

**Table 1** Main vegetable soybean varieties in Japan

Variety	Reg. yr.	Breeding system	Maturity	Pod size	Pubes.	Seed coat	Main production pref.	Notes
Sapporo-midori (1970)	1970	Cross	Very early	Large	White	Green	Iwate, Akita, Chiba	P
Sagi-midori (1974)	1974	Cross	Very early	Large	White	Light green	Gifu, Aichi, Osaka	P
Tamasudare (1975)	1975	Cross	Very early	Medium	White	Green	Niigata, Saitama, Shizuoka	P
Ooyuki-midori (1977)	1977	Cross	Early-medium	Large	White	Green	Hokkaido, Niigata, Chiba	P
Yukimusume (1977)	1977	Cross	Early-medium	Medium	White		Gunma, Kanagawa, Aichi	P
Yuusuzumi (1980)	1980	Cross	Medium	Large	White	Yellow	Gunma, Kanagawa, Chiba	P
Kitanoshiki (1982)	1982	Cross	Early	Large	White	Light green	Niigata, Iwate, Kyoto	P
Fuuki (1982)	1982	Cross	Early-medium	Medium	White		Gifu, Aichi, Tokushima	P
Sensyu (1983)	1983	Pedigree	Late	Large	White		Iwate, Akita, Niigata	P
Tengamine (1984)	1984	Cross	Very early	Medium	White	Light green	Chiba, Gunma, Saitama	P
Green 75 (1985)	1985	Pedigree	Very early	Large	White	Light green	Akita, Miyagi, Niigata	P
Bonnisiki (1986)	1986	Pedigree	Early-medium	Medium	White	Light green	Akita, Iwate, Aomori	P
Hoseki (1986)	1986	Cross	Early-medium	Large	White		Shizuoka, Tokushima	P
Nicety 85 (1987)	1987	Cross	Early-medium	Large	White		Hokkaido, Akita, Niigata	P
Oosodenomai (1992)	1992	Cross	Early-medium	Large	White	Green	Hokkaido	LG
Sayamusume (1994)	1994	Cross	Medium	Large	White	Light green	Iwate, Akita, Chiba, Gifu	P
Shishiou (1994)	1994	Pedigree	Late	Large	Brown	Dark green	Chiba, Fukushima	P
Murasakizukin (1977)	1977	Mutation	Late	Large	Brown	Black	Kyoto	LG
Natsunokoe (1977)	1977		Medium	Medium	Brown	Brown	Niigata, Gunma, Saitama	P

P: Private seed co., LG: Local governmental station