

Financial Results for Q2 of FY2/24 October 3, 2023

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▽ Consolidated sales for 1H were 105.1% YoY, achieving record-high 1H sales and profits.

①Sales in all businesses exceeded the previous fiscal year, and consolidated sales for the first half reached a record high.

②Gross profit and SG&A expenses were generally under control as planned, even in the inflationary environment.
③Consolidated operating income, ordinary income, and net income also reached record highs.

∇ Consolidated business forecasts for FY2/24 remain unchanged. To manage expected external risks.

(1)Forecast net sales of 635 billion yen (103.1% YoY) and operating income of 54.5 billion yen (102.4% YoY). (2)We aim to achieve sales and profit targets by managing expected external risks, such as rising costs of sales due to the yen's depreciation, soaring energy prices, prolonged summer heat and warm winter, and declining consumer spending, etc.

\bigtriangledown Business policy for 2H: Strengthen product appeal and sales power through strengthening initiatives in 1H.

①Strengthen product appeal: enhance project capability, expand product lineups, refine PB and JB products, and improve procurement system.

②Strengthen sales power: enhance regional and individual store responsiveness, optimize digital sales promotions, and improve the sophistication of inventory management.

③Strengthen foundation and infrastructure: Promote digital transformation, expand EC business, open a new model store under the Divalo business, and promote ESG initiatives.

Consolidated Results: Income Statement

 \bigtriangledown Net sales: 316.8 billion yen (increased by 5.1% YoY). Record-high sales for the first half alone.

 \bigtriangledown SG&A expenses: 25.2%(increased by 0.1pt YoY). Personnel expenses were higher than the plan. Total SG&A expenses were generally in line with the plan.

 \bigtriangledown Operating income: 30.1 billion yen (increased by 4.3% YoY). Each profit for the first half alone reached record highs.

						(Million yen/%)
	FY2/24 1H	Ratio to sales	YoY	FY2/23 1H	Ratio to sales	YoY
Net sales	316,838	100.0	105.1	301,348	100.0	105.9
Gross profit	109,225	34.5	105.3	103,733	34.4	106.2
SG&A	79,763	25.2	105.6	75,516	25.1	103.6
Operating income	30,173	9.5	104.3	28,919	9.6	114.1
Ordinary income	30,725	9.7	103.5	29,680	9.8	114.9
Net income attributable to owners of parent	20,954	6.6	101.6	20,620	6.8	118.3
Net income per share	570.15yen		_	561. 08yen		_

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(Million yen/%)

 \bigtriangledown Due to the evolution of brands, expansion of product lineups, diversification of sales promotion methods, and strengthening of regional and individual store support, Sales in all businesses exceeded the previous year's results, and domestic sales increased 5.0% YoY.

 \bigtriangledown Sales of Si meng le (Taiwan) were favorable, increasing by 18.3% YoY thanks to the expansion of PB and JB products and the enhancement of digital sales promotions.

Business	FY2/24 1H	Composition ratio	YoY	FY2/23 1H	Composition ratio	YoY	
Shimamura	237,325	74.9	105.4	225,192	74.8	104.5	
Avail	31,626	10.0	106.9	29,585	9.8	111.6	
Birthday	36,350	11.5	101.1	35,948	11.9	106.4	
Chambre	7,521	2.4	104.2	7,219	2.4	114.1	
Divalo	437	0.1	115.5	378	0.1	109.3	
Shimamura (non-consolidated)	313,261	98.9	105.0	298,324	99.0	105.6	
Si meng le (Taiwan)	3,577	1.1	118.3	3,023	1.0	142.4	
Shimamura (consolidated)	316,838	100.0	105.1	301,348	100.0	105.9	

Consolidated Results: SG&A Expenses

 ∇ Personnel expenses: Increased by 6.9% YoY due to large wage increases. This has a strong impact on hiring activity and reduces the job turnover.

 \bigtriangledown Advertising expenses: The ratio to sales was 1.7%(\triangle 0.1pt YoY), controlled by the diversification and sophistication of digital sales promotions.

 \bigtriangledown Equipment cost: The rise in utility costs was lower than expected. Rental expenses were lower than the previous year due to unprofitable store closures, etc.

						(Million yen/%)
	FY2/24 1H	Ratio to sales	YoY	FY2/23 1H	Ratio to sales	YoY
Salary	34,189	10.8	106.8	32,011	10.6	104.6
Total personnel expenses	39,974	12.6	106.9	37,381	12.3	104.7
Advertising expenses	5,432	1.7	102.8	5,286	1.8	97.6
Total selling expenses	9,438	3.0	105.9	8,916	3.0	101.9
Supplies expenses/Display fixtures expenses	1,124	0.3	105.5	1,065	0.3	104.4
EDP expenses	1,336	0.4	160.9	830	0.3	113.2
Total operating expenses	4,496	1.4	118.5	3,795	1.3	103.1
Rents	16,312	5.1	99.7	16,354	5.4	99.7
Depreciation and amortization	2,916	0.9	99.6	2,928	1.0	98.8
Total equipment cost	23,429	7.4	101.5	23,081	7.7	102.6
Total general expenses	2,424	0.8	103.6	2,341	0.8	104.1
Total SG&A expenses	79,763	25.2	105.6	75,516	25.1	103.6

Consolidated Results: Balance Sheets

 \bigtriangledown Assets: Cash and deposits, accounts receivable, and valuable securities increased by 10.5%YoY. The merchandise inventories were lower than in the previous fiscal year.

▽ Liabilities: There was an increase mainly in income taxes payable and accrued expenses. This was due to an increase in net income and higher salaries.

	End-Aug. 2023	Composition ratio	YoY	End-Aug. 2022	Composition ratio
Current assets	344,208	65.8	107.8	319,229	65.0
Noncurrent assets	178,832	34.2	104.1	171,783	35.0
Total assets	523,040	100.0	106.5	491,012	100.0
Current liabilities	56,177	10.7	103.3	54,367	11.1
Noncurrent liabilities	10,206	2.0	105.9	9,641	1.9
Total liabilities	66,383	12.7	103.7	64,009	13.0
Total shareholder's equity	452,259	86.5	106.8	423,452	86.3
Accumulated other comprehensive income	4,397	0.8	123.9	3,550	0.7
Total net assets	456,657	87.3	106.9	427,003	87.0
Total liabilities and net assets	523,040	100.0	106.5	491,012	100.0

(Million yen/%)

 \bigtriangledown Growth in existing store sales: Existing store sales for 1H increased YoY in three major businesses.

 ∇ Positive trends in customer numbers: Shimamura's and Avail's customer numbers increased in 1H compared to the previous year, although average spend per customer increased.

 ∇ Increase in price per product: Due to the shifting to a new price range and expansion of the high price range products. It has a great effect on markup rate improvement.

Business	.	Net s	sales	Number of	Number of	Spending	Unit price
	Period	Existing stores	All stores	customers	items purchased	per customer	per item
	FY2/24 Q1	105.6	105.4	100.2	97.2	105.1	108.1
Shimamura	FY2/24 Q2	105.7	105.4	99.9	96.9	105.5	109.0
	FY2/24 1H	105.7	105.4	100.1	97.2	105.3	108.4
Avail	FY2/24 Q1	107.7	107.1	101.2	97.7	105.8	108.3
	FY2/24 Q2	107.4	106.7	101.2	97.3	105.5	108.4
	FY2/24 1H	107.5	106.9	101.2	97.7	105.6	108.3
Birthday	FY2/24 Q1	100.3	101.2	96.0	95.3	105.4	110.6
	FY2/24 Q2	99.6	101.0	95.9	94.1	105.4	111.9
	FY2/24 1H	100.0	101.1	95.9	94.8	105.4	111.1

(%)

Gross profit, Price reduction, Inventory YoY

 ∇ Policy for the current term: Secure appropriate price entry and appropriate price reductions, and increase inventory turnover to secure gross profit.

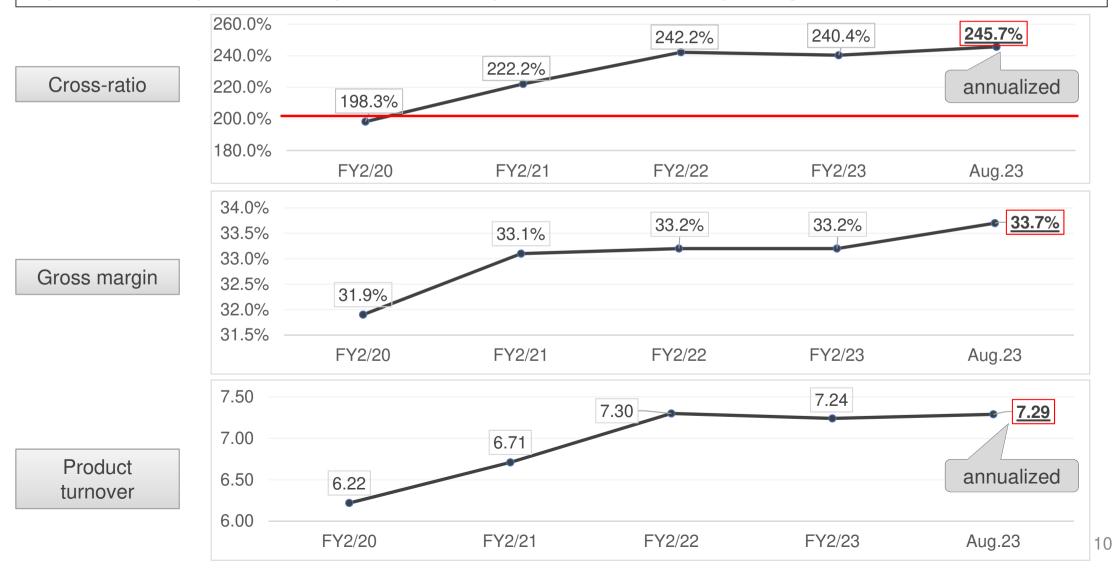
 ∇ In Q2, we took action in line with the policy in each business and secured solid gross profit while keeping inventory under control. ∇ While the hurdle to exceed Q1 results from the same period of the previous year was high, Shimamura and Avail also exceeded the 1H gross profit level of the previous year.

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			Gross profit		Price reduction			Inventory
Business	Period	Gross	Gross m	argin	Price	Price reduc	tion rate	Inventory
		Profit YoY		YoY	reduction YoY		YoY	YoY
	FY2/24 Q1	104.9	33.3	-0.2	117.7	7.5	+0.8	107.7
Shimamura	FY2/24 Q2	107.3	34.1	+0.6	108.1	5.3	+0.1	100.9
	FY2/24 1H	106.1	33.7	+0.2	113.3	6.4	+ 0.5	104.4
Avail	FY2/24 Q1	105.5	37.4	-0.6	108.9	16.4	+0.2	114.6
	FY2/24 Q2	107.0	39.5	+0.1	99.5	11.4	-0.8	104.0
	FY2/24 1H	106.3	38.5	-0.2	104.8	13.8	-0.3	109.4
Birthday	FY2/24 Q1	96.2	34.8	-1.8	201.3	4.8	+2.4	115.7
	FY2/24 Q2	101.4	33.0	+0.1	101.5	6.1	+0.1	105.6
	FY2/24 1H	98.3	34.0	-1.0	136.9	5.3	+1.4	110.7

(%, pt)

 \bigtriangledown Cross-ratio (gross profit margin x product turnover) has been improving year by year, reaching a high level of about 245% on an annualized basis.

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Strengthening product appeal

▽ Further enhancement of PB: PB ratio was 21.0%、 PB sales increased by 10.0% YoY in the first half. Summer products in general were strong.

- High-priced PB "CLOSSHI PREMIUM": 1H sales increased by 37% YoY. Sales of "THE SUPER COOL" were very strong due to the extremely hot summer.
- High functional PB "FIBER DRY": 1H sales increased by 26% YoY. Expanding product lineup from apparel to practical items.

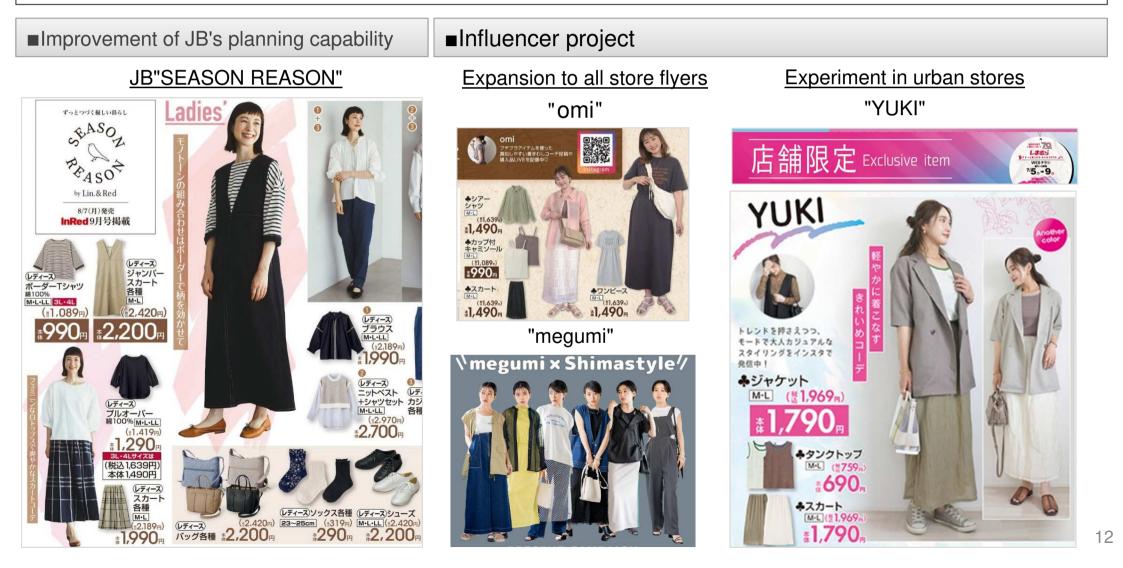


Strengthening product appeal

▽ Further enhancement of JB: JB ratio was 8.9%, and JB sales increased by 7.4% YoY in the first half.

Strengthened proposals for coordinating clothing for wear with accessories and shoes. The lineup of high-priced items is also strong.

 \bigtriangledown Influencer project: Experiment in urban stores and online stores \Rightarrow Evolve scheme to expand to all stores for best-selling items.



Shimamura Business ③

Strengthening sales power

▽ Successful 70th anniversary campaign: Significantly increased customer traffic. Special price promotions for limited edition products.

 \bigtriangledown Diversification of digital sales promotions: 24 web commercials were aired in 1H. Number of social media followers: 34.63 million (up 8.6% from the end of the previous fiscal year)

 \bigtriangledown Refine regional and individual store response: Urban stores and regional stores all performed well.

70th anniversary project

70th anniversary festival



Utilization of Web commercials





Strengthen regional and individual store response













Strengthening product appeal and sales power

 \bigtriangledown Strengthening trend proposals with JB at the core: JB ratio was 41.9% and JB sales increased by 22.7% YoY in the first half.

 \bigtriangledown Expand character products: 1H sales increased by 25.7% YoY due to improved project accuracy and expansion of dedicated sales floors.

 ∇ Expand regional and individual store response: Implement product lineups and flyer distribution in line with each store's characteristics in urban and rural areas.



Birthday Business

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Strengthening product appeal and sales power

✓ Expansion of JB: Sales of JB products for infants and low teens were strong. JB ratio was 26.6% and JB sales increased by 7.5% YoY in 1H.

 \bigtriangledown Use of digital sales promotions: Strengthen sales promotions to 5.95 million social media followers. EC sales were 179% of plan.

Strengthening JB product appeal

JB for infants "Cotoli"





JB for low teens "rabyraby"





Strong sales of occasional products



Strengthen sales promotions to social media followers

Video distribution via Instagram, Instagram Live





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Strengthening product appeal and sales power

▽ Chambre Business: Sales of JB products were strong in apparel and fashion accessories. New character products and gift items were also strong.

▽ Divalo Business: Strengthen "Shoes & Fashion" coordination proposals and digital sales promotions via social media.

Chambre Business

sales floor

■JB×Influencer







Linked to products and sales promotion and

Offering seasonal gift items

New character "Winnie the Pooh"



Divalo Business

Shoes and fashion dressing suggestions

Shoes x outerwear x fashion accessories



Strengthen sales promotion via social media to increase awareness





Si meng le Business (Taiwan)

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Strengthening product appeal and sales power

 \bigtriangledown Strengthening product appeal \cdots Expansion of Taiwan original products. Branded products accounted for 55.5% of total sales, up 140.7% yoy.

 \bigtriangledown Strengthening sales power \cdots Brushed up digital sales promotion. The number of SNS views increased and the ability to attract customers improved.

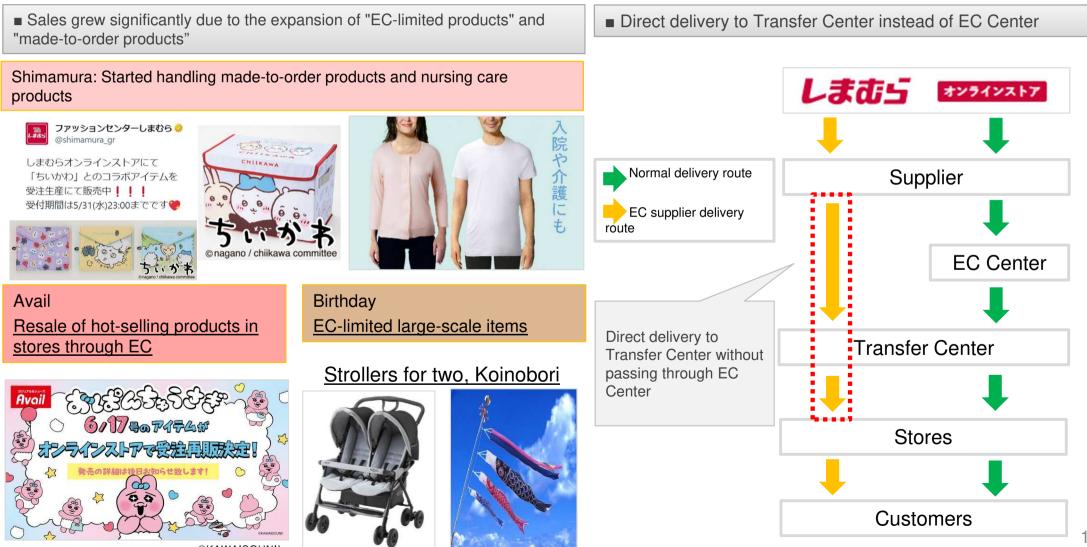
Strengthen product appeal through expansion of original Taiwanese projects Expansion of product assortment through line lobbing Local PB "S.Basic" Cool T-shirts for the Taiwan project \bigcirc Outdoor items Sports items 舒速、居家首翅 輕量運動 短袖內衣 M. I. II 190 S.Basic 涼感 力、涼爽、舒適、居家首嶺 罩杯胸衣 口袋設計造 M L LI 390 \$390 590 -Extended range of outlets... first half1, second half 2 stores Counting 3 ■Strengthening sales through SNS promotion, 25th anniversary sale ◎ store outlets Store introduction via facebook Si meng le celebrates its 25th anniversary [Yingge Fongming Branch] opening of a store (June 2023) 14_a→[∞]18_a 061140 - 06/180 10:00AM Special Price [∞]14[→] [∞]18 期間

Scale expansion of EC business and improve convenience

▽ Sales in 1H were 3.1 billion yen (EC conversion ratio: 1.0%): Sales YoY were 194.9%, and the store pick-up ratio was 88.0%.

▽ Expansion of EC-limited products and made-to-order products: nursing care products, large-scale items, character products, and hot-selling products are being made to order.

▽ Increase of ordering capacity: Delivery from EC-suppliers enables orders to exceed the capacity of the EC center.



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Results of 1H (Environment)

 \bigtriangledown Hangers: Complete recycling ratio was 56.4%. Improvement in the accuracy of hanger sorting in stores. ∇ Vinyl: Started a complete recycling program to recycle shopping bags collected from customers into new small delivery bags.

∇ Sustainable products: the ratio of sustainable products in our PB products was 31.3%. The range of sustainable materials is being further expanded.



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Results of 1H (Society)

 \bigtriangledown Percentage of female managers: 15.6%. The ratio of block managers (main manager level) in stores increased significantly to 19.6%. \bigtriangledown Ratio of employees with disabilities: 4.46%. The ratio increased outside of Shimamura business by strengthening educational activities at stores.

 \bigtriangledown Strengthening the role of apparel infrastructure: Implemented a total of 18 business trip sales sales and shopping tours throughout Japan; expanded products for seniors in EC stores. Sales are strong through a wide range of products, including underwear, socks, and consumables for nursing care.

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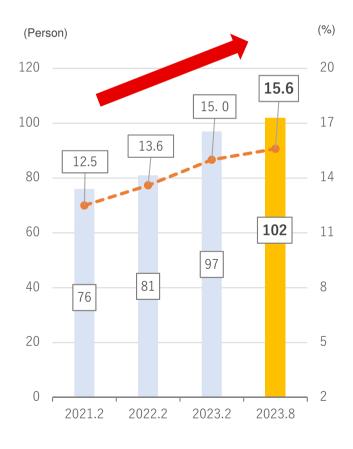
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4.46

716

2023.6

Number and percentage of female managers



Number and percentage of people with disabilities employed

3.63

549

2021.6

(Person)

800

600

400

200

3.31

499

2020.6

Strengthening the role of apparel infrastructure



Expansion of products for seniors through EC sales



Initiatives for ESG Issues ③

Initiatives for 2H

 ∇ Expansion of factory audits in the supply chain: In addition to human rights checks, environmental checks were expanded.

 \bigtriangledown Open of experimental environmentally friendly stores (3 stores): Targeted 30% reduction of CO₂ emissions (compared to existing stores). ∇ Strengthening efforts to increase the number of female managers: Started a new training curriculum and introduced a more workerfriendly work system.

∇ Strengthening the role of apparel infrastructure: Expanding the number of stores offering shopping tours. Expansion of EC products for seniors.

PB factories strengthen environmental checks in addition to human right Open experimental environmentally friendly stores (3 stores in 2H) checks 当社 1次取引先 2次取引先 Energy-saving air conditioner Heat shield sheet 商品生産工場 Shimamura Merchandise Management Department staff checks まむら PB factories サプライヤ・ Started checking water and energy consumption in 2H Targeted 30% reduction of CO₂ 提出 提出 Reinforcement of environmental Latest LED lighting Insulation material checks Strengthen efforts to expand female managers Strengthen the role of apparel infrastructure Expansion of EC products for Introduce a work system that is more Expansion of stores offering shopping Start of a new training system for female managers comfortable for employees to work seniors tours Start in 2H (the system was designed in 1H) Introduced a 7-hour work system (stores)

To be introduced in the next fiscal year (the system to be designed in 2H)

Introduce a 3-day/week system (stores)





Raise leaving time (Head office)

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Consolidated Business Forecasts for FY2/24

(Million ven/%)

 \bigtriangledown Net sales: 635.0 billion yen (+3.1% YoY). Operating income: 54.5 billion yen (+2.4% YoY)

 \bigtriangledown Annual dividends per share are expected to be 270 yen (up by 10 yen)

 \bigtriangledown We will respond appropriately to anticipated external risks and aim to achieve our sales and profit targets for the fiscal year as well.

	FY2/24 Forecast	YoY	Ratio to sales	FY2/23 Result	Ratio to sales
Net sales	635,088	103.1	100.0	616,125	100.0
Gross profit	217,900	103.8	34.3	209,996	34. 1
SG&A	164,776	104.2	25.9	158,088	25.6
Operating income	54,571	102.4	8.6	53,302	8.7
Ordinary income	55,522	102.1	8.7	54,383	8.8
Net income attributable to owners of parent	39,522	103.9	6.2	38,021	6.2
Net income per share	1,075.41yen	—	—	1,034. 57 yen	—
Dividend per share	270yen	_	_	260 yen	

FY2/24 Store Openings and Closing Plan

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 \bigtriangledown We revised annual number of stores to be opened by the group to 41. The number of stores to be closed remains at 26. The impact of the revision on business performance is negligible. This is because we are carefully selecting stores with an emphasis on profitability after opening. We will continue its policy of expanding store openings in the next fiscal year and beyond.

▽ Taiwan's Si meng le will open 3 stores per year due to its strong performance. We plan to expand store openings in the next fiscal year and beyond.

	Ope	ning	Closing En		End-FY2/24
Business	Initial plan	Revised plan	Initial plan	Revised plan	Number of stores (Plan)
Shimamura	16	12	14	14	1,416
Avail	5	3	5	4	312
Birthday	18	14	2	3	324
Chambre	9	8	3	3	118
Divalo	1	1	1	1	16
Shimamura (non-consolidated)	49	38	25	25	2,186
Si meng le (Taiwan)	1	3	1	1	42
Shimamura (consolidated)	50	41	26	26	2,228

 ∇ Risk of rising procurement costs: Respond by raising the unit price per product and restructuring the product procurement method.

① Raise unit price per item: Continue to shift to new price ranges and expand high price ranges to secure appropriate purchase prices.

(2) Expanding Import Department purchases: Expand direct transactions with overseas suppliers to reduce purchase costs.

③ Reviewing the ratio of countries of production: Expand production in ASEAN countries to avoid country risk and reduce costs.

 \bigtriangledown Risk of energy price hikes: Utility costs in 2H are expected to be lower than the initial plan as in 1H.

① Utility expenses in 1H were up 5.0% YoY, and are expected to fall short of the initial plan in 2H due to power-saving measures at stores.

(2) In the medium- to long-term, we will respond by developing environmentally friendly stores and transfer centers, modal shift, etc.

③ Local stores, which have been severely affected by rising gasoline p

rices, will respond by increasing the number of EDLP items and bargain item flyers.

 ∇ Climate change risk: Maintain appropriate inventories by expanding projects that are less susceptible to temperature fluctuations, additional production, etc.

① Expand projects that are less susceptible to temperature fluctuations, such as fashion goods fairs and innerwear fairs.

② Reduce inventory risk by expanding additional production through fabric and sewing line contracts with suppliers.

③ Ensure appropriate inventory management by individual stores by continuing and evolving regional response according to climate and temperature.



- ▽ Financial Results Briefing Materials (with comments): October 3 (Tuesday)
- ▽ Summary of Financial Results: October 3 (Tuesday)
- ▽ Financial Results (Summary of Question and Answer Session): October 4 (Wednesday)
- ▽ Financial Results Briefing (English version): October 5 (Thursday)

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