

# History

**1949.3**

Men's Shop Ogori Shoji is founded in Ube City, Yamaguchi Prefecture, Japan.

**1963.5**

Ogori Shoji Co., Ltd. is established with capital of 6 million yen.

**1984.6**

The first UNIQLO store opens in Hiroshima (closes in August 1991).



**1985.6**

First UNIQLO roadside store opens.



**1991.9**

Company name is changed to FAST RETAILING CO., LTD.

**1994.7**

Company stock is listed on the Hiroshima Stock Exchange.

**1998.2**

Head office is constructed in Yamaguchi Prefecture, Japan.



**1998.10**

1,900-yen fleece campaign succeeds in attracting large public attention.



**1998.11**

First urban UNIQLO store opens in the fashionable Harajuku district of Tokyo.



**1999.2**

Company stock is listed on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

**1999.4**

Shanghai office is established to further enhance production management.

**2000.4**

Headquarter functions move to Tokyo.

**2000.10**

E-commerce business launches.

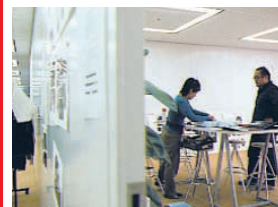
**2001.9**

First UNIQLO overseas store opens in London.



**2002.4**

UNIQLO Design Studio (current R&D Center) is established.



**2002.9**

First UNIQLO China store opens in Shanghai.

**2002.11**

SKIP brand food business starts (exits the business in April 2004).

**2003.10**

UNIQLO cashmere campaign generates high level of consumer interest.



**2004.1**

Fast Retailing invests in Link International Co., Ltd. (now LINK THEORY JAPAN CO., LTD.), developer of Theory brand apparel.



**2004.10**

First large-scale UNIQLO store opens in Shinsaibashi, Osaka (closes in 2010).

**2004.12**

UNIQLO Design Studio, New York, Inc. is established.

**2004.12**

UNIQLO launches joint venture with Lotte Shopping Co., Ltd. of South Korea.

**2005.3**

Footwear retail chain Onezone Corp. becomes a subsidiary (comes under UNIQLO Co., Ltd. in April 2010).

**2005.5**

Comptoir des Cottonniers is acquired.

**2005.9**

First UNIQLO South Korea store opens in Seoul.

**2005.9**

First UNIQLO U.S. store opens in New Jersey (closes in 2006).

**2005.9**

First UNIQLO Hong Kong store opens in the Tsim Sha Tsui shopping district.

**2005.10**

Large-scale UNIQLO store opens in Ginza, Tokyo.



**2005.11**

Holding company structure is adopted at Fast Retailing.

**2006.2**

Princesse tam.tam is acquired.

**2006.4**

Fast Retailing invests in women's apparel company Cabin Co., Ltd.



**2006.6**

Strategic business partnership is established between UNIQLO and Toray Industries, Inc.

**2006.9**

UNIQLO All-Product Recycling Initiative commences.



**2006.10**

First GU store opens in Chiba Prefecture, Japan.

**2006.11**

First UNIQLO global flagship store opens in Soho, New York City.



## 2007.11

Global flagship store, UNIQLO 311 Oxford Street Store, opens in London.



## 2007.12

First UNIQLO France store opens in Paris.

## 2009.3

LINK THEORY JAPAN CO., Ltd. becomes a subsidiary.

## 2009.4

First UNIQLO Singapore store opens.

## 2009.10

Global flagship store, Paris Opera Store, opens.



## 2010.4

First UNIQLO Russia store opens in Moscow.

## 2010.5

Global flagship store, UNIQLO West Nanjing Road Store, opens in Shanghai.



## 2010.7

Joint venture between UNIQLO and Grameen Bank is agreed, with the aim to pursue a social business in Bangladesh.

## 2010.10

Global flagship store, UNIQLO Shinsaibashi Store, opens in Osaka.



## 2010.10

First GU flagship store opens in Shinsaibashi, Osaka.

## 2010.10

First UNIQLO Taiwan store opens in Taipei.

## 2010.11

First UNIQLO Malaysia store opens in Kuala Lumpur.

## 2011.2

Global Partnership Agreement with UNHCR is established, reinforcing All-Product Recycling Initiative.

## 2011.9

First UNIQLO Thailand store opens in Bangkok.

## 2011.9

Global flagship store, UNIQLO Mingyao Department Store, opens in Taipei.

## 2011.10

Global flagship store, UNIQLO New York Fifth Avenue Store, opens in New York City.



## 2011.11

Global flagship store, UNIQLO Myeongdong Central Store, opens in Seoul.

## 2012.3

Global flagship store, UNIQLO Ginza opens, in Tokyo.



## 2012.3

GU flagship store opens in Ginza, Tokyo.

## 2012.5

UNIQLO appoints tennis player Novak Djokovich as Global Brand Ambassador.



## 2012.6

First UNIQLO Philippines store opens in Manila.

## 2012.9

Global hotspot store, BICQLO Shinjuku East Exit Store, opens in Tokyo.

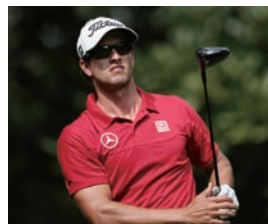


## 2012.12

U.S.-based premium denim company J Brand Holdings, LLC is acquired.

## 2013.3

UNIQLO appoints pro golfer Adam Scott as Global Brand Ambassador.



## 2013.4

Global flagship store, UNIQLO Lee Theatre Store, opens in Hong Kong.

## 2013.6

First UNIQLO Indonesia store opens in Jakarta.

## 2013.9

First GU overseas store opens in Shanghai.

## 2013.9

Global flagship store, UNIQLO SHANGHAI Store, opens in China.



## 2014.3

Fast Retailing Hong Kong Depository Receipts (HDR) are listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.



## 2014.3

Global hotspot store, UNIQLO Ikebukuro Sunshine 60 Street Store, opens in Tokyo.

## 2014.4

First UNIQLO Australia store opens in Melbourne.

## 2014.4

First UNIQLO Germany store, Tauentzien global flagship store, opens in Berlin.



## 2014.4

Global hotspot store, UNIQLO Okachimachi Store, opens in Tokyo.

## 2014.10

Global hotspot store, UNIQLO Kichijoji Store, opens in Tokyo.

## 2014.10

Global flagship store, UNIQLO OSAKA, opens in Osaka.

