

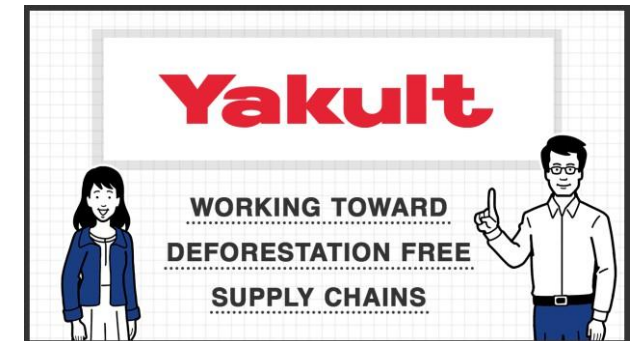
Deforestation and Conversion Free (DCF) Commitment to Responsible Sourcing Progress Report (FY2024)

■ Scope

All consolidated sites in Japan and overseas involved in the procurement of raw materials to produce food and beverages, pharmaceuticals and cosmetics for the Yakult Group

■ Commodities

- ① Pulp and paper ② Palm oil
- ③ Soy ④ Dairy products



Progress report on the DCF Commitment to Responsible Sourcing

*Excluding dairy products

Commodities & Consumption	Percentage verified as DCF	Explanations
Pulp and paper 9,691.3t	84.8%	The majority of paper containers and packaging used in products manufactured and sold by the Group have already been switched to FSC® certified paper and PEFC-certified paper or recycled paper. 71.8% was for certified products and 13.0% was for recycled paper of the scope of the Commitment. This percentage is the proportion of the quantity verified to be deforestation and conversion free. (License No.: FSC®N003728)
Palm oil 104.4t	0.0%	In October 2023, the Yakult Group became a member of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO), an international initiative regarding the sustainable use of palm oil. As of the end of March 2025, no third-party certified palm oil is used, but the Company is pursuing preparations to use RSPO-certified palm oil. Going forward, we plan to switch to RSPO-certified palm oil and seek to reduce deforestation and land conversion due to palm oil use to zero.
Soybeans 1,833.2t	40.5%	We use soybeans as a primary raw material of processed soymilk, soymilk beverages and dairy products manufactured and sold by the Group. Among the soybeans we use in our processed soymilk, soymilk beverages and dairy products, 40.5% are from Japan, where the risk of deforestation and land conversion is low, and we regard this percentage as no deforestation or land conversion associated with the use of soybeans.

*Progress on dairy products is currently in the stage of information gathering