

## Report of Japanese Skysports/Aeromedical Status 2001-2002

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### 1. Skysports Demography 2000-2001

	balloon	experimtl	airplane	soaring	model	parachutg	hang/paraglg	microlt
<b>registere d</b>	1,700 (+162)	130 (+/- 0)	550(JAPA) 185(AOPA) steady	500 (+dozens )	8,590 steady	800 (+)	22,600 (-1,900) paper figures	2,500 (-89)
<b>populati on</b>	10,000 (+)	250 (-)	18,950 (+)	5,000 (0)	150,00 0	900 and tandems	800,000 (+)	9,500 (?)
<b>aircraft</b>	445 (+2)	203 most inactive	730 (?)	327flying (+)	3,000 racing	N/A	>20,000	surface 1,401 wght 251 para 105 pw para 650 pw hang 25
<b>trend</b>	More racers. Honda sponsoring. WAG2001-1 <sup>s</sup> 1,3 <sup>rd</sup> ,14,17,37 ,44,58,62,68, 71.*	The same population becoming older.	Growth rate declining. Better currency training. Ultralong tours.	Steady. More X-C. 2001WG C 7 <sup>th</sup> .	Some sponso red racers.	WAG2001 women freestyle3 <sup>rd</sup> . surf 3 <sup>rd</sup> .Men 4w 10 <sup>th</sup> . Hosted 6 <sup>th</sup> <b>WORLD GAMES Akita2001</b> .	WAG2001 14 <sup>th</sup> . Most newcomers are for para. Remnant hang schools.	Powered paraglider is slowly increasing.
<b>female</b>		none?		10%	few	30%	>25%	few
<b>youth</b>		few		college students declining	youths prefer heli	20-40 yrs	elderly increasing	>40yrs old youths/women prefer foot-launch
<b>govmt regultn</b>	none	strict	strict	strict	none	none	none	modest

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### 2. Japanese Aviation Medicine Topics

#### 2.1 A Japanese/FAA AME removed of his Japanese designation.

This is the first case an AME was deprived of his/her privilege in Japan. Details are such technical error in paper management, so their intention is not clear.

#### 2.2 Revision of aviation medical standards in 2001

Uncorrected vision requirement has been removed, also are mandatory grounding due to pulmonary bleb, and numbers for hypotension. Intermediate vision was added for Class 1.

(We have Class 1-commercial and Class 2-for others including glider pilots.)

### 3. Antidoping

There has been no actual application of antidoping procedure applied to FAI-related events in Japan.