

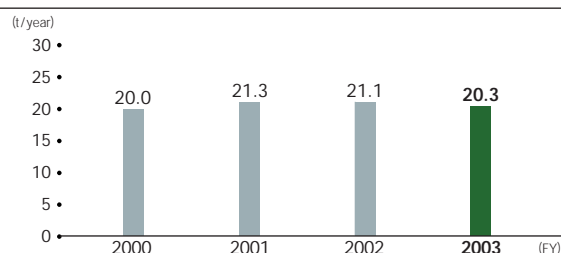
# Other Environmental Performance Data

## ▶ Preventing water pollution

### More frequent measurement of water quality than the legally prescribed level for preventing water pollution

To prevent water pollution, Nitto Denko pays constant attention to the quality of industrial wastewater and assumes strict control of it by gauging water quality more frequently than is legally prescribed. We frequently gauge the chemical oxygen demand (COD), an index of water pollution, to exercise our administrative duties faithfully to prevent water pollution.

### ● Amounts of COD



## ▶ Efficient use of water

### Recycling industrial wastewater for efficient use of water resources

To efficiently use valuable water resources and to reduce the environmental impact, all our plants endeavor to save water and to recycle industrial wastewater. For example, the Kameyama Plant reuses properly and biologically treated sewage and rainwater to flush toilets. The Shiga Plant collects part of the wastewater from the inspection process and applies a reverse osmosis membrane to reuse the wastewater.

The Onomichi Plant built a facility for recycling wastewater in 2000 and reuse the water by purifying through the membrane filter procedure as raw water.

## ▶ Environmental conservation for soil and groundwater

### Promoting elimination and reduction of three legally controlled substances

The company defined the three legally controlled substances, trichloroethylene, dichloromethane and 1,1,1-trichloroethane as voluntarily controlled substances and have made continuous efforts to eliminate or reduce their use. As a result, trichloroethylene and 1,1,1-trichloroethane were totally eliminated from our processes in 1998. The use of dichloromethane has been reduced but is not totally eliminated. It is used as a solvent for products in the Toyohashi Plant. We will endeavor to eliminate dichloromethane in the future. For self-management substances, safety education is provided for users, and measures are taken against leakage from the facility by establishing watertight banks.

## ▶ Reducing the use of paper

### The Nitto Denko Corporation is committed to reducing the use of paper

Using new pulp to make paper leads to the destruction of forest resources. To reduce paper consumption, the company totally has changed the media of internal communications from fax to e-mail since February 2004. We also thoroughly separate and collect paper, cardboard, magazines, and newspapers and outsource their treatment to recycling companies. We endeavor to reduce paper consumption, including such efforts to use the backside of used paper.

## ▶ Noise, vibration, and offensive odors

### Carrying out semiannual measurements under self-standards

For noise, vibration, and offensive odors, we established self-standards and have carried out semiannual measurements. We check whether the measurement values are within the self-standards that are stricter than the legally prescribed levels.