

# Ajinomoto Group CSR Report 2008

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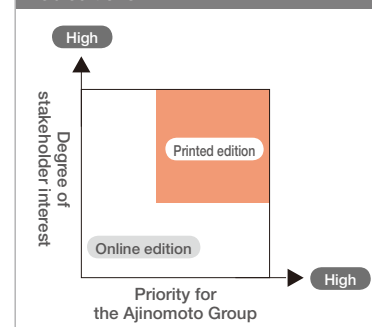
## Editorial Policy

The aim of the *Ajinomoto Group CSR Report 2008* is to clearly present the efforts undertaken by the Ajinomoto Group through its corporate activities to achieve five targets concerning food, health and pharmaceuticals, food resources and the environment, human resources development, and partnerships, as defined in the Ajinomoto Group Vision for CSR Achievements by 2020, which was established in September 2005 along with the Ajinomoto Group CSR Vision. This report also explains the contributions that the group makes in the areas of food, health and pharmaceuticals, and food resources and the environment through leveraging the amino acid technologies it has cultivated over many years. The Feature 1 and 2 sections detail initiatives concerning two vital social issues that are of particular importance for the Ajinomoto Group: food safety and global warming.

In addition to the printed edition of this report, an online version is also available at the group’s Web site (see below). The printed edition focuses on information provided especially for stakeholders, while the online edition includes further details regarding the initiatives described in the printed edition as well as information not included in the printed edition.

The Corporate Social Responsibility section of the group’s Web site is available at:  
[www.ajinomoto.com/csr/](http://www.ajinomoto.com/csr/)

## Relationship between the printed and Web editions



Other related details regarding this report:

- An expert was invited to provide a third-party opinion on subjects presented in the report that are both important for the CSR initiatives taken by the Ajinomoto Group and of major concern to society (see page 41).
- Further details on environmental performance are provided in the *Ajinomoto Group Environmental Report 2008* (to be published in November 2008).
- Details of the group’s economic performance were omitted, as such information can be viewed in the financial information section of the group’s Web site at:  
[www.ajinomoto.com/ir/library/](http://www.ajinomoto.com/ir/library/)

## Scope of the Report

### Organizational scope:

This report covers the Ajinomoto Group, comprised, in principle, of Ajinomoto Co., Inc. (hereafter “the company”) and its 115 consolidated subsidiaries and affiliates, which are subject to reporting under the equity method (as of March 31, 2008). Where sufficient information for the entire Ajinomoto Group (hereafter “the group” or “Ajinomoto”) was unavailable, the limitation in scope is explicitly defined.

### Period covered by this report:

Fiscal 2007 (April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008)  
Some more recent activities are also included in the report.

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