

Budget, staff and structure of the Fair Trade Commission according to the  
Budget for FY2004

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Japan Fair Trade Commission

In view of stronger implementation of competition policy, the FY2004 budget allows the Fair Trade Commission 7,819million yen (-0.4% from the previous FY) and an increase of 35 persons mainly for investigation and subcontract act sections.

1 Budget

(1) Total budget	7,819 million yen
(2) New or enlarged items	
- For prompt and effective enforcement	448 million yen
Cost of increasing investigators	
Cost of investigations	
Cost of merger control and investigations, etc.	
- For creation of competitive environment	84 million yen
Cost of promotion of competition of regulated sectors	
Cost of surveillance of trade practices regarding intellectual property rights	
- For building a competitive society with rules	229 million yen
Cost of increasing the staff in charge of the Subcontract Act and the Premiums and Representations Act	
Cost of promotion of fairer subcontracts regarding service	
Cost of investigation and regulation of representations regarding effects	
- For reinforcement of competition policy infrastructure	298 million yen
Cost of surveillance and study of competition policy	
Cost of computerizing etc.	

2 Staff and structure

(1) Staff: an increase of 35 persons (Total of 672 after the increase)	
- Investigation sections	
Investigators, etc.	14
- Implementation of the Subcontract Act	

Subcontracts inspectors	10
- Surveillance of premiums and representations	
Premiums and representations inspectors	4
- Merger and acquisition section	
Officer for mergers and acquisitions	2
- Others (for policy evaluations and handling of hearings)	5
 (2) Newly established positions	
- For appropriate implementation according to the enlargement of scope of the Subcontract Act.	
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