

FY2022 Earnings Presentation (Overview)

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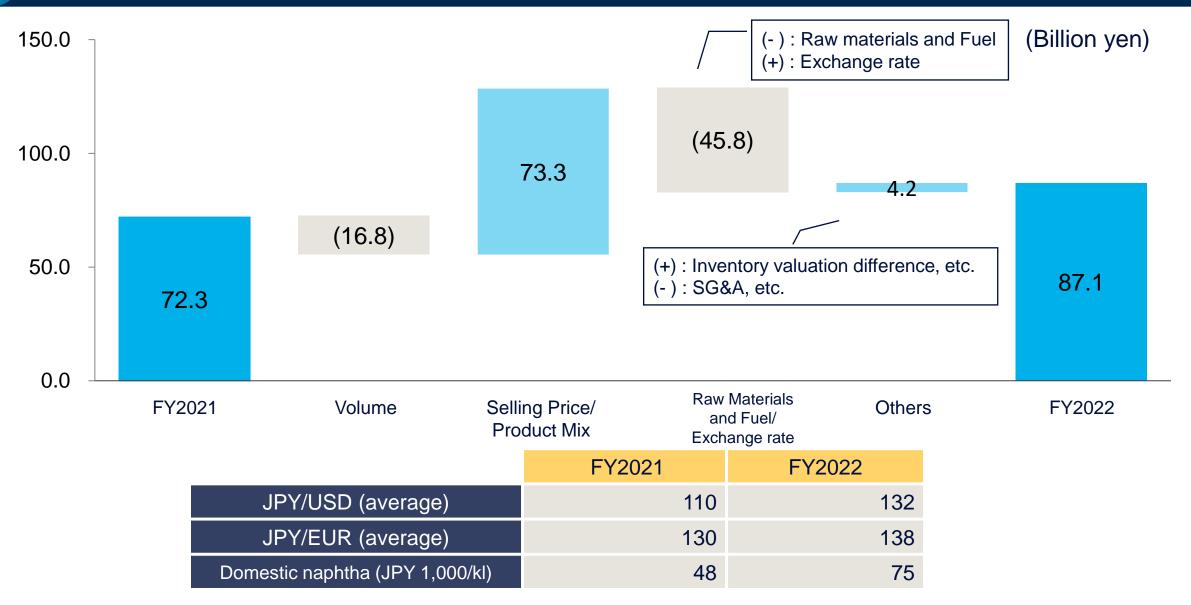
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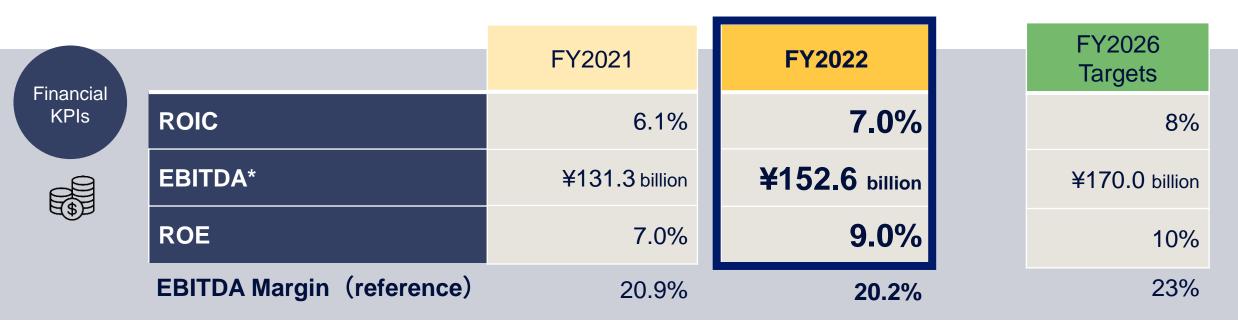
(Billion yen)

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	FY2022	FY2021	Difference
Net Sales	756.4	629.4	127.0
Operating Income	87.1	72.3	14.9
Ordinary Income	84.1	68.8	15.3
Net Income*	54.3	37.3	17.0
	Reference		
JPY/USD (average)	132	110	
JPY/EUR (average)	138	130	
Domestic naphtha (JPY 1,000/kl)	75	48	

*Net Income Attributable to Owners of the Parent

Factors Affecting the Change in Operating Income





*Operating income + depreciation and amortization

	Dividends	Share Buybacks	Total Return Ratio
	¥40 or more/year	Conduct flexibly	35% or more
Previous Plan	Interim ¥21 Year-end(plan) ¥21 Annual(plan) ¥42	¥10.0 billon (Conducted from Feb.10, 2022 to Jun. 23, 2022)	53.5%(plan)
Revised Plan	Interim ¥21 Year-end _(plan) ¥23 Annual _(plan) ¥44	¥10.0 billon (Conducted from Feb.10, 2022 to Jun. 23, 2022)	45.5%(plan)

	FY2023 Forecasts	FY2022	Difference
Net Sales	830.0	756.4	73.6
Operating Income	84.0	87.1	(3.1)
Ordinary Income	79.0	84.1	(5.1)
Net Income*	51.0	54.3	(3.3)
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JPY/USD (average)	130	132	
JPY/EUR (average)	140	138	
Domestic naphtha (JPY 1,000/kl)	69	75	

Dividends(plan)

Interim	¥24
Year-end	¥24
Annual	¥48

Shareholder Return Policy

Total return ratio: 35% or more ¥40 or more/year Share buybacks : conduct flexibly FY2022

FY2023

- Decided to expand optical poval film production facilities
 - Decided to debottleneck EVAL[™] plant in Europe and the United States
 - Decided to debottleneck liquid rubber facility in Japan
 - Liquidated and withdrawn from unprofitable businesses based on quantitative and qualitative assessments
 - Safe start-up of the new isoprene base in Thailand, the new water soluble poval film plant in Poland, and the new activated carbon facility in the United States, and swiftly make them profitable
 - Consider constructing a new EVAL[™] plant in Asia
 - Expand VECTRAN[™] facilities
 - Consider expanding facility for dental materials business



Building more Sophisticated **Business Portfolio**

FY2022

- Conducted scenario analyses and business impact assessments with the aim of expanding disclosures in line with the TCFD^{*1} framework
- Introduced PSA^{*2} and expanded use of internal carbon pricing
- Narrowed strategic areas to six, accelerated global expansion. 10 themes in progress toward commercialization
- Expanded use of customer relationship management (CRM) system

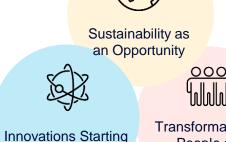
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- Apply for SBT^{*3} certification and strengthen sustainability procurement
- Accelerate development and commercialization using companywide resources
- Strengthen human resource investment (expand training, enhance D&I measures, draft and execute measures based on global engagement surveys)
- Promote DX personnel training programs and begin operating globally unified SAP

%1 TCFD: Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures

※2 PSA: A product portfolio assessment system guided by WBCSD (World Business Council for Sustainable Development). With a support by Sphera, Kuraray has built its PSA System, which complies with the WBCSD's dedicated chemical industry guidelines.

※3 SBT: Voluntary targets set by business corporations with regards to GHG emission reductions over the course of 5 to 15 years in a manner consistent with the levels required by the Paris Agreement



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FY2022 Earnings Results (Details)

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Net Sales and Operating Income by Segment

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(Billion yen)

	FY2	022	FY2	021	Differ	ence
	Net Sales	Operating Income	Net Sales	Operating Income	Net Sales	Operating Income
Vinyl Acetate	385.3	77.5	304.7	58.3	80.7	19.3
Isoprene	65.6	4.3	61.9	6.1	3.7	(1.8)
Functional Materials	174.1	8.6	142.4	8.7	31.7	(0.1)
Fibers & Textiles	66.9	6.7	61.1	5.6	5.8	1.1
Trading	58.8	5.1	144.0	4.8	(85.2)	0.3
Others	52.1	2.7	44.3	1.2	7.7	1.5
Elimination & Corporate	(46.4)	(17.8)	(129.1)	(12.4)	82.6	(5.4)
Total	756.4	87.1	629.4	72.3	127.0	14.9

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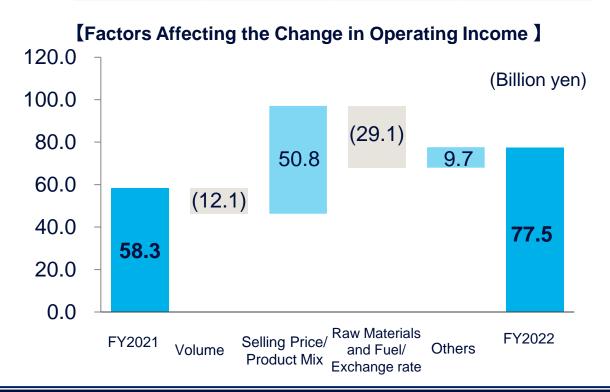
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Vinyl Acetate

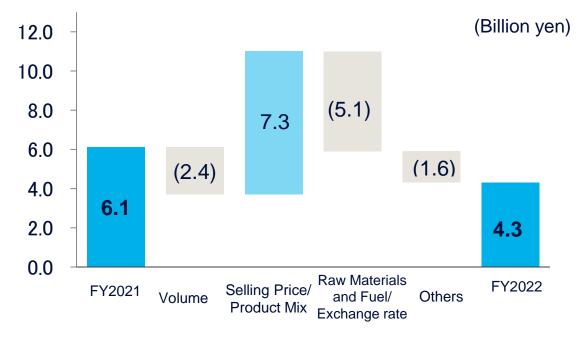
			(Billion yen)
	FY2021	FY2022	Difference
Net Sales	304.7	385.3	80.7
Operating Income	58.3	77.5	19.3



PVOH resin	The sales volume decreased due to the suspension of some production facilities at a U.S. subsidiary and a contraction in demand in the latter half of the year. we continued shifting to high value-added products while revising prices amid soaring raw material and fuel prices.
Optical-use poval film	Shipments declined significantly from the middle of the year due to the impact of LCD panel inventory adjustments. To meet needs for larger TV panel sizes, we decided to make a capital investment at the Kurashiki Plant (slated to begin operating in mid 2024)
Water-soluble PVOH film MonoSol	Sales were firm for use in unit dose laundry detergent packets.
Advanced Interlayer Solutions	Sales of PVB film, especially for use in construction applications in North America, held steady year on year.
EVAL™	The sales volume increased due to steady performance for use in food packaging applications as we revised product prices. In response to strong demand, we worked to improve productivity and decided to invest in production capacity expansion in Europe and the U.S.
Main reason of increase/ Decrease	Covered soaring raw material, fuel, and logistics costs with higher profit achieved by revising product prices and shifting to high value-added products. Others is positive due to inventory valuation differences despite increase in logistics costs

			(Billion yen)
	FY2021	FY2022	Difference
Net Sales	61.9	65.6	3.7
Operating Income	6.1	4.3	(1.8)

[Factors Affecting the Change in Operating Income]

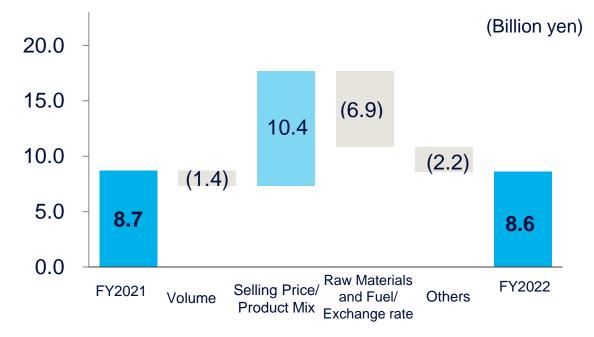


Isoprene Chemicals and Elastomers	Amid soaring raw material and fuel prices, we revised the prices of isoprene chemicals and elastomer. The sales volume decreased due to a temporary difficulty in procuring raw materials and a contraction in demand in the latter half of the year.
GENESTAR™	The sales volume decreased due in part to inventory adjustments in automotive parts and electric and electronic devices.

	Despite covering soaring raw material, fuel, and logistics costs with high profit achieved
Main reason of	by revising product prices, sales volume
increase/	declined due mainly to temporary raw
decrease	material procurement difficulty and inventory
	adjustments for electric and electronic
	devices, etc.

			(Billion yen)
	FY2021	FY2022	Difference
Net Sales	142.4	174.1	31.7
Operating Income	8.7	8.6	(0.1)

[Factors Affecting the Change in Operating Income]



Methacrylate	The sales volume decreased due in part to electric and electronic device inventory adjustments. Soaring raw material prices and deteriorating market conditions also had a negative impact.
Medical	Sales of cosmetic dental materials expanded in Japan and overseas.
Environmental Solutions	Demand for drinking water and water for industrial applications increased, especially in Europe and the U.S., and sales of activated carbon expanded. We revised product prices due to soaring raw material and fuel prices.
Aqua	Demand for hollow fiber membranes for water treatment remained steady.
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Main reason of	Covered soaring raw material, fuel, and
increase/	logistics costs with higher profit achieved by
decrease	revising product prices, etc.

			(Billion yen)
	FY2021	FY2022	Difference
Net Sales	61.1	66.9	5.8
Operating Income	5.6	6.7	1.1

[Factors Affecting the Change in Operating Income]



CLARINO™	Sales expanded for use in automotive and luxury products.
Fibers and Industrial Materials	KURALON [™] was affected by a delayed recovery in the production of automobiles and an economic slowdown in the latter half of the year, while sales of VECTRAN [™] remained favorable, especially for exports.
Consumer Goods and Materials	Demand for KURAFLEX [™] in the restaurant industry was weak despite an increase in shipments for hygienic applications.

Main reason of	Covered soaring raw material, fuel, and
increase/	logistics costs with higher profit achieved
decrease	mainly by revising product prices

Net Sales and Operating income by Segment (vs. Previous Forecasts) kuraray

	FY2022		FY2022 Previous Forecasts (November 9, 2022)		Difference	
	Net Sales	Operating Income	Net Sales	Operating Income	Net Sales	Operating Income
Vinyl Acetate	385.3	77.5	387.0	67.0	(1.7)	10.5
Isoprene	65.6	4.3	71.0	5.0	(5.4)	(0.7)
Functional Materials	174.1	8.6	172.0	8.0	2.1	0.6
Fibers & Textiles	66.9	6.7	69.0	7.0	(2.1)	(0.3)
Trading	58.8	5.1	59.0	5.0	(0.2)	0.1
Others	52.1	2.7	49.0	2.5	3.1	0.2
Elimination & Corporate	(46.4)	(17.8)	(47.0)	(16.5)	0.6	(1.3)
Total	756.4	87.1	760.0	78.0	(3.6)	9.1

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	FY2022	FY2021	Difference
Operating CF	51.7	78.2	(26.5)
Investing CF*	(72.0)	(71.4)	(0.5)
Free CF*	(20.2)	6.8	(27.0)
CAPEX(acceptance basis)	72.6	65.9	6.7
Depreciation and Amortization (incl. amortization of goodwill)	65.5	59.0	6.5
R&D Expenses	22.7	20.8	1.8

*Cash flows from investing activities and free cash flow exclude net cash used in fund management and M&A.

	Dec. 31, 2022 Dec. 31, 2021		Difference	
Current Assets	533.9	470.2	63.8	
Non-current Assets	687.6	620.8	66.8	
Total Assets	1,221.5	1,091.0	130.5	

	Dec. 31, 2022	Dec. 31, 2021
JPY/USD (end of period)	133	115
JPY/EUR (end of period)	141	131

Balance Sheet [2]: Liabilities and Net Assets

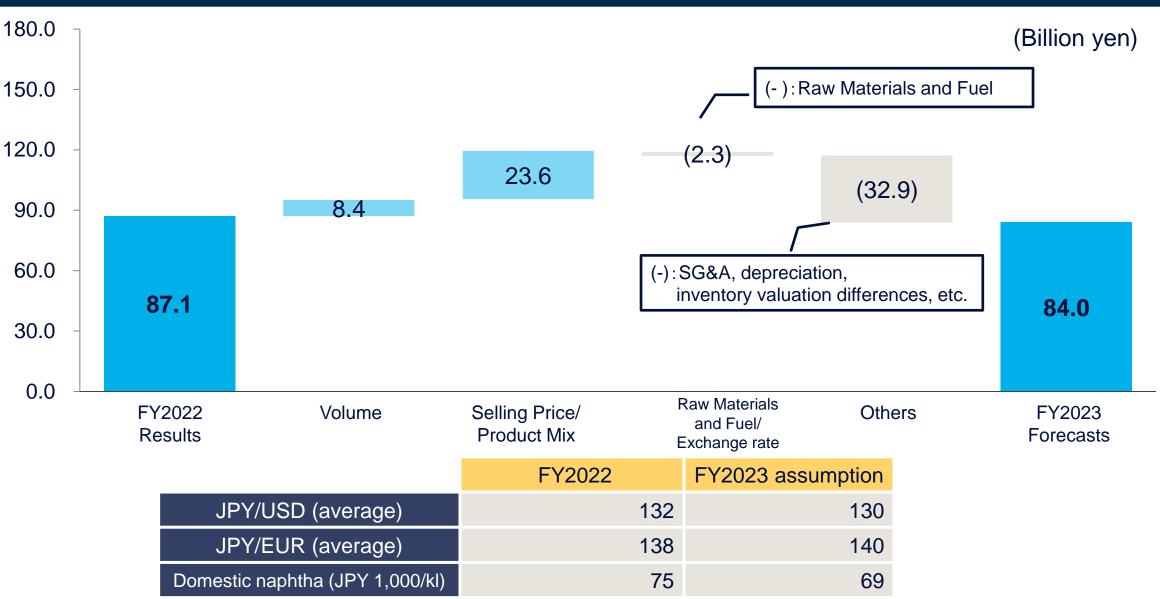
	Dec. 31, 2022	Dec. 31, 2021	Difference
Current Liabilities	221.3	219.5	1.9
Non-current Liabilities	331.7	291.9	39.7
Total Liabilities	553.0	511.4	41.6
Net Assets	668.5	579.6	88.9
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	1,221.5	1,091.0	130.5
Equity Ratio	52.9%	51.3%	1.6%
	Dec. 31, 2022	Dec. 31, 2021	
JPY/USD (end of period)	133	115	
JPY/EUR (end of period)	141	131	

Forecasts for FY2023 and Key Data

			(Billion yen)
	FY2023 Forecasts	FY2022	Difference
Net Sales	830.0	756.4	73.6
Operating Income	84.0	87.1	(3.1)
Ordinary Income	79.0	84.1	(5.1)
Net Income*	51.0	54.3	(3.3)
EPS	¥152.38	¥161.13	¥(8.75)
Dividends per share	¥48	¥44	¥4
CAPEX(decision basis)	90.0	65.9	24.1
CAPEX(acceptance basis)	77.0	72.6	4.4
Depreciation and Amortization (incl. amortization of goodwill)	77.0	65.5	11.5
R&D Expenses	24.0	22.7	1.3

*Net Income Attributable to Owners of the Parent

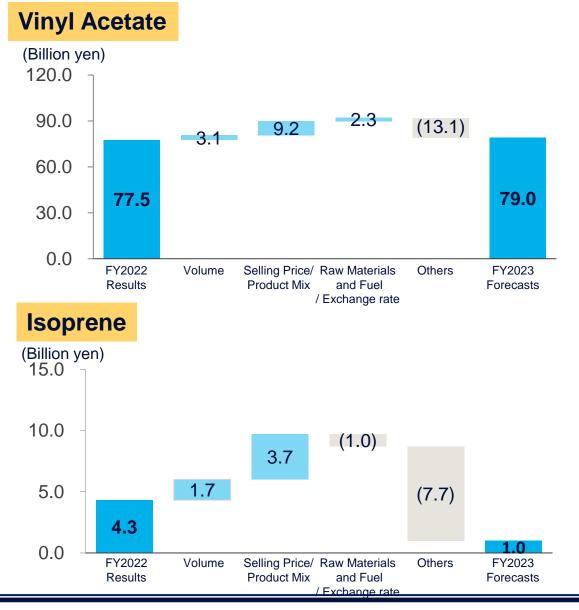
Factors Affecting the Change in Operating Income



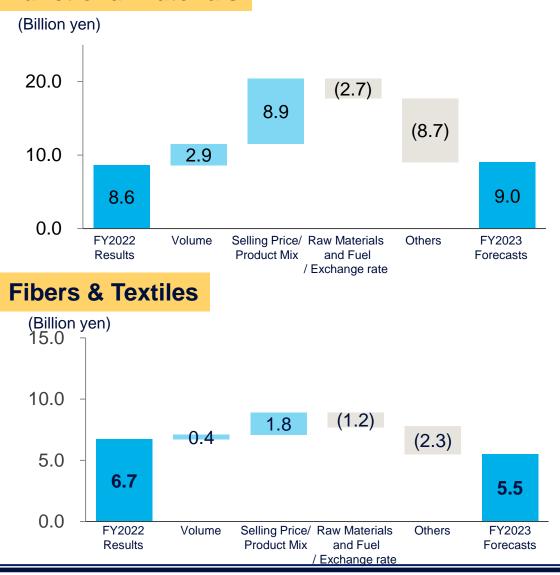
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	FY2023 Forecasts		recasts FY2022		Difference	
	Net Sales	Operating Income	Net Sales	Operating Income	Net Sales	Operating Income
Vinyl Acetate	430.0	79.0	385.3	77.5	44.7	1.5
Isoprene	78.0	1.0	65.6	4.3	12.4	(3.3)
Functional Materials	195.0	9.0	174.1	8.6	20.9	0.4
Fibers & Textiles	72.0	5.5	66.9	6.7	5.1	(1.2)
Trading	63.0	5.2	58.8	5.1	4.2	0.1
Others	41.0	1.0	52.1	2.7	(11.1)	(1.7)
Elimination & Corporate	(49.0)	(16.7)	(46.4)	(17.8)	(2.6)	1.1
Total	830.0	84.0	756.4	87.1	73.6	(3.1)

[Ref.] Factors Affecting the Change in Operating Income by Segment kuraray



Functional Materials



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(Billion yen)

	FY20	23 Foreca	ists		FY2022		Difference			
	1H	2H	Full-Year	1H	2H	Full-Year	1H	2H	Full-Year	
Net Sales	400.0	430.0	830.0	358.0	398.3	756.4	42.0	31.7	73.6	
Operating Income	36.0	48.0	84.0	38.1	49.0	87.1	(2.1)	(1.0)	(3.1)	
Ordinary Income	33.0	46.0	79.0	37.9	46.2	84.1	(4.9)	(0.2)	(5.1)	
Net Income*	21.0	30.0	51.0	24.2	30.1	54.3	(3.2)	(0.1)	(3.3)	

*Net Income Attributable to Owners of the Parent

[Ref.] Net Sales Forecasts by Segment

	FY	2023 Foreca	sts		FY2022		Difference			
	1H	2H Full-Year		1H	2H	Full-Year	1H	2H	Full-Year	
Vinyl Acetate	215.0	215.0	430.0	185.4	199.9	385.3	29.6	15.1	44.7	
Isoprene	36.0	42.0	78.0	31.9	33.7	65.6	4.1	8.3	12.4	
Functional Materials	91.0	104.0	195.0	77.8	96.3	174.1	13.2	7.7	20.9	
Fibers & Textiles	33.0	39.0	72.0	31.8	35.1	66.9	1.2	3.9	5.1	
Trading	30.0	33.0	63.0	29.7	29.1	58.8	0.3	3.9	4.2	
Others	19.0	22.0	41.0	23.7	28.4	52.1	(4.7)	(6.4)	(11.1)	
Elimination & Corporate	(24.0)	(25.0)	(49.0)	(22.3)	(24.2)	(46.4)	(1.7)	(0.8)	(2.6)	
Total	400.0	430.0	830.0	358.0	398.3	756.4	42.0	31.7	73.6	

[Ref.] Operating Income Forecasts by Segment

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	FY2023 Forecasts				FY2022		Difference			
	1H	2H	Full-Year	1H	2H	Full-Year	1H	2H	Full-Year	
Vinyl Acetate	35.0	44.0	79.0	33.6	43.9	77.5	1.4	0.1	1.5	
Isoprene	0.5	0.5	1.0	2.5	1.8	4.3	(2.0)	(1.3)	(3.3)	
Functional Materials	3.5	5.5	9.0	3.3	5.3	8.6	0.2	0.2	0.4	
Fibers & Textiles	1.5	4.0	5.5	3.8	2.9	6.7	(2.3)	1.1	(1.2)	
Trading	2.4	2.8	5.2	2.8	2.3	5.1	(0.4)	0.5	0.1	
Others	0.5	0.5	1.0	1.2	1.5	2.7	(0.7)	(1.0)	(1.7)	
Elimination & Corporate	(7.4)	(9.3)	(16.7)	(9.1)	(8.7)	(17.8)	1.7	(0.6)	1.1	
Total	36.0	48.0	84.0	38.1	49.0	87.1	(2.1)	(1.1)	(3.1)	

[Ref.] Quarterly Net Sales by Segments

(Billion yen)

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			FY2021			FY2022					
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Total	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Total	
Vinyl Acetate	72.2	76.3	76.4	79.8	304.7	86.2	99.3	100.2	99.7	385.3	
Isoprene	14.9	15.6	15.0	16.5	61.9	15.4	16.5	16.8	16.9	65.6	
Functional Materials	30.9	35.2	35.8	40.5	142.4	38.0	39.8	45.9	50.3	174.1	
Fibers & Textiles	13.7	16.2	14.9	16.3	61.1	14.4	17.4	16.8	18.2	66.9	
Trading	33.0	36.2	36.2	38.7	144.0	14.0	15.8	14.1	15.1	58.8	
Others	9.6	10.7	11.3	12.7	44.3	10.7	13.0	14.0	14.4	52.1	
Elimination & Corporate	(29.9)	(32.2)	(32.7)	(34.3)	(129.1)	(11.0)	(11.2)	(12.7)	(11.4)	(46.4)	
Total	144.4	157.9	156.9	170.2	629.4	167.6	190.5	195.1	203.2	756.4	

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[Ref.] Quarterly Operating Income by Segments

(Billion ven)

			FY2021			FY2022					
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Total	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Total	
Vinyl Acetate	13.5	11.7	18.6	14.5	58.3	17.2	16.4	25.4	18.6	77.5	
Isoprene	3.0	0.3	1.8	1.0	6.1	2.7	(0.2)	1.7	0.1	4.3	
Functional Materials	1.0	2.0	2.5	3.3	8.7	2.2	1.1	3.2	2.1	8.6	
Fibers & Textiles	0.6	1.7	2.4	1.0	5.6	1.6	2.2	2.8	0.2	6.7	
Trading	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	4.8	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.2	5.1	
Others	(0.0)	0.3	0.7	0.2	1.2	0.4	0.8	0.7	0.7	2.7	
Elimination & Corporate	(2.3)	(3.6)	(3.2)	(3.3)	(12.4)	(3.3)	(5.8)	(2.1)	(6.6)	(17.8)	
Total	16.8	13.6	23.9	17.9	72.3	22.1	15.9	32.8	16.3	87.1	

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