

# Financial Results Briefing For the First Six Months of the Fiscal Year Ending February 28, 2026



# Key points for FY2025 First Half (H1) earnings

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# Operating revenue: ¥440.1 billion

Record-high for a half-year period

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# **Gross profit ratio: +0.4P**

Progress as planned

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# **Ordinary profit: ¥13.8 billion**

Increase due to rise in gross profit ratio and SG&A control

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# 1. Earnings overview for H1

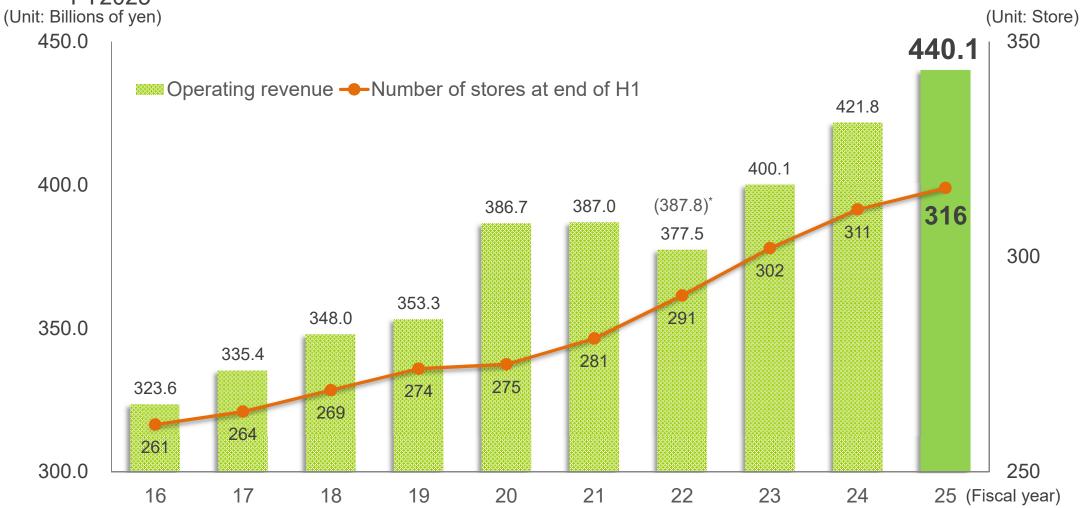
## Consolidated performance overview (H1)

(Unit: Millions of yen, %)

	FY2024 H1	FY2025 H1	Amount of change	Rate of change	Ratio to net sales
Operating revenue	421,885	440,114	+18,228	+4.3	-
Net sales	406,199	423,805	+17,606	+4.3	-
Gross profit	124,588	131,814	+7,225	+5.8	31.1
SG&A	128,043	134,819	+6,775	+5.3	31.8
Operating profit	12,232	13,303	+1,070	+8.8	3.1
Ordinary profit	12,706	13,858	+1,152	+9.1	3.3
Profit	8,914	9,327	+413	+4.6	2.2

# **Operating revenue trends (H1)**

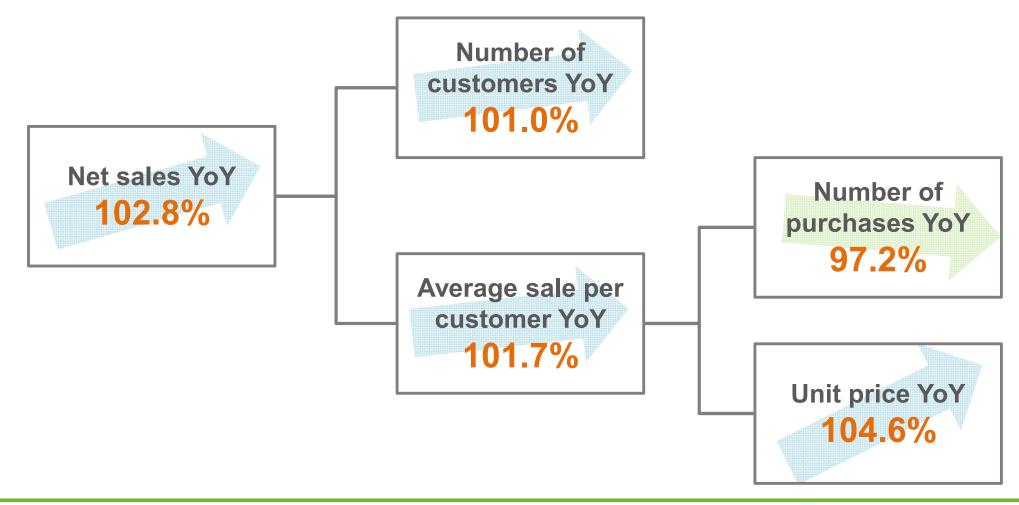
- Operating revenue for a half-year period reached a record high of ¥440.1 billion
- Contribution from new stores and growth of existing stores (102.8% YoY) between FY2024 and FY2025



<sup>\*</sup> Application of "Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition" from FY2022 (operating revenue before application: ¥387.8 billion)

# Sales-related indicators for existing stores (H1)

- Increase in sales at existing stores mainly due to a rise in unit prices and number of customers
- Declining trend in number of purchases, partly due to rising price of rice, etc.



#### (Reference) Trends in sales-related indicators for existing stores

(before application of Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition)

- Excluding February 2025, which was impacted by the leap year, the YoY ratio of the number of customers has exceeded 100% for 23 continuous months
- Unit prices have remained high since FY2024



# **Net sales by department (H1)**

- Strong performance with seasonal products due to prolonged periods of hot weather
- Strengthen lineup of unique products while ensuring a balance between quality and price from the customer's perspective

	Net sales (Unit: Millions of yen, %)						
Department FY202		24 H1	4 H1 FY2		2025 H1		
			All stores YoY		All stores YoY	Existing stores YoY	Sales composition
Fo	od	360,083	105.8	378,084	105.0	103.3	89.2
	Agricultural Produce	53,358	107.8	54,361	101.9	100.3	12.8
	Marine Products	31,117	104.9	32,201	103.5	101.9	7.6
	Meat Products	44,356	104.6	46,534	104.9	103.2	11.0
	Delicatessen	47,953	105.8	51,569	107.5	105.4	12.2
	Process and Daily	183,296	105.6	193,417	105.5	103.9	45.6
No	n-food	46,115	101.9	45,721	99.1	98.5	10.8
	Lifestyle Products	34,652	103.3	34,440	99.4	98.5	8.1
	Apparel	11,463	97.7	11,280	98.4	98.4	2.7
	Total	406,199	105.3	423,805	104.3	102.8	100.0

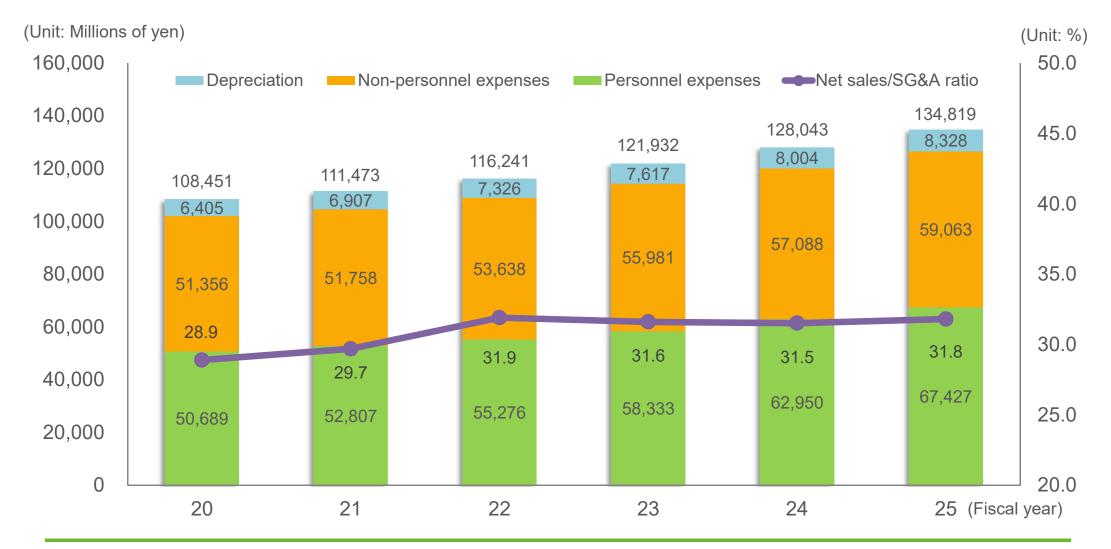
## Gross profit ratio by department in H1

- Gross profit ratio in H1 grew as planned due to uniform efforts across the company
- Aim for +0.2 P to 0.3 P YoY increase over full-year target while balancing quality and price

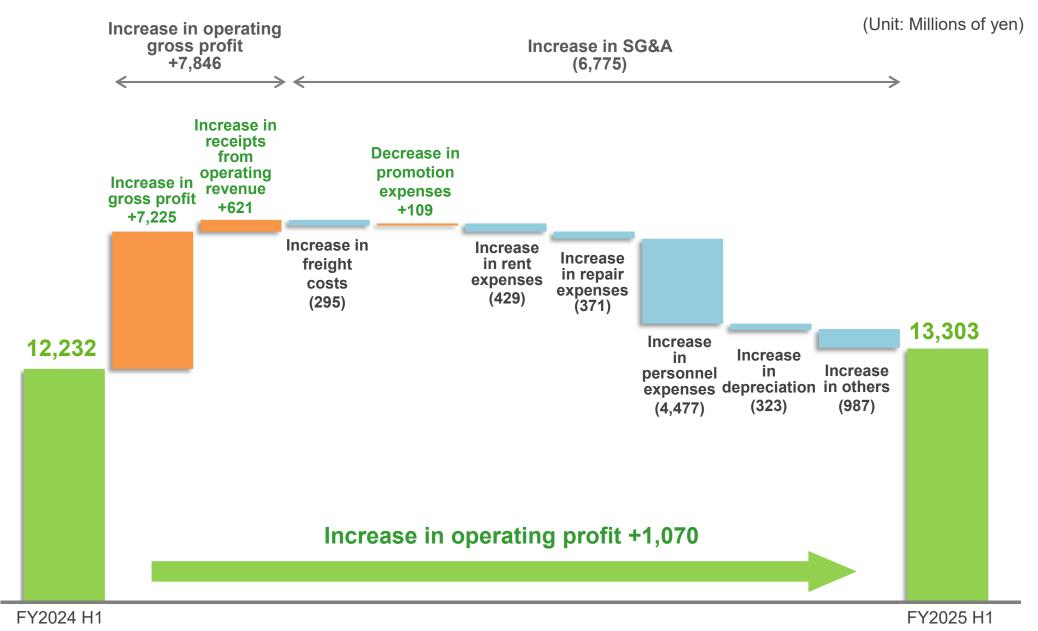
	Gross profit ratio for FY2025 H1 (Unit: %, P)							
Department		1Q		2Q		H1		
		Gross profit ratio	Change YoY	Gross profit ratio	Change YoY	Gross profit ratio	Change YoY	
Fo	od	31.4	+0.4	31.2	+0.5	31.3	+0.5	
	Agricultural Produce	29.8	+0.8	29.3	+0.3	29.6	+0.5	
	Marine Products	32.9	+0.6	34.0	+0.3	33.4	+0.5	
	Meat Products	28.5	+0.8	28.8	+0.7	28.6	+0.8	
	Delicatessen	54.6	(0.4)	54.6	+0.4	54.6	±0.0	
	Process and Daily	26.1	+0.3	25.6	+0.4	25.8	+0.4	
No	n-food	30.4	+0.7	28.8	(0.5)	29.6	+0.1	
	Lifestyle Products	27.3	+0.8	25.3	(8.0)	26.3	±0.0	
	Apparel	40.1	+0.7	39.1	+0.2	39.6	+0.4	
To	tal	31.3	+0.5	30.9	+0.4	31.1	+0.4	

# **SG&A (H1)**

- Progress as planned despite increase in personnel expenses caused by proactive pay rises
- Although procurement costs increased due to inflation, non-personnel expenses remained below plan through cost control measures



# Factors of changes in operating profit (H1)



#### **Consolidated balance sheet**

(Unit: Millions of yen)

		End-February, 2025	End-August, 2025	Amount of change
Total current assets		96,348	128,495	+32,146
	Cash and deposits	8,366	36,158	+27,792
	Inventories	30,355	29,946	(409)
	Accounts receivable - trade	18,577	24,323	+5,746
	Accounts receivable - other	34,427	33,878	(548)
	Other	4,621	4,187	(433)
Tot	al non-current assets	209,678	210,886	+1,207
	Property, plant and equipment	161,351	159,351	(1,999)
	Intangible assets	5,851	5,228	(623)
	Investments and other assets	42,476	46,306	+3,830
	Total assets	306,027	339,381	+33,354
Tot	al liabilities	167,592	194,700	+27,107
	Interest-bearing liabilities	71,062	37,422	(33,640)
Tot	al net assets	138,435	144,681	+6,246
Т	otal liabilities and net assets	306,027	339,381	+33,354

#### **Consolidated cash flows**

(Unit: Millions of yen)

	FY2024 H1	FY2025 H1	Amount of change
Cash flows from operating activities	56,447	70,402	+13,955
Cash flows from investing activities	(10,347)	(5,929)	+4,418
Cash flows from financing activities	(25,733)	(36,681)	(10,948)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	28,573	36,158	+7,585

# 2. H1 initiatives

## Investment in stores (new stores)

- 4 new stores were opened as planned in H1 (1 LIFE store and 3 BIO-RAL stores)
- Continue to proactively open new BIO-RAL stores in line with large number of invitations

Accumulation of know-how on dedicated stores



 Strengthening of delicatessen products that highlight ingredients Try low-cost store opening



 Specialization in product supply and sales floor management Strengthening of BIO-RAL brand

Opened in March and turned profit in H1

**Acceleration of opening of BIO-RAL dedicated stores** 

## **Investment in stores** (renovation of existing stores)

- Existing store renovations were performed as planned (H1: 3 stores)
- Planned renovation of 6 stores in H2

H1



(April) Neyagawa Store



(June) Oyata Store



(June) Maenocho Store

H2



(September) Matsudo Nijusseikigaoka Store



(October)
Coconeri Nerima Ekimae Store

Planned for 4 other stores

# Breaking away from homogeneous competition (unique products enhancement)

- In line with customer needs, launched BIO-RAL's first clothing products using organic cotton
- Sales significantly exceeded plan due to support from customers in agreement with the BIO-RAL concept



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# Breaking away from homogeneous competition (unique products enhancement)

- Connections with customers through social media
  - Rice plate with black maitake mushrooms and porcini sauce

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**Chunky sweet potato Danish** 



Decision made to resale product in line with high demand from social media



1st customer participation project

#### Results from FY2025 H1

\* Due to product category changes, figures for FY2024 H1 have been revised so that they can be compared for the same categories as FY2025 H1

	Private brand name	Net sales (Millions of yen)	YoY (%)*	Sales composition (%)	Number of items
27111517	Smile Life	26,005	100.3	6.1	870
LIFE E	LIFE PREMIUM	3,593	94.4	0.8	176
BIO-RAL	BIO-RAL	5,412	121.4	1.3	557
starselect	star select	5,807	94.4	1.4	215
	Total	40,818	101.2	9.6	1,818

# Contribution towards the realization of a sustainable and flourishing society

- Promotion of reuse and recycling through clothing collections at 153 stores
- All proceeds allocated to support children's cafeterias and other projects

**Expansion of in-store clothing collection** 

**Support for children's cafeterias and other projects via the Councils of Social Welfare** 



Amount of clothing collected

Total: Approx. 61.4 t







# Contribution towards the realization of a sustainable and flourishing society

#### **Obtained MEL certification**

Obtained MEL certification for seafood products caught or farmed using environmentally friendly methods considerate of fishery resources and ecosystems



Ise Kuroshio red sea bream (farmed)

Coho salmon from Miyagi/lwate (farmed)

Yellowtail (farmed)

Fresh wakame seaweed from lwate

Red sea bream (farmed)

Contributing towards the realization of a sustainable and flourishing society and supporting producers through sales of MEL-certified products

#### Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai LOHAS Festa EXPO 2025

BIO-RAL set up a stand at the LOHAS Festa at Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai



Supporting lifestyles that value psychological and physical health, a sustainable society, the global environment, and fulfilling lives

#### Kaizen activities

• Examples of headquarters-led Kaizen activities to reduce non-personnel expenses

Promotion of direct employment of food process center employees		In-house facility management system	Optimization of sales promotion expenses	
	Qualitative information	Qualitative information	Qualitative information	
•	Accumulation of production know-how Reinforcement of initiatives for safety and security Improvement of productivity and yield	<ul> <li>Accumulation of know-how on facility management</li> <li>Improvement in store satisfaction</li> <li>Optimization of costs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Review of leaflet distribution areas and numbers</li> <li>Transition to digital leaflets</li> <li>Use of customer apps</li> </ul>	
	Expected effect	Expected effect in FY2025	Effect	
	Total amount of personnel expenses and internal work expenses₊ at food process centers	Repair expenses and outsourcing fees, etc.	Sales promotion expenses (leaflet-related expenses, etc.)	
¥(0.8) billion/year		¥(0.55) billion/year	¥(0.1) billion/H1	
	[Compared with FY2022]	[Compared with FY2024]	[Compared with FY2024 H1]	

<sup>\*:</sup> Outsourcing expenses related to center operations, etc.

# **Productivity improvement efforts**

 Actively engaging in ongoing investment aimed at improving productivity, primarily focusing on stores

Expanded use of electronic shelf labels	Expanded installation of full self-checkout registers.	Increase in use of Al-based ordering
Installation progress	Installation progress	Introduction progress
Tokyo Region: All stores Osaka Region: <b>142 stores</b>	Tokyo Region: <b>95 stores</b> (+19 stores in H1) Osaka Region: <b>88 stores</b>	FY2020: Introduction at food departments
( <b>+39 stores</b> in H1)	( <b>+23 stores</b> in H1)	FY2024: Introduction at
Scheduled to complete installation at all stores during FY2025		3 fresh food departments <sub>*2</sub>
Expected effect post all-store installation	Expected effect post installation in FY2025	Expected effect
Companywide working hours	Companywide working hours	Companywide working hours Food departments:
(920,000) hours/year	(880,000) hours/year	(200,000) hours/year 3 fresh food departments: (69,000) hours/year

<sup>\*:</sup> Checkout registers where customers handle product scanning and payment entirely on their own

<sup>\*2:</sup> Agricultural Produce Department, Marine Products Department, Meat Products Department

# 3. Toward the achievement of what we want to be in FY2030

#### What we want to be in FY2030

#### **Qualitative target**

Become a company that everyone says,

"It's my supermarket,"

as a community-based supermarket

#### **Quantitative targets (excerpt)**

Net sales

¥1 trillion

Ordinary profit

¥35.0 billion

**Profit** 

¥22.0 billion

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions 50% reduction (compared with FY2013)

Employee satisfaction

**4.0** (5.0 maximum)

Ratio of female managers

20%

# FY2030 targets for BIO-RAL Business

### **Quantitative targets**

Net sales

¥40.0 billion ¥13.5 billion Number of BIO-RAL stores

50 stores
12 stores

Number of PB product items

1,000 items
More than 500 items

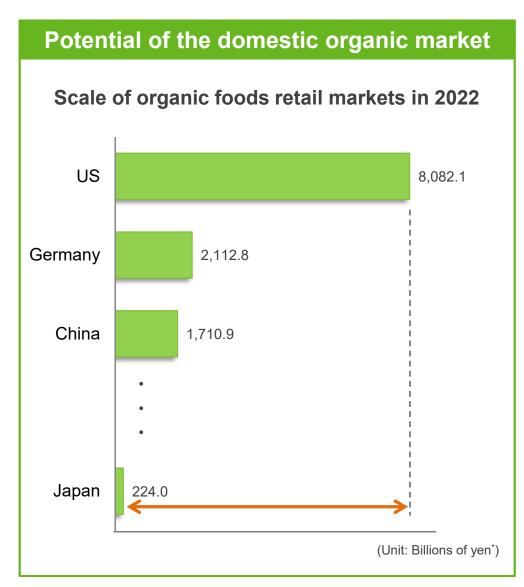
Enhancing product capabilities

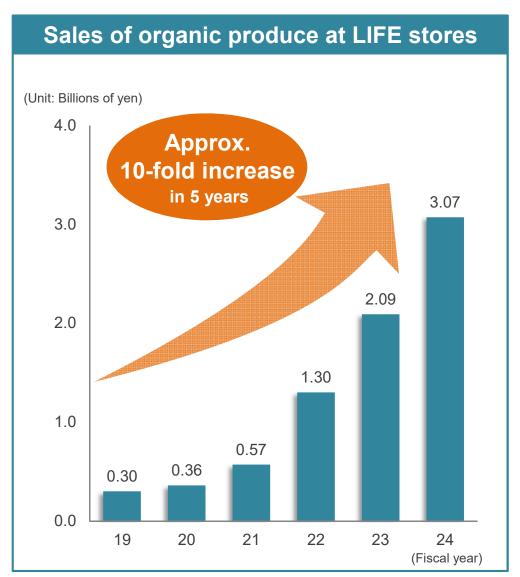
Developing human resources

Expanding network of stores

**Branding** 

### Background to expansion of BIO-RAL Business





Source: "The Situation Surrounding Organic Agriculture in Japan," Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

<sup>\*:</sup> Calculated based on an exchange rate of €1 to ¥138

#### Start of nationwide sales of BIO-RAL

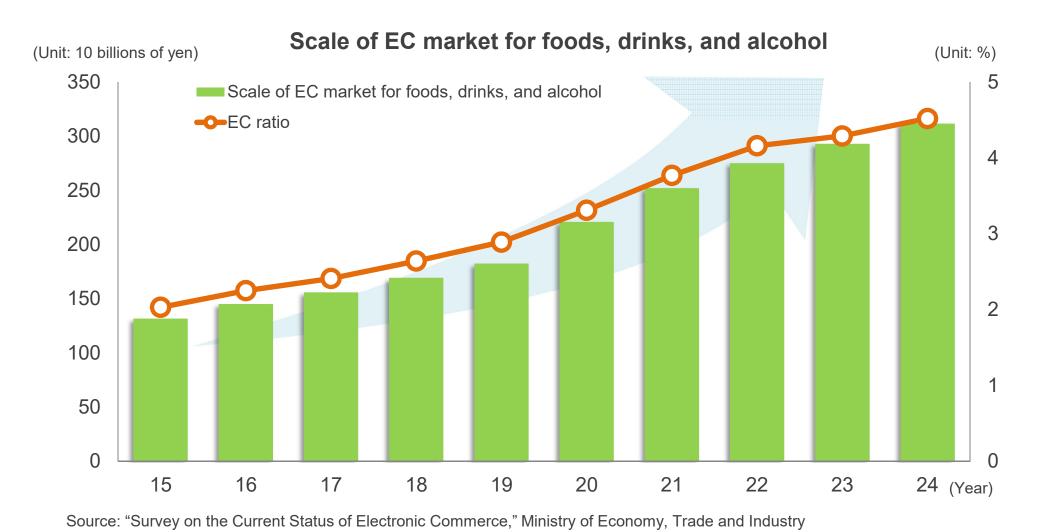
With high demand from customers in areas not covered by our stores,
 we have started nationwide sales of the private BIO-RAL brand on Amazon.co.jp





#### **Domestic EC market environment**

#### Scale of EC market continues to grow



#### Market environment for online supermarkets in Japan

#### Market scale forecast for online supermarkets.

Although different surveys show different results, the growth rate of online supermarkets is high

[2024 Results]\*

¥271.0 billion

(106.3% YoY)



[2026 Forecast]\*

¥313.0 billion

#### LIFE policy

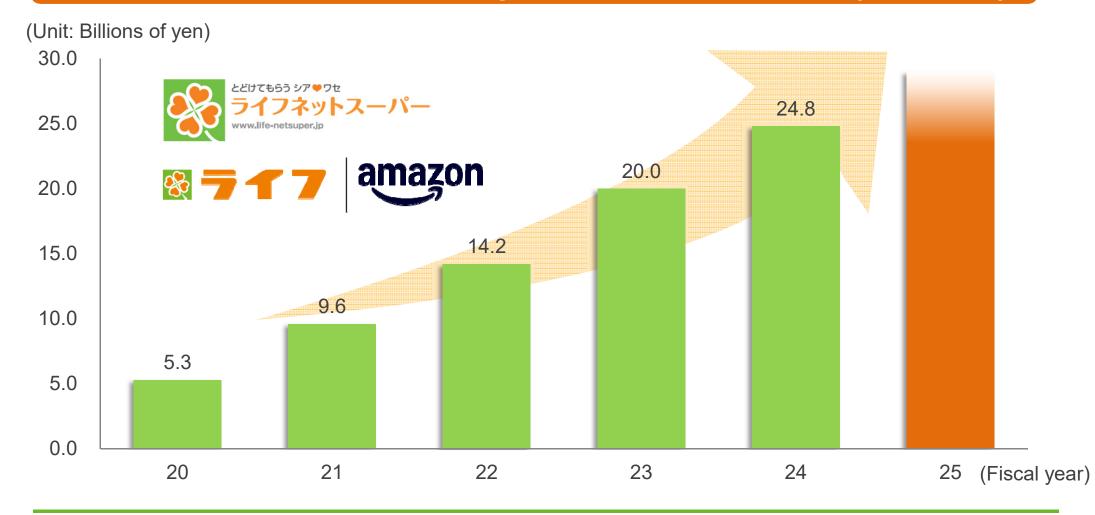
# Acceleration of efforts to achieve ¥100.0 billion in net sales by FY2030

<sup>\*:</sup> From the website of FUJI KEIZAI CO., LTD.

#### Online supermarkets (our online supermarkets, Amazon)

- Double-digit sales growth due to increase in number of active members and average sale per customer
- Expansion of high-efficiency deliveries leveraging the advantages of store-based shipping

#### Online supermarkets: Full-year net sales trends (forecast)



### Further growth of the online supermarket business

2011 Start of our online supermarket

2027 Start of distribution center-based online supermarket



Distribution center-based online supermarket



Store-based online supermarket







2011 2019 2027

# Distribution center-based online supermarket

#### Opening of a large-scale center for LIFE online supermarket



Name

**Shin-yokohama Center** 

Operational commencement

**Autumn 2027 (planned)** 

Location

Tsuzuki-ku, Yokohama-shi

**Building plan** 

Contracted area: 36,457m

## Distribution center-based online supermarket

#### **Background to decision/issues**

- Expansion of EC and online supermarket markets
- Changes in competitive environment
- Issues with store-based online supermarkets
  - Future capacity shortages
  - Restrictions on delivery areas
  - Reduction in room for productivity improvements in store-based online supermarkets
- Opportunity to conduct a relatively small-scale investment in a distribution center-based online supermarket that would usually require a large-scale investment

#### **Aims**

- Expansion on capacity
- Expansion on delivery areas
- Expansion of delivery slots (times)
- Improvement in productivity
- Enhancement of attractiveness through reviews of product lineup

# **Growth through new projects**

#### **Progress of the 7th Medium-Term Plan**

Delegation of authority to frontlines has

**Results:** improved ability to respond to customer

needs and enhanced reputation

Independent action has reduced

Issues: collaboration between departments and

led to "energy loss"

#### **Changes in the external environment**

Labor shortages	Intensifying competitive environment

Persistent inflation

Sharp cost increases

Strategic alignment

Drastic reforms
Project reorganization
Reconsolidation of
companywide vecto

**FY2030** 

"Qualitative target"
"Quantitative targets"

To be achieved

# **Growth through new projects**

#### Initiatives to find solutions consolidated into three projects

# HR & Productivity Project

**Purpose** 

Through "investment in people," including changes to systems and use of digital technologies, ensure uniform efforts for human resources strategy and productivity improvements

# Measures

- Optimization of personnel deployment and multi-skilling
- •Development and expansion of AI and data usage platforms
- Sophistication and renewal of store operation systems

#### **Revenue Project**

Purpose

Realize "breaking away from homogeneous competition," through collaborative efforts between product development and food process center operations, and secure continuous net sales and gross profit

# Measures

- •Enhancement of unique products
- Incorporation of supply chain manufacturing functions
- •Rollout of direct procurement and direct import businesses

#### **New LIFE Project**

Purpose

Create new pillars of revenue without being bound by conventional frameworks

Measures

- •Examination of new areas, business categories, and functions
- M&A strategy

#### Kaizen activities

Optimization and reduction of non-personnel expenses

# 4. Full-year forecast for FY2025 and shareholder returns

# Full-year forecast for FY2025 (consolidated)

There are no changes to the full-year forecast

Unit: Millions of yen, %	Full-year FY2024	Full-year FY2025	Amount of change	Rate of change
Operating revenue	850,496	885,000	+34,503	+4.1
Net sales	818,892	852,000	+33,107	+4.0
Operating profit	25,270	25,700	+429	+1.7
Ordinary profit	26,205	26,500	+294	+1.1
Profit	17,948	18,000	+51	+0.3

#### Assumptions for full-year forecast (unchanged from initial guidance)

Existing store YoY sales

103.2%

Expected increase in gross profit ratio

+0.2 P to 0.3 P YoY

Expected increase in personnel expenses

Approx. +¥8.0 billion

# **Investment plan**

Revise implementation timing of renovations and some IT and digital system investments

(Unit: Millions of yen)

	FY202	25 H1		Full-ye	ear FY2025	(plan)
	Results	YoY change	Plan	Initial plan	Amount of change	Notes
New stores	2,117	(4,190)	5,600	5,500	+100	New stores after FY2026, etc. (5 new stores in FY2024)
Renovations	506	+75	2,500	3,300	(800)	Revision of investment timing, etc.
IT and digital systems	1,832	(141)	5,300	6,100	(800)	Revision of investment timing, etc.
Food process centers	1,691	+660	3,600	2,600	+1,000	Installation of machinery, etc. at food process centers
Others (expensive equipment, major repairs, etc.)	1,351	(58)	3,600	3,700	(100)	-
Total	7,497	(3,654)	20,600	21,200	(600)	

## **Cancellation of treasury shares**

Response to intentions to sell cross-shareholdings

**Tender offer for treasury shares** 

[October 8, 2024 to November 6, 2024]

Number of shares purchased

Percentage of total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares Approx. 3.67 million shares

Approx. 8%

**Improvement in liquidity** 

**Cancellation of treasury shares** 

[May 30, 2025]

Number of shares cancelled

Approx. 8.4
million shares
(Pre-split basis: 4.2 million shares)

Percentage of total number of issued shares before cancellation

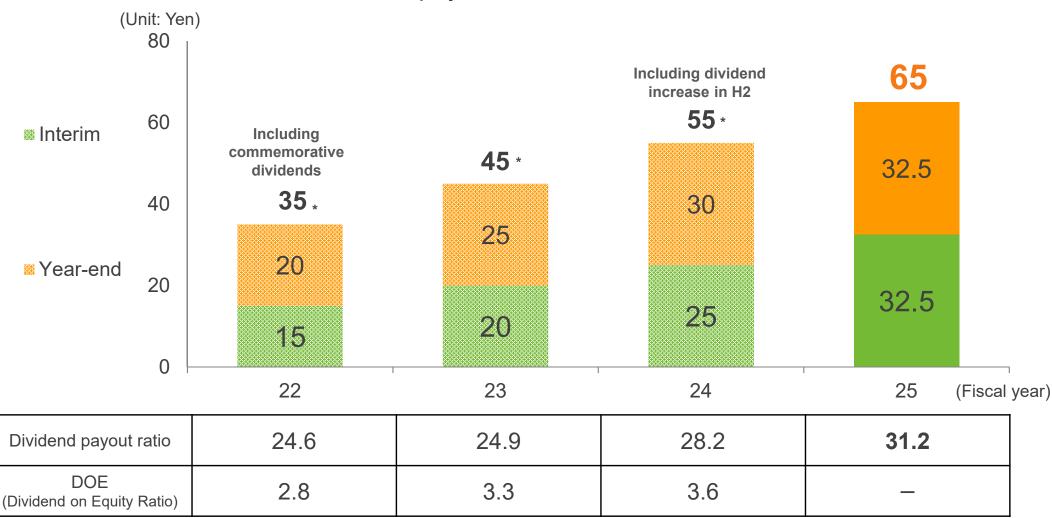
**Approx. 8.5%** 

[Increase in our capital efficiency] [Return of profit to shareholders]

# (Reference) Dividend forecast: after share split

FY2025: Plan for a full-year total dividend of ¥65 per share (¥130 per share without taking into account the share split)

We forecast a dividend payout ratio of 31.2%



<sup>\*</sup> As a 2-for-1 share split was conducted on March 1, 2025, the post-split ratios have been provided for reference

(Unit: %)



[Note]

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