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Business Environment and Topics

Business environment

- ◆ Despite the modest economic recovery, consumer spending remained weak compared with growth in wages and income due to the chronic price increases of food and other nondurables.
- Companies in the distribution and retail industries increasingly sought out business mergers and alliances.

Topics

- ◆ Lower profits despite record high net sales due to capital and human resource investments
- Stock split and new stock offering
- ◆ Hikari Packs Ishikawa Co., Ltd. made subsidiary through acquisition of shares
- ◆ Full-year forecast consolidated business results were revised downward with no change in dividends

1. Business Results for the Second Quarter of the Year Ending December 31, 2025



Summary of Business Results

Despite new record-high net sales, active investments in facilities and human resource resulted in lower profits.

	Second quarter of year ended December 31, 2024	Second quarter of year ending December 31, 2025	
	Actual	Actual	YoY change
Net sales	46,617	47,385	1.6%
Operating profit	3,525	2,863	-18.8%
Ordinary profit	3,662	3,038	-17.0%
Profit attributable to owners of parent	2,999	2,428	-19.0%
Per share amount of interim net profit (yen) *	52.56	43.09	-18.0%
Dividend per share (yen)	52.0	58.0	11.5%

- ◆ Sales of paper products were strong, contributing significantly to net sales.
- ◆ Active investments in facilities and human resource reduced profit.
- ◆ Dividends grew by 6 yen per share.
 - * Effective July 1, 2025, we implemented a 3-for-1 stock split for common shares. Figures assume that the stock split took place at the start of the year ended December 31, 2024.

Results by Segment

	Second quarte	r of year ended			
	December 31, 2024 Second quarter of year ending December		cember 31, 2025		
Actual Share		Actual	Share	YoY change	
Net sales	46,617	100.0%	47,385	100.0%	1.6%
Paper Products	33,322	71.5%	34,881	73.6%	4.7%
Paper bags	14,279	30.6%	14,485	30.6%	1.4%
Paper cartons	12,120	26.0%	12,704	26.8%	4.8%
Corrugated boxes	5,926	12.7%	6,745	14.2%	13.8%
Printing	995	2.2%	945	2.0%	-5.0%
Film Packaging	6,347	13.6%	6,337	13.4%	-0.2%
Others	6,947	14.9%	6,166	13.0%	-11.2%
Operating profit	3,525	100.0%	2,863	100.0%	-18.8%
Paper Products	3,164	89.7%	2,488	86.9%	-21.4%
Film Packaging	403	11.4%	286	10.0%	-28.9%
Others	519	14.7%	389	13.6%	-25.0%
Adjustments	-562	-15.8%	-302	-10.5%	-

- ◆ The Paper Products segment saw strong sales of paper cartons and corrugated boxes.
- ◆ The segment of Other saw a decline in sales of in-store supplies for the PAS system.
- ◆ An increase in selling, general, and administrative costs due to investments in facilities and human resources reduced operating profits in each segment.

Factors Underlying Changes in Operating Profit

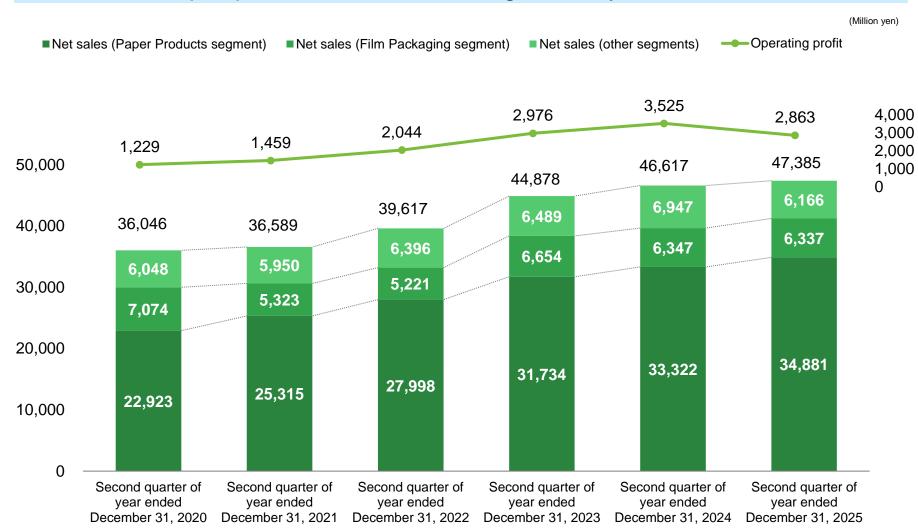
Sales volume grew thanks to cross-selling, but profit shrunk due to prior investments.

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- Sales volumes of paper cartons and corrugated boxes grew.
- Shifting to appropriate pricing and exerting additional efforts to sell high value added products increased the average sale price of paper products
 - (prices for paper bags, paper cartons, and corrugated boxes rose 2.3%, 0.2%, and 1.7%, respectively)
- ◆ The key factor behind the higher other manufacturing expenses was depreciation for capital investments in machinery.
- The key factor behind the higher logistics costs was a contract for external warehouses necessitated by the transition in inventory control structure.
- ◆ The key factor behind higher other selling, general, and administrative costs was depreciation related to investments for renovations of the backbone system.

Trends by Segment

Paper products contributed significantly to net sales



Sales Composition



	Second quarter of year ended December 31, 2024		Second quarter of year ended December 31, 2025		
(Million yen)	Actual	Share	Actual	Share	YoY change
Food products	13,201	28.3%	13,894	29.3%	5.2%
Apparel	7,620	16.3%	7,821	16.5%	2.6%
Department stores	2,292	4.9%	2,203	4.6%	-3.9%
Supermarkets and drug stores	2,507	5.4%	1,806	3.8%	-27.9%
Convenience stores	597	1.3%	641	1.4%	7.5%
Pharmaceuticals and cosmetics	2,203	4.7%	2,271	4.8%	3.1%
e-commerce *	1,616	3.5%	2,025	4.3%	25.3%
Sundries	1,058	2.3%	1,020	2.2%	-3.6%
Home electronics and home installations	1,291	2.8%	1,495	3.2%	15.8%
Life care	1,755	3.8%	1,558	3.3%	-11.2%
Automotive	144	0.3%	151	0.3%	4.9%
Other	12,333	26.5%	12,496	26.4%	1.4%

- In the food products market, sales of packages for the souvenir market, takeout packages for the food service industry, and food containers for the home meal replacement market were strong.
- Sales to department stores declined due to stagnant domestic spending and a plateau in spending by inbound tourists.
- Sales to supermarkets and drug stores were down due to specific contractual terms.
- Sales of food packages were strong in the convenience store market.
- In the e-commerce market, the sales volume went up due to reinforcement of the production systems for paper delivery bags and other delivery packages.
- ◆ In the home electronics and home installations market, sales of packaging materials for export and for home electronics grew.
- In the life care market, sales of packages for paper baby diapers declined.

^{*} e-commerce refers to the e-commerce platform segment. e-commerce sales on vendor sites are counted as part of their individual business segments.

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Paper Products Segment

<Cross-selling in growth markets boosted profit>

Business environment

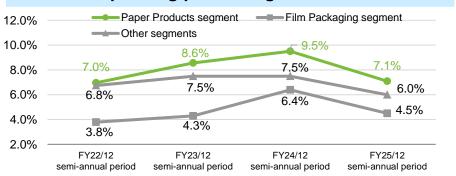
- Net sales at department stores nationwide declined for five consecutive months. Due to the lingering yen appreciation, inbound tourists continued to reflect declining purchases of expensive products, resulting in decreases in net sales and number of purchasers. While sales of food products have trended downward due to high prices, sales of confectioneries increased for three consecutive months based on strong sales of domestic and inbound souvenir demands.
 - (Source: Japan Department Store Association "Sales Overview on Department Store Sales in Japan")
- The monthly online shopping expenditure per two-or-more-person household increased year on year for six consecutive months from January to June, reaching a record high.

(Source: "Family Income and Expenditure Survey," Statistics Bureau of Japan)

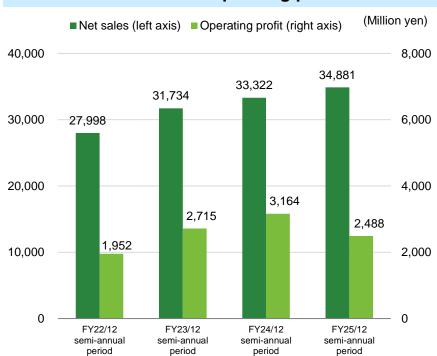
Initiatives

- ◆ Capital investments in machinery and productivity improvements
- Diversification of products to cover a broad range of market needs
- Active efforts to offer proposals on eco-friendly materials and processing methods

Trends in operating profit margins



Trends in net sales and operating profits



Trends in sales composition in the Paper Products Segment



semi-annual period semi-annual period semi-annual period semi-annual period

Paper Products Segment (Paper Bags)

<Strong, thanks to diverse range of products and sales channels>

Business environment

- ◆ Intensifying competition within the industry and declining consumer confidence make the ability to provide value a key aspect. → The need to shift to high value added specifications is higher than ever.
- In the US market, the so-called Trump tariffs have caused confusion in supply chains.
- ◆ Transportation efficiency improvements and human resources shortages have become issues. Logistics and packaging systems are under scrutiny.

Initiatives

- ◆ Enhancements in production capacity and technologies at our plants
- Competitiveness enhancements through cultivation of new supply chains
- Strengthening development and production facilities for paper delivery bags
- Reinforcing proposals for high value added products centering on eco-friendly products

Examples of developed products

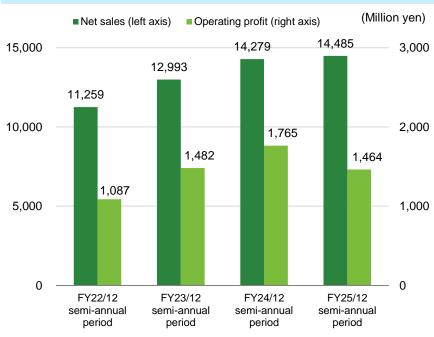


▲ Mixed paper with used clothes incorporating recycled cloth

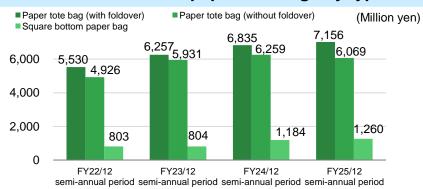


▲ Paper delivery bag compatible with automatic packaging machines

Trends in net sales and operating profits



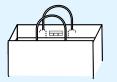
Trends in net sales of paper tote bags by type



[Reference] Examples of Types of Paper Bag

■ Paper tote bag (with foldover)

Bag with upper edges folded inside. The folded edges add strength to the bag, making reuse more likely.









Paper tote bag (without foldover)

Bag with its serrated upper edges. These highly cost-efficient bags are ideal for mass production.







Square bottom paper bag and flat paper bag

These bags are often used for home delivery or for primary food wrapping. It is possible to attach double-sided adhesive tape and/or provide oil resistance to them according to their applications.





Paper Products Segment (Paper Cartons)

<Strong sales of paper cartons for the food products market>

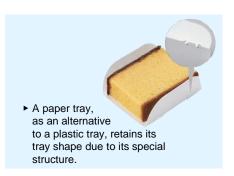
Business environment

- The food service industry, including fast food restaurants, performed well.
 - Companies in the industry are strengthening sales channels for delivery and takeout.
- Labor shortages at food products manufacturing plants are growing.
 Outsourcing demand for assembly of paper cartons and setup of products is increasing.
- The need for materials and processing for compliance with the PFAS regulations are increasing.

Initiatives

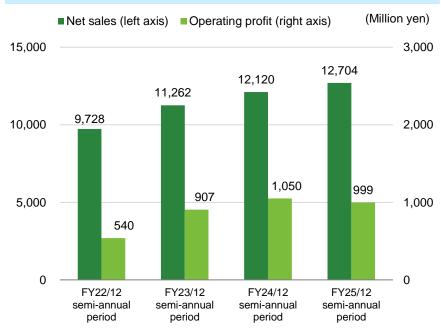
- Strengthening capital investments and technological development to expand sales of primary paper containers for food products (in response to the PFAS regulations)
- Putting additional effort into proposals for cross-selling that combines package sales with services that cover customers' labor shortages, such as assembly of paper cartons and packing of products

Examples of developed products

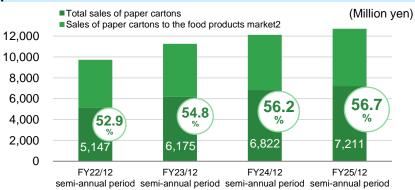




Trends in net sales and operating profits



Trends in net sales and sales composition to the food products market



Paper Products Segment (Corrugated Boxes)

<Sales grew thanks to a range of products covering a wide range of markets>

Business environment

Production volumes in the corrugated boxes industry for the first six months of 2025 were 99.8% of the level for last year's corresponding period. Consumption for electric appliances and mechanical instruments was 101.3%; for mail order, home delivery, and relocation, consumption was 101.2%.

(Sources: Japan Corrugated Case Association "Corrugated Box Statistics")

The B-to-C market is increasingly dependent on e-commerce. This market increasingly demands proposals for labor-saving and transportation efficiency improvements at packaging sites.

Initiatives

- Strengthening production capacity for delivery materials for the ecommerce market
- Putting additional effort into development and proposals for delivery materials for the B-to-C market
- Strengthening development and proposals for corrugated cushioning materials as an alternative to plastic cushioning materials
- Developing proprietary manufacturing technologies that differentiate us from competitors, such as production of large-sized products

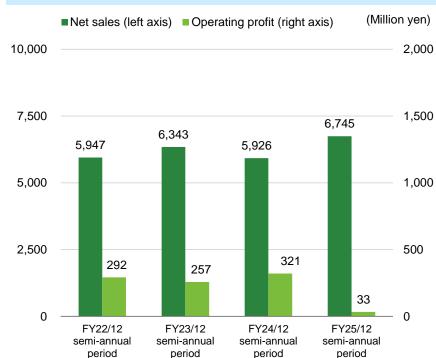


▲ Corrugated-box products "Extra-large corrugated boxes," among the largest manufactured in Japan



▲ Totally paper-made cushioned envelop CC-PACK® featuring flexibility and cushioning achieved using a special material composition

Trends in net sales and operating profits





▲ Corrugated pad, an alternative to plastic cushioning materials, achieved by capitalizing on our strengths in design



▲ Corrugated boxes produced by printing by use of high-definition flexographic printers

Film Packaging Segment

<Positive flexible packaging sales trends>

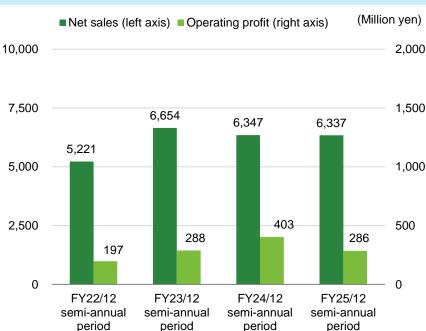
Business environment

- In response to unchanging societal demand for eco-friendliness, shopping bags used to transport purchases have increasingly been replaced by plastic-free bags and bags made of eco-friendly materials.
- With regard to baby paper sanitary products, local brands have emerged in overseas markets in Asia. In the domestic market, those products performed less well against the backdrop of shrinking populations.
- Growing demand in the home meal replacement market has increased demand for flexible packaging for food products.

Initiatives

- Offering beautifully decorated packages by leveraging the most advanced high-definition flexographic printers with low environmental impact
- Putting additional effort into further thinning of films and proposals for recycled and biomass materials
- Strengthening sales of flexible packaging in various markets, with a focus on the food products market

Trends in net sales and operating profits

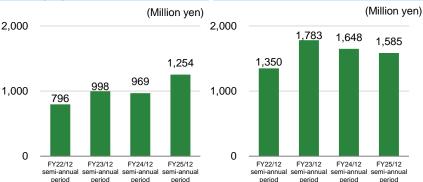


Examples of developed products package

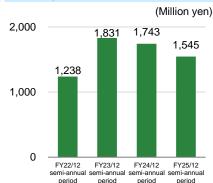


▲ Totally film-free flexible paper packaging with barrier performance

Trends in net sales of flexible packagings



Trends in net sales of plastic tote bags



Trends in net sales of external packages for disposable diapers

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Other Sectors (PAS (Pack Assortment Service System), sewn products, and other products)

<Lower results due to specific contracts in the distribution and retail markets>

Business environment

- As spending by inbound tourists plateaued and demand was satisfied, demand for gift-wrapping materials and promotion material has declined.
- Sluggish sales in department stores reduced demand for in-store supplies and office supplies
- Industry reorganization is underway in part of the distribution and retail markets.

Initiatives

- Strengthening proposals for sewn products with low environmental impact incorporating recycled and natural materials
- ◆ Improving the logistics efficiency of PAS (Pack Assortment Service System*) for department stores and specialty retail stores
 - * Combined delivery system for miscellaneous and consumable supplies

PAS (Pack Assortment Service System)



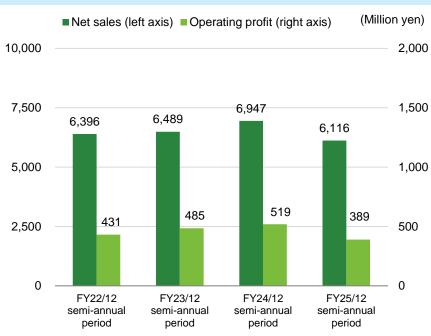
▲ Streamlining logistics via bulk delivery also helps reduce CO₂ emissions.

Examples of eco-friendly sewn products

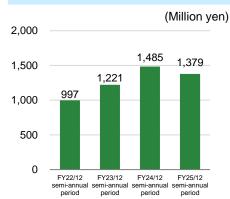


▲ Recycled Tetron Cotton, a material made by recycling materials such as cotton and polyester scraps from factories

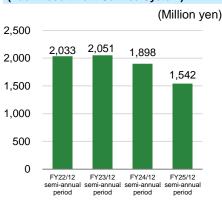
Trends in net sales and operating profits



Trends in net sales of sewn products



Trends in net sales of PAS (Pack Assortment Service System)



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Balance Sheet

		Year ended December 31, 2024	Second quarter of year ended December 31, 2025	
		Actual	Actual	
Assets		103,292	98,532	
Cı	urrent assets	60,043	55,354	
No	on-current assets	43,248	43,177	
	Property, plant, and equipment	30,166	30,342	
	Intangible assets	3,384	3,894	
	Investments and other assets	9,697	8,941	
Liabilit	ties	28,806	23,421	
Cı	urrent liabilities	27,766	21,914	
No	on-current liabilities	1,040	1,507	
Net ass	sets	74,485	75,110	
Sh	hareholders' equity	71,437	72,665	
	ccumulated other comprehensive come	3,022	2,426	
Sh	hare acquisition rights	25	18	

Cash Flow

Main items	Second quarter of year ended December 31, 2024	Second quarter of year ended December 31, 2025
	Actual	Actual
Cash flows from operating activities	6,301	5,435
Profit before income taxes	4,381	3,524
Depreciation	1,006	1,403
Cash flows used in investment activities	-97	884
Purchase of property, plant, and equipment	-1,958	-1,530
Purchase of intangible assets	-635	-607
Purchase of investment securities	-519	-13
Proceeds from sales of investment securities	802	779
Cash flows used in financing activities	-2,084	-1,378
Cash dividends paid	-1,046	-1,239
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	22,210	21,399

- ◆ Depreciation increased due to active capital investments in manufacturing facilities and backbone system renovations.
- ◆ Revenue posted from sales of cross-held shares
- ◆ Policies for stable dividends maintained

2. Forecast of Business Results for the Year Ending December 31, 2025 (Revised)



Forecasts of Business Results

New record-high net sales were set; the pressing issue is profits.

		(Willion you)	
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ending Dec (released A	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Actual	Forecasts of Business Results	Forecast YoY change
Net sales	101,461	103,000	1.5%
Operating profit	8,009	7,300	-8.9%
Ordinary profit	8,285	7,600	-8.3%
Profit attributable to owners of parent	6,316	6,100	-3.4%
Basic earnings per share (yen) *	111.17	108.26	-2.6%
Year-end dividend per share (yen) *	22.00	22.00	±0%

- ◆ New record-high net sales were set thanks to cross-selling centering on paper products.
- Profit declined due to increases in depreciation and expenses for external warehouses required by the transition of the inventory control structure.
- ◆ The year-end dividend remains unchanged at 66.0 yen (22.0 yen accounting for date of stock split) from the previous forecast, regardless of the dividend payout ratio benchmark.
 - * Effective July 1, 2025, we implanted a 3-for-1 stock split for common shares. Figures assume that the stock split took place at the start of the year ended December 31, 2024 (Dividend figures given above are year-end dividends per share).

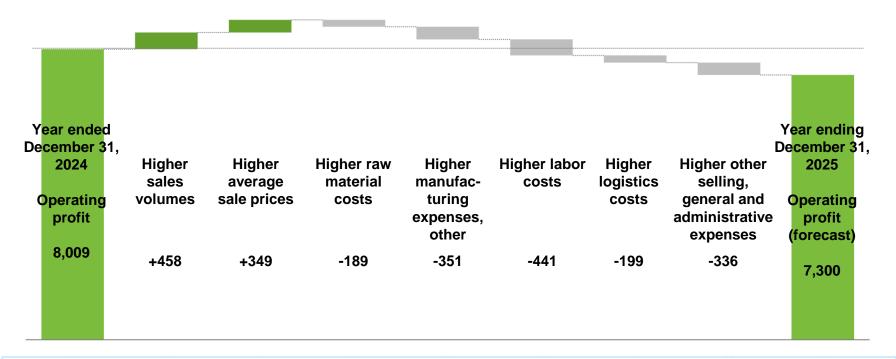
Trends in Consolidated Business Results

	Year ended December 31, 2021	Year ended December 31, 2022	Year ended December 31, 2023	Year ended December 31, 2024	(Million yen) Forecast for year ending December 31, 2025
Net sales	79,690	89,060	97,714	101,461	103,000
Operating profit	4,144	5,972	7,743	8,009	7,300

Trends in net sales Trends in operating profit (Million yen) (Million yen) 10,000 150,000 8,009 7,743 7,300 101,461 103,000 97,714 100,000 89,060 5,972 79,690 5,000 4,144 50,000 0 FY21/12 FY22/12 FY23/12 FY24/12 FY25/12 FY24/12 FY25/12 FY21/12 FY22/12 FY23/12 (forecast) (forecast)

Major Factors Underlying Projected Changes in Operating Profit

Efforts to promote further sales expansion and productivity improvement



- Expanding the product lineup and proposals intended to generate cross-selling should boost market share in new markets and expand sales volumes in new markets.
- ◆ Labor costs are expected to rise, driven primarily by workforce expansion and wage growth.
- ◆ Depreciation associated with capital investments in machinery for productivity improvement increased.
- Depreciation associated with backbone system renovations and the cost of contracts for external warehouses necessitated by the inventory control structure transition were also incurred.

3. Progress on the Medium-Term Management Plan



Quantitative Progress on the Medium-Term Management Plan

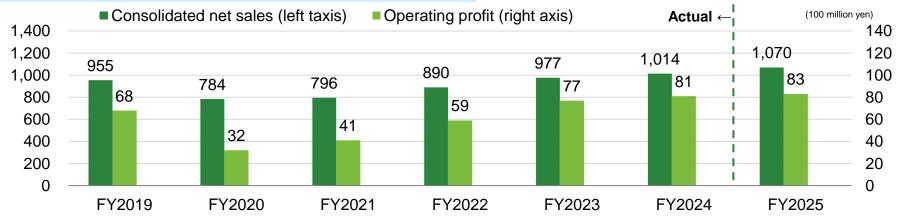
FY2025 targets
*Revised upward in
February 2024

Consolidated net sales: 107.0 billion yen; operating profit: 8.3 billion yen ROE: 8% or higher; ROIC: 8% or higher

Progress status

- ♦ All initiatives were implemented as planned. We expect to achieve the full-year quantitative targets.
 - Orders for paper cartons for food products and transportation packaging materials are trending up thanks to raised production capacity.
 - We are working to increase sales channels by cultivating new customers.

New Medium-Term Management Plan (FY2023-2025) targets



						(100 million yen)
	FY2024				FY2025	
	Semi-annual, actual	Full-year, actual	Semi-annual progress	Semi-annual, actual	Full-year, planned	Semi-annual progress
Consolidated net sales	466	1,014	45.9%	473	1,070	44.2%
Operating profit	35	80	43.8%	28	83	33.7%
Ratio of operating profit to net sales	7.6%	7.9%	-	6.0%	7.8%	-

Progress Status of Quantitative Targets in Medium-Term Management Plan (by market and by product type)

Overview

- ◆ Thanks to production capacity enhancements, profits increased for paper cartons in the food products market and for paper bags and corrugated boxes in the e-commerce market.
- ♦ In the general distribution, retail, and other markets, despite lower profits, we expanded the customer base.

Quantitative target by market

(100 million ven)

	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)	FY2025 semi-annual period (actual)	YOY change	FY2025 full-year, planned
Food products (*)	133	136	2.3%	320
e-commerce, mail order, logistics (*)	74	84	13.5%	180
General distribution, retail, etc.	259	254	-1.9%	570
Total	466	473	1.6%	1,070

^(*) The "food products" and "e-commerce, mail-order, logistics" markets were defined in consideration of the businesses of customers and the purposes of their use of products.

Quantitative target by product category

(100 million yen)

	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)	FY2025 semi-annual period (actual)	YOY change	FY2025 full-year, planned
Paper bags	142	144	1.4%	315
Paper cartons	121	127	4.8%	270
Corrugated boxes	59	67	13.8%	150
Film packaging	63	63	-0.2%	145
Other	69	61	-11.2%	190
Total	466	473	1.6%	1,070

Progress on Growth Strategies in the Food Products Market

Quantitative progress

(100 million yen)

FY2024	FY2025			
semi-annual period (actual)	Semi-annual, actual	YOY change	Full-year, planned	
133	136	2.3%	320	

Overview of Progress

- ◆ Efforts are underway to create order-receiving opportunities through various solutions proposals.
 - Orders for paper cartons and flexible packaging remain strong.
 - The product lineup is being expanded through M&A initiatives.
- ◆ Sales expansion of primary containers for food products and efforts related to paper trays and molded pulp containers

			(100 million yen)
	FY2024	FY2025	
	semi-annual	semi-annual	YOY change
	period (actual)	period (actual)	_
All paper cartons in the market	73.0	77.3	5.9%
Primary containers for food products	41.7	43.1	3.4%
(Reference) All paper bags in the food products market	35.7	34.0	-4.8%

♦ Growth in sales of and cross-selling of film packaging

* For food products market only	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)	FY2025 semi-annual period (actual)	YOY change
Film packaging	7.0	7.4	5.7%

◆ Development of environmental impact reducing materials and processing, and sales expansion of FSC® products (FSC® C020517)
(100 million yen)

* For food products market only	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)	FY2025 semi-annual period (actual)	YOY change
FSC® products	25.9	26.9	3.9%

◆ Promoting proposals for solutions that contribute to labor savings, efficiency, and automation

Progress in logistics and processing business

- The Company began operating a new base in western Japan in January 2025, in addition to the one in eastern Japan.
- Both the customer base and numbers of orders received have steadily grown: from 21 in 2024 to 46 in 2025.

Showcasing at FOOMA JAPAN 2025



The Pack showcased our products at FOOMA JAPAN 2025, among the world's major exhibitions for the food products industry. The event drew 110,827 visitors over the course of four days. Many attendees visited The Pack's exhibition booth, where we presented problem-solving case studies for package use drawn from the food products industry, introduced various products, and demonstrated robot-based item sorting.

We presented our capabilities as a one-stop provider of optimal packaging solutions addressing various customer issues, including cost reductions, efficiency enhancements, and labor shortages. In this way we are pursuing further growth in this market.

Progress on Growth Strategies in the e-commerce, Mail Order, and **Logistics Industries**

Quantitative progress

FY2024	(100 million yen)			
semi-annual period (actual)	Semi-annual, actual	YOY change	Full-year, planned	
74	84	13.5%	190	

Overview of Progress

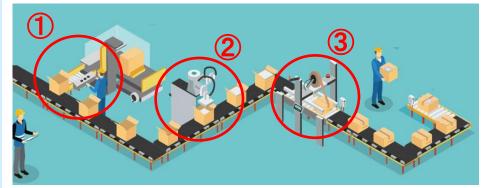
- ◆ Orders have been favorable due to capital investments and supply chain enhancements.
 - Research and development efforts related to materials and machinery were increased in response to customer logistics issues.
- ◆ Enhancing sales efforts for delivery bags designed to contribute to transportation efficiency at customer sites.

	(100 million yen)			
	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)	YOY change		
Paper delivery bags	5.9	8.1	37.3%	
Other delivery materials	4.4	11.5	2.6 times	

 Continuing to expand sales of reinforced corrugated boxes for heavy articles (100 million ven)

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	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)	FY2025 semi-annual period (actual)	YOY change
Reinforced corrugated boxes	4.7	4.9	4.3%

Research and development for labor-saving and automation systems



- Assembly and feed equipment for product packages and delivery materials
 - Designing and developing equipment for automating and streamlining packaging work tailored to specific customer needs
 - · Developing materials that enhance work efficiency and better safeguard products based the properties of specific facilities
- 2 Construction of automatic packaging and labor-saving mechanisms for
 - Developing and proposing packaging design specifications suited to automation systems designed to meet processing conditions and handle specific products/materials, including plastic delivery bags, paper delivery bags, individual packaging boxes, and corrugated cases.
- 3 Sealing and label attachment
 - Planning and developing system linkage of a sealing machine for applying tape and other such tasks and equipment for attaching shipment labels or associated processing for corrugated cases, delivery bags, and individual packaging boxes

The Company proposes plans and develops equipment in accordance with customer specific products and operations.

Progress on Growth Strategies in the General Distribution Market, the Retail Market, and Other Markets

Quantitative progress

Overview of Progress

		(10	0 million yen)
FY2024		FY2025	
semi-annual period (actual)	Semi-annual, actual	YOY change	Full-year, planned
259	254	-1.9%	570

- ◆ Profits in the distribution and retail market declined due to certain orders.
- ◆ Orders from new customers increased following expansion of production capacity for paper products.
- ◆ Promoting additional proposals that would expand market share for paper bags and promote the shift to paper

General distribution and retail market; other markets	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)	FY2025 semi-annual period (actual)	YOY change
Paper bags	71.0	70.3	-1.0%
(Reference) Film packaging	36,2	36.0	-1.0%

◆ Promoting social contributions alongside customers (The Pack Forest® Environment Fund)

	FY2030 target	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)	FY2025 semi-annual period (actual)
Number of activities per year (times)	15	5	5
Number of participants (persons)	500	124	102
Number of supporting companies	300	115	144

◆ Providing products consistent with the 3Rs (Recycle, Reuse, and Reduce)

(100 million yen)				
	FY2023 semi-annual period (actual)	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)	FY2025 semi-annual period (actual)	YOY change
Sewn bags, gift packaging materials, etc.	12.2	14.9	13.8	-7.4%

Progress on Human Capital Strategy

Overview

- ◆ Continuation of efforts to secure and develop human resources and maximize corporate value
 - Promoting recruitment, wage increases, and workplace improvements
 - Strengthening junior employee education and DX-based productivity improvements

Securing diverse human resources

	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)	FY2025 semi-annual period (actual)
Career hires	19	13
Referrals and "comeback" hiring	5	3

Human resource development

- Organized education programs tailored to specific work types and levels
 Training already implemented during the first half of FY2025
 - Pre-employment training, new employee training, manager skills training, etc.
 - ◆ DX training (third term)
 - FY2024: Implemented program to develop certain human resources and to output results (to approx. 150 employees).
 - FY2025: Continuing training leading to improved operational efficiency in advance of system upgrade (for approx. 130 employees)
 - Continued to hold study meetings for enhancing knowledge on products

Creating better working environments

- Initiatives targeting enhanced understanding by the employee association (labor representatives)
 Implementing study meetings on salaries, evaluation, and related issues for employees participating in the labor-management council to encourage a better understanding and more effective discussions
- Efforts to promote health management Informing employees of various programs, including financial aid for comprehensive medical examinations and programs operated jointly with the Health Insurance Society

Enhancing employee engagement

- Consecutive wage increases FY2024 5.50% on average (FY2023 4.51% on average)
- Making the most of the engagement survey
 Plans to provide workplace improvement training in 2025 based on analysis results
- We encourage employees to join the employee stock ownership program and aim to increase awareness of management participation opportunities.
 We grant transfer-restricted share-based incentives under the employee stock ownership program.

Personnel planning

	Actual number of participants as of December 31, 2024	Actual number of participants as of June 30, 2025	Progress	FY2025 planned
Personnel planning for all workers including permanent employees, contract employees, and part-time workers.	1,836	1,933	100.7%	1,920

- Activities to strengthen sales human resources in eastern Japan
- Addition of 69 employees from Hikari Packs Ishikawa Co., Ltd., a Group company since April
- Productivity enhancements achieved through human resource development and placement of the right people in the right places while adding to sales and manufacturing employees

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Progress with Financial Strategies

Overview

- ◆ Implement plans while responding to environmental changes in markets
 - Efforts to strengthen production capacity for mainstream products and M&A activities targeting growth markets have proceeded according to plans.
 - New initiatives will be addressed to enhance corporate value in the mid- to long-term.

Capital investments

Capital investments					
(100 million ye					100 million yen)
		Initial plan (FY2023- 2025)	FY2023- 2024 actual	FY2025 planned	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)
	Reinforcing the capacity to produce paper cartons	20.0	20.4	3.0	0.2
Strategic nvestments	Reinforcing the capacity to produce paper bags	30.0	27.3	11.5	5.4
	Streamlining or lobar savings	11.0	2.3	1.6	0.7
	Energy or resource savings	2.0	0.5	-	-
	Other	2.0	2.1	0.3	0.2
	Total strategic investments	65.0	52.6	16.4	6.5
Maint	aining plant facilities	20.0	9.7	10.6	0.7
Land	Plant site near Osaka Plant	-	19.0	-	-
acquisition	Plant site near Tokyo Plant	-	7.4	-	-
Reconstruction of headquarters building			10.0	-	-
Total		85.0	98.7	27.0	7.2

Renovations of the backbone system

			(100 million yen)
	FY2025 planned	FY2024 semi-annual period (actual)	FY2023 to FY2025 planned
Amount invested to renovate the backbone system	10.0	4.7	20.0

M&A

 In February 2025, we purchased shares of Hikari Packs Ishikawa Co., Ltd., a manufacturer of paper cartons for food products and confectioneries in Ishikawa Prefecture, making the company a subsidiary. In the market for food products packaging, a growth market, we plan to achieve continuing growth by expanding production capacity and our lineup of paper cartons.

[Corporate Overview]		
Company Name	Hikari Packs Ishikawa Co., Ltd.	
Address	2-6-6, Nango-machi, Kaga City, Ishikawa, 922-0821, Japan	
Representative	Director Kazuhiko Yoshiyama	
Business	Manufacture and sale of paper cartons; planning, design, and printing of packaging	
Capital	3 million yen	
Established	August 11, 1993	
Sales in FY2024	960 million yen	

Capital policies and shareholder returns

- Under the capital policies set forth in the Medium-Term Management Plan, the Company resolved to <u>purchase treasury shares up to 1 billion yen</u> (900,000 shares) to <u>enhance shareholder returns and capital efficiency</u>. (Purchase period: February 13 to December 31, 2025)
- A 1-for-3 stock split with a date of record of June 30, 2025, was implemented to <u>establish an environment that facilitates investments</u> and further expand investor layers.
 - The stock split <u>will maintain shareholder benefits</u>. <u>The year-end</u> dividend forecast was revised upward.
- [Increased to 66 yen (announced May 20, 2025) from the previous forecast: 64 yen (announced May 12, 2025)
- At a meeting of the Board of Directors held on August 29, 2025, the
 Company determined to offer new shares for purchase by investors. We
 plan to <u>enhance mid- to long-term corporate value</u> by offering Company
 shares, enhancing the free float ratio, and expanding shareholder tiers.

4. Progress on Sustainable Management



Progress on Sustainable Management

Materiality KPIs

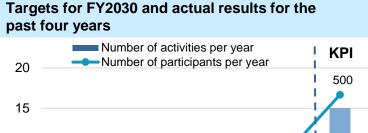
♦ Five KPIs were established with a goal of achieving these KPIs by FY2030. The following shows action plans and actual results for the past four years:

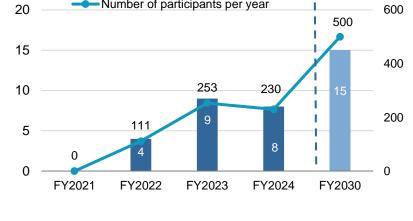
Materiality KPIs and action plans Targets for FY2030 and actual results for the past four years **KPI** 1 Promoting ♦ Increasing the proportion of net sales*1 of FSC® 60.0% eco-friendly products (paper bags, paper cartons, and 50.0% product corrugated boxes) to 50% or more planning and Putting more efforts into proposals for the shift to paper 40.0% technological packaging development Increasing the number of FSC® certified suppliers Accelerating development of new paper-based materials 21.1% 20.2% and products 20.0% 17.4% *1 Net sales = the whole Paper Products segment of The 13.2% Pack Corporation on a non-consolidated basis (FSC® C020517) 0.0% <First half of FY2025 actual> FY2021 FY2022 FY2023 FY2024 FY2030 • Sales as of June 30, 2025 : 6.21 billion yen (up 4.6% yearon-year) Sales as of June 30, 2024: 5.93 billion yen (tons) 2 Reducing ◆ Reducing CO₂ emissions (Scopes 1+2) by 46% from 20,000 **KPI** environmental the level of FY2018 16,756 16,149 15,399 (16,662 tons in FY2018 to a target of 8,997 tons in impact 14.894 15,000 FY2030) throughout our business · Switching to machines with high energy efficiency 8,997 activities 10,000 Shifting to renewable energy for power used (including purchase of renewable energy) • Expanding the use of solar panels 5,000 <First half of FY2025 actual> Start of calculations of CO2 emissions for Group FY2021 FY2022 FY2023 FY2024 FY2030 companies (Scope 1+2) · Plants switched to high-efficiency facilities

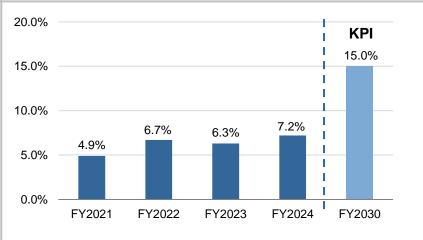
Progress on Sustainable Management

Materiality KPIs

Materiality KPIs and action plans ③ Contributing Increasing the number of The Pack Forest® **Environment Fund activities per year to 15** environmental and the number of participants to 500 conservation and · Increasing the number of activities by finding new preservation locations for conducting activities · Making more publicity efforts to local residents and inviting general participants · Strengthening customer invitation activities <First half of FY2025 actual> • As of June 30, 2025: 5 activities and 102 participants • As of June 30, 2024: 4 activities and 124 participants (4) Promoting ♦ Increasing the percentage of women diverse work managers (section manager or above) to styles that 15% or more encourage all employees to Increasing the percentage of women in university thrive graduate recruits to 35% or more Establishing systems and environments that allow women to work for many years <First half of FY2025 actual> • Ratio of new female graduates hired from April 2025: 41.2%







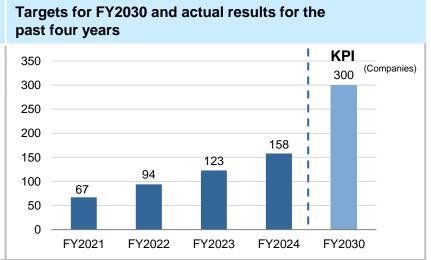
• Ratio of new female graduates hired from April 2024:

35.7%

Progress on Sustainable Management

Materiality KPIs

Materiality KPIs and action plans ⑤ Co-creating brand value with our customers ♠ Increasing the number of companies*² supporting The Pack Forest® Environment Fund to 300 • Enhancing tools for activity introduction and inviting companies to support activities *²Companies that have a record of sales are counted. ← First half of FY2025 actual> • As of June 30, 2025: 144 (up 25.2% year-on-year) • As of July 30, 2024: 115



Communication with stakeholders

Communication with investors

Attentive individual response to institutional investors
 Invitations to the Packaging Laboratory in Tokyo

(Unit: cases) 2025 2021 2022 2023 2024 (as of July 30) Individual 34 29 19 19 39 meetings Laboratory 1 6 6 1 4 guide

Initiatives for individual investors are being considered.

Release of Integrated Report and Sustainability Report



Integrated Report 2025



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5. Reference Materials



Corporate Overview

Name	THE PACK CORPORATION
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Founded	May 1952 (shares listed September 1991; listed on TSE Prime Market April 2022)
Headquarters	9-3 Higashiobase 2-chome, Higashinari-ku, Osaka, Osaka Prefecture
Lines of business	Planning, manufacturing and sale of paper bags, folding paper cartons, corrugated boxes, film packaging, etc.
Executives	Naoki Nakamura, President and CEO, seven other directors (including three outside directors), and four auditors (including two outside auditors)
Number of employees	1,239 consolidated, 866 nonconsolidated
Group companies	Nine consolidated subsidiaries (in Japan, the United States, and China)
Main banks	MUFG Bank, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation, Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Mizuho Bank
Main shareholders	Morita Memorial Welfare Foundation 11.07%, The Master Trust Bank of Japan (trust account) 7.12%, partner companies' stock ownership program 6.76%, BBH for Fidelity Low-Priced Stock Fund (Standing proxy: MUFG Bank, Ltd.) 6.50%, Custody Bank of Japan (trust account) 5.19%, Custody Bank of Japan (Resona re-trust account/Hokuetsu Corporation retirement benefits trust account) 3.88%, Daio Paper Corporation 3.05%, MUFG Bank 2.63%, Shichijo Paper Trading Co., Ltd. 2.52%, Morita Shoji Corporation 2.20%

(As of December 31, 2024)

The Pack Group (Nine Consolidated Subsidiaries)

The Pack Corporation

Headquarters (Osaka)

Tokyo Head Office Building









(All sites have earned ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 certification.)

Domestic subsidiaries

Keihin Tokushu **Printing Corp.**



Nikko Print Corporation



Pack Takeyama Co., Ltd.



Nishinihon Printing Co., Ltd.



Kannaru Printing Co.. Ltd.



Hikari Packs Ishikawa Co., Ltd.



Overseas subsidiaries

Consolidated subsidiaries in China The Pack (Changshu) Co., Ltd.



The Pack (Shanghai) Corporation



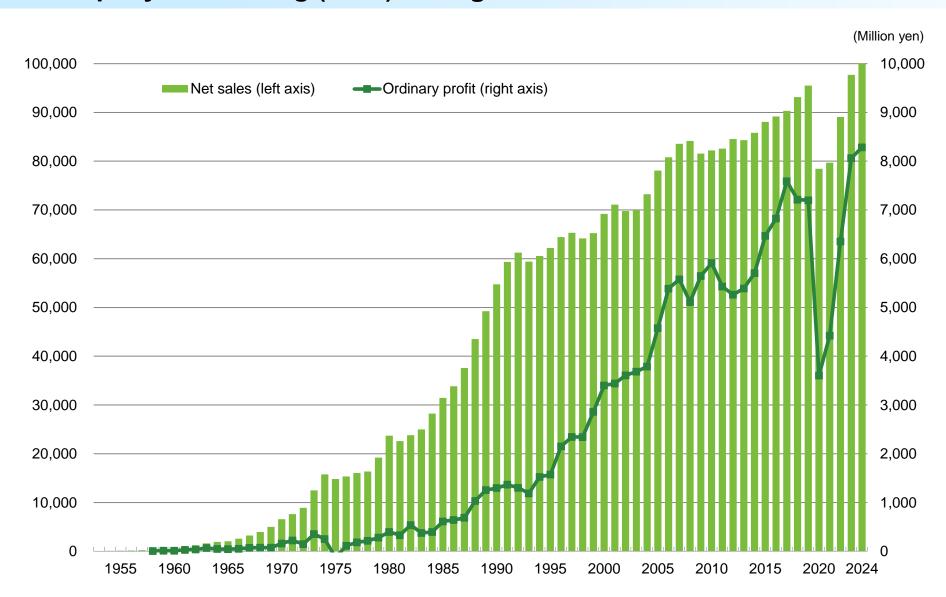
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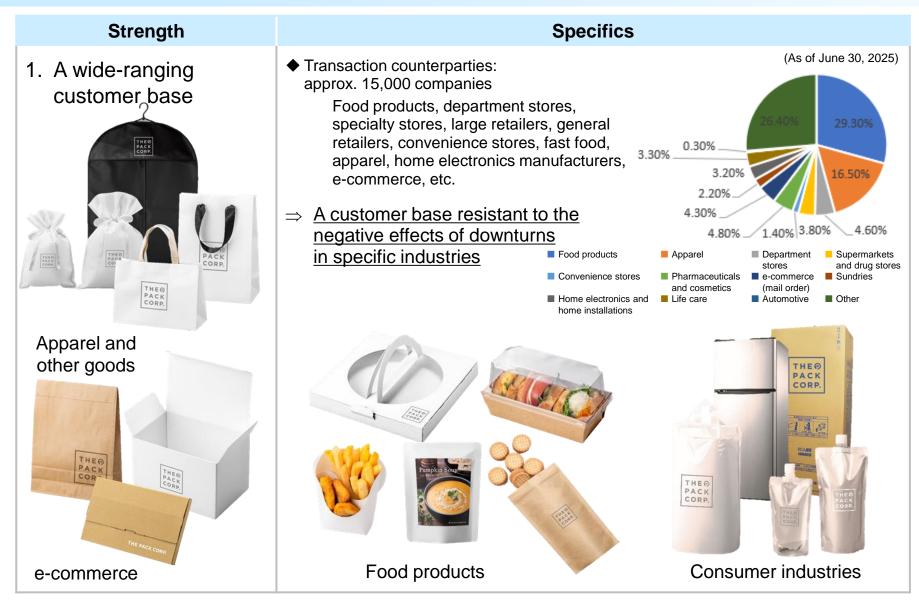
Trends in Net Sales and Ordinary Profit (Consolidated) from the Company's Founding (1952) through 2024



Distribution Structure for Major Products



The Pack's Strengths (1)



The Pack's Strengths (2)

Strength **Specifics** (Full support structure) 2. A total packaging Solutions proposed by joint efforts of the sales, research and planning, solutions provider engineering, and design sections (Thorough expertise and access to large body of information) Operating one of Japan's largest packaging labs Providing solutions only a general package maker can provide







Total packaging solutions

Solutions in the package use phase Solutions for the package production phase













The Pack's Strengths (2)

■ The Packaging Laboratories

We operate three permanent showrooms—Tokyo, Osaka, and Fukuoka—which each feature a focus on packages.

Exhibiting collections of packages from around the world, these showrooms help visitors grasp packaging trends and determine the specifications for their packages. Each year, the Packaging Laboratories welcome some 2,300 visitors from some 1,200 companies.

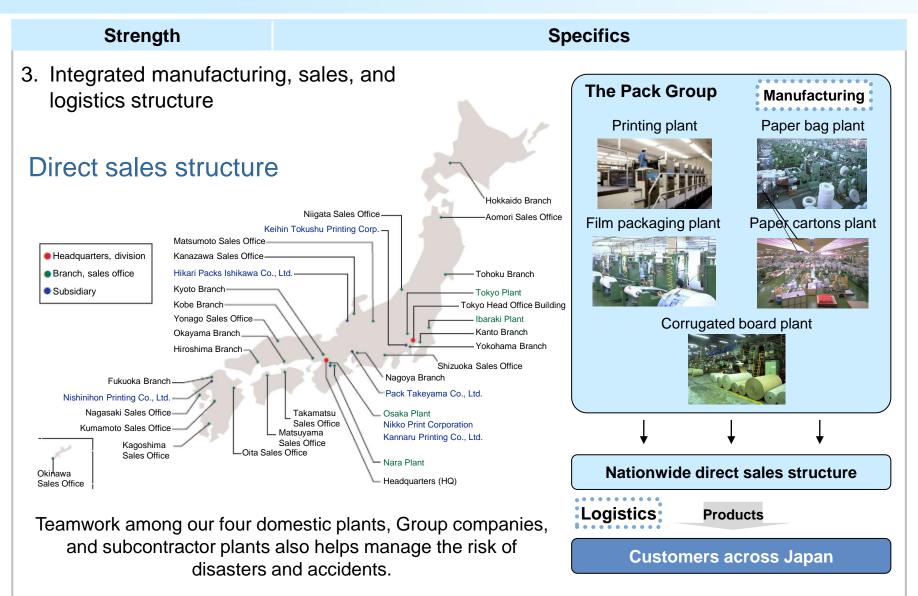








The Pack's Strengths (3)



The Pack's Strengths (4) (5)

Strength	Specifics
4. Quality control structure	 Groupwide quality management systems are ISO 9001-certified. The Tokyo and Osaka plants have earned FSSC 22000 international food-safety management system certification. Based on a policy of improving customer satisfaction through enhanced quality, we strive to earn customer trust by delivering safe, reliable products.
5. IT-driven customer networks	 Delivering packaging materials, supplies, and other products as an integrated service ⇒ Streamlined logistics based on combined deliveries also helps cut CO₂ emissions. ◆ Offering Pack-Web web-ordering services ⇒ Streamlining customers' ordering operations Streamlining customers' ordering operations Store A our system our states of order receipt. Internet) Our system our states of order receipt. Store A our system our states of order receipt. Store B our states of order receipt. Store A our system our states of order receipt. Store B our states of order receipt. Restocking management and purchasing sections are stored.

ESG Initiatives (1)

Initiatives

 Planning and proposing packages to support social contribution activities **Specifics**

 Sales begin for KAISONAL[®] (eco-friendly next-generation oil-resistant coating).

KAISONAL® is a coating agent made from seaweed-derived raw material to meet increasing demands for takeout food packages and reduced environmental impact.

PFAS-free, plastic-free primary paper packaging coated with this agent offer oil-resistance equal to conventional oil-proof packaging.

This alternative to plastic takeout food packages satisfies demands in the food products market.



<Product features>

- Incorporates safe, seaweedderived raw material
- Plastic-free, biodegradable
- PFAS-free, styrene-free, acrylicfree
- Oil resistance equivalent to conventional oil-resistant packaging

Relationship to the SDGs







Read the The Pack blog for more product information. https://www.thepack.co.jp/blog/products/a197



ESG Initiatives (2)

Initiatives Specifics ◆ All plants and sites in Japan had earned ISO 14001 certification as of 2006. Environmental ◆ Continuing to reduce the use of materials appearing on the Pollutant Release and Transfer initiatives Register (PRTR) and in industrial waste ◆ Developing and expanding sales of eco-friendly products and FSC® products ◆ We fulfill our obligations as a core member of the Japan Clean Ocean Material Alliance, which promotes activities across the economy to develop and promote innovative substitutes based on public-private partnerships to reduce ocean plastic waste. ◆ Promoting the use and spread of renewable energy by investing in renewable energy funds ◆ Disclosing information according to TCFD and setting CO₂ emission reduction targets by FY2030 ⇒ Reducing CO₂ emissions (Scopes 1+2) by 46% from the FY2018 level Changes in CO₂ emissions (Scopes 1+2) Materiality 16,662 16,756 16,149 **KPIs** 15,512 15,399 14,914 14,894 46% reductions from FY2018 levels 6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION Relationship 11,532 11,638 11,279 to the SDGs 10,445 10,353 8,997 9,873 9,851 5,130 5,067 5,041 5,043 5,046 5,118 4.870 FY2019 FY2022 FY2023 FY2030 FY2018 FY2020 FY2021 FY2024 (t-CO₂) target

ESG Initiatives (3)

Initiatives

3. Activities of The Pack Forest[®] Environment Fund (forest conservation activities)

Relationship to the SDGs













Specifics

- ◆ In 2000, we established an independent The Pack Forest® Environment Fund and launched volunteer activities to plant and thin forested areas. Currently we have nine planting sites across Japan.
- ◆ We contribute a portion of the sales from eco-friendly products to the Forest Environment Fund.
- Operation of the Fund is subcontracted to the nonprofit Eco Future Fund (EFF).
- ◆ We carry out forest conservation activities with the participation of not just The Pack employees, but customers and the general public.





The Pack Forest Mark

Funds contributed	209 million yen
Trees planted	23,693
Total participants	7,660
Planted land area	19.57 Ha
CO ₂ emissions absorbed	2,258.87 t

(Totals as June 30, 2025)

ESG Initiatives (4)

Initiatives

4. Human Resource Development and Workplace Development

Specifics

- ◆ In accordance with our Company Motto, "Passionate and Dedicated to Our Partnerships," and our Corporate Philosophy, "We Value and Nurture People," we are implementing initiatives to contribute to employee welfare, including human resource development, support for childcare and long-term care, and employment stability.
- ◆ Chosen by the Certified Health & Productivity Management **Outstanding Organizations Recognition** Program 2025 (for the seven consecutive year) Thorough health checkups and secondary examinations, smoking cessation challenge, stress checks, health training, etc.
- Adoption and use of evaluation and support programs to help improve skills In 2020, we adopted a new HR system, which includes integrated management of employee information using a talent management system, fair and appropriate evaluation through HR development meetings, and economic assistance with earning official qualifications through the skills improvement support program, among other activities.

HR system (career development stage) Action requirements Wage structure 3. Management skills Training programs Management by objectives HR development meetings HR evaluation (decisions on treatment) 1. Skills evaluation

Relationship to the SDGs







8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

Operation

Making the most of diverse human resources Promoting women in the workplace, comprehensive program of shortened working hours, improving the employment conditions of post-retirement employees and part-time employees, encouraging men to take childcare leave, opening the Kainan Office to employ people with disabilities, adoption of a referral employment program, etc.

ESG Initiatives (5)

Initiatives

Social contribution activities

Specifics

◆ As part of our environmental education initiatives, in cooperation with the city of Higashi-Osaka, we organize hands-on manufacturing classes at elementary schools.







- ◆ Supporting the Kansai Philharmonic Orchestra
- ◆ Donations to Yoshinoyama Hoshoukai
- Sponsoring the Kids Earth Fund
- ◆ Supporting regions affected by the 2024 Noto Earthquake through disaster relief donation
- ◆ Providing a lecturer to Oshigoto (Job) Fair

Relationship to the SDGs









Oshigoto Fair is an event aimed at junior high schoolers who live with foster families in small-scale foster group homes known as family homes and in group homes for children in Nara Prefecture. Its objective is to serve as an opportunity for them to listen to the stories of working adults and choose suitable future paths and occupations.

Note

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