


Japan's First Over-the-Shoulder Tape Recorder

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Registration Date	September 15, 2015	Registration Category	Category 1

Name (Model, etc.)	Shoulder style Tape Recorder PT-1		
Location	Minato-ku, Tokyo		
	NHK Museum of Broadcasting		
Owner (Custodian)	NHK Museum of Broadcasting		
Manufacturer (Company)	Tokyo Tsushin Kogyo Corporation (now Sony Corporation)		
Year Manufactured	1951		
Year first appeared	1951		
Reason For Selection	<p>This is the first over-the-shoulder tape recorder to be produced in Japan. Weighing 8 kg and measuring 17 cm high × 35 cm wide × 17 cm long, it was widely used as a portable tape recorder for on-the-street interviews. It was driven by a hand-wound spring motor and had a tube amplifier. While it was simple, with only one recording/playback head dedicated to recording, the specifications focused on reliability. It was given the pet name “Densuke” after a recording device depicted in the manga of the same name.</p>		
Registration Standard	2-C (Show an important event or phenomenon in the relationship between society and culture on the one hand and science and technology on the other.)		

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