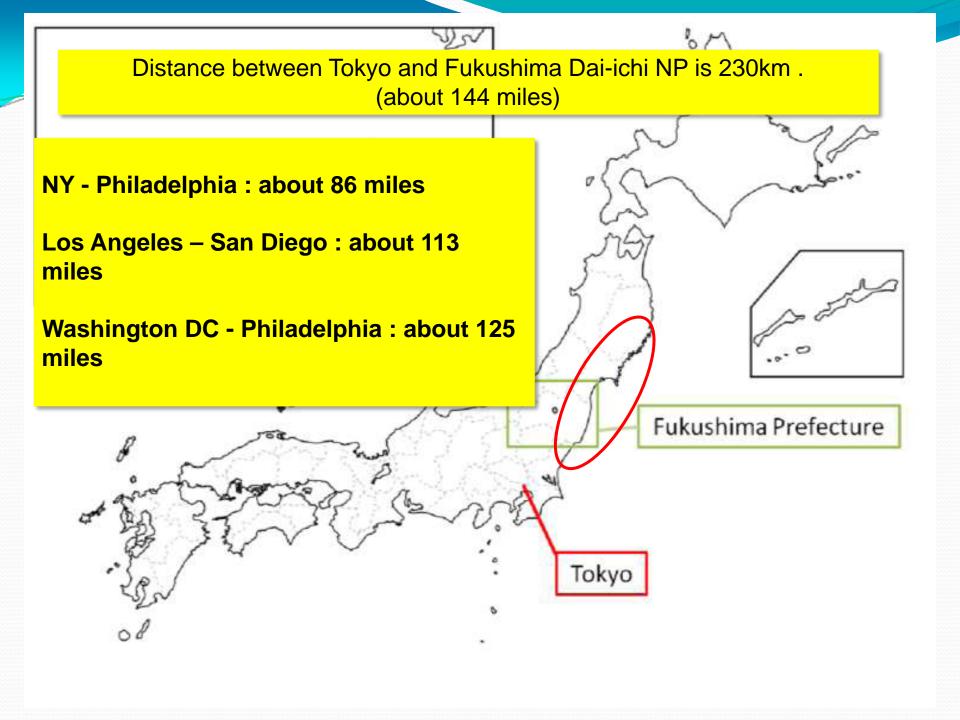


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Japan – Open for Business



- Pre-disaster weakening
- Downgraded forecasts for 2011
- Rebound expected in FY 2012



Japan Jewelry Market

Junko Namba

US Commercial Service - Tokyo





Why Japan?

Japan is a high profile market:

3rd largest Jewelry market.

16.3% of total global wealth population in 2008.

U.S. is the top supplier of Precious Metal Jewelry.

Sophisticated consumers.

"Gateway" to other Asian markets.



Market Prospects



Source: Yano Research Institute



Sales by Category

(In Billion Yen)

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Diamond Jewelry	632	592	498	442	436
Color Gem Jewelry	289	266	230	199	190
Pearl Jewelry	190	186	171	153	152
Metal Jewelry	162	155	155	134	133
Total	1,273	1,199	1,054	928	910

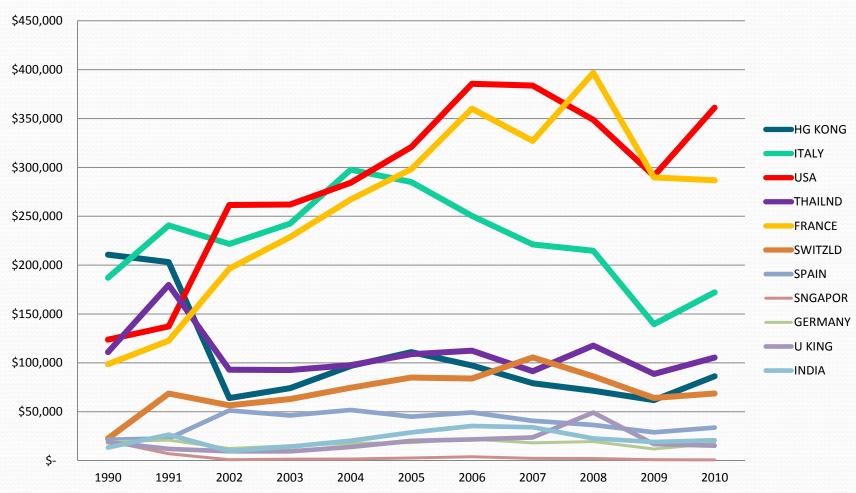
Jewelry Retail Share - 2010

Diamond Jewelry	Color Gem Jewelry	Pearl Je16.7%welry	Metal Jewelry
47.8%	20.9%	16.7%	14.6%

Source: Yano Research Institute



Precious Jewelry Imports



Source: Japan Tariff Bureau (by HS 7113)



USA has been the top supplier of precious metal jewelry products.

Year 2010 (In \$1,000)

Country	Import value	% share
1. USA	\$361,063	27.8%
2. France	\$268,864	22.1%
3. Italy	\$172,103	13.2%
4. Thailand	\$105,464	8.1%
5. Hong Kong	\$86,236	6.6%
Other Countries / Areas	\$306,392	22.2%
Total	\$1,300,122	100%

Source: Japan Tariff Bureau By HS 7113

Platinum jewelry	No.1 - 51.74% share
Gold jewelry	No. 4 - 9.78% share
Silver jewelry	No.1 - 34.95% share



Good Prospects

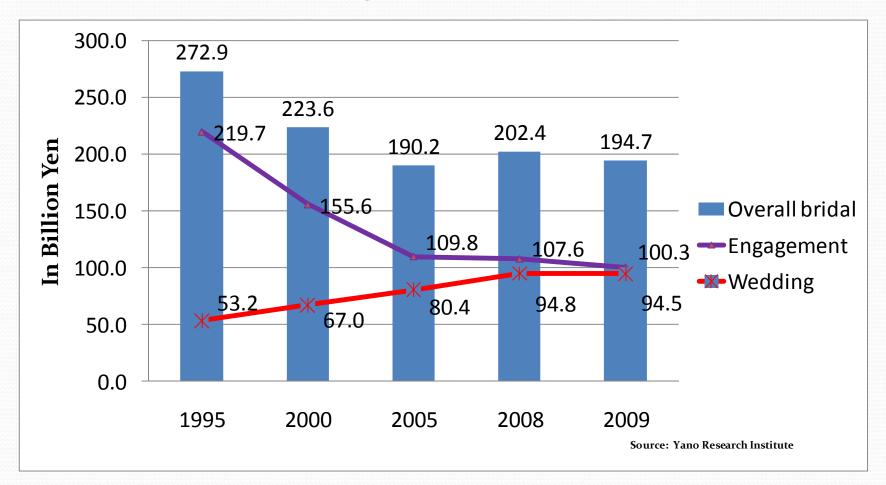
Affordable brand jewelry

Love and Peace motif

Bridal/Wedding



Bridal Jewelry Market



Potential subsets of consumers with purchasing power:

Retiring baby boomers

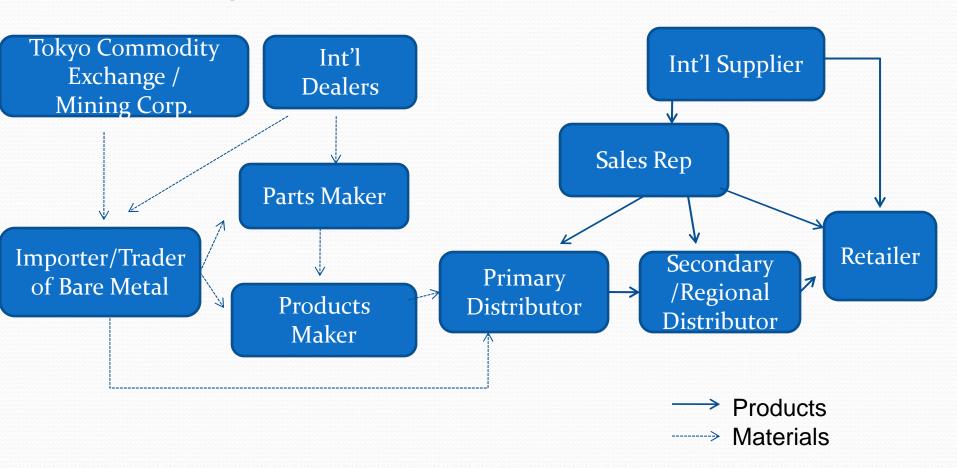
• Female consumers in 30s to 50s with higher income.

Wealthy Asian travelers

Male consumers

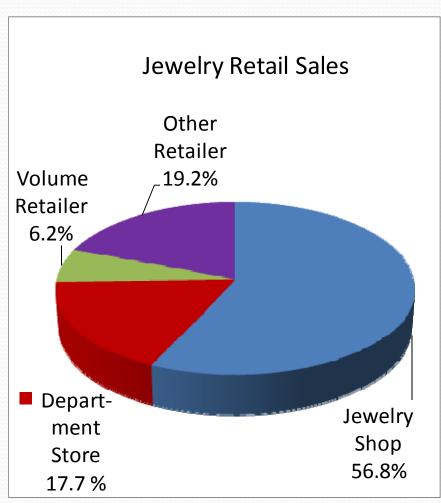


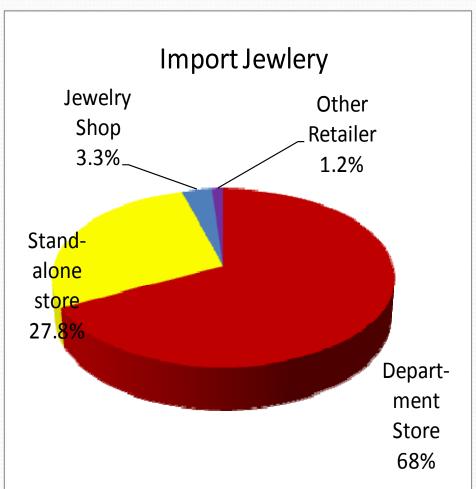
Jewelry Distribution Channels





Retail Sales Channels and shares 2008

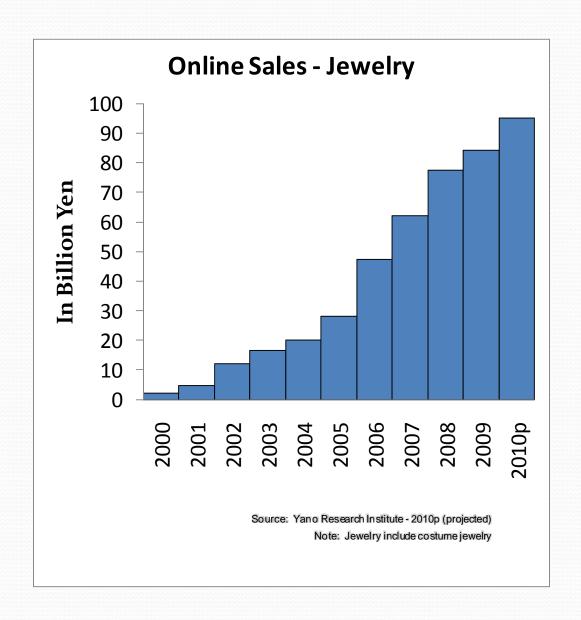




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EC Jewelry Sales







Satisfying Your Japanese Clients

Flexibility

Quality Assurance Knowing key
Customers

Attractive Brand Images

Timely Supply



Market Entry Strategy

Exhibit at the major trade show/s

- Test market your products
- Outreach to key buyers
- Determine best partner
- Field research trend, competition

Trade Events

- International Jewellery Fair Tokyo/Kobe (http://www.ijt.jp/en/Home/)
- Japan Jewellery Fair Tokyo (http://www.japanjewelleryfair.com/en/index.php)
- USA: JCK Las Vegas
- Switzerland: Basel World



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