



Financial Results Meeting for the First Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending February 28, 2027

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Business Overview

- Composed of the following three companies:
Kitanotatsujin Corporation and its subsidiaries,
SALONMOON Co., Ltd. and KARAKON DIRECT Co., Ltd.
- Selling health and beauty products and beauty appliances under
its own brands
- Reselling color contact lenses and other medical devices



	 北の達人 KITANO TATSUJIN	 SALON MOON ^{Pro}	 カラコンダイレクト KARAKON DIRECT
Area	Products originated from health and beauty-related concerns and needs	Beauty appliances (Hair irons, driers, etc.)	Medical devices (Color contact lenses, etc.)
Sales channel	Proprietary e-commerce sites and e-commerce malls	E-commerce malls + general stores	E-commerce malls
Manufacturing model	Fabless (Contracted manufacturing by OEMs)	Fabless (Contracted manufacturing by OEMs)	Resale

Important Note

- ◆ Kitanotatsujin Corporation (the Company) is a D2C company engaged mainly in subscription sales.

The Company employs a business model where it makes advertising investment for new customer acquisition as upfront investment and recovers the investment after three to four months through continued purchases thereafter.

Therefore, please understand the following when looking at quarterly forecasts:

- When profit is projected to **fall below** the forecast due to an increase in advertising expenses:
→ **Positive** from a long-term perspective since upfront investment is progressing steadily
- When profit is projected to **exceed** the forecast due to a decrease in advertising expenses:
→ **Negative** from a long-term perspective since upfront investment is not progressing steadily

Executive Summary

- ☞ This year is the second fiscal year under the “Medium-term Management Plan 2028” that covers three years.
Targets were achieved for the first year (FY2026, the previous fiscal year), and expected to be achieved for the second year (FY2027, the current fiscal year), as well.
- ☞ At Kitanotatsujin Corporation, the number of new customer acquisitions increased 44% quarter on quarter (QonQ), increasing for the sixth consecutive quarter and reaching a record high.
- ☞ Consolidated net sales significantly increased and came in at ¥3,209 million for the first quarter of FY2027 (+23.6% year on year)
- ☞ Consolidated operating profit decreased and was -¥102 million for the first quarter of FY2027 (¥240 million for the first quarter of FY2026), due to the occurrence of an “increase in sales promotion expenses, etc. as upfront investment (¥603 million)” and “net sales yet to be recorded for order backlog (approx. ¥286 million).” (Net sales yet to be recorded will be resolved in and after the second quarter of FY2027.)

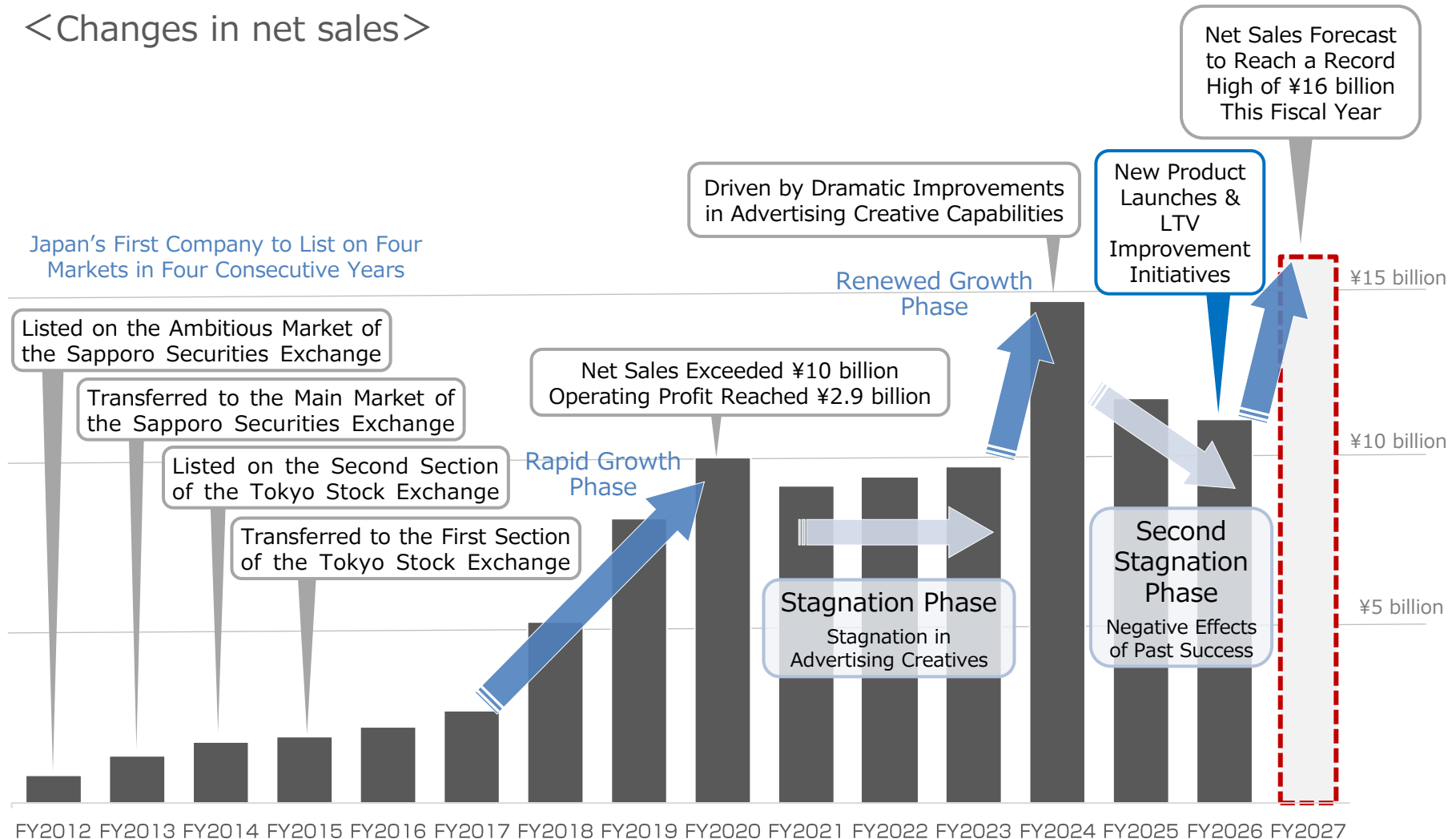
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Highlights for the Medium-term Management Plan

Our Growth History and Current Position

<Changes in net sales>



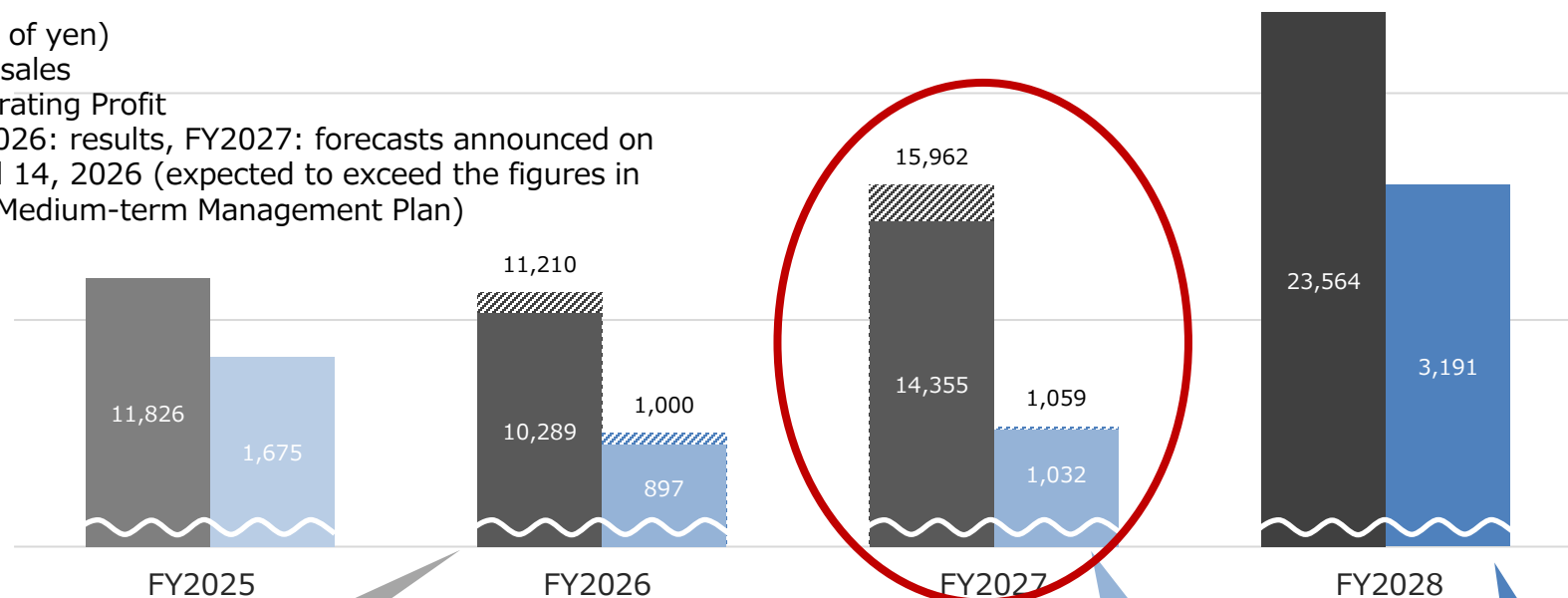
Numerical Summary of Medium-term Management Plan 2028

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Net sales
¥23.5 bil.
Operating profit
¥3.1 bil.

(Millions of yen)

- Net sales
- Operating Profit
- ▨ FY2026: results, FY2027: forecasts announced on April 14, 2026 (expected to exceed the figures in the Medium-term Management Plan)



Initial forecast (at the formulation of the Medium-term Management Plan)
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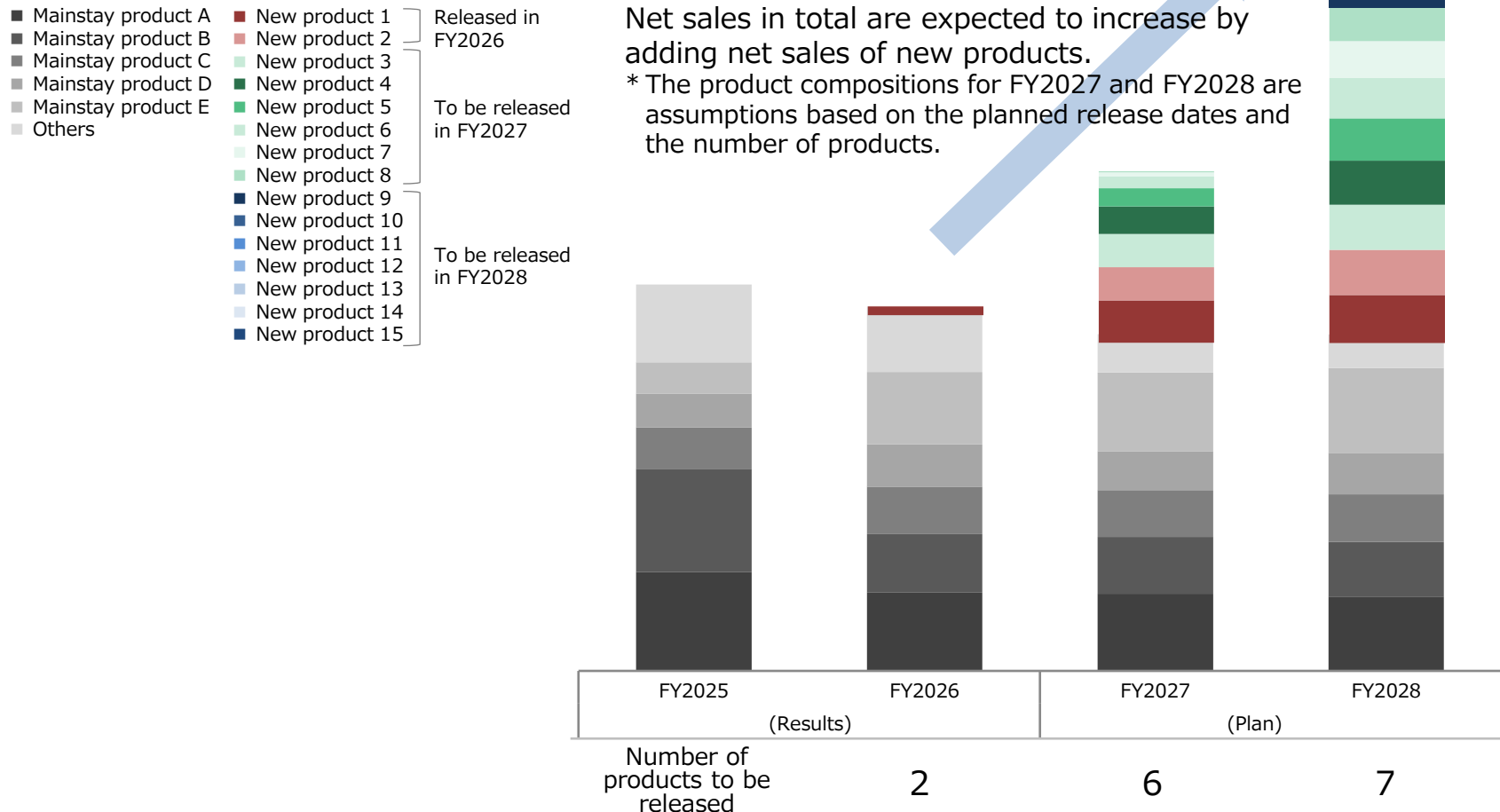
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This state is positive from a long-term perspective since upfront investment is progressing steadily.

Revised forecast (at the development of the FY2027 forecast)
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Forecast for operating profit is unchanged for the active investments for new customer acquisitions planned toward FY2028.

Though upfront investments continue to increase, regular customers are steadily accumulated, resulting in improvements in operating profit.

Kitanotatsujin's Growth Strategy (Expanding Product Lineup)

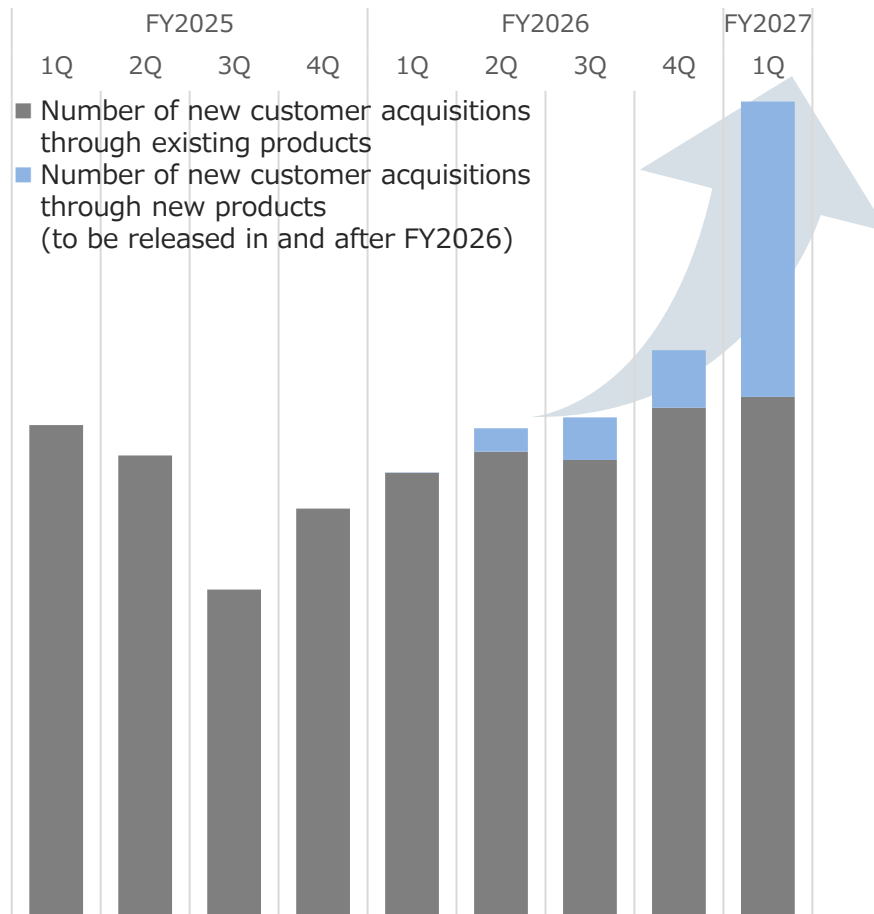
Change in net sales considering the introduction of new products



Establish a structure where 10 products can be annually released in FY2029 and thereafter to increase the number of new customer acquisitions

Impact of New Product Releases on the Number of New Customer Acquisitions

At Kitanotatsujin Corporation, the number of new customer acquisitions is growing continuously. (A 44% increase QonQ, reaching a record high, and increasing for the sixth consecutive quarter)



- New products that were released in the previous and current fiscal years are performing very well.
- Even when a new product is released, existing products will not lose their ability to attract customers, and the number of new customer acquisitions through new products are added to that of existing products.

* Some products are in inventory shortages because the orders have outstripped production capacity. Orders of these products from newly acquired customers have been accepted as “reservations” and yet to be recorded as sales.

Group Highlights for the First Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending February 28, 2027

Key Performance Highlights [Compared Year on Year]

Net sales of approximately ¥286 million are yet to be recorded
for order backlog*1 due to inventory shortages

(Millions of yen)

	FY2026 1Q results	FY2027 1Q results	Changes	Changes (%)	Reference value including order backlog	YoY changes for reference including order backlog	YoY changes (%) for reference including order backlog
Net sales	2,596	3,209	+613	+23.6%	3,496	+899	+34.7%
Gross profit	1,994	2,326	+331	+16.6%	2,497	+503	+25.2%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,754	2,428	+674	+38.4%	2,468	+714	+40.7%
Sales promotion expenses, etc. *2	981	1,585	+603	+61.5%	1,623	+642	+65.5%
Operating profit	240	-102	-342	—	29	-211	-87.9%
Ordinary profit	246	-95	-342	—	35	-210	-85.5%
Profit attributable to owners of parent	168	-76	-245	—	15	-153	-91.0%

Reasons for
increase in
net sales

Net sales increased by ¥613 million (23.6%). If order backlog of approx. ¥286 million is included, net sales increased by ¥899 million (34.7%).

The following factors contributed to the increase: an increase in net sales of approx. ¥345 million due to an increase in new sales from the record-high new customer acquisitions accompanied by increases in regular and other sales at J NORTH FARM, which comprises non-consolidated financial results, and strong performance of e-commerce malls; and net sales of ¥281 million from KARAKON DIRECT Co., Ltd., which became a consolidated subsidiary on the share acquisition date of December 1, 2025.

Reasons for
decrease in
profit

Mainly due to the increase in new customer acquisitions at J NORTH FARM hitting a record high, sales promotion expenses, etc., which represent upfront investments, increased 61.5% year on year. (This is a positive state as explained on page 3.)

On the other hand, the strong new customer acquisitions resulted in demand for certain products outpacing production and created order backlog of approx. ¥286 million as of the end of the first quarter of FY2027. This caused a temporary timing gap in recording net sales and the related expenses, leading to a decrease in profit. (Net sales for order backlog will be recorded in and after the second quarter of FY2027.) If the order backlog is included, all profit figures will be positive.

* The increase in advertising investment and creation of order backlog are already considered in the financial results forecast and they are not unexpected events.

*1 Products that have been ordered and are yet to be shipped out as of the end of the first quarter of FY2027

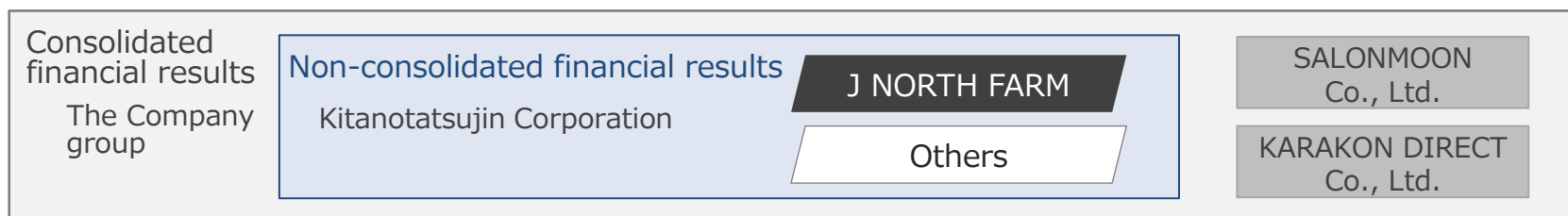
*2 Order-linked costs (settlement charges, shipping fees, packaging materials costs, enclosures and accessories, etc.) + new customer acquisition expenses (expenses involved in the acquisition of new customers; primarily advertising expenses)

Financial Results by Segment

(Millions of yen)

Segment	Operating company	Business	FY2026 1Q	FY2027 1Q
Health & Beauty Care business	Kitanotatsujin Corporation	 北の快適工房 J NORTH FARM	2,366	2,711
		Others*	18	4
	SALONMOON Co., Ltd.		211	211
	KARAKON DIRECT Co., Ltd.	 カラコンダイレクト KARAKON DIRECT	—	281
Total net sales			2,596	3,209

<Segments of financial results>



Non-consolidated financial results of Kitanotatsujin Corporation occupy a significant portion of consolidated financial results of the Company group.

* "Others" are comprised of the e-cigarette "SPADE."

This is treated separately from J NORTH FARM given the product characteristics and creation background. However, it accounts for only a small portion of the non-consolidated financial results.

Key Performance Highlights [Compared with Forecasts]

(Millions of yen)

	FY2027 1Q forecast	FY2027 1Q results	Changes	Changes (%)
Net sales	3,343	3,209	-133	-4.0%
Gross profit	2,390	2,326	-64	-2.7%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	2,406	2,428	+22	+0.9%
Sales promotion expenses, etc.	1,567	1,585	+17	+1.1%
Operating profit	-15	-102	-87	—
Ordinary profit	-12	-95	-83	—
Profit attributable to owners of parent	-21	-76	-55	—

For financial results of Kitanotatsujin Corporation occupying a significant portion of consolidated financial results, see “Financial Results by Company” in following pages.



Financial Results by Company

Kitanotatsujin Corporation

The company plans, develops, and sells products at J NORTH FARM, focusing on health and beauty-related products.

- Planning and developing products under its own brand originated from specific concerns and needs of customers, without being influenced by trends
- Operating its business mainly on its own e-commerce sites and adopting the subscription purchase system that enables continued purchases

◆ Mainstay products

- DEEP PATCH Series, including “HYALO DEEP PATCH” and other injectable cosmetics
- “KAITEKI OLIGO,” oligosaccharide food for household use which improves bowel movements for people with constipation tendency



◆ Recent new products

- Released in March 2026 “Jinax,” a pharmaceutical product (herbal medicine) orally administered for treatment of hemorrhoids*
- released in March 2026 “HOKKAIDO KAITAKUSHI BUTTER,” produced with a traditional method practiced for 150 years in the vast northern lands
- Released in June 2026 “Mizumu Clear EX (schedule II pharmaceutical)” medication for athlete’s foot, especially around nails

◆ FY2027 1Q Topics

- Due to strong new customer acquisitions, upfront investment related to new customer acquisitions increased.
- Certain products performed better than expected and the orders outpaced production, creating order backlog for which sales are yet to be recorded (to be resolved in and after the second quarter).

* The following symptoms in individuals with moderate or greater physical strength who are prone to constipation and hard stools: hemorrhoids (blind piles), bleeding hemorrhoids, constipation, and mild rectal prolapse

Key Performance Highlights

[Compared Year on Year]

(Millions of yen)

	FY2026 1Q results	FY2027 1Q results	Changes	Changes (%)	Reference value including order backlog	YoY changes for reference including order backlog	YoY changes (%) for reference including order backlog
Net sales	2,384	2,716	+331	+13.9%	3,002	+618	+25.9%
Gross profit	1,895	2,149	+253	+13.4%	2,320	+425	+22.4%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,661	2,253	+592	+35.7%	2,293	+632	+38.1%
Sales promotion expenses, etc.	925	1,469	+543	+58.7%	1,507	+581	+62.9%
Operating profit	234	-104	-338	—	27	-207	-88.4%
Ordinary profit	240	-99	-339	—	31	-208	-86.7%
Profit	170	-70	-240	—	21	-148	-87.2%

Reasons for
increase in
net sales

Net sales increased by ¥331 million (or by ¥618 million (25.9%) if order backlog is included) due to an increase in new sales from the record-high new customer acquisitions accompanied by increases in regular and other sales, and strong performance of e-commerce malls.

Reasons for
decrease in
profit

Due to the increase in new customer acquisitions at J NORTH FARM hitting a record high, sales promotion expenses, etc., which represent upfront investments, increased 58.7% year on year. (This is a positive state as explained on page 3.)

On the other hand, strong new customer acquisitions resulted in demand for certain products outpacing production and created an order backlog of approx. ¥286 million as of the end of the first quarter of FY2027. This caused a temporary timing gap in recording net sales and the related expenses, leading to a decrease in profit. (Net sales for order backlog will be recorded in and after the second quarter of FY2027.)

If the “order backlog” is included, all profit figures will be positive.

* The increase in sales promotion expenses, etc. and creation of order backlog are already considered in the financial results forecast and they are not unexpected events.

* Due to the change in presentation made in the first quarter of FY2027, operating profit and its changes (amount and percentage) are calculated using the figures in the previous fiscal year restated to reflect the change in the presentation.

Key Performance Highlights

[Compared with Forecasts]

(Millions of yen)

	FY2027 1Q forecast	FY2027 1Q results	Changes	Changes (%)
Net sales	2,820	2,716	-104	-3.7%
Gross profit	2,200	2,149	-51	-2.3%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	2,230	2,253	+23	+1.0%
Sales promotion expenses, etc.	1,436	1,469	+33	+2.3%
Operating profit	-29	-104	-74	—
Ordinary profit	-11	-99	-88	—
Profit	-11	-70	-58	—

Factors for deficit in operating profit predicted at the development of the forecast

As explained above, new customer acquisitions have been expected to be strong since the development of the forecasts. Accordingly, the impact of “increase in sales promotion expenses, etc.” and “order backlog for which net sales are yet to be recorded as of the end of the first quarter of FY2027,” the possible consequence, were already taken into consideration.

Factors for difference between forecasts and results

An operating loss of ¥104 million was recorded; the operating result was lower than the forecast by ¥74 million.

- Factors for decrease in gross profit : Gross profit decreased by ¥51 million, mainly because the timing to record regular sales delayed by a few days from the timing simulated when the forecasts were developed.
→ This is due to the difference in the timing to record sales and will not cause significant changes in the expected amount of regular sales for the year.
- Factors for increase in costs : Sales promotion expenses, etc. increased by ¥33 million, as new customer acquisitions and performance of e-commerce malls were stronger than the expectation at the time of the development of the forecasts.

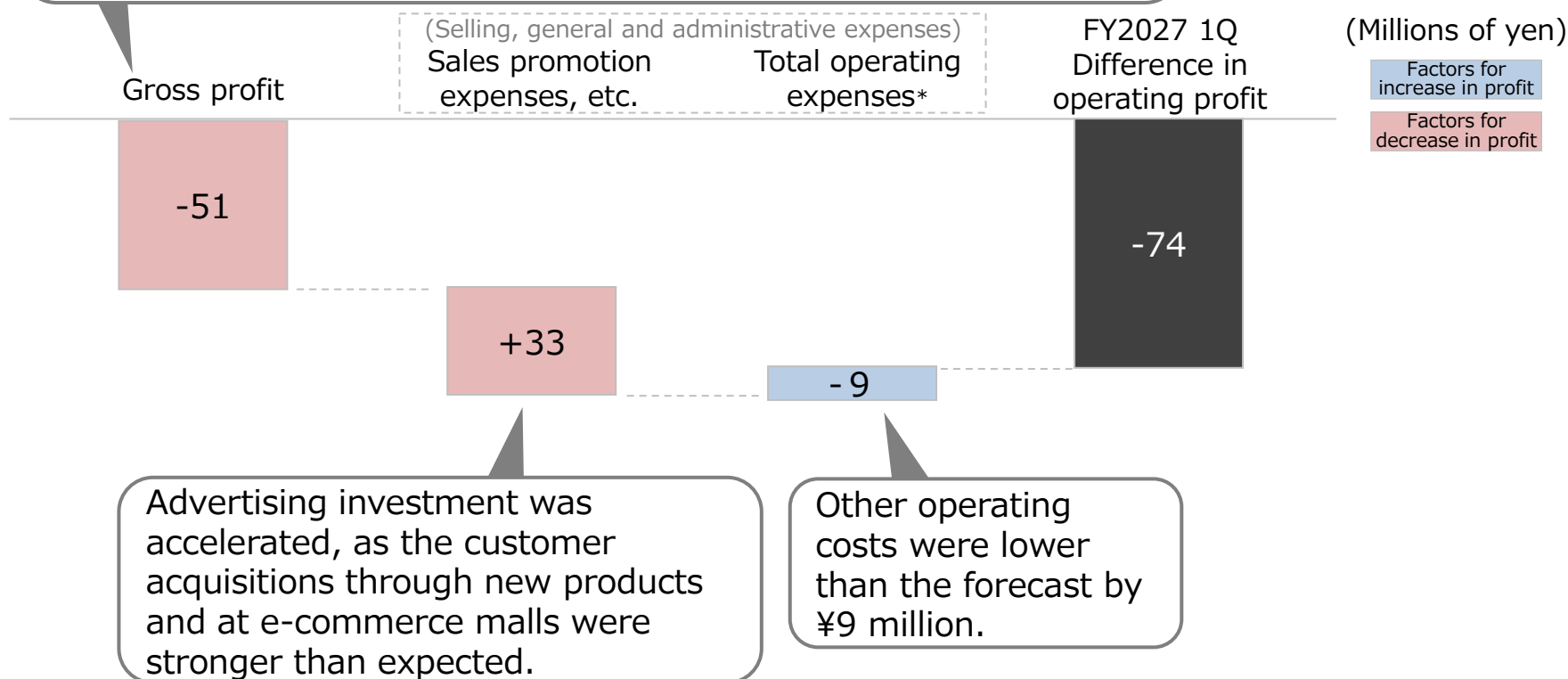
Considering the above, we determine that the impact on the full-year forecasts is limited at the current point in time.

Factors behind underperformance in operating profit for 1Q

Operating profit for the first quarter was lower than the forecast by ¥74 million.

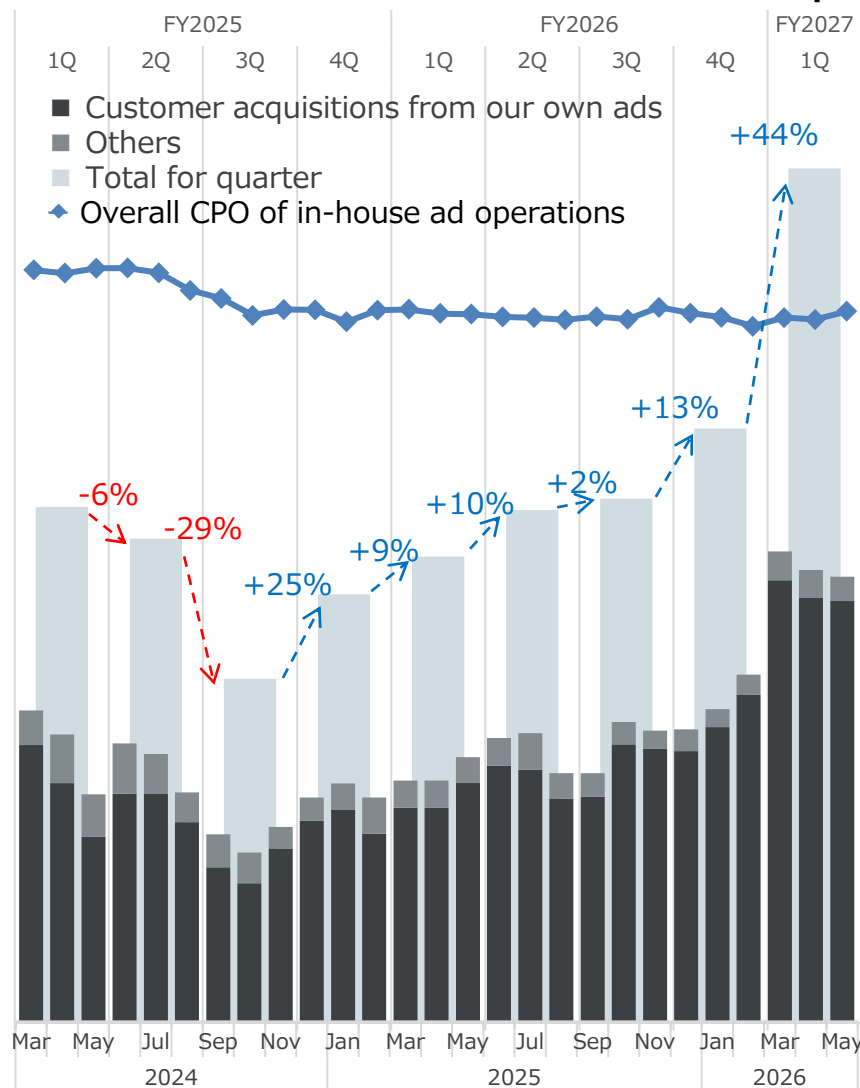
While new sales were largely in line with the forecast, recording of part of regular sales were delayed from the timing expected when the forecasts were developed.

(This is due to the difference in the timing to record the sales and will not cause significant changes in the expected amount of regular sales for the year.)



* Personnel expenses + Operating expenses

Changes in number of new customer acquisitions on our website, etc.



- The number of new customer acquisitions reached a record high
- A 44% increase QonQ
- Increasing for the sixth consecutive quarter

Investment efficiency is maintained, since overall CPO of in-house ad operations (cost of customer acquisition per customer)*1 is maintained at a certain level regardless of an increase or decrease in the number of new customer acquisitions.

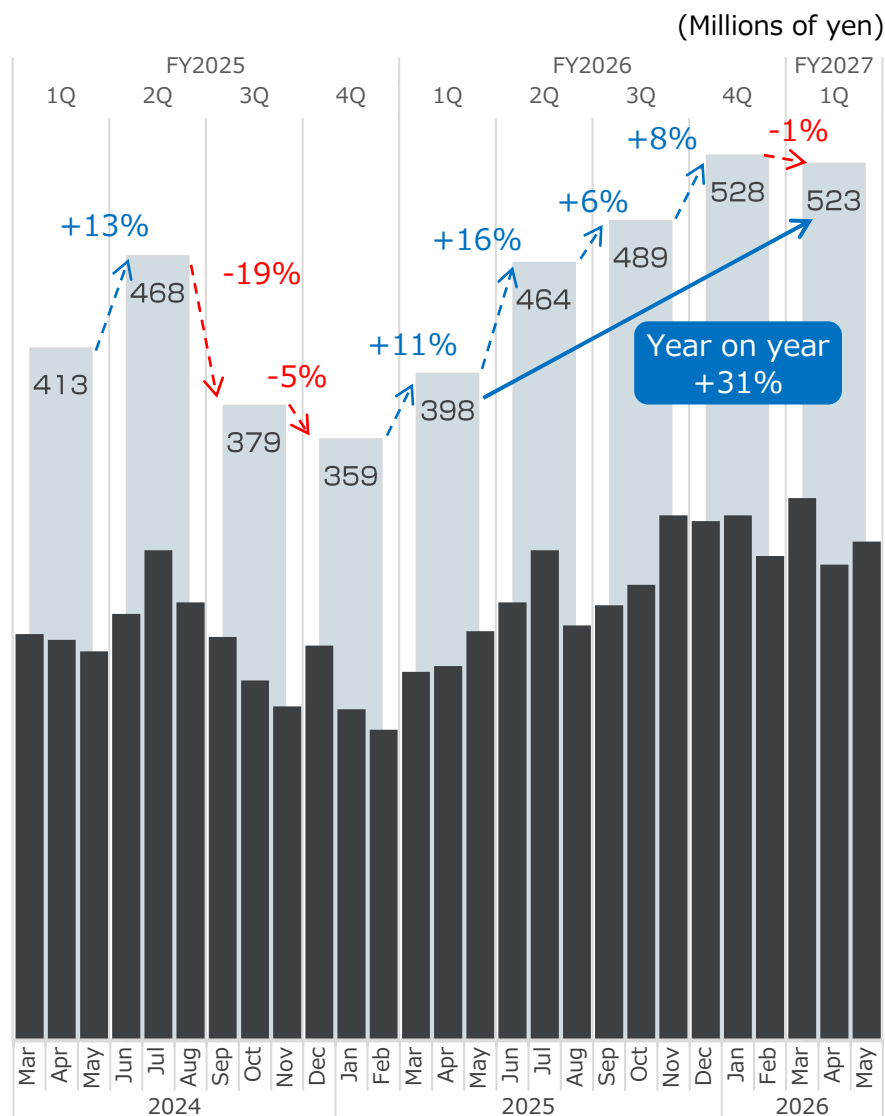
Main acquisition channels



*1 Advertising expenses for our own ads ÷ Number of new customer acquisitions from our own ads

*2 "Our website, etc." includes the number of new customer acquisition (as well as a portion of orders made by phone, etc.) from all e-commerce websites operated by the Company, excluding e-commerce malls

Changes in net sales for e-commerce malls



Net sales for e-commerce malls in the first quarter of FY2027 were +31% year on year.

- Improvement of advertising content (such as product images and product explanation pages) and advertisement optimization targeted at e-commerce malls
 - Improvement of advertising content to highlight the uniqueness and advantage of our products more clearly, considering the nature of e-commerce malls where customers compare and consider multiple products before purchasing
- Participation in sales at each e-commerce mall
- Initiatives to raise the rate of participation in sales
- In March 2026, e-commerce malls as a whole and Amazon achieved their respective record monthly revenues.

With a focus on beauty appliances such as hair irons and dryers under the original hair care brand “SALONMOON,” the company provides products that address customers’ concerns and needs related to hair care.

- Planning, developing, and selling products emphasizing usability and functionality, with an aim to deliver products that will enable customers to enjoy salon quality care at home
- Providing high-quality products at affordable prices by partnering with OEMs with high technological competencies in manufacturing of beauty appliances
- Sales come primarily from various e-commerce malls such as Amazon, Rakuten Ichiba, and Qoo10, and partially from storefront sales at home appliance mass merchandisers’ stores and discount stores.

◆ Major Products

“MIRROR DOUBLE ION® hair straightening iron”

- A hair iron with advanced functions such as high-concentration negative ions and highly functional plates developed with enthusiasm
- Available in a choice of two solid colors and more than one gradient color

“BOOSTER ION DRIER”

- A Highly functional drier providing faster drying, beauty in hair, and convenience at the same time.
- Available in three colors including a solid and two gradient colors

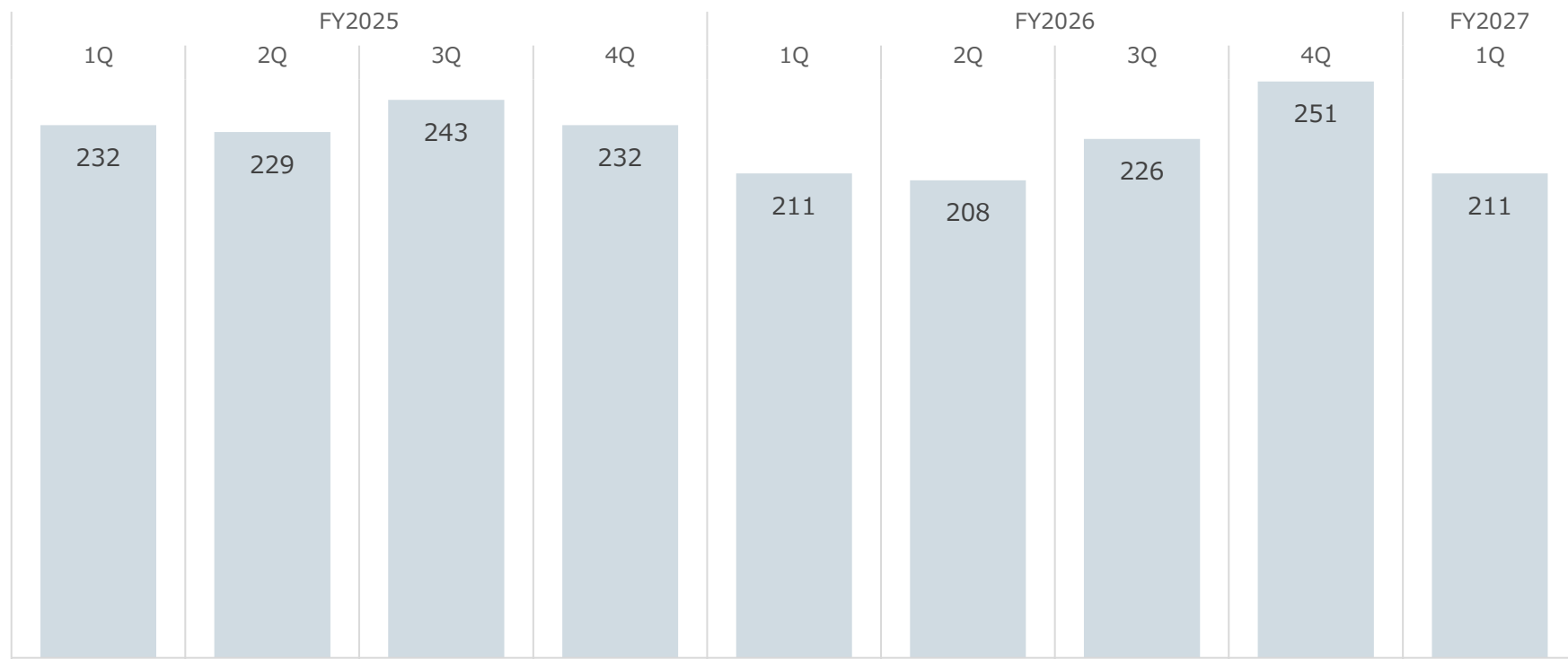


◆ FY2027 1Q Topics

- The total amount of shipments of beauty appliance series surpassed 1.56 million units.
- In response to increased cost of goods purchased due to depreciation of the yen, the company is operating its business while improving efficiency in advertising investment and optimizing its price strategies.

<Changes in net sales>

(Millions of yen)



Net sales for the first quarter of FY2027 were -0.2% year on year.

- Sales promotion measures for expanding net sales at major e-commerce malls such as Amazon, Rakuten Ichiba, and Qoo10
- As it procures many of the products from abroad, SALONMOON is affected by an increase in cost of goods purchased due to depreciation of the yen. Under such an environment, SALONMOON promoted improvement of efficiency in advertising investment and optimization of its price strategies during the first quarter of FY2027, by prioritizing maintenance of profitability over expanding net sales.

The company purchases and sells products, mainly color contact lenses and other medical devices.

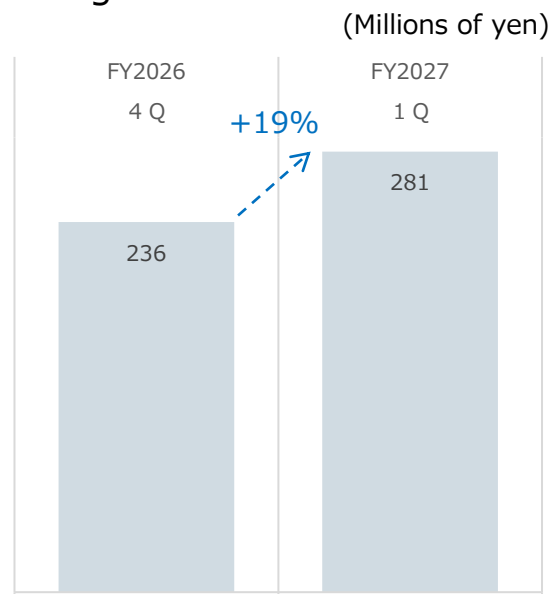
- Selling 90 or more products through e-commerce malls such as Qoo10 and Rakuten Ichiba in the growing color contact lens market
- Boasting a repeat customer base from which numerous high ratings and reviews are received, maintaining an efficient order and delivery process capable of handling a wide range of products

◆ FY2027 1Q Topics

The company is promoting PMI measures aiming at improved efficiency in selling, advertising, and logistics, utilizing the Company's marketing know-how and operational improvement know-how.

- Some major stores are making progress in reduction of advertising expenses and improvement of profit margins, and are starting to show the initial effect of the efforts for improving profitability after acquisition.

<Changes in net sales>



December 1, 2025

- Acquired all shares of Rebirth Chain Consulting Co., Ltd. (current KARAKON DIRECT Co., Ltd.)
- Changed the trade name to KARAKON DIRECT Co., Ltd.

Net sales for the first quarter of FY2027 were +19% QonQ.

- Monthly net sales fluctuate depending on the timing of e-commerce mall sale periods.
- Net sales increased significantly in March due to shipments in this sale period.

Financial Results Forecast and Progress of Medium-term Management Plan

Numerical Summary of Medium-term Management Plan 2028

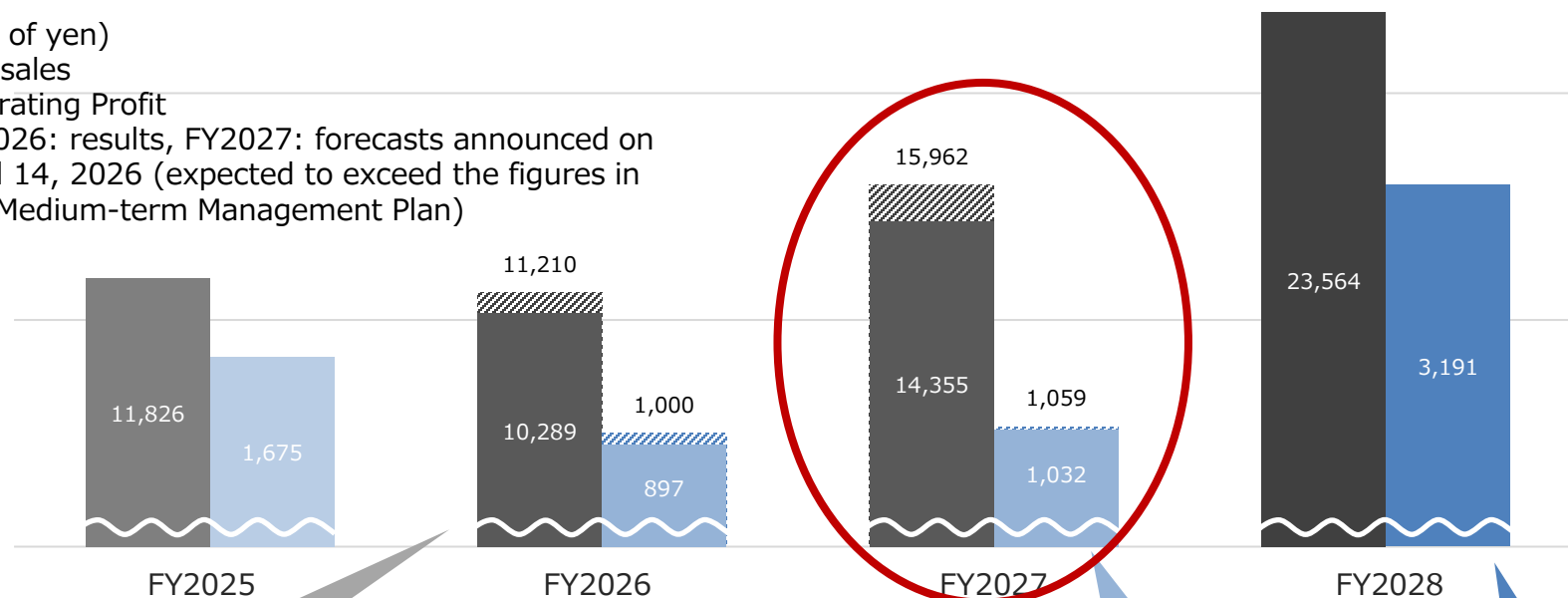
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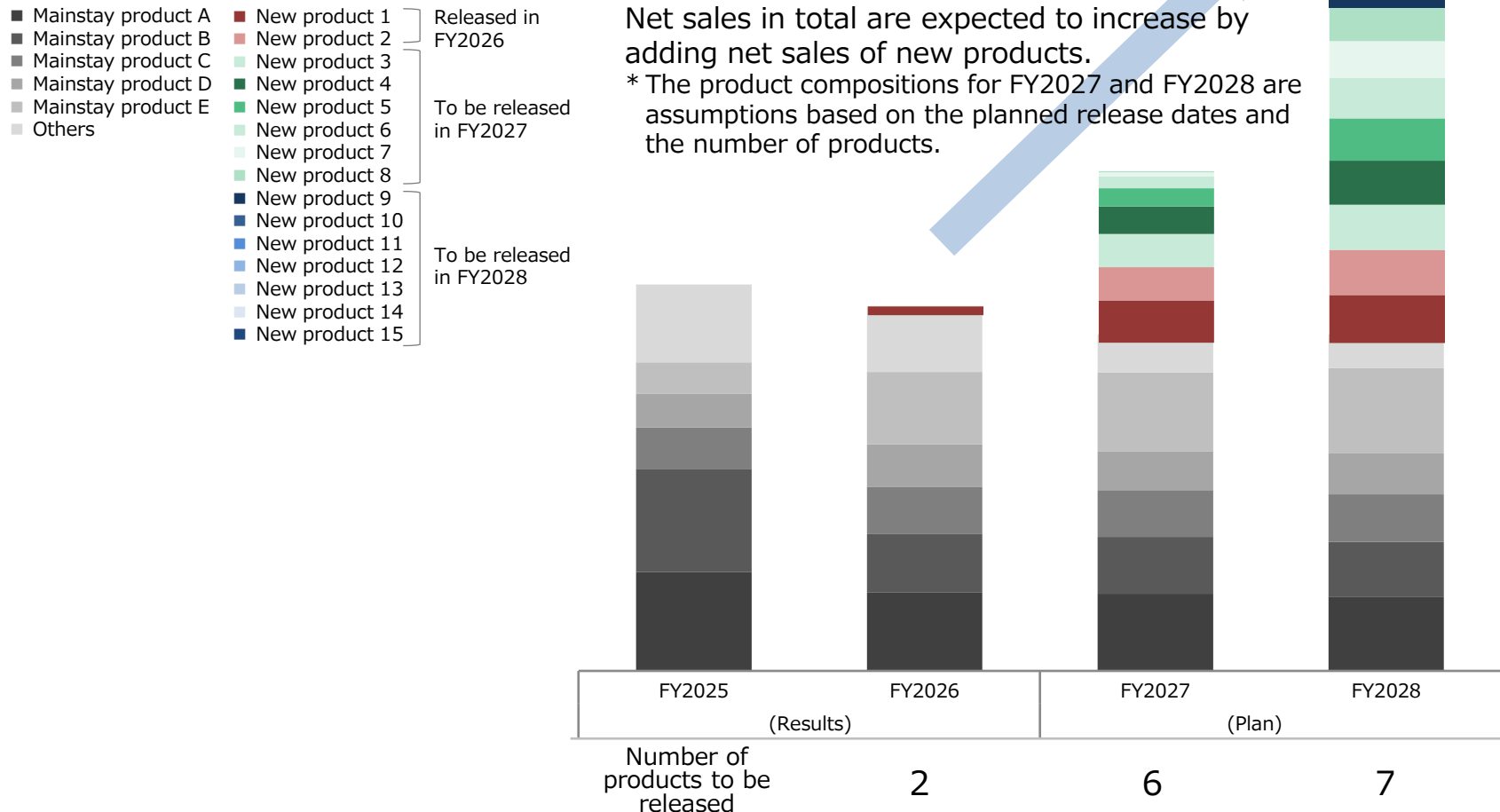
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Kitanotatsujin's Growth Strategy

(Expanding Product Lineup) (Reprinted from page 9)

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Major Products

New products Released in FY2026



LIFIST Released on May 28, 2025

Category Beauty

Overview/ Feature Next-generation micro needle lifting* cosmetics for sagging cheeks* with skin care effects

- The fifth release of the “DEEP PATCH Series,” microneedle cosmetics of the Company, which has opened up the market among many competing micro needle products
- Special-shaped patches with tabs for lifting and fixing* skin, smoothing out smile lines*, by injecting beauty needles containing hyaluronic acid as the main ingredient



colomo Released on February 17, 2026

Category Beauty

Overview/ Feature Bifocal colored contact lenses that enhance the appearance of your eyes while correcting vision

- Developed for those who have begun to notice changes in their vision in daily life
- Daily disposable colored contact lenses classified as specially-controlled medical devices



※Physical effects of the patch

Major Products

New products Released in FY2027



Jinax

Released on March 6, 2026

Category

Kaiteki: Healthcare

Overview/
Feature

Pharmaceutical products (herbal medicine) that improve bowel movements and relieve symptoms of hemorrhoids*¹

- Formulated with six naturally derived crude drugs



HOKKAIDO KAITAKUSHI BUTTER

Released on March 31, 2026

Category

Others

Overview/
Feature

Extra rich butter with a high milk fat content*² produced in a traditional method that has been practiced for 150 years since the era of the Hokkaido Development Commissioner

- Rich and warm taste with a milk fat content of 83% or more, achieved by using ingredients produced in Hokkaido only and churning them over a long time
- Designed to bring out flavors of the ingredients using “Kamuy Mintal Salt,” a natural salt made of sea water from the Funka Bay in Hokkaido



Mizumu Clear EX

Released on June 22, 2026

Category

Kaiteki: Skin care

Overview/
Feature

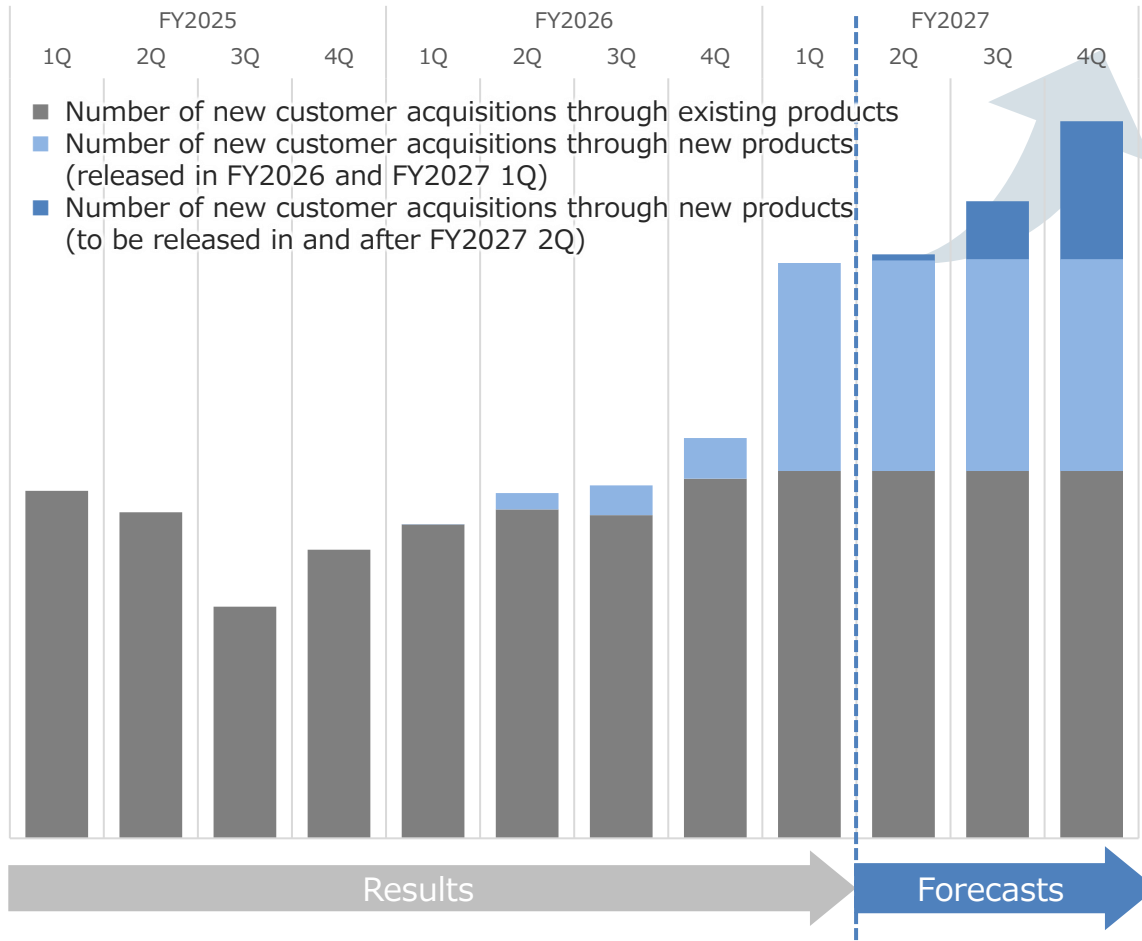
Medication for athlete's foot around nails (schedule II pharmaceutical)

- Thoroughly eliminates trichophyton to cure athlete's foot around nails

*1 The following symptoms in individuals with moderate or greater physical strength who are prone to constipation and hard stools: hemorrhoids (blind piles), bleeding hemorrhoids, constipation, and mild rectal prolapse

*2 A milk fat content higher than the minimum threshold of 80% specified as the compositional standard for butter in the “Provisions in the Ministerial Ordinance on Milk, etc.” issued by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Number of new customer acquisitions through new products to be released



- Even when a new product is released, existing products will not lose their ability to attract customers, and the number of new customer acquisitions through new products are added to that of existing products.

- One new product attracts 220 to 300 customers a day on average. We have a spiral customer attraction model that accumulates new customers whenever a new product is introduced.

* Continuously attracting 1,700 customers a day for two years would make an annual revenue of ¥10 billion. (Depends on products)

- Three more products are planned to be released by the end of FY2027.

However, achieving a certain number of customers (e.g. 500 customers) by releasing one product is more efficient than releasing two products. Therefore, if a released product becomes a huge hit, the number of products to be released may be reduced or releases of subsequent products may be postponed to focus on the hit product.

Two more products are planned to be released by the announcement of the financial results for the second quarter (October 15, 2026). We will be able to report the initial state of the released products when announcing the financial results for the second quarter.

* Seven products are planned to be released in the next fiscal year (FY2028).

System that Enables us to Boost Performance

Product planning

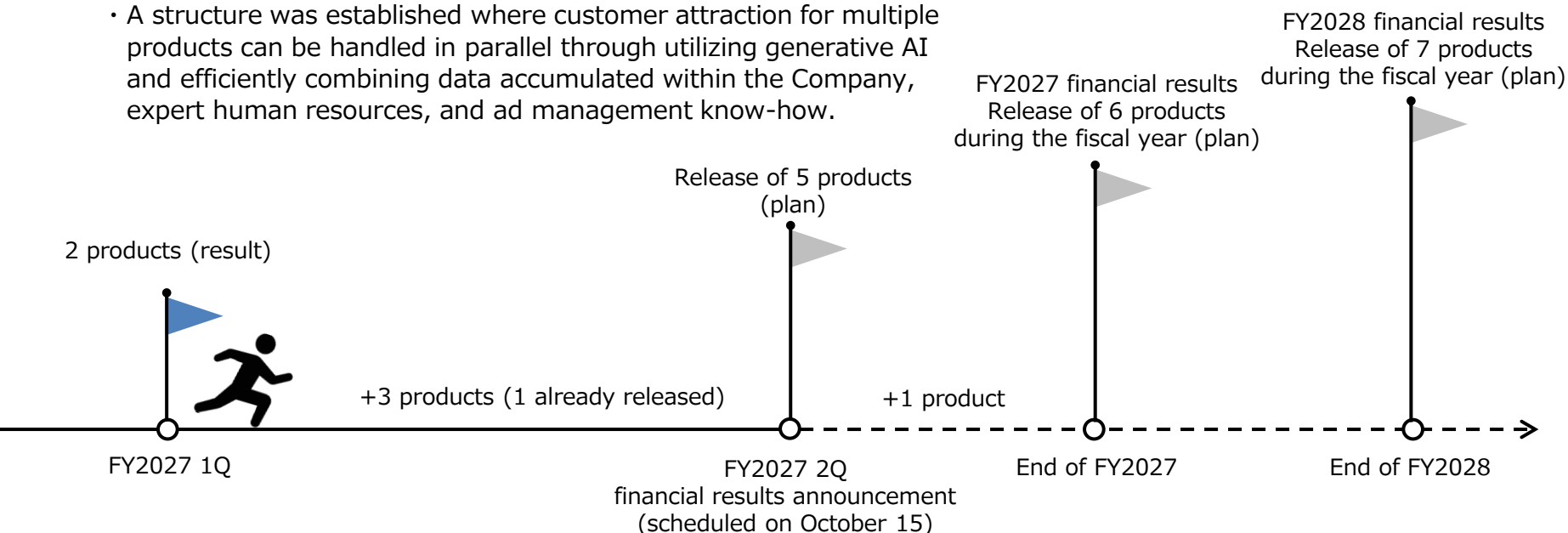
Moving to product development for “good-selling products” decided upon based on objective numerical criteria

- Some of the released new products achieved new customer acquisitions exceeding the initial expectation.
- Planned products yet to be released are also under development toward sequential releases.

Sales promotion

Customer attraction structure responsive to any increase in new products

- A structure was established where customer attraction for multiple products can be handled in parallel through utilizing generative AI and efficiently combining data accumulated within the Company, expert human resources, and ad management know-how.

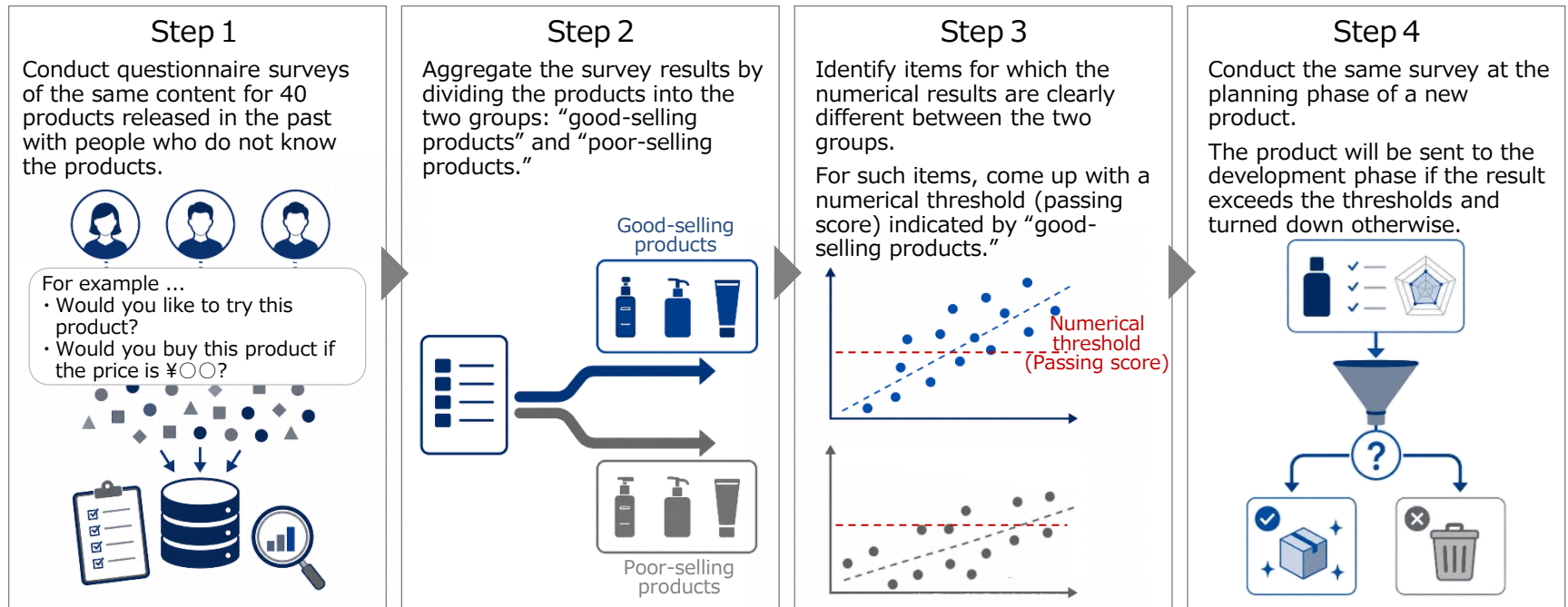


Making steady progress toward achievement of “net sales of ¥23.5 billion” and “operating profit of ¥3.1 billion” in FY2028, the final fiscal year of the Medium-term Management Plan (next fiscal year)

Two Reasons Why We Became Able to Ensure Our Products' Success

Product planning

1. A “system that can predict success of a planned product based on numerical values” was successfully developed.



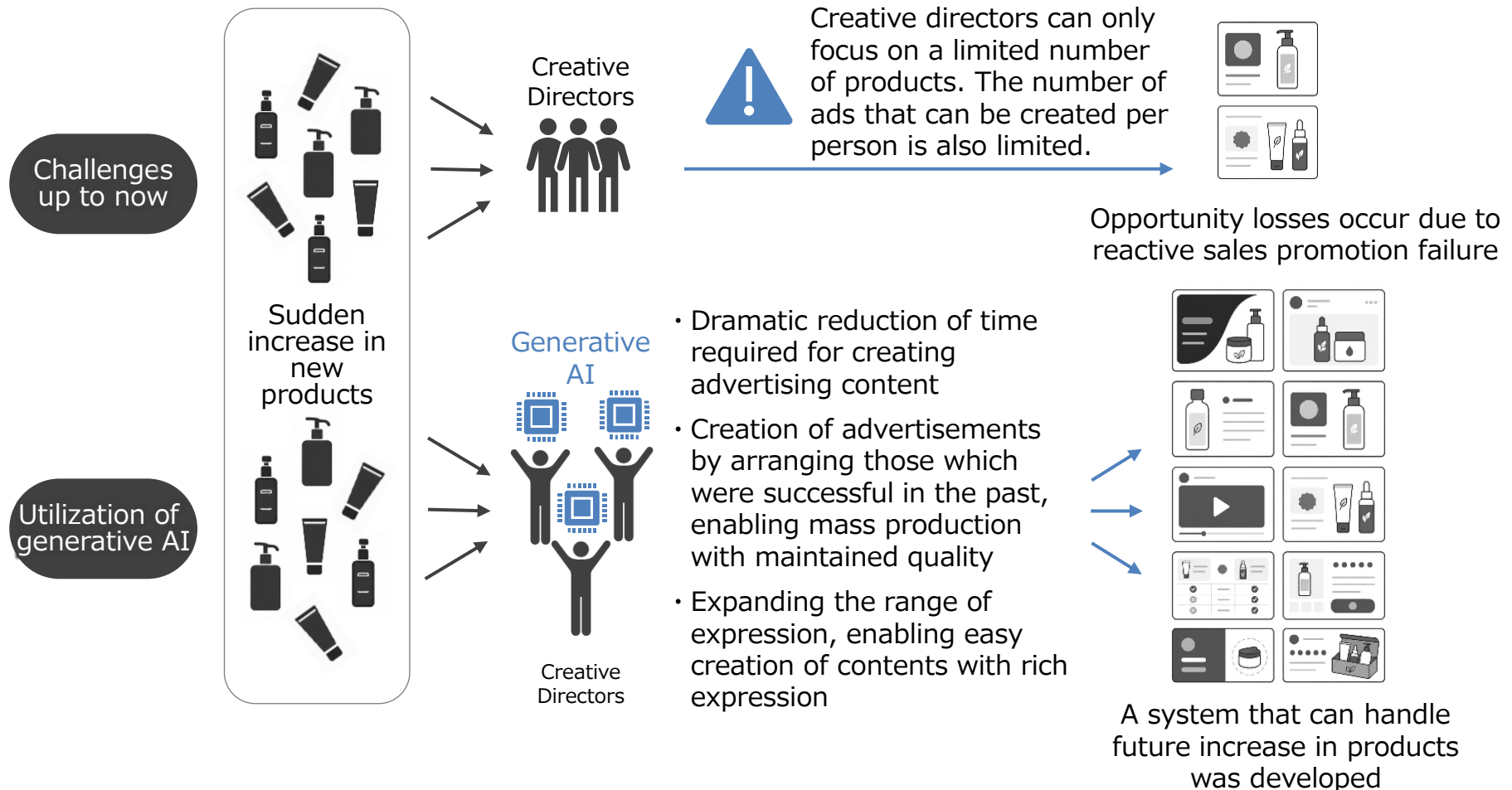
A structure was developed where product planning decisions can be made based on objective and reproducible numerical criteria, instead of relying largely on experience and intuition of the persons in charge as we used to.

- The questionnaire assessment was conducted for 127 product plans: 17 met the criteria and 110 were decided not to be released.
- Plans selected for possible release accounted for 13.4% of the total. We release only those products that have passed through the narrow gate.
- Generative AI is used also for product planning, providing a structure where even a small number of members can come up with product plans constantly.
- In addition to existing product categories such as skin care products and health food, a wide range of new categories are being examined for potential, including pharmaceuticals, medical devices, make-up cosmetics, and gourmet food. We consistently have 10 to 20 new plans in progress without running out of new plans.

Two Reasons Why We Became Able to Ensure Our Products' Success

Sales promotion

2. Utilization of generative AI has dramatically improved productivity, reducing opportunity losses related to sales promotion.



New Product Release Plan for FY2027

As announced in the Medium-term Management Plan 2028, **release of six products** is planned.

- The plan is steadily in progress.
- Release dates have already been determined for each quarter.

Details of products released and to be released in FY2027			
Beauty line 2 products Kaiteki: Skin care 2 products Kaiteki: Healthcare 1 product Others 1 product			
1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q
✓ March 2026 Jinax Kaiteki: Healthcare 	✓ June 2026 Mizumu Clear EX Kaiteki: Skin care 	 September 2026 Kaiteki: Skin care  October 2026 Beauty	 December 2026 Beauty
✓ March 2026 HOKKAIDO KAITAKUSHI BUTTER Others 			

* The release dates are based on the current plans and may be changed.

Expected Questions and Answers

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Q1 How do you evaluate the results of the first quarter of FY2027?

We view them very positively.

The number of new customer acquisitions, which is one of our important KPIs, has reached a record high and increased for six consecutive quarters, and it is now on an upward trend.

Q2 Why are each of the profit figures negative for the first quarter of FY2027?

While sales promotion expenses, etc. were increasing due to strong new customer acquisitions, order backlog occurred for certain products, for which net sales are to be recorded in subsequent quarters. This caused a temporary timing gap in recording net sales and related expenses, leading to negative profit figures.

The impact has already been considered in the financial results forecast.

If no order backlog had been created, all profit figures would have been positive.

Q3 What caused an order backlog? Is there any possibility that it occurs in future for other products, causing opportunity losses?

The order backlog was created because demand of certain products outpaced our supply capacity due to strong performance in new customer acquisitions.

While we determine the order quantities aiming to achieve both “prevention of opportunity losses” and “prevention of excess inventories,” we prioritize reduction of inventory risks when demand is difficult to forecast.

Although similar events may occur in future when we receive orders exceeding our expectations, the accuracy of our demand forecast is improving year by year.

Even at the time of inventory shortages, we do not suspend new customer acquisitions but accept reservation orders. Therefore, order backlog does not always lead to opportunity losses.

Expected Questions and Answers

Q4 Is any negative impact expected from the shift toward AI in search behaviors?

We are continuing close monitoring of the changes in search behaviors resulting from the spread of AI. However, the Internet advertising market is continuously expanding, and we believe that we are less susceptible to the said changes because we have been less dependent on pull-type advertisements such as SEO and listing advertisements but have achieved many of the new customer acquisitions through push-type advertisements such as display advertisements. However, for changes in customer touchpoints over a medium to long term, we will continue monitoring and take necessary measures flexibly.

Q5 What degree of impact has there been on business from the increases in material prices and logistics costs due to increased instability in the Middle East?

We are continuously gathering and analyzing information, paying special attention to the impact of the naphtha shortage. Regarding response for existing mainstay products, we are securing necessary components and supplies for one year. For new products, we are taking measures such as diversifying suppliers and considering alternative materials. As a result, we have found no impact on release plans so far.

For logistics, a stable structure has been maintained through collaboration with multiple logistics partners, and there has been no significant increase in logistics costs.

At this current point in time, we expect that the impact on the financial results for FY2027 would be insignificant. Impact in and after FY2028 are under examination.

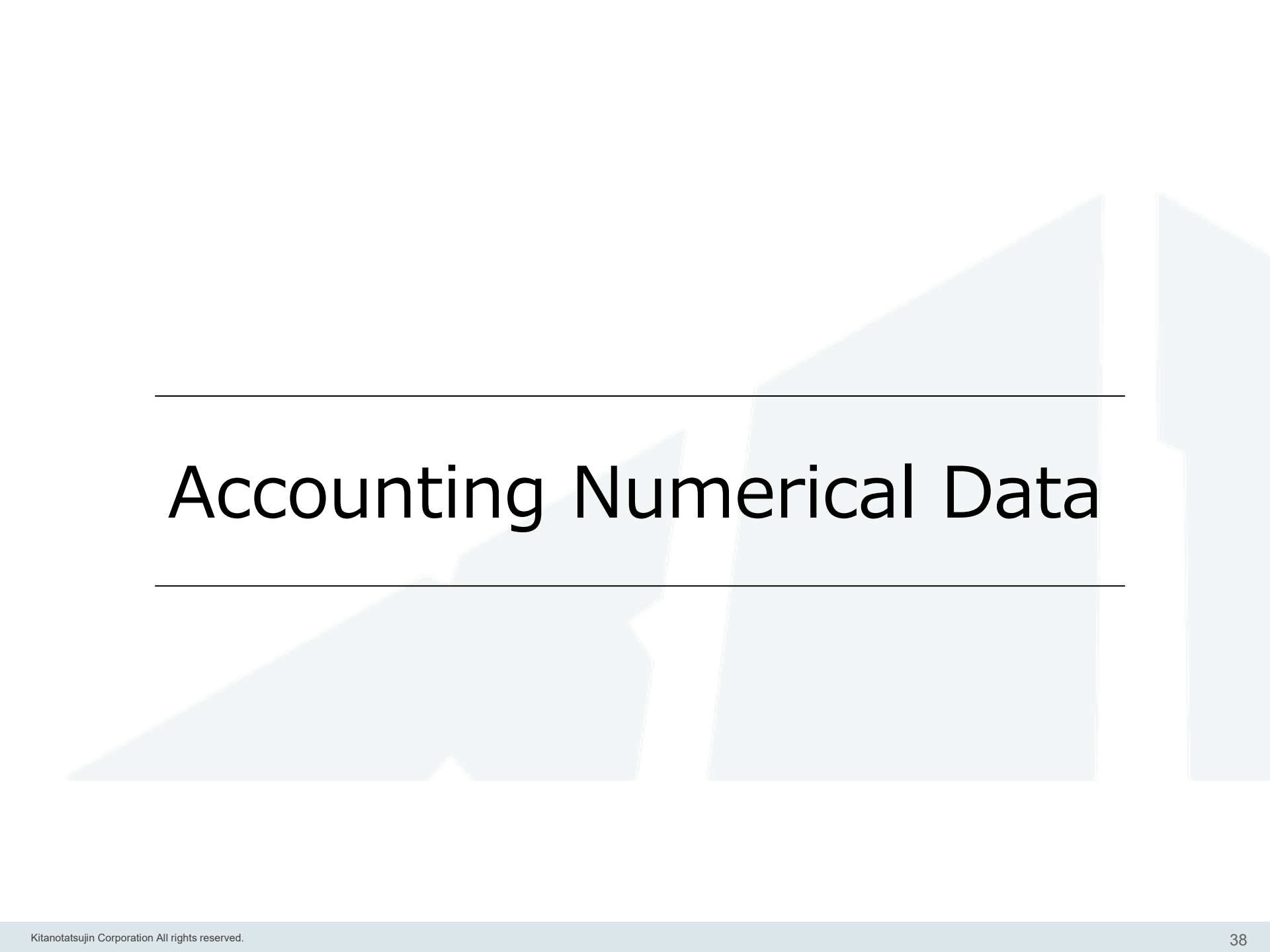
Q6 Has there been any impact from the increase in D2C players, such as loss of users and increase in acquisition cost per customer?

At this current point in time, we have recognized no significant impact.

As we are offering highly unique products specialized for customers' concerns, our competition in terms of products is limited. Accordingly, we are less likely to lose a large number of customers to competitors.

In addition, advertising efficiency is determined not solely by the price per click but by overall performance including CVR. Therefore, even if advertising cost increases for certain mediums, such increase can be fully absorbed by improving advertising content and their customer appeal, and the unit price per acquisition is maintained at a certain level.

Furthermore, due to the structure of the Internet advertising market, we have always been competing in advertisement auctions with other companies in a wide variety of industries, not limited to health food and cosmetics industries but also gyms and opening of securities accounts. As a result, we do not believe that the increase in D2C players on its own will cause a significant change in our competitive environment.



Accounting Numerical Data

Quarterly changes and comparisons of results

(Millions of yen)

	Results					Forecast	Reference value*	Changes (vs. the current period)		
	FY2026				FY2027	FY2027	FY2027	Compared with forecast	Quarter on quarter	Year on year
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	1Q	1Q			
Net sales	2,384	2,440	2,541	2,707	2,716	2,820	3,002	-104	+8	+331
Gross profit	1,895	1,929	1,999	2,145	2,149	2,200	2,320	-51	+3	+253
Sales promotion expenses, etc.	925	966	1,004	1,090	1,469	1,436	1,507	+33	+378	+543
Sales profit	969	962	995	1,054	679	764	813	-84	-374	-290
Operating profit	234	269	270	233	-104	-29	27	-74	-337	-338

<Compared with forecast>

Gross profit decreased because the timing to record regular sales delayed by a few days from the timing simulated when the forecasts were developed.

Deficit in operating profit increased as sales promotion expenses, etc. exceeded the expectation as a result of the strong performance of e-commerce malls and strong new customer acquisitions.

<Compared quarter on quarter>

While new customer acquisitions were strong, an order backlog was created as demand of certain products outpaced production.

As sales must be recorded after shipment, and sales related to the order backlog will not be recorded until the second quarter or later. As a result, net sales maintained the same level.

Meanwhile, operating profit decreased because expenses were recorded ahead of the related sales, as customer acquisition expenses for orders yet to be delivered were recorded in advance as part of sales promotion expenses, etc.

<Compared year on year>

Net sales have been increasing since the second half of FY2026. However, operating profit decreased because, same as the previous quarter, customer acquisition expenses for products yet to be delivered were recorded in advance as part of sales promotion expenses, etc.; in addition, new customer acquisitions remained strong.

* Values for reference that include order backlog

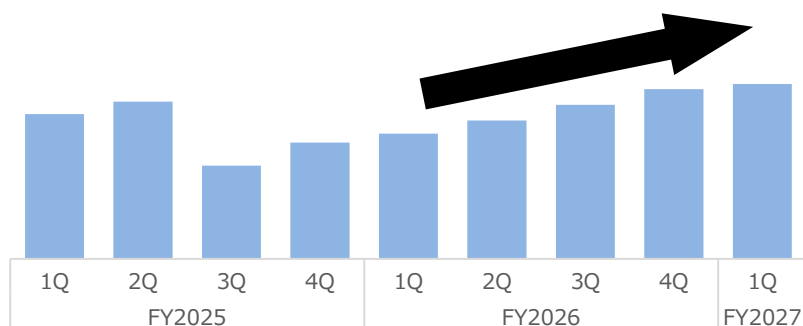
(J NORTH FARM) Change in net sales and sales profit by sales category

(Millions of yen)

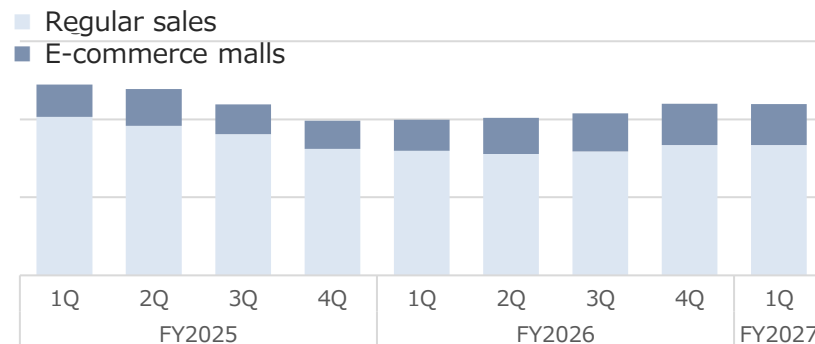
	FY2025				FY2026				FY2027	
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	1Q (Reference value*)
Net sales	2,873	2,851	2,467	2,325	2,366	2,427	2,533	2,701	2,711	2,998
(1) New sales										
Net sales	427	464	275	343	370	408	455	501	516	803
Sales profit	-573	-485	-328	-392	-463	-461	-456	-475	-830	-697
(2) Regular and other sales										
Net sales	2,031	1,918	1,811	1,622	1,596	1,555	1,587	1,671	1,670	1,670
Sales profit	1,506	1,431	1,371	1,204	1,200	1,157	1,184	1,239	1,233	1,233
(3) E-commerce mall sales										
Net sales	413	468	379	359	398	464	489	528	523	523
Sales profit	233	273	219	201	223	257	260	277	274	274
Sales profit	1,166	1,219	1,261	1,013	960	953	988	1,041	677	810

New sales steadily increased. Regular sales were on a recovering trend after bottoming out in the second quarter of FY2026.

<New sales Change in net sales>



<Regular sales and e-commerce mall sales Change in net sales>



* The strong new customer acquisition resulted in demand for certain products outpacing production and created an order backlog of approx. ¥286 million as of the end of the first quarter of FY2027. This caused a temporary timing gap in recording net sales and the related expenses. The column shows reference values that include such order backlog.

(J NORTH FARM) Factors behind change in sales profit [Compared with results]

(Millions of yen)

	Compared quarter on quarter				Compared year on year			
	FY2026 4Q	FY2027 1Q	Changes	Changes (%)	FY2026 1Q	FY2027 1Q	Changes	Changes (%)
Net sales	2,701	2,711	+9	+0.4%	2,366	2,711	+345	+14.6%
(1) New sales								
Net sales	501	516	+15	+3.0%	370	516	+145	+39.4%
Sales promotion expenses, etc.	835	1,199	+363	+43.5%	733	1,199	+465	+63.4%
Sales profit	-475	-830	-354	—	-463	-830	-366	—
(2) Regular and other sales								
Net sales	1,671	1,670	-0	-0.0%	1,596	1,670	+74	+4.7%
Sales promotion expenses, etc.	89	102	+12	+14.3%	72	102	+29	+41.0%
Sales profit	1,239	1,233	-5	-0.5%	1,200	1,233	+32	+2.7%
(3) E-commerce mall sales								
Net sales	528	523	-4	-0.9%	398	523	+125	+31.4%
Sales promotion expenses, etc.	164	166	+2	+1.3%	117	166	+49	+41.6%
Sales profit	277	274	-3	-1.3%	223	274	+50	+22.8%
Sales profit	1,041	677	-364	-35.0%	960	677	-283	-29.5%

<Compared quarter on quarter>

- New sales were on an increasing trend in FY2026 due to strong new customer acquisitions and the increase is continuing in FY2027.
- Regular sales remained flat.
- E-commerce malls achieved the record-high net sales for a single month in March 2026.

<Compared year on year>

- Net sales from new sales significantly increased as new customer acquisitions were strong. Upfront advertising investment increased, and sales promotion expenses, etc. also increased because order backlog was created for certain products and new customer acquisition expenses were recorded in advance for the orders for which sales were yet to be recorded.
- Net sales increased as regular sales were steadily accumulating from the new sales in the current period. E-commerce mall sales significantly increased as they continue to perform well.

(J NORTH FARM) Factors behind change in sales profit

<Compared with financial results forecast for 1Q (cumulative)>

(Millions of yen)

	Forecast	Results	Changes	Changes (%)
Net sales	2,816	2,711	-104	-3.7%
(1) New sales				
Net sales	529	516	-12	-2.4%
Gross profit	375	368	-6	-1.8%
Sales promotion expenses, etc.	1,191	1,199	+7	+0.6%
Sales profit	-816	-830	-14	—
Initial ROAS*	48.1%	46.9%	-1.3%	—
(2) Regular and other sales				
Net sales	1,808	1,670	-137	-7.6%
Gross profit	1,423	1,336	-86	-6.1%
Sales promotion expenses, etc.	94	102	+8	+8.5%
Sales profit	1,328	1,233	-94	-7.1%
(3) E-commerce mall sales				
Net sales	477	523	+45	+9.6%
Gross profit	398	441	+42	+10.7%
Sales promotion expenses, etc.	149	166	+17	+11.7%
Sales profit	249	274	+25	+10.1%
Sales profit	761	677	-84	-11.0%

◆ Roughly in line with the forecast

- While new customer acquisitions were strong, demand for certain products outpaced production and net sales for order backlog are yet to be recorded.
- As we were able to make outlays for new customer acquisitions, sales promotion expenses, etc. increased.

◆ Recording of part of regular sales delayed from the timing expected when the forecasts were developed

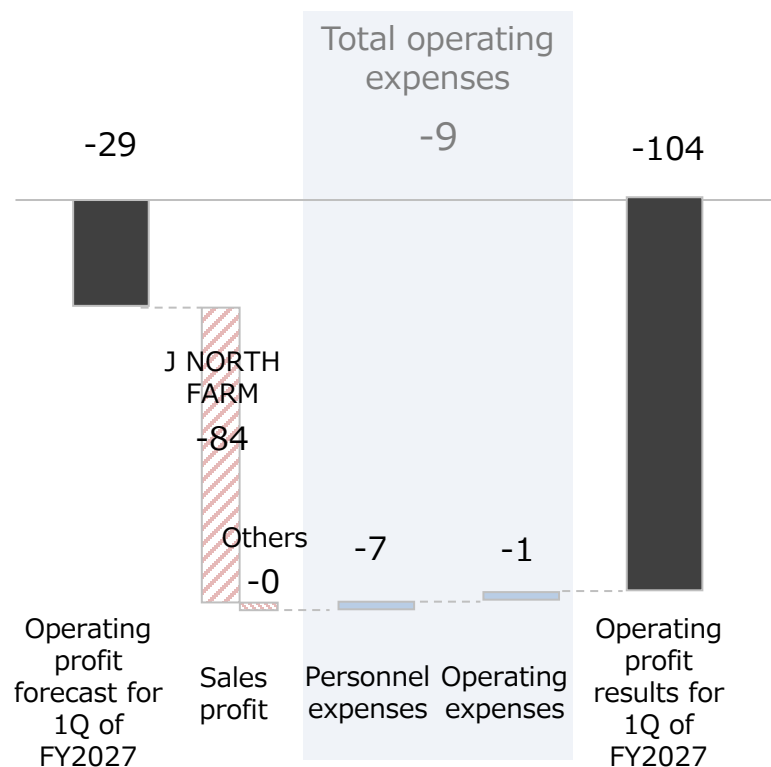
This difference is not due to a decrease in demand or a higher cancellation rate but difference in the timing to record the sales and will not cause significant changes in the expected amount of regular sales for the year.

◆ Both net sales and sales profit increased significantly, driven by strong new customer acquisitions as well as measures implemented specifically for e-commerce malls

* ROAS stands for Return On Advertising Spend, which is an indicator of advertising investment efficiency that measures how much sales are generated from advertising. In this case, this figure is calculated using “sales from new customer acquisitions” and “new customer acquisition expenses” included under sales promotion expenses, etc. If ¥1 million was used for new customer acquisition expenses, and ¥500 thousand of sales was generated, the ROAS is 0.50 (50.0%). If ROAS is 1.00 or less, the balance of income and expenditure at the first purchase will be negative. Meanwhile, if it is a subscription purchase, the balance will become positive as products are purchased continuously.

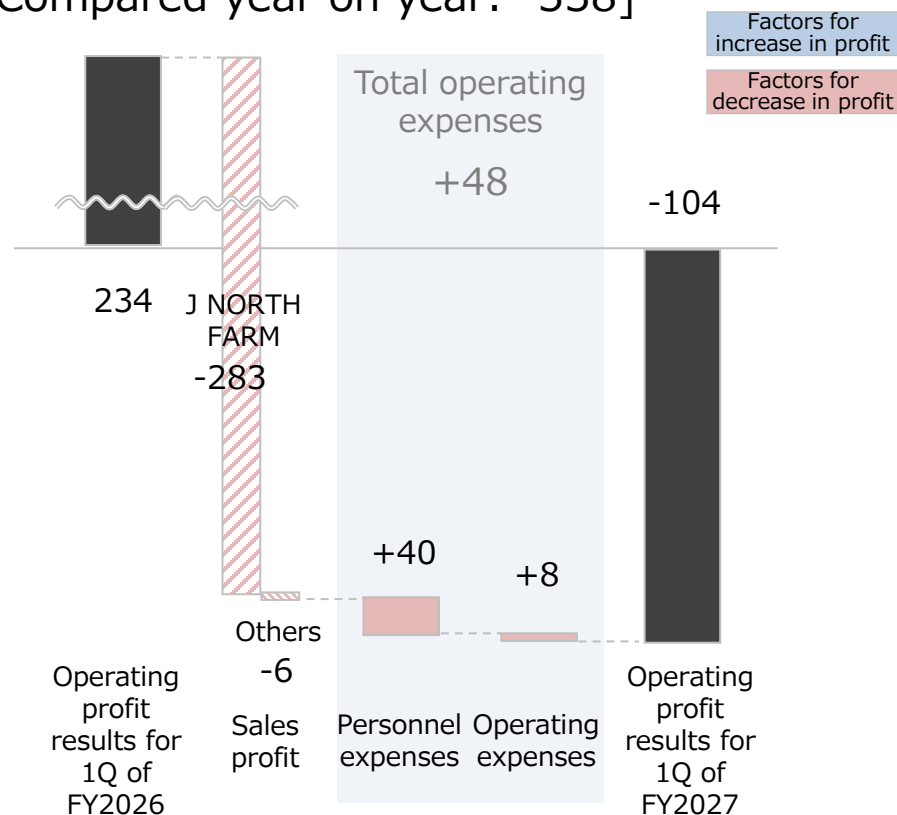
Factors behind change in operating profit

[Compared with financial results forecast: -74]



(Compared with financial results forecast)
None

[Compared year on year: -338] (Millions of yen)

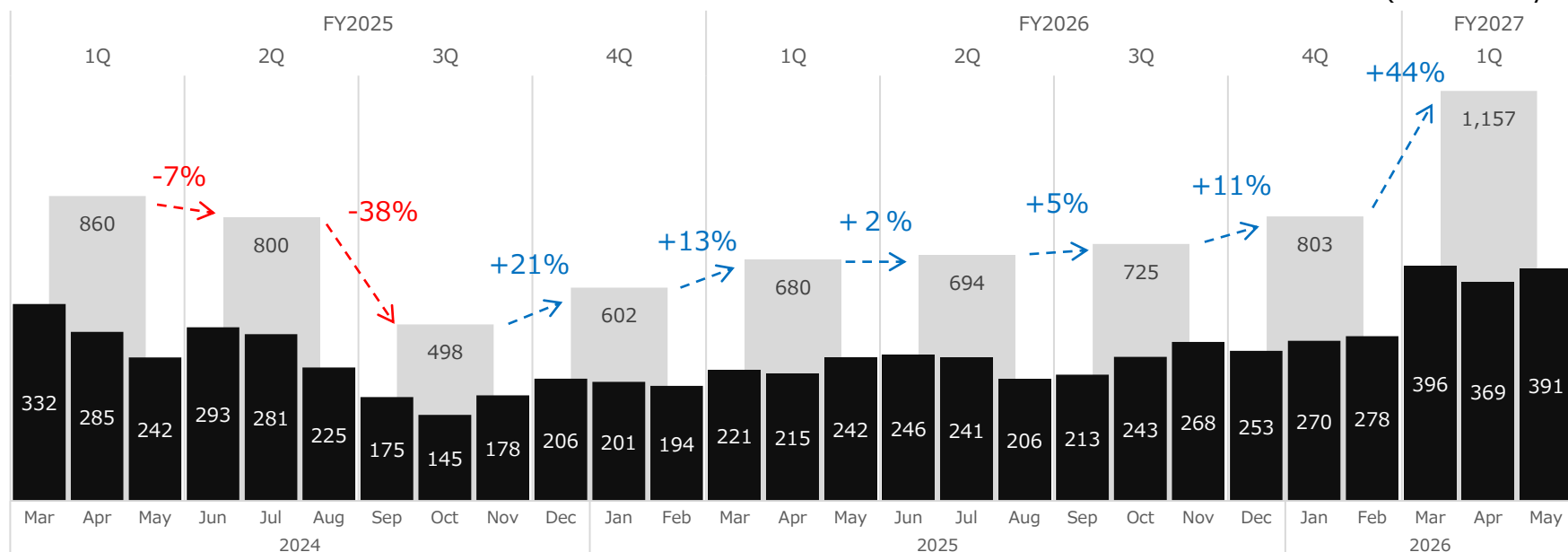


(Year on year)

•Wage increase due to pay rises, etc.

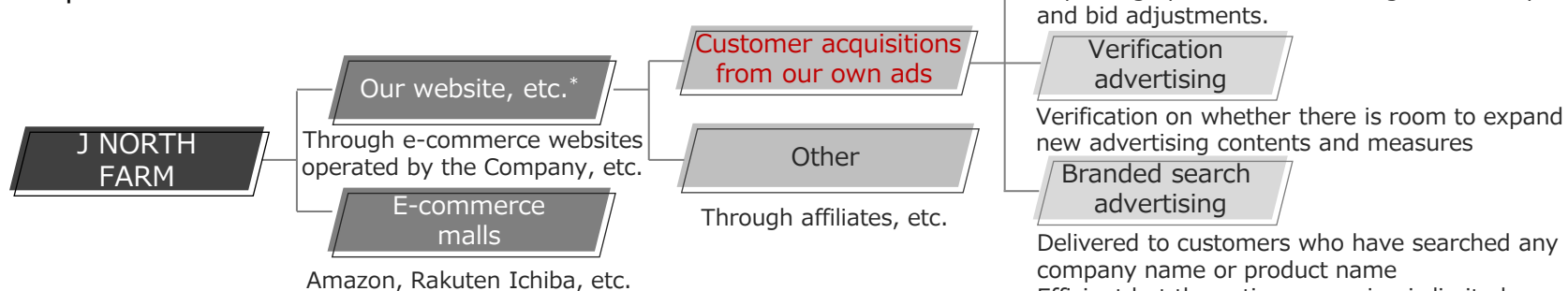
Changes in advertising expenses

(Millions of yen)



Main acquisition channels

Most advertising expenses are incurred through customer acquisitions from our own ads.



* "Our website, etc." includes the number of new customer acquisition (as well as a portion of orders made by phone, etc.) from all e-commerce websites operated by the Company, excluding e-commerce malls

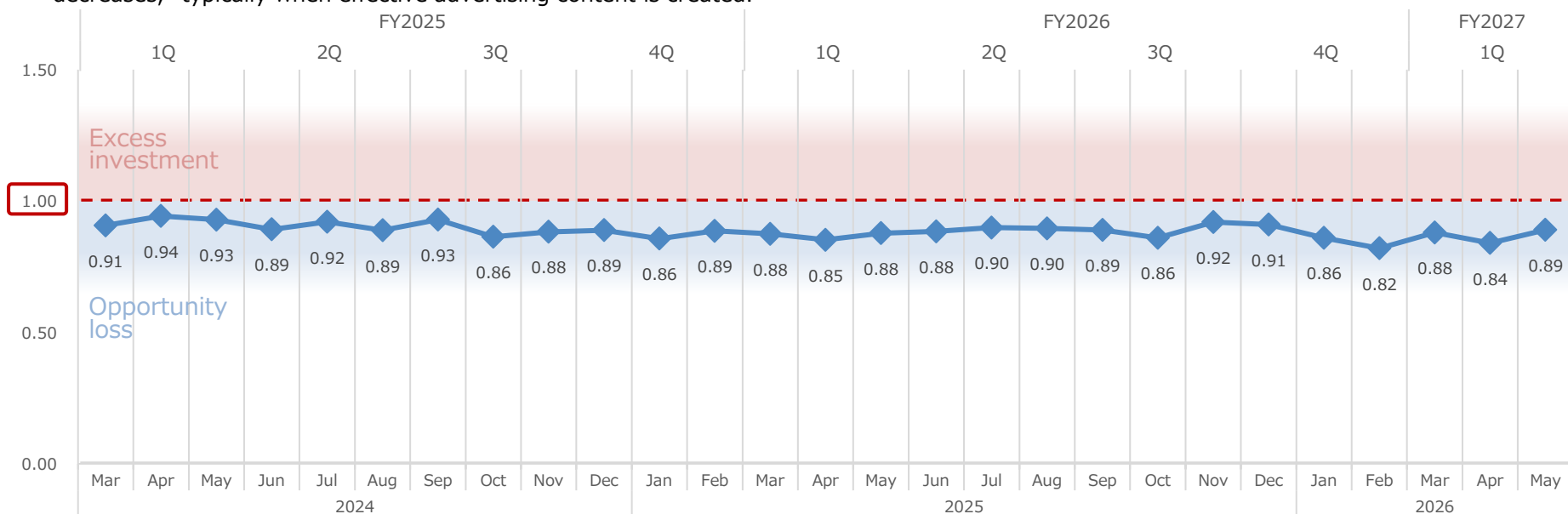
Advertising investment balance^{*1}

An indicator for checking opportunity loss and unprofitability in advertising. 1.00 is an optimal value.

- This indicator is practically managed with a safety margin in consideration of changes in the market environment and excess investment risk. This remains below 1.00 in many cases, while minimizing opportunity loss (a strategic decision for achieving both profitability and sustainable growth).

The advertising investment balance is calculated with “programmatic advertising” as it accurately reflects the actual condition.

- The outcome of “programmatic advertising” varies significantly depending on skills of operations such as algorithm analysis and bid adjustments and accordingly, it is possible to expand the investment scale through operational improvements.
- “Verification advertising”^{*2} and “branded search advertising”^{*3}, for which room for expansion and the degree of skill demonstration are limited, do not accurately reflect the actual operational ability.
- Months significantly below 1.00 reflect a “phenomenon in which new customer acquisitions increase while the cost per new customer acquisition decreases,” typically when effective advertising content is created.



^{*1} A unique indicator that measures opportunity loss and unprofitability in advertising. Advertising investment indicates how much CPO was obtained with respect to the CPO limit^{*4}. If it is less than 1.00, there is opportunity loss, and if it is higher than 1.00, there is excess investment. Therefore, 1.00 is the optimal value. If the CPO limit is set to ¥10,000 and the CPO result is ¥9,000, the advertising investment balance is 0.90.

^{*2} The advertising investment balance of verification advertising exceeds 1.00, as it is permitted to exceed the CPO limit to a certain level to verify whether there is room for expansion.

^{*3} The advertising investment balance of branded search advertising is lower than 1.00, as the customer base is limited and therefore the acceleration of investment is limited, while it delivers ad to customers who already know products, etc., leading to acquisitions at the level significantly below the CPO limit.

^{*4} Upper limit of advertising expenses that can be used to acquire one new customer, calculated backward from the required profit, using the relationship between “CPO,” which is the amount of advertising expenses required to acquire one new customer, and LTV (^{*5}).

^{*5} LTV stands for Life Time Value, which is the amount of lifetime net sales a customer will bring. 1-year LTV is the amount of net sales a customer will bring for one year.

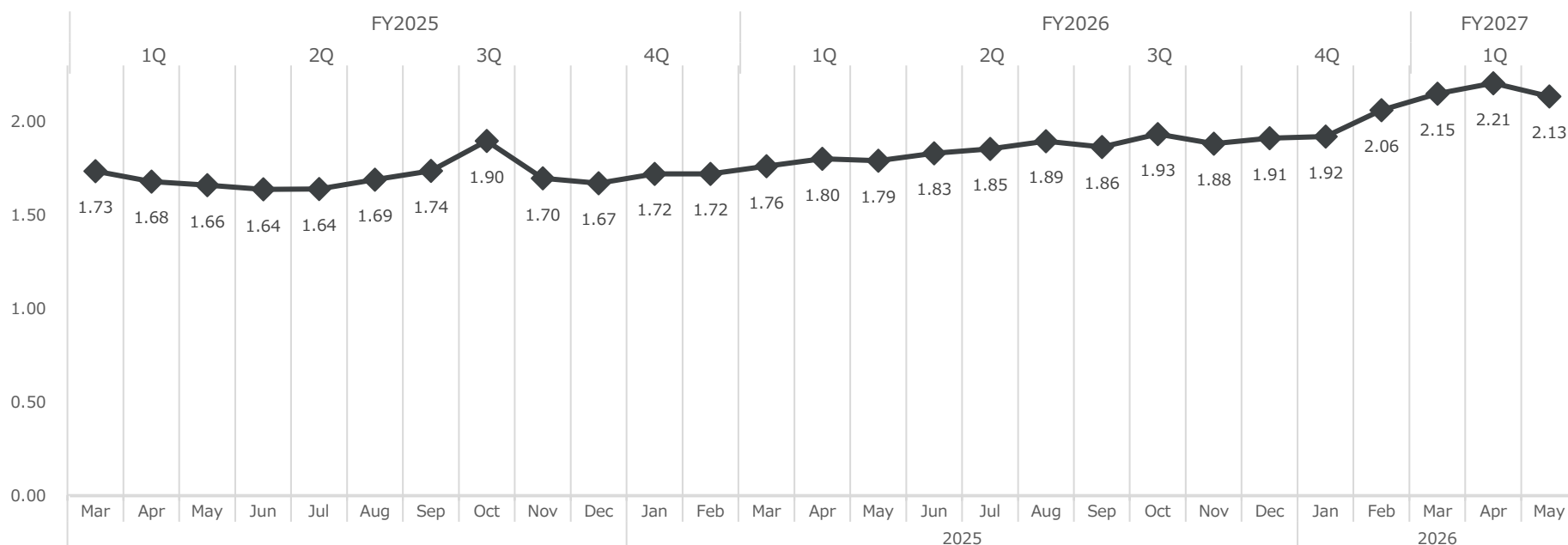
Change in 1-year ROAS

◆ 1-year ROAS^{*1*2}

Amount of sales expected to result from advertising investment in one year

This is an efficiency indicator that represents a relationship between advertising investment and the resulting expected one-year sales. The overall acquisition from our own ads managed and operated by the Company are measured.

It is monitored in a holistic way.



*1 Used as a projection of how much sales are expected to result from advertising in one year.

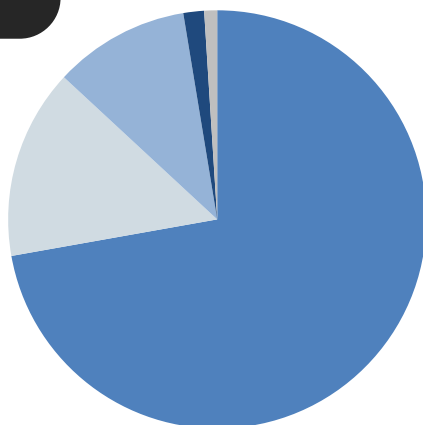
If ¥1 million was used for advertising, and sales of ¥1.5 million are expected to be generated, the projected 1-year ROAS is 1.50.

*2 "Initial ROAS" is an indicator for measuring how much initial sales are generated from advertising investment. However, even though profitability may not be decreasing, ROAS values will trend downward when the share of the products to which a high CPO limit can be assigned due to their high LTV, despite their low unit price, has increased, meaning that there were cases in which this indicator was not an accurate depiction of investment efficiency. As it is necessary to factor in these aspects when evaluating advertising investment efficiency in the subscription purchase model, which is based on continued purchases, 1-year ROAS is used for calculation. While initial ROAS is calculated as "initial sales (results) ÷ advertising expenses (results)," 1-year ROAS is calculated as "1-year sales (projection) ÷ advertising expenses (results)." The figures for sales over a period of one year are simulated projections derived from massive amounts of data, including past results and repeat purchase rates, etc., and these same projections are used in actual ad management to set CPO limits.

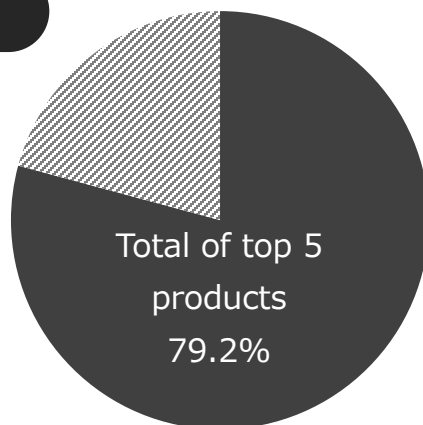
Breakdown of Net Sales

Three months ended May 31, 2026
(FY2027 1Q cumulative)

By category



Top 5 products



Category	Number of products as of the end of 1Q	Percentage of net sales for FY2027 1Q (cumulative)
Reference: https://www.kaitekikobo.jp/shopping/	(kinds)	(%)
Beauty	20	72.2
Kaiteki: Skin care	6	14.7
Kaiteki: Healthcare	9	10.5
Men's	4	1.6
Other*	3	1.0
Total	42	100

<By category>

- Beauty is the highest at 72.2%, followed by kaiteki: skin care at 14.7%
- The order of net sales by category has remained unchanged for the last few years

<Top five products>

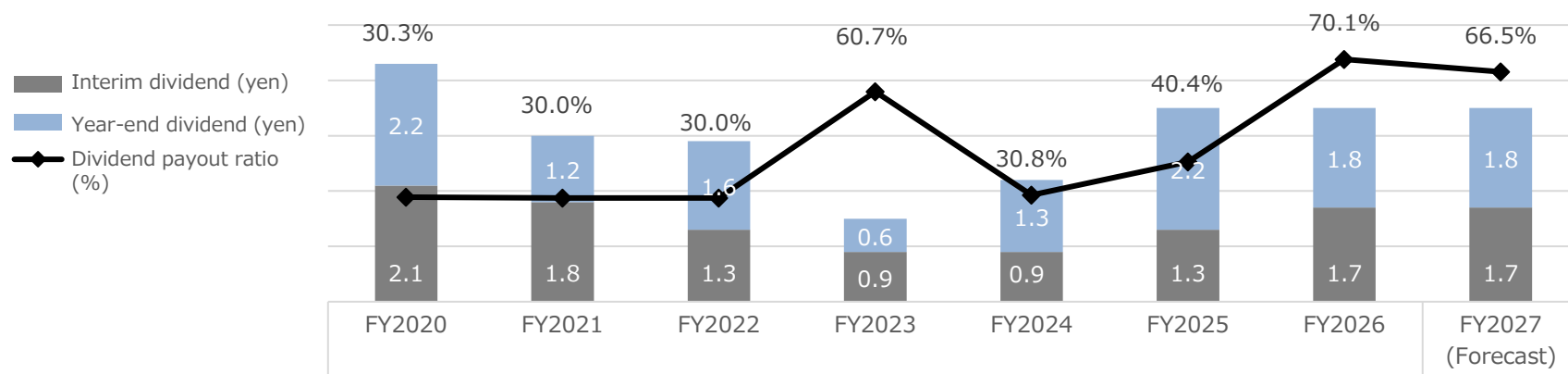
Although top products vary, they account for approx. 79.2%

* Includes "SPADE."

The percentage of net sales by product differs from that for overall net sales as it does not include an adjustment for revenue recognition.

Returns to Shareholders

◆ Changes in dividends



◆ Shareholder Benefit Program

Presentation of pre-release products



<Eligible shareholders> Shareholders who are listed or recorded in the shareholder register as of the end of February 2026 and hold at least one unit (100 shares).

<Presentation timing> Scheduled to be shipped in mid-August 2026

* The vouchers can only be used for our products priced at ¥3,300 or more under our brand "J NORTH FARM" (excluding some products) on the online store exclusively for our shareholders.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Millions of yen)

Subject/Section	FY2026/4Q end As of February 28, 2026	FY2027/1Q end As of May 31, 2026
Current assets	8,109	7,650
(Cash and deposits)	5,701	4,245
Non-current assets	1,381	1,372
Total assets	9,490	9,022
Current liabilities	1,385	1,241
Non-current liabilities	57	57
Total liabilities	1,442	1,299
Total net assets	8,047	7,723
Total liabilities and net assets	9,490	9,022

Other Indicators

	FY2017 (non-consolidated)	FY2018 (non-consolidated)	FY2019 (non-consolidated)	FY2020 (non-consolidated)	FY2021 (non-consolidated)	FY2022 (consolidated)	FY2023 (consolidated)	FY2024 (consolidated)	FY2025 (consolidated)	FY2026 (consolidated)
ROE (%) (return on equity)	24.8	48.8	48.9	54.2	29.1	21.8	5.6	15.1	16.2	8.7
ROA (%) (return on assets)	18.6	32.9	33.5	38.9	22.9	17.8	4.5	12.1	13.5	7.5
Equity ratio (%)	67.4	67.3	69.4	73.7	83.5	81.3	79.5	80.9	85.9	84.8
Dividend payout ratio (%)	30.9	30.3	38.7	30.3	30.0	30.0	60.7	30.8	40.4	70.1
Cash dividends per share (yen)	0.84	2.19	3.60	4.30	3.00	2.90	1.50	2.20	3.50	3.50
Number of shareholders	8,926	31,667	47,978	54,307	47,042	67,843	74,809	87,841	100,470	129,554

*1 Cash dividends per share are translated based on the impact of the following stock splits:

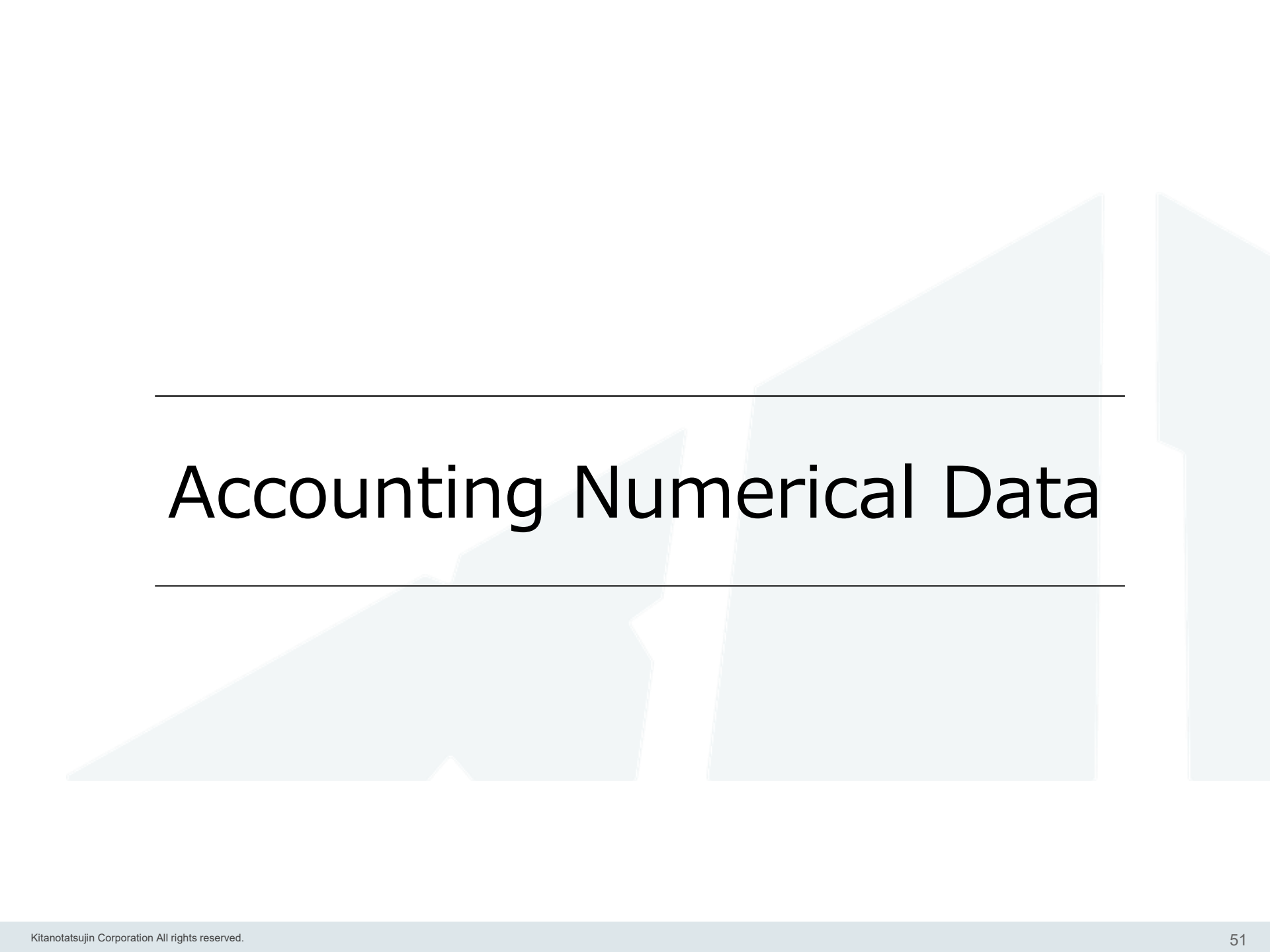
(Fractions less than one sen are rounded up.)

A 2-for-1 stock split for common shares as of April 1, 2017

A 2-for-1 stock split for common shares as of November 6, 2017

A 3-for-1 stock split for common shares as of February 15, 2018

*2 As FY2022 was the first year of consolidated accounting, ROE and ROA were calculated based on equity and total assets as of fiscal year-end



Accounting Numerical Data

Company Overview

Company Name	Kitanotatsujin Corporation	
Representative	Katsuhisa Kinoshita, Representative Director & President	
Incorporated	May 2002 (Founded in May 2000)	
Head Office	Chuo-ku, Tokyo and Sapporo, Hokkaido	
Listing	TSE Prime Market SSE Main Market	
	May 2012	Listed on Sapporo Securities Exchange, Ambitious Market
	March 2013	Upgraded to Main Market on Sapporo Securities Exchange
	November 2014	Listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Second Section
	November 2015	Assigned to the Tokyo Stock Exchange, First Section
	April 2022	Transferred to the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Prime Market
Officers and Employees, etc.*	227 (15) people (As of February 28, 2026)	

* The number of personnel. The number of temporary workers (including part-time workers) is shown in parenthesis, on an annual-average basis, and is not included in the number of officers and employees, etc.

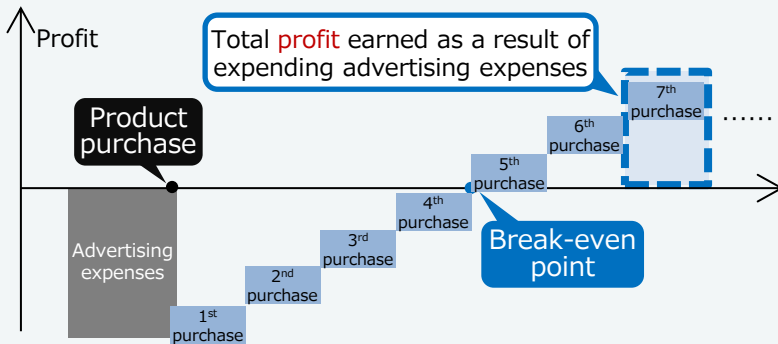
Business Model

◆ Customer characteristics

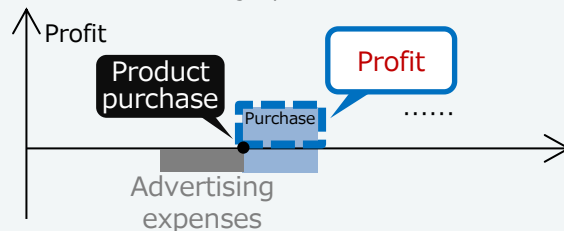
- The main customer base is in their 40s and over
- Sales from regular customers account for approx. 70% of overall sales

◆ Monetization schemes by channel

<Our website> Subscription purchase-driven business model in which the balance of income and expenditure at the first purchase will be negative but will become positive as products are purchased continuously

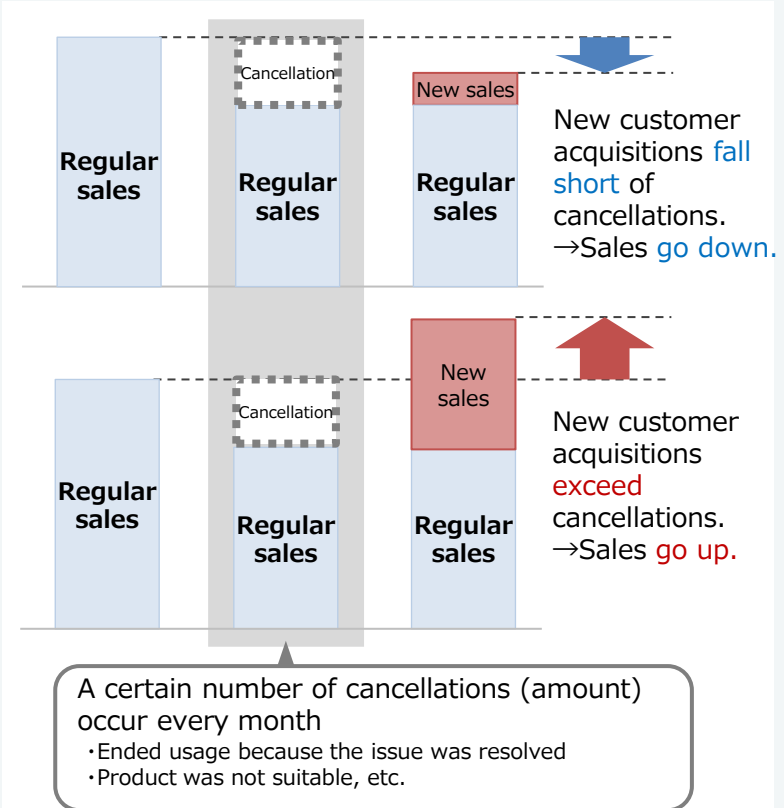


<E-commerce malls> Unit-purchase business model in which profitability is achieved with a single purchase, not a continuous purchase



◆ Profit structure

Although a certain number of cancellations (amount) occurs every month, sales will grow by an increase in regular customers if new customer acquisitions exceed the number of cancellations



Business Model

◆ Business model

- Integrated production and sales model that seamlessly implements processes from product planning through sales
- Use customer data acquired through direct sales on our own e-commerce sites as the foundation

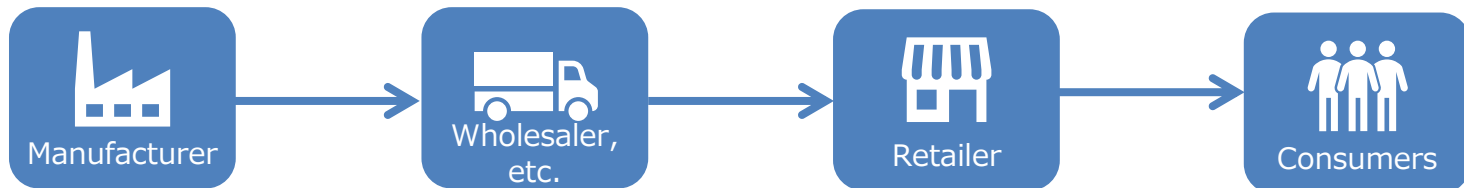
The Company's D2C model



The collected customer behavior data is utilized for new product planning and advertising content creation.

* Detailed customer behavior data cannot be obtained if they rely on an external advertising agency for customer acquisition.

Distribution routes of general manufacturers



It is difficult for manufacturers to obtain consumer behavior data.

Business Model

Integrated production and sales business model that seamlessly implements processes from product planning through sales



<Product strategy>

- Product development specifically designed for the E-commerce business
- Strict quality standards
- Products designed for delivery at fixed periods
- The product planning and marketing team under the direct control of the President was newly established to focus on product planning
- A “planning model for hit products” was introduced to the existing product development process

<Sales strategy>

- Basic policy that places an emphasis on profits
- Advertising optimization system developed by the Company
- Calculation of the optimal CPO limit based on the correlation between CPO and the number of new customer acquisitions
- Profit management fine-tuned for each product
- Advertising placement management through advertising investment balance indicators

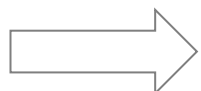
Together
with

Adoption of **D2C × Subscription-driven** business model

- Direct feedback on customer data and products is available
- High-precision marketing backed by the feedback is realizable
- A steadily growing business model

Red: New sales

Blue: Subscription sales



Realize a profit structure that enables stable growth

Product Strategy

◆ Product development specifically designed for the E-commerce business

- Develop the E-commerce business that sells a total of 42 **original products** on the Internet to meet specific customer needs, including **cosmetics and health foods**
- **Products** specialized for solving customers' concerns for health and beauty

◆ Strict quality standards

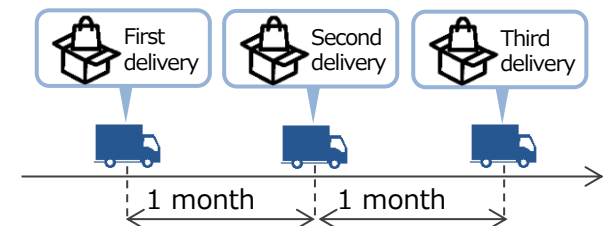
- Only commercialize products that bring solid satisfaction, under the policy, "A product will only be commercialized when an astonishingly fine product is created"
- Established original product development standards with **1,527 items** specifically designed for online sales and conduct a thorough monitor survey

◆ Product design

A subscription purchase-driven business model is adopted in principle, where all products are generally designed and developed to be completely used in one month and the next product arrives when the product is completely used



Product delivery example

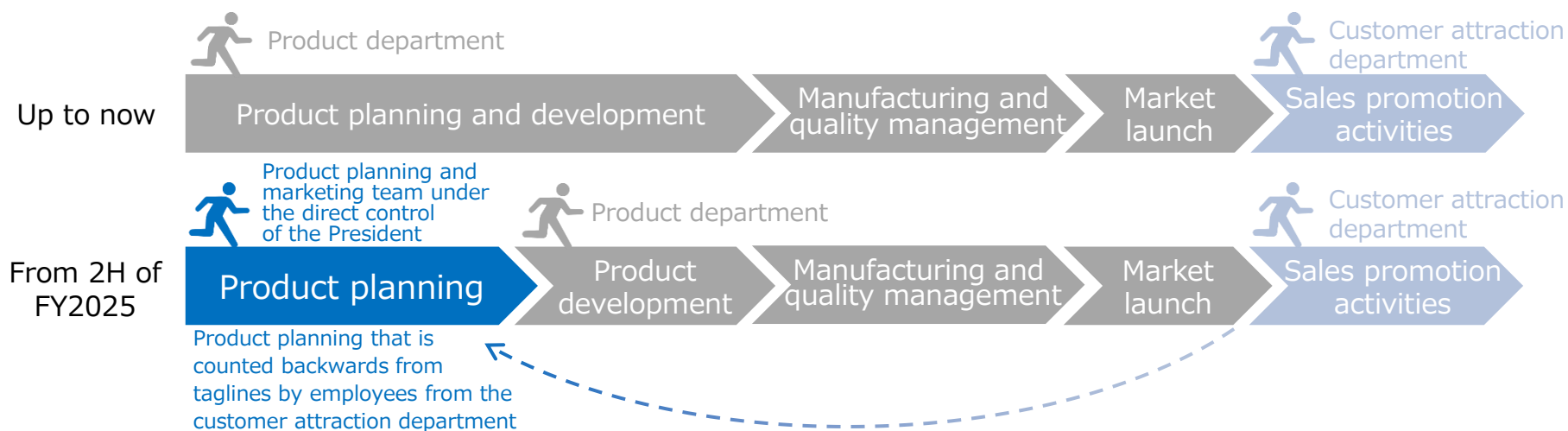


Product Strategy (from the Medium-term Management Plan 2028)

We will expand product lineup as a major initiative of the Medium-term Management Plan 2028. We will establish a structure where 10 products can be annually released in FY2029 and thereafter and draw a growth track with significant increases in both sales and profit.

(1) The newly established product planning and marketing team under the direct control of the President focuses on product planning

- Product “planning” and “development” in which the existing product department engaged in an integrated manner are separated into different phases.



- The personnel deployment and structure have been changed so that “product planning” can be conducted with a view to “sales promotion activities”
- Focusing on increasing products to be released through KPI setting and management

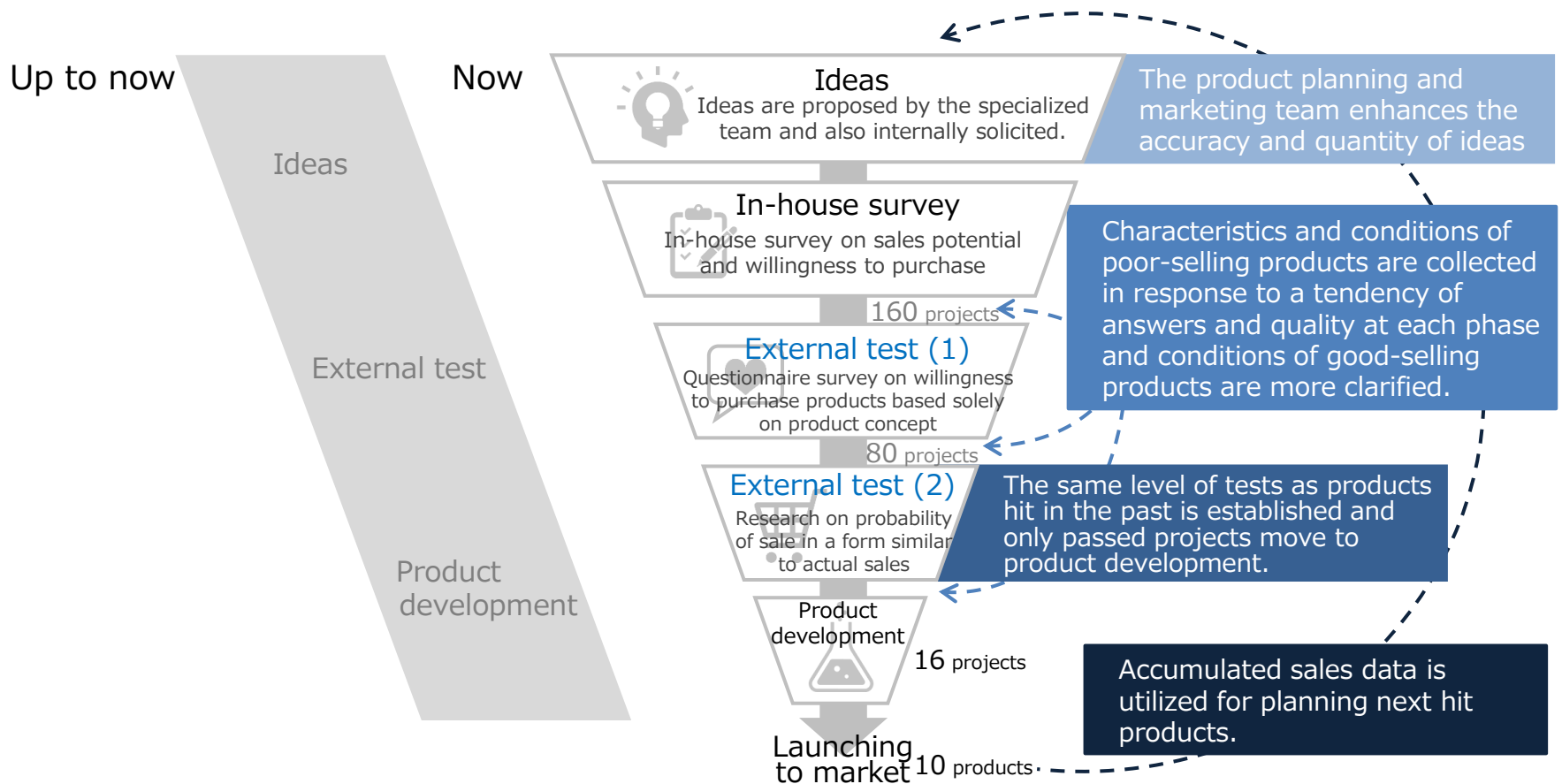
As a specialized team has been established, dedicated personnel for focusing on planning have been secured, leading to an increase in “quantity” and enhancement of “quality” of product planning.

Product Strategy (from the Medium-term Management Plan 2028)

(2) Introducing a “planning model of hit products” to the existing process to product development

Conditions of good-selling products and poor-selling products are quantified based on sales performance of approximately 50 products that were released up to date.

Our policy is to release only products clearing the conditions of good-selling products.



Sales Strategy

◆ Performance

We place more emphasis on **profits** than on net sales.

As the E-commerce business can generate more net sales by increasing advertising investment (increasing advertising placement volume), we cannot evaluate our performance by net sales alone.

➡ **The law of sales minimization, profit maximization**
(Explained in the figure on the right)

1-year LTV	CPO limit	1-year target profit
11,000	10,000	1,000

Content	Amount	CPO	Advertising expenses (Millions of yen)	1-year net sales (Millions of yen)	1-year profit (Millions of yen)
Ad A	500	8,000	4.00	5.50	1.50
Ad B	500	12,000	6.00	5.50	-0.50
Total	1,000	10,000	10.00	11.00	1.00

Net sales: ¥11.00 million
Profit: ¥1.00 million
→ Profit margin: 9%

↓ Upon suspending advertisement B that exceeds the CPO limit...

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Ad B	500	12,000	6.00	5.50	-0.50
Total	500	8,000	4.00	5.50	1.50

Net sales: ¥5.50 million
Profit: ¥1.50 million
→ Profit margin: 27%
Net sales is halved, but profit is 1.5 times higher and the profit margin is 3 times higher

◆ Advertising optimization system

- (1) Analyze daily accumulated data and calculate LTV
- (2) Set a CPO limit for each product as the upper limit for advertising expenses
- (3) Manage approximately 50 thousand advertisements a month and calculate and check CPO on a daily basis
- (4) Automatically suspend advertisements that exceed the CPO limit
- (5) The Company develops and operates a system that manages the above process.

➡ **Develop system where only highly profitable advertising remains**

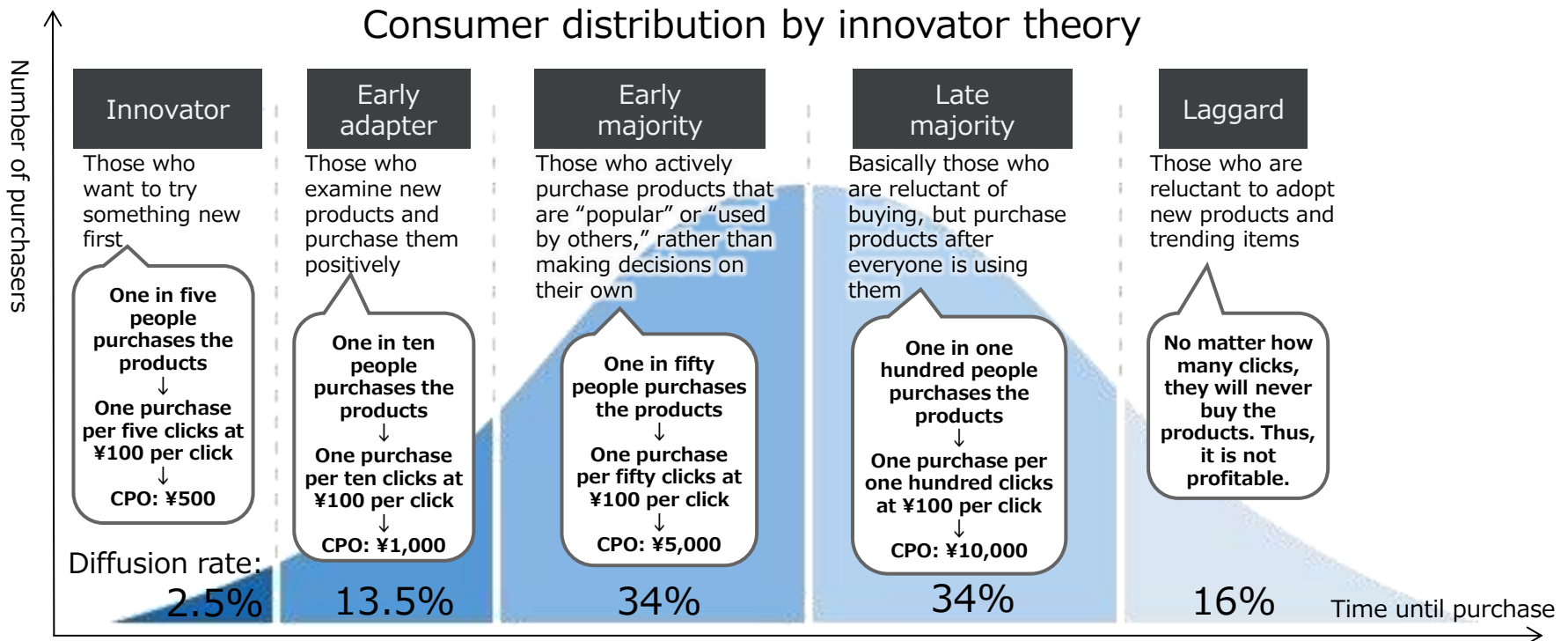


Sales Strategy

◆ Correlation between CPO and the number of new customer acquisitions

$$\text{Profit} = \text{Number of new customer acquisitions} \times \text{Profit per customer (LTV - CPO)}$$

Advertising expenses and the number of new customer acquisitions fall under the “law of diminishing returns.”* CPO (acquisition cost per order) tends to increase as the number of new customer acquisitions increases.



The more you expand your customer base, the greater the CPO will be.

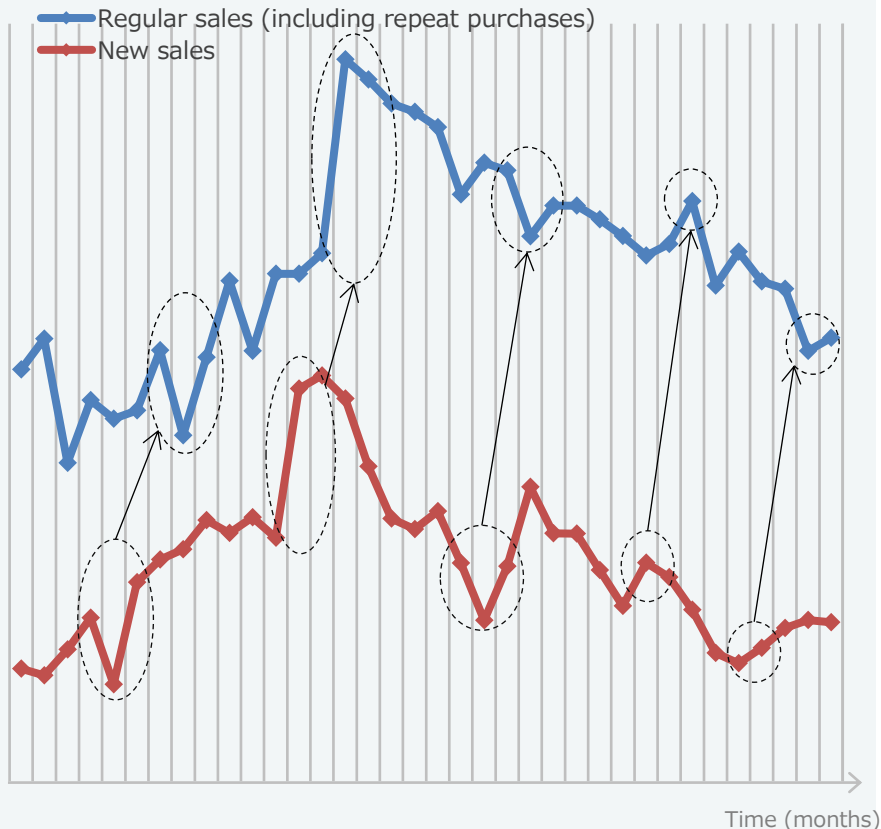
→ We target the point at which profit is maximized without deterioration in profitability.

*A theory in which, under a certain condition, an additional production factor will increase overall production volume, but the increase will gradually diminish.

Sales Strategy

◆ Correlation between new sales and regular sales

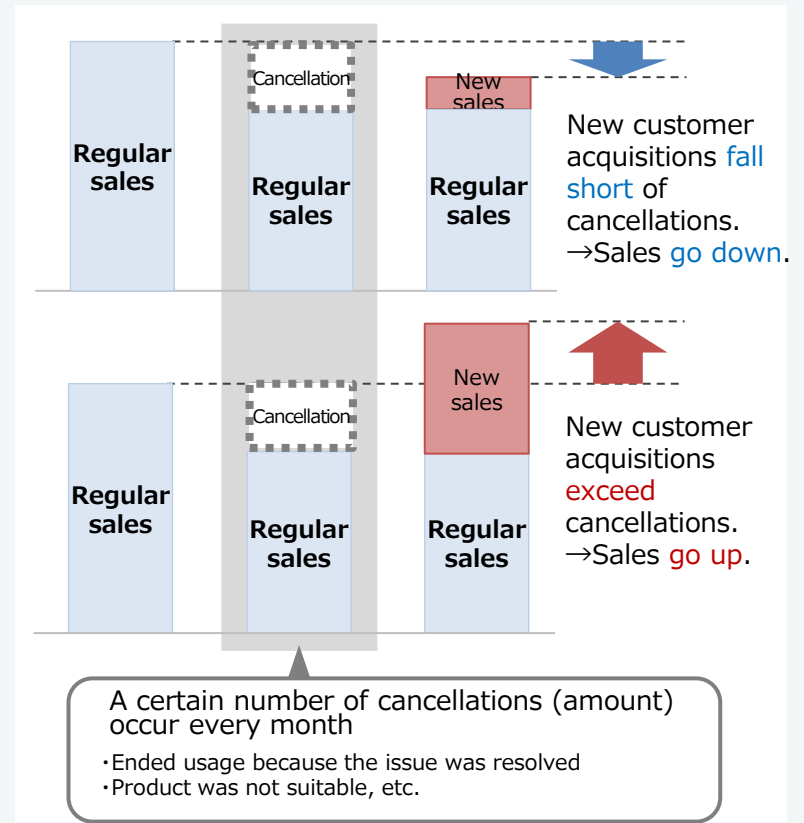
A change in new sales generally emerges as an impact on regular sales in two or three months



* For visualizing the correlation, the vertical axis represents different figures.

◆ Profit structure

Although a certain number of cancellations (amount) occurs every month, sales will grow by an increase in regular customers if new customer acquisitions exceed the number of cancellations



Sales Strategy

◆ Sales profit and operating profit

Our own unique management accounting method (five level profit management: see page 58) allows us to identify the factors behind changes in profit for each product, and we have focused in on “sales profit” and “operating profit” as important performance evaluation indicators.

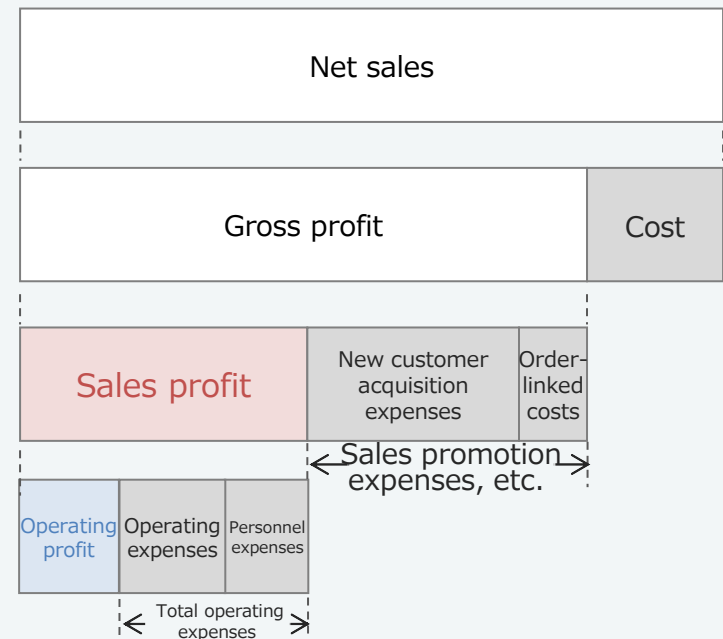
Sales profit = gross profit – sales promotion expenses, etc.
(Order-linked costs*1 + New customer acquisition expenses*2)

Indicator that is significantly impacted by new customer acquisitions and directly reflects recent business conditions as new customer acquisition expenses vary based on changes in the number of new customer acquisitions.

Operating profit = sales profit – total operating expenses
(Personnel expenses + Operating expenses)

Impacted by investments for future business expansion in addition to recent business results.

Management accounting structure to visualize profits for “each product”



*1 Expenses that must be incurred for orders, including credit card transaction fees, shipping, packaging materials costs, enclosures and accessories, etc. In principle, it remains at a constant percentage of overall net sales.

*2 Expenses involved in the acquisition of new customers; primarily advertising expenses.

Sales Strategy

◆ **Five level profit management** Visualize profits on five levels for “each product” (Millions of yen)

	Total of all products	Product (1)	Product (2)	Product (3)
Net sales	100.00	60.00	30.00	10.00
Cost	56.00	35.00	18.00	3.00
Profit (1) Gross profit or loss	44.00	25.00	12.00	7.00
Gross profit margin	44%	42%	40%	70%
Order-linked costs (enclosures, accessories, settlement charges, shipping fees, packaging materials, etc.)	5.00	3.00	1.50	0.50
Profit (2) Net gross profit	39.00	22.00	10.50	6.50
Net gross profit margin	39%	37%	35%	65%
New customer acquisition expenses (primarily advertising expenses)	19.90	16.00	3.50	0.40
Profit (3) Sales profit	19.10	6.00	7.00	6.10
Sales profit margin	19%	10%	23%	61%
Personnel expenses (ABC: Activity Based Costing)	1.90	0.50	1.20	0.20
Profit (4) ABC profit	17.20	5.50	5.80	5.90
ABC profit margin	17%	9%	19%	59%
Operating expenses (rent expenses and indirect operating personnel expenses, etc.)	7.00	4.20	2.10	0.70
Profit (5) Operating profit for each product	10.20	1.30	3.70	5.20
Operating profit margin for each product	10%	2%	12%	52%

Gross profit by product

Mandatory cost per order

Gross profit – order-linked costs = net gross profit (coined term)

Net gross profit – new customer acquisition expenses = sales profit (coined term)

Personnel expenses for each product

- Although sales of Product (1) are increasing, this is due to spending more on new customer acquisition expenses, and profit is not as high.
- Sales of Product (3) are low, but it has a high gross profit margin as a result of less spending on new customer acquisition and personnel expenses. However, it is easy to overlook this matter, since a product with low personnel expenses is not often discussed in the Company.

Sales Strategy

◆ Calculation method of the optimal CPO limit and the benefits of LTV improvement

Profit = Number of new customer acquisitions × Profit per customer (LTV – CPO)

- Lowering the CPO increases the profit per customer, but decreases the number of new customer acquisitions
- Higher the CPO increases the number of new customer acquisitions, but decreases the profit per customer

➡ It is important to find the most profitable CPO

<In the case of LTV of ¥10,000>

↓ Diminishing returns begin from here

CPO	¥3,000	¥4,000	¥5,000	¥6,000	¥7,000	¥8,000	¥9,000
Number of new customer acquisitions	100	120	150	200	250	270	300
Sales	¥1,000,000	¥1,200,000	¥1,500,000	¥2,000,000	¥2,500,000	¥2,700,000	¥3,000,000
Profit per customer	¥7,000	¥6,000	¥5,000	¥4,000	¥3,000	¥2,000	¥1,000
Profit	¥700,000	¥720,000	¥750,000	¥800,000	¥750,000	¥540,000	¥300,000

Most profitable profit per customer
Most profitable
Largest number of new customer acquisitions
Largest sales

→ If we are to maximize sales, we should set the CPO at ¥9,000, but because we are aiming to maximize profits, it is most desirable to set the CPO limit at ¥6,000.

<In the case of LTV of ¥12,000>

↓ Diminishing returns begin from here

CPO	¥3,000	¥4,000	¥5,000	¥6,000	¥7,000	¥8,000	¥9,000
Number of new customer acquisitions	100	120	150	200	250	270	300
Sales	¥1,200,000	¥1,440,000	¥1,800,000	¥2,400,000	¥3,000,000	¥3,240,000	¥3,600,000
Profit per customer	¥9,000	¥8,000	¥7,000	¥6,000	¥5,000	¥4,000	¥3,000
Profit	¥900,000	¥960,000	¥1,050,000	¥1,200,000	¥1,250,000	¥1,080,000	¥900,000

Most profitable profit per customer
Most profitable
Largest number of new customer acquisitions
Largest sales

→ If LTV increases by 1.2 times, profit will increase even with the same CPO limit of ¥6,000. It is also possible to raise the CPO limit setting to ¥7,000, which is the optimal limit CPO.

LTV improvement: Makes it possible to increase profit with the same CPO and raise the CPO limit setting

Sales Strategy

◆ Enhancement of advertising investment and relationship to profit

For online sales, the amount of advertising investment and sales correlate

Enhancement of advertising investment → Increase in sales



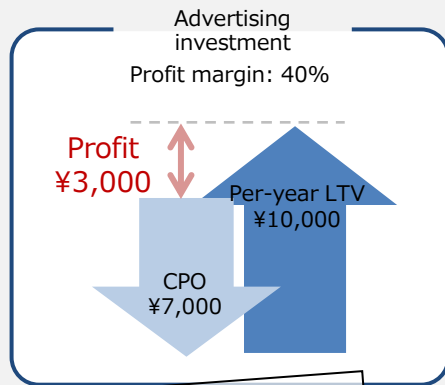
Prevent a decline in profitability due to excess advertising investment

Set the CPO limit to secure the required profit



It becomes possible to increase sales by enhancing advertising investment while maintaining profitability

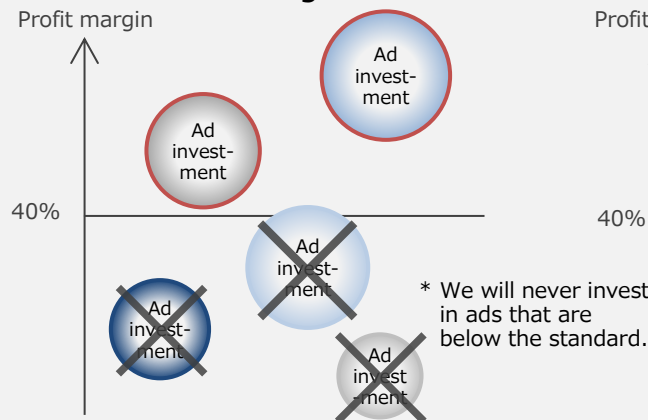
Our method of setting the CPO limit and our advertising investment policy



Good investment

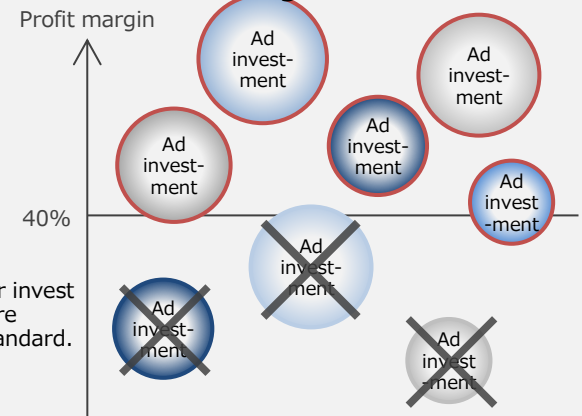
Our standard for advertising investment

If there are only a few ads that are above the standard, we reduce the total amount of advertising investment



Our basic approach

If there are many ads that are above the standard, we increase the total amount of advertising investment



- If we exceed the CPO limit, we reduce advertising investment and dial down promotion to acquire new customers.
- If new customer acquisitions continue to be achieved within the CPO limit, we enhance advertising investment in order to avoid opportunity loss and strive to increase future profit.

Advertising expenses are the expenses arising from **upfront investments** to acquire customers. A loss due to **advertising expenses temporarily increases** as advertising investment increases.

Information on the Company's strategies, etc.

In addition to the product and sales strategies explained in this document, we also disclose our strategies, etc. related to the Company's management, including our personnel strategy, etc.

Books	Release date
The Law of Sales Minimization, Profit Maximization —Management Secrets for a 29% Profit Margin	June 16, 2021
FUNDAMENTALS X TECHNICAL MARKETING —83 Ways to Maximize the Results of Web Marketing	April 28, 2022
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Team X —The Story Behind Building a Team that Improved Performance 13x in a Single Year	November 15, 2023
The Way of Thinking of a Positive-minded Person —30 Most Effective Skills for a Worry-free Life, Installing One a Day	September 3, 2024
Why Did That Product and Service Sell Well? Thoughts of Top Marketers	January 23, 2025
The Art of Sales Without a Fight The Ultimate Web Marketing Technique of Creating Markets with a Single Click	September 3, 2025
<i>Jiatama Brain Switch</i>	June 30, 2026



Difference between general e-commerce stores and D2C stores

	A. General e-commerce stores	B. D2C (Direct sales from manufacturers)
Examples	Amazon, ZOZO	The Company, BULK HOMME, FABIUS, RANKUP (MANARA), Premier Anti-Aging (Duo)
Main sales style	On-demand sales	Regular purchase, subscription
Main product category	Mainly national brand items including furniture, interior decoration, home appliances, and apparel	Mainly private brand items including health food and cosmetics
Product lineup	Items procured from other company's brands (retailer)	Original products of each company (manufacturer)
How to obtain sales, the quantity of items	For obtaining 1,000 cases of sales, purchasing by 1,000 people is required. Therefore, in order to attract interest of 1,000 people, a wide variety of items are handled with wider target setting (over several thousands of or several tens of thousands of items).	For obtaining 1,000 cases of sales, 100 times of purchasing by ten people are required. Highly repeatable products responding to niche needs are introduced.
Ease of obtaining sales	If there are many items available, some will inevitably sell. Sales are easily made as all the only requirement is the procurement of popular items.	Difficult as companies must make a small number of original products successful on their own.
Competitiveness	Items for sale are procured from other sources. Therefore, as competitors may sell the same items, price competition is likely to occur. (Particularly, price comparison is easy between online shopping sites.)	Competition with other companies is unlikely to occur as original products are sold.
Stock control	Work processes such as inventory control and product shipment are complicated.	Work processes such as inventory control and product shipment are simple.
Dead stock	More products remain unsold.	Fewer products remain unsold.
Core skill	IT (recommendation functions to find existing needs and backyard functions to control a large quantity of items)	Marketing (ad creatives to create market need)
Overall	Although it is easy to make sales, generating profit is difficult due to price competition and significant backyard costs.	It is difficult to make sales. However, if successfully sold, profit is easily generated owing to less likelihood of price competition and lower backyard costs.

Difference between cosmetics sold via e-commerce and in stores

	Commonly sold products in stores (and legacy mail order brands originating from non-e-commerce business such as FANCL, DHC, and Saishunkan Pharmaceutical)	E-commerce products
Line-up	Line products, released as a series (Full line-up strategy of the Lanchester Strategy)	One-off products (Differentiation strategy of the Lanchester Strategy)
Similar needs	Needs similar to those for fashion items	Needs similar to those for drugs and quasi-drugs
Advertisement content	Brands	Individual products
USP	Brand image, brand concept	Efficacy, feel, and immediate efficiency of individual products
Price range	Department stores: ¥5,000 or higher Drug stores: ¥2,000 or lower	¥3,000 to ¥4,000
Volume of contents	For three months	For one month
Packaging	Design for catching people's eyes in a showcase (display)	Design for attracting attention in sales pages, protection of quality and in shipping, sizes corresponding to courier shipping fee standards
Product explanations	Explained by sales personnel	Detailed explanations can be provided with a landing page and attached documents
Accelerated aging test	Tests based on the assumption that products are placed in storefronts	Test items in consideration of delivery processes such as “a product is left in a postbox for a long period of time in extremely cold Hokkaido or an extremely hot metropolitan area” and “courier mishandling packages.”

* The left-side strategy is applied to national brand products to be sold via e-commerce as they are recognized in the real market. The right-side strategy aims to “catch customers on the internet by increasing awareness via the internet.”

Difference of the “ratio of advertising expenses” between mail order and in-store sales

When comparing the “ratio of advertising expenses” in net sales, even if the same products are sold, the basic definitions of “net sales” and “advertising expenses” are different between mail order and in-store sales and therefore, simple comparisons are not possible.

The following is an appropriate method for comparing “sales promotion costs” incurred to obtain sales.

* The gray part shows a simple comparison and the bottom is a comparison as a result of adjusting the blue part.

	Mail order	In-store sales
Market distribution amount	100	160
Distribution margin	0	60
Net sales for accounting	100	100
Advertising expenses	30	20
Ratio of “advertising expenses” to “net sales for accounting”	$30/100=30\%$	$20/100=20\%$
Ratio of “advertising expenses + distribution margin” to “market distribution amount”	$30/100=30\%$	$80/160=50\%$

Simple comparison

(2) The actual market distribution amount is the amount of net sales for accounting plus distribution margin.

(1) In the case of in-store sales, distribution margin for retailers and wholesalers is incurred.

(3) Advertising expenses for mail order are deemed virtually the same as distribution margin for in-store sales.

(4) An appropriate comparison is made with the market distribution amount as a denominator and advertising expenses + distribution margin as a numerator.

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