

# Kyoto City's policies for buildings

– with a focus on those  
concerning the installation of  
renewable-power generators

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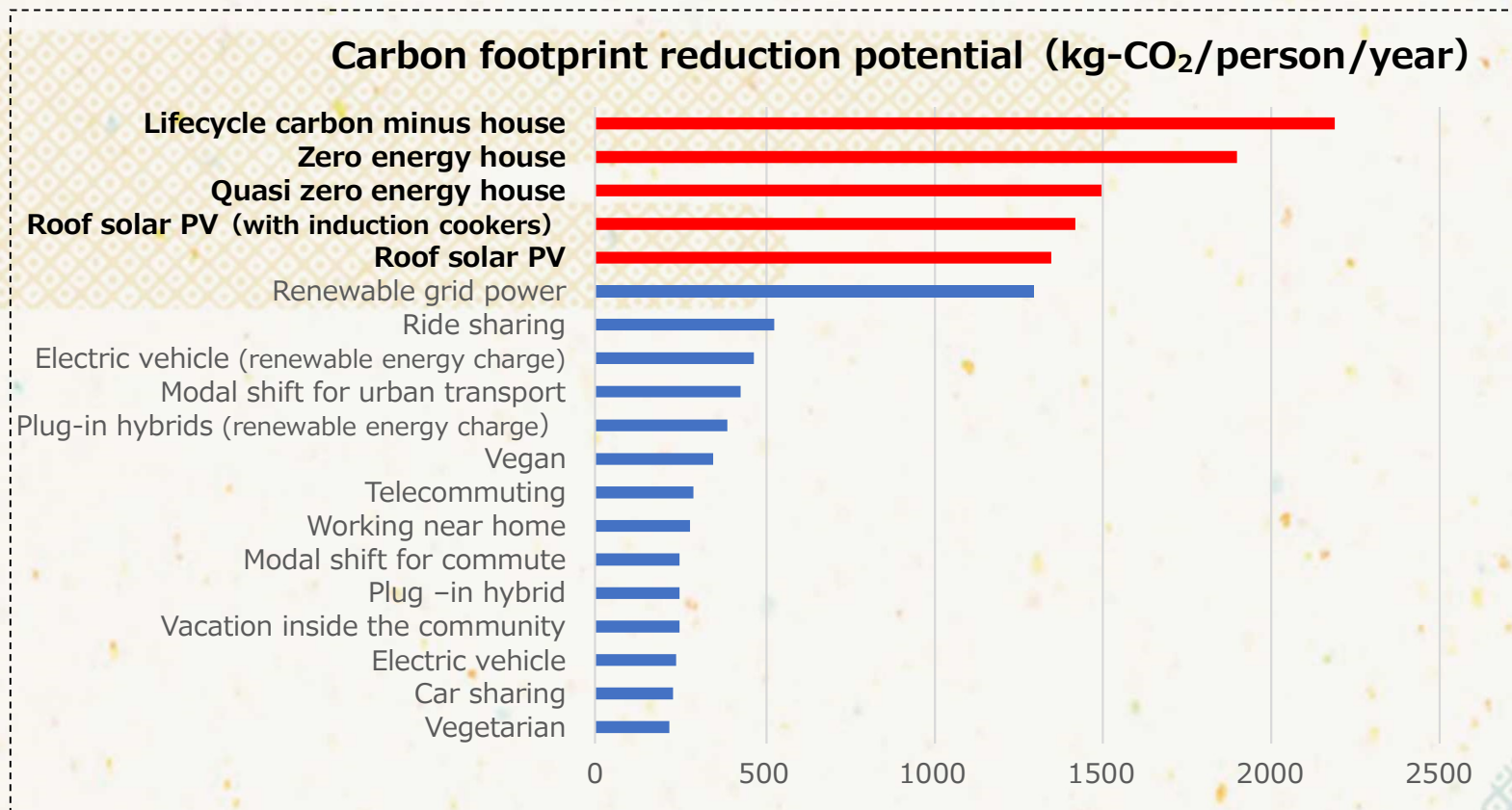
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# Why are we promoting policies for buildings?

⇒ Carbon emission reduction potential is substantial



※ Developed using the data from "Quantifying the effects of decarbonized lifestyles in 52 cities in Japan: Pathways to a decarbonized society through changes in carbon footprint of mobility, housing, food, leisure, and use of consumer goods" (by the National Institute for Environmental Studies, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies, etc.)

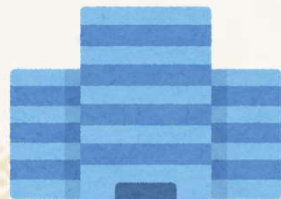




# Kyoto City's Building Policies for **New constructs and extensions** (2011~)



Total till now  
**PV19MW**



**New construction and extension of large buildings**  
(with total floor area of 2,000m<sup>2</sup> and beyond)

**New Construction extension, retrofits of buildings in large sites**  
(with site area of 1,000m<sup>2</sup> and beyond)

## Installation of renewable-power generators

Obligatory volume : **30GJ** (equivalent to 3kW solar PV system)  
Available renewables : Solar PV, solar thermal, biomass, wind power, micro-hydro etc.



## Use of locally produced timber

Obligatory volume (m<sup>3</sup>) =  $1/100 (\sqrt{A1} + \sqrt{A2} + \sqrt{A3} + \dots + \sqrt{An})$   
(A1, A2, A3... An is the floor area for the available rooms (m<sup>2</sup>)  
Locally produced timber : Kyoto City's "Miyako somagi" brand, Kyoto Prefecture's "Wood mileage CO2 certified wood" brand

## Indication of environmentally friendly performance

Benchmarking system : CASBEE Kyoto  
Displayed at: Construction sites, Condominium sales ads



## Greening of buildings and sites

Obligatory volume :

- <above ground (the smaller of 1, 2) >
- 1. Site area – building area × 15%
- 2. Site area – (site area × building to land ratio × 0.8) × 15%
- <roof top> roof area × 20%

※Solar PVs can be calculated as greening area



## Obligation to install renewable-power generators

A building has the obligation to install renewable-power generators for **30GJ**  
This means..

Large buildings (total floor area 2,000m<sup>2</sup> )

Annual energy consumption = **3TJ (3,000GJ)**

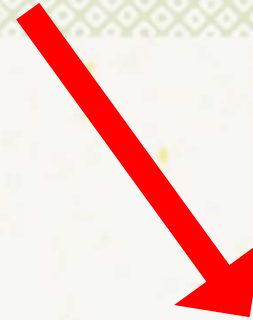
※ in the year 2010



**1%** of the energy used in buildings is generated within the building.



On 2019.5.11 Kyoto became the first in Japan to declare “**net zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050**”



Then Prime Minister  
Suga declared net zero  
(2020.10.26)





# Issues to consider for achieving “Net zero CO<sub>2</sub> emission by 2050”



## ○ Clarification of the roles played by each actor

- Consideration of the maximum possible efforts by Kyoto City
- Proposals and requests for the role to be played by the national government
- Guidance and encouragement of initiatives required by the private sector

## ○ Key initiatives

### ◆ Considerations for the year 2030

- Establishment of new measures to promote renewable energy
- **Strengthen measures** for households, **buildings**, etc.

※ Excerpts from Kyoto City Environmental Council document, August 2019.





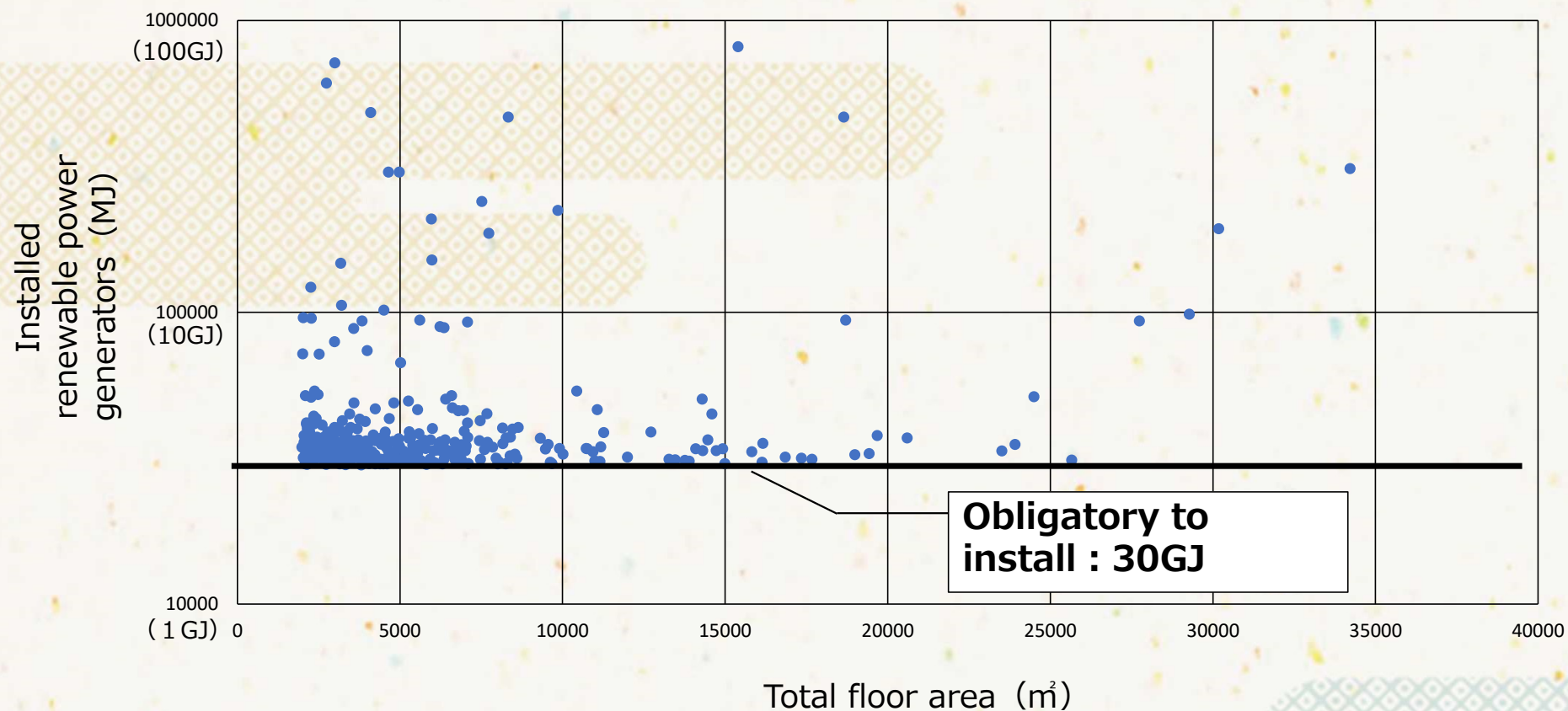
# The system for energy conservation in new buildings in Japan



Regulation by the Energy Conservation Law  
⇒ Difficult for local governments to enact additional ordinance

	Non-residential bldg.	Residential bldg. (including condominiums)						
Large bldg. (2,000m <sup>2</sup> and beyond)	<b>Obligation to comply with energy conservation standards</b> 【Linked to building permit procedures】	<b>Obligation to report</b> 【Instructions, orders, etc. are offered in the event the standard is not met and it is deemed necessary.】						
Mid size bldg. (300~2,000m <sup>2</sup> )								
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# Correlation between the total floor area of buildings of 2,000m<sup>2</sup> or more and the amount of renewable-power generators installed (2015~2019)





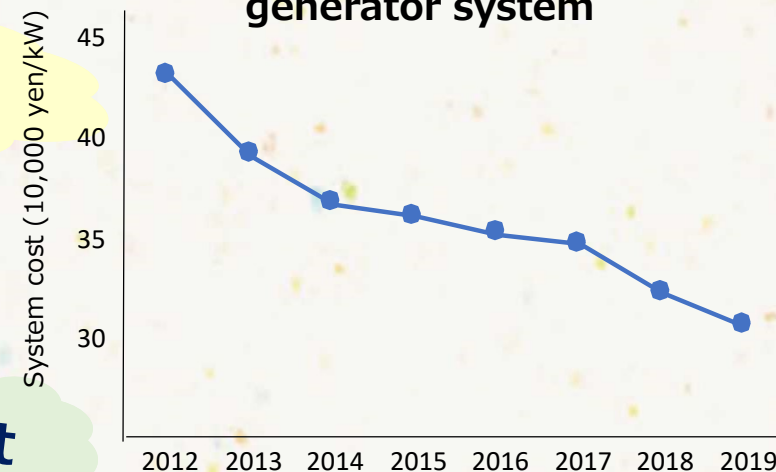
# Kyoto City's Measures to Promote Renewable Energy in **New Building** Constructions, Extensions and Retrofits

Increased obligations

Widened the scope

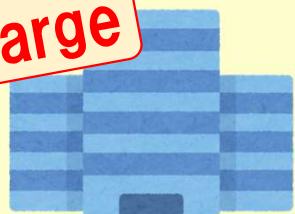
Support

Cost of a solar powered generator system



※ Generators using solar PVs, solar thermal, biomass, wind power etc.

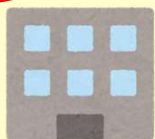
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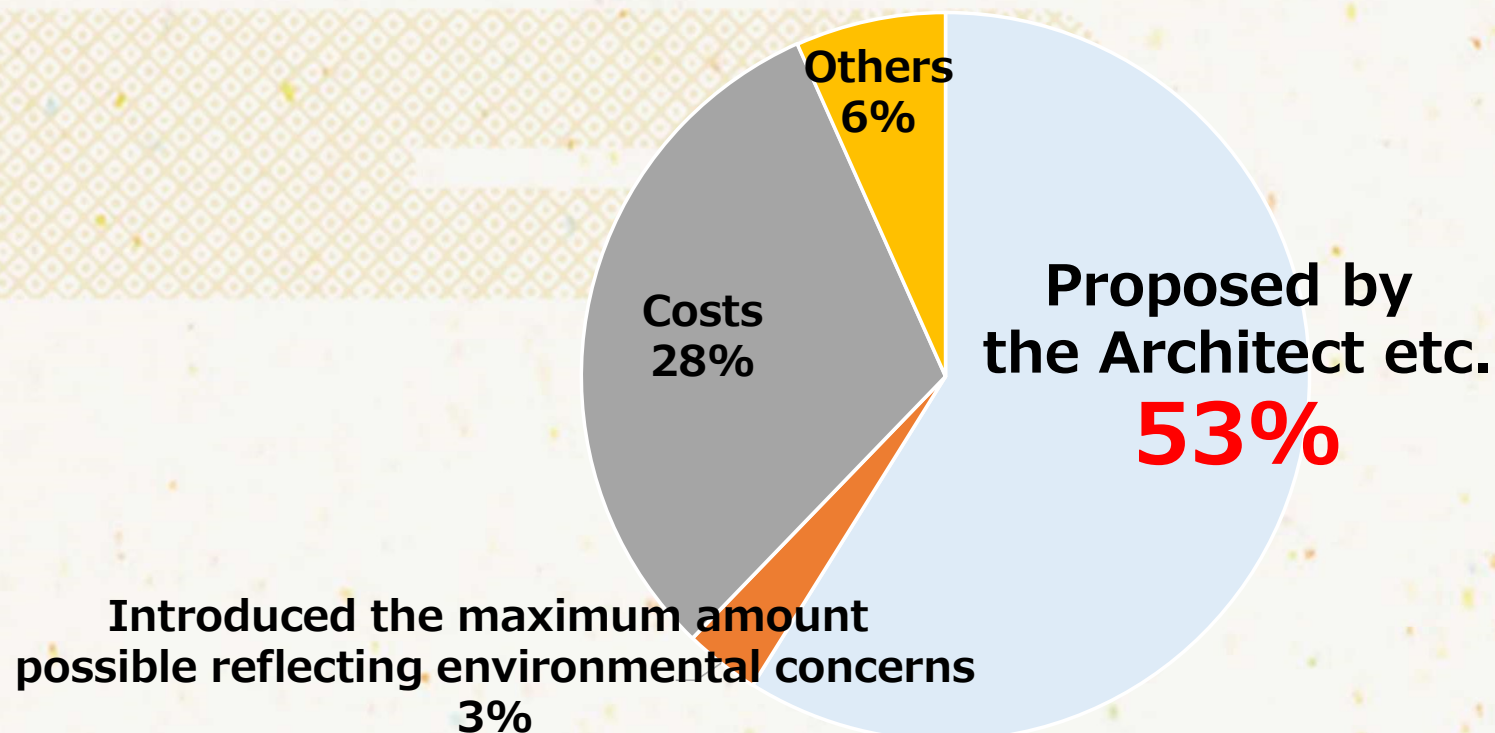
Small



(total floor area ~300m<sup>2</sup>)

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Q. How was the **amount of renewable energy equipment installed** determined?



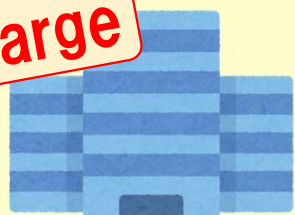
Developed from data in "A Guide to the System of Obligatory Explanations by Architects for the Introduction and Installation of Renewable Energies under the Kyoto Prefectural and Kyoto City Ordinances"





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Explanations regarding the  
installation of renewable  
energy is mandatory (2021~)

Architect



Building owner

<Must explain>

- CO<sub>2</sub> reduction impact from renewables
- Maximum amount of renewable energy that can be installed
- Types of renewable energy that can be introduced, etc.

※ Generators using solar PV, solar thermal, biomass, wind power etc.