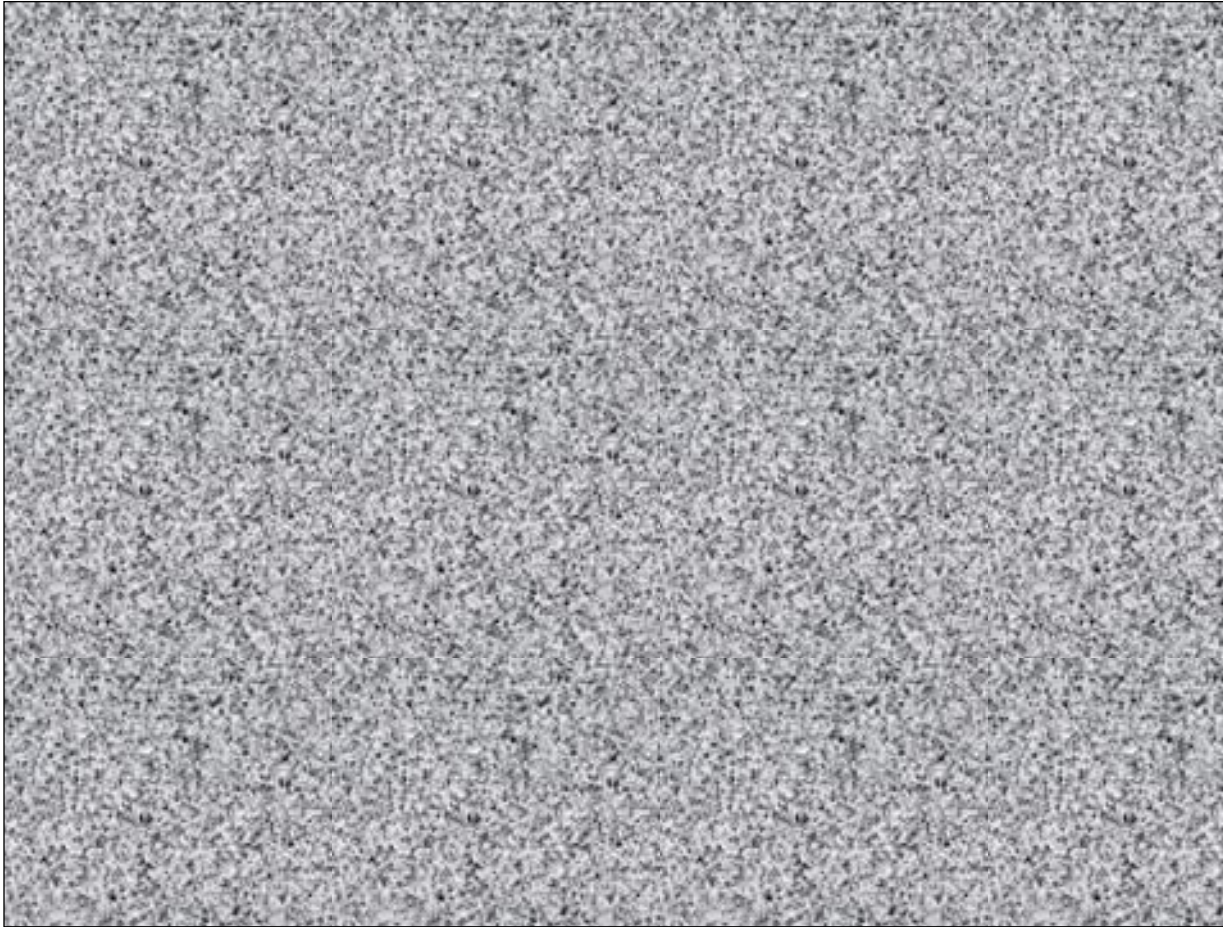
MIC DTV support center

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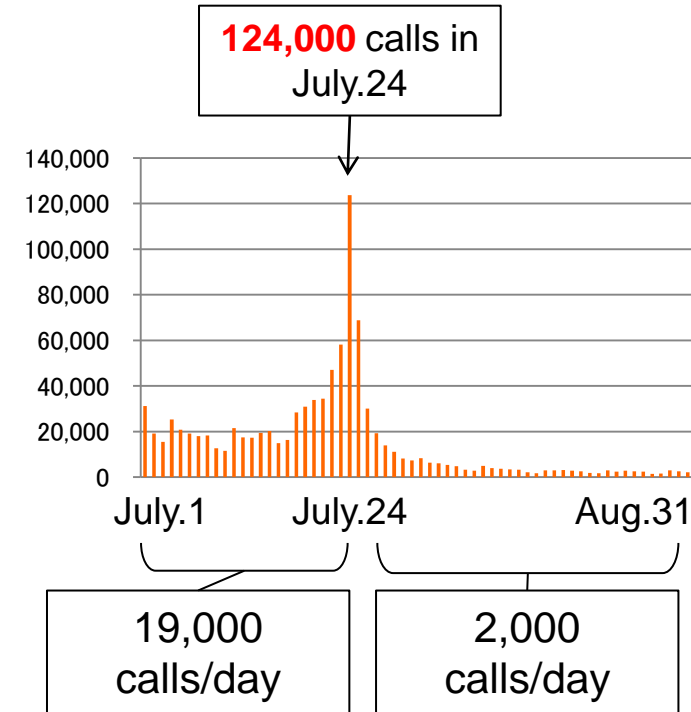
9am-9pm (9am-6pm Weekends/Holidays)

24th July 2011

■ Analog TV Shut-down At 0:00 on July 25



25th July 2011



Amount of phone calls at MIC Call Center

20 Years and beyond

**3DTV based on
Spatial Imaging**

10 Years



Now and the Future

**Access
Technologies**

2 Years

**Hybrid
Cast**

***Thank You Very Much
for Your Attention...***

