

# KATITAS Co., Ltd.

# **Financial Results Presentation**

For the First Nine Months of the 44th Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2022 (FY2021)

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Before



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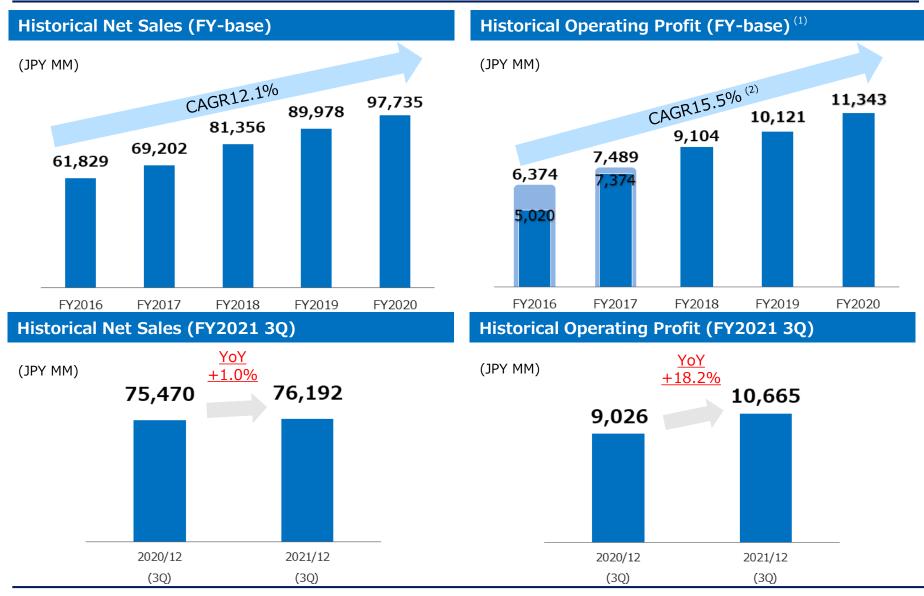
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## Sales and Operating Profit Trend



<sup>(1)</sup> The adjustment amount of operating profit in FY2016 and FY2017 reflects the effect of an inventory revaluation carried out during the business integration with Reprice and the amount of expenses related to stock listing. (2) Growth rate of adjusted operating profit



# Highlights of Financial Results for the First Nine Months of the FY2021 (Ending March 31, 2022)

	(JPY MM)	Results	YoY(%)	% of plan
Sales	Net sales	76,192	+1.0%	73.5%
es	Number of properties sold	4,646	-2.5%	70.8%
	Gross profit margin (%)	24.7%	+2.3pt	-
	SG&A expenses	8,120	+3.3%	71.3%
Profit	Operating profit	10,665	+18.2%	85.3%
	Operating profit margin (%)	14.0%	+2.0pt	-
<u> </u>	(JPY MM)	Results	YoY(%)	vs. March 2021
Invento	Inventory real estates	40,916	+27.7%	+22.4%
ory	Inventory turnover ratio	2.06	-0.09	-

### Responses continued to increase year on year. Although we concluded agreements on existing inventories at an early stage, we have not yet delivered these inventories to the clients.

- The percentage of sales contracts concerning properties being renovated increased compared to Q2. Renovation of properties currently in inventory has not been completed, and accordingly, these properties have not been delivered (and corresponding sales have not been recorded).
- · We did not observe impact stemming from the delayed delivery of housing equipment in Q3.
- We have few completed properties in inventory and therefore must face challenges of helping our customers envision how these properties will appear once completed when they view them for the first time. Impact stemming from reductions in tax-breaks granted to new homeowners was minimal.

#### ■ Gross profit margin remained high.

- Availability of completed properties (both new and pre-owned) in the market is low and prices accordingly remain high.
- Gross profit margin declined slightly compared to Q2 because our group's sales mix returned to
  its previous levels as Reprice generated higher sales.
- We will continue to avoid focusing on the number of deliveries performed and maintain our efforts to cut back on easy discounts.

# Our operating profit margin remained high despite an increase in SG&A expenses.

- SG&A expenses increased due to uptick in personnel expenses as a result of recruiting sales staff and raising performance-linked pay.
- We launched a defined contribution pension plan in October. Meanwhile, we also continued to examine measures aimed at improving employee satisfaction.

#### ■ Our Sustainability Promotion Office has begun performing its activities.

- We announced our endorsement of the TCFD and have launched discussions regarding future disclosure based on associated recommendations.
- The Katitas Group has already begun procuring its electrical power through renewable energy with non-fossil fuel energy certificate.

## ■ Purchase was steady at both Katitas and Reprice.

- Number of purchases in Q3: 1,826 (+8.3% YoY).
- Purchase prices remained unchanged for Katitas but rose for Reprice due to market conditions.
- Our inventory grew, but the percentage of completed inventory remained low:
   Dec. 2020: 62.2% → Mar. 2021: 58.8% → Sep. 2021: 55.7% → Dec. 2021: 57.3%
- Maintained robust ROA (24.8%) and ROE (31.1%).

<sup>(1)</sup> Inventory turnover ratio = cost of sales for a period  $\times 4/3$  / average of the amount of inventory at the beginning and end of the period

<sup>(2)</sup> ROA = operating profit  $\times 4/3$  / average of total assets as of the beginning and end of period

<sup>3)</sup> ROE = Profit attributable to owners of parent  $\times$  4/3 / average of balances of shareholders' equity at beginning and end of period



# Progress Versus Management Plan for FY2021 (Ending March 31, 2022)

- Housing supply was lower than initially expected. Gross profit margin rose due to curbing discounts. Operating profit, a key indicator, was high.
- We are encountering delays in the supply of housing equipment, and the delivery of water heaters has been particularly problematic. Although initial equipment available at the time of purchase can be utilized and other measures can be taken to alleviate impact from these delays, we acknowledge that final deliveries in Q4 and subsequent accounting periods could be pushed back as a result. We have recently purchased a large number of properties and will accordingly continue to focus on proper management of renovation schedules. We have successfully secured adequate inventory for stable growth in FY2022.
- New construction starts are on the rise. However, property completions are being delayed due to supply issues related to lumber and housing equipment. Although the balance between supply and demand is expected to draw closer to normalcy in the future, we do not anticipate that it will fully return to normal in Q4. Gross profit margins are expected to remain high, so we will focus on operating profit targets rather than conducting management emphasizing on the volume of properties sold.
- We plan to hire about the same number of new graduates in April 2022 as last year. Retention measures have a delayed effect, so we'll monitor their effects annually.
- Based on financial results generated thus far, we have begun considering the payment of special year-end bonuses.

	FY2021 3Q	FY2021 Plan(ended Mar 31, 2022)			
(JPY MM)	(ended Dec 31, 2021)	Full-year Plan vs. Plan			
Sales	76,192	103,622	73.5%		
Number of properties sold	4,646	6,558	70.8%		
Gross profit	18,786	23,891	78.6%		
Margin(%)	24.7%	23.1%	-		
Operating profit	10,665	12,509	85.3%		
Margin(%)	14.0%	12.1%	-		
(Ref)EBITDA	10,841	12,744	85.1%		
Ordinary profit	10,516	12,293	85.5%		
Profit attributable to owners of parent	7,100	8,210	86.5%		
(Ref)Adjusted profit attributable to owners of parent	7,100	8,210	86.5%		

<sup>(1)</sup> EBITDA = Operating profit+ Depreciation + Amortization of goodwill

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# **Endorsement of TCFD and Efforts Targeting Lower CO2 Emissions**

- We announced our endorsement of the TCFD in January 2022 and are currently striving to disclose information and reduce CO2 emissions in accordance with TCFD recommendations.
- To facilitate the reduction of CO2 emissions, in November 2021, we began using renewable energy with non-fossil fuel energy certificate to power all of our offices, stores, and inventory properties throughout Japan.

### **Endorsement of TCFD**



- •The TCFD is committed to increasing the visibility of impact that climate change has on corporate finances.
- •We plan to disclose risks, opportunities, and aspects of governance related to climate change in June and July 2022.
- •We are currently calculating our Scope 1 and 2 CO2 emissions.

## **Efforts Targeting Lower CO2 Emissions**

## Scope 3

Other indirect emissions (upstream activities)







### Scope 1

Direct emissions of greenhouse gases from company-owned and controlled resources

→ Environmental vehicle allowance issued to encourage employees to purchase HVs and EVs



Travel Waste disposal

### Scope 2

Indirect emissions stemming from the generation of energy purchased from a utility provider (consumption of purchased electricity, heat, and steam)

→ Switch to Renewable Energy with Non-Fossil Fuel Energy Certificate



Offices



Stores



Properties in inventory

## Scope 3

Other indirect emissions (downstream activities)



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We are currently calculating our CO2 emissions.

<sup>(1)</sup> News Release concerning the Adoption of Renewable Energy with Non-Fossil Fuel Energy Certificate (November 12, 2021)

<sup>(2)</sup> A system designed to reduce environmental impact by raising vehicle allowances for employees who use private hybrid or electric vehicles as business vehicles. (Ref) List of companies supporting the TCFD recommendations <a href="https://www.fsb-tcfd.org/supporters/">https://www.fsb-tcfd.org/supporters/</a>



# **Financial Highlights**

(JPY MM)	FY2020 3Q (ended Dec 31,	(ended Dec 31,			
	2020)	Results	YoY	YoY (%)	Results
Net sales	75,470	76,192	+722	+1.0%	97,735
Number of properties sold	4,764	4,646	-118	-2.5%	6,155
Gross profit	16,889	18,786	+1,897	+11.2%	22,189
Margin(%)	22.4%	24.7%	+2.3pt	_	22.7%
Operating profit	9,026	10,665	+1,638	+18.2%	11,343
Margin(%)	12.0%	14.0%	+2.0pt	_	11.6%
(Ref)EBITDA	9,206	10,841	+1,635	+17.8%	11,582
Ordinary profit	8,858	10,516	+1,658	+18.7%	11,125
Profit attributable to owners of parent	5,924	7,100	+1,175	+19.8%	7,440
(Ref)Adjusted profit attributable to owners of parent	5,954	7,100	+1,145	+19.2%	7,464
Inventory turnover ratio(times)	2.15	2.06	-0.09	_	2.04
Net assets	26,663	32,985	+6,321	+23.7%	28,243
Total assets	55,620	58,951	+3,330	+6.0%	55,520
Equity-to-asset ratio(%)	47.7%	55.6%	+8.0pt	_	50.6%
EPS(JPY)	77.18	92.04	+14.87	-	96.85
(Ref)Adjusted EPS(JPY)	77.57	92.04	+14.48	_	97.16
ROA(%)	22.1%	24.8%	+2.8pt	_	20.8%
ROE(%)	32.1%	31.1%	-1.1pt	_	29.3%
(Ref) Adjusted ROE (%)	32.3%	31.1%	-1.2pt	_	29.4%

<sup>(1)</sup> EBITDA = Operating profit + Depreciation + Amortization of goodwill (consolidated only) (2) ROA = operating profit x 4/3 / average of total assets as of the beginning and end of period

<sup>(3)</sup> ROE = Profit attributable to owners of parent x 4/3 / average of balances of shareholders' equity at beginning and end of period

<sup>(4)</sup> For details of accounting adjustments for adjusted profit attributable to owners of parent, adjusted EPS and adjusted ROE, please refer to the table on P20



## Selected Consolidated Balance Sheet Data

(JPY MM)	End of FY2020	FY2021 3Q (ended Dec 31, 2021)			
(ייוויו)	(ended Mar 31, 2021)	Results	vs. March 2021		
Cash and deposits	19,109	14,851	-4,257		
Real estate for sale	19,656	23,453	+3,797		
Real estate for sale in process	13,774	17,463	+3,689		
Inventory real estates	33,430	40,916	+7,486		
Non-current assets	2,053	1,699	-353		
Total assets	55,520	58,951	+3,430		
Accounts payable – trade	3,051	3,516	+465		
Short-term loans payable	_	-	_		
Long-term loans payable <sup>(1)</sup>	19,250	18,875	-375		
Net assets	28,243	32,985	+4,741		
Total of liabilities and net assets	55,520	58,951	+3,430		



## 1.

# **Supplementary Explanation of Quarterly Results**

(Reposted from FY2020 4Q)

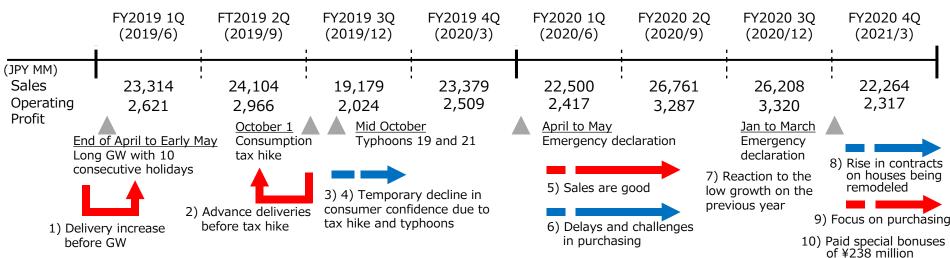
It is possible that the external environment may impact "quarterly results" to some extent. However, demand is firm, so there is no change in the trend of stable growth on an "annual basis".

## Factors Causing Fluctuations in Quarterly Results in the Previous Period (Ending March 2020)

- 1) Long Golden Week (10 consecutive holidays) in May 2019. April 2019 net sales were up due to an increase in customers wishing to move during the period of consecutive holidays.
- 2) There was a concentration of deliveries in advance of the consumption tax hike. Sales during September 2019 increased in anticipation of the tax hike.
- 3) The consumption tax hike had a psychological effect on consumer behavior, causing net sales to drop afterward due to a temporary decline in consumer confidence.
- 4) The record-breaking series of typhoons that hit Japan during October 2019 prevented sales activities, resulting in a decline in sales.

## Factors Causing Fluctuations in Quarterly Results during the Current Period (Ending March 2021)

- 5) Demand for inexpensive, high-quality detached houses has been firm, and an increase in responses compared to the previous period resulted in higher net sales.
- 6) On the other hand, the number of house purchases decreased due to the fact that sellers were avoiding contact with strangers, such as that involved with home viewings, in order to avoid the possibility of coronavirus infection.
- 7) The growth on the previous year is low due to the factors mentioned above in items 3) and 4), so the ratio of increase in sales and profit will be higher.
- 8) Sales contracts were favorable due to steady demand, but many houses were still being remodeled thus sales were carried over to the next fiscal year.
- 9) We focused on purchasing. As a result, the number of properties purchased rose 15.3% year on year.
- 10) The Company resolved to pay special year-end bonuses totaling ¥238 million. Such bonuses are aimed at enhancing employee motivation to achieve stable growth.





# Impact of COVID-19 on sales and purchasing

(Reposted from FY2020 4Q)

		(Reposted from FY2020 4Q)			
	Market environment over the past year	Our initiatives over the past year			
	• Demand for low-priced detached houses was firm.	• The number of initial inquiries from customers decreased			
	• The market in outlying and suburban areas was relatively unaffected by economic fluctuations.	between February and April 2020. However, since May 2020 the number of inquiries has been up year on year.			
S	• As people spend more time at home, demand for improved housing environments has been gradually materializing.	<ul> <li>We stepped up ongoing measures, such as accumulating customer lists, promoting contracts on houses being renovated, and pursuing option sales.</li> </ul>			
Sales	<ul> <li>Working from home is becoming mainstream at more companies. More people are relocating to live and work in outlying and suburban areas where prices are lower and more space is available.</li> </ul>	• We curtailed discounting and price reductions, began conducting open house viewings by appointment only, and have introduced new measures since the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, such as VHS <sup>(2)</sup> .			
	• The housing supply is decreasing. According to REINS <sup>(1)</sup> statistics, a shortage exists in the stock of detached houses and condominiums in urban and outlying areas, pointing to a sellers' market.	• Our success rate has risen as a result. At the same time, the gross profit margin and gross profit per unit have increased.			
	• A large number of real estate brokers worked at home or suspended operations between March and May 2020.	• Properties purchased in Q1: 1,214 (-17.4% year on year)			
	• In the first half, sellers were hesitant, due to reluctance to	• Properties purchased in Q2: 1,409 (-15.7% year on year)			
	have other people visit their homes, voluntary restraint at	• Properties purchased in Q3: 1,686 (+3.2% year on year)			
	moving outside their home prefectures, and concerns that selling prices would be low.	• Properties purchased in Q4: 1,548 (+15.3% year on year)			
Purc	• The Japanese population is characterized by a falling number of childbirths and an aging population. In addition, the stock of	<ul> <li>When the state of emergency was declared in April 2020, we began vetting purchases more stringently, given the uncertain outlook for sales.</li> </ul>			
Purchasing	new houses continues to rise due to new construction. For this reason, the market is experiencing an irreversible trend toward more houses lying vacant as the result of inheritance and people entering care facilities. Although some short-term fluctuations may occur, we expect purchasing to remain stable	<ul> <li>At Katitas, 70% of houses are purchased through brokers; the figure is 90% at Reprice. In the first half, purchasing was affected by a lower level of activity by real estate brokers.</li> </ul>			
	over the medium to long term.	<ul> <li>We promoted purchasing by running advertisements in regional newspapers and on YouTube. These efforts effectively led to assessments.</li> </ul>			
		<ul> <li>The year-on-year rate of increase in the number of properties purchased has been rising. A stable purchasing environment appears to be returning.</li> </ul>			

<sup>(1)</sup> Real Estate Information Network System (REINS) is a system operated by the Real Estate Information Network for managing various types of data related to the retail market for real estate. (2) VHS: abbreviation for Virtual Home Staging (Please refer to P41 for details)



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# 2. Mid-Term Business Plan (FY2019-2021)

(Reposted from FY2019 4Q)

- Formulated the Mid-Term Business Plan (FY2019-FY2021)<sup>(1)</sup> aiming to build a structure for continuous growth by enabling both Katitas and Reprice to make use of each other's strengths and to sell 10,000 houses per year in the long term
- Continue stable growth rather than aiming for rapid growth, while maintaining and improving quality and value of provided homes
- Start considering new businesses aiming to provide a wide range of solutions to the empty-home problem using existing assets, based on the business model strengths and accumulated know-how

## **Quantitative Targets**

## **Net sales**

- ✓ Approx. ¥110 billion for FY2021 (Increase of approx. ¥30 billion compared to FY2018)
- ✓ CAGR of around 10%

## **Operating profit**

- ✓ Approx. ¥13 billion range for FY2021 (Increase of approx. ¥4 billion compared to FY2018)
- ✓ CAGR of over 10%

## **Growth Strategy**

## Strengthen area marketing

- ① Separate and optimize the sales to match the characteristics of local markets.
- ② Strengthen development and support of area and store managers by introducing a range of systems, etc.
- ③ Continue collaboration with local builders to strengthen product capabilities.

## Promote market development

- ① Horizontally deploy methods from the areas of success to the areas with room for development.
- 2 Actively assign human resources to growth areas.
- ③ Improve efficiency of operations by expanding the Head Office functions.

## Continue to strengthen existing strategies

- ① Continue and expand aggressive recruitment mainly among new graduates.
- ② Improve sales productivity by promoting contracts of houses being renovated, etc.
- 3 Intensify examination of new business and other M&A opportunities

<sup>(1)</sup> Targets in the Mid-Term Business Plan do not include amounts for potential M&As and the impacts of new businesses.

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# Management Plan for FY2021 (Ending March 31, 2022)

(Reposted from FY2020 4Q)

- We aim to maintain stable growth, with operating profit growth of around 10%.
- Given the favorable sales climate, we aim to boost the inventory turnover ratio and improve the gross profit margin.
- We expect the year-on-year rate of increase in the number of properties purchased to move toward recovery. However, inventory was short at the beginning of the year.
- We will continue working to increase the number of properties purchased to ensure steady growth from FY2022.
- Even so, we will continue to uphold our quality-focused purchasing policy, rather than simply maintaining inventories through "purchases for the sake of purchases."
- Through operational improvements at sales locations, we will step up initiatives to reduce work loads and enhance productivity.

	FY2020 (ended Mar 31, 2021)		FY2021 (ended Mar 31, 2022)					
(JPY MM)			The first half			Full-year		
	The first half	Full-year	Plan	YoY(%)	vs. Sales (%)	Plan	YoY(%)	vs. Sales (%)
Sales	49,261	97,735	50,665	+2.8%	100.0%	103,622	+6.0%	100.0%
Number of properties sold	3,093	6,155	3,219	+4.1%	-	6,558	+6.5%	-
Gross profit	10,906	22,189	11,838	+8.5%	23.4%	23,891	+7.7%	23.1%
Operating profit	5,705	11,343	6,207	+8.8%	12.3%	12,509	+10.3%	12.1%
(Ref)EBITDA	5,825	11,582	6,325	+8.6%	12.5%	12,744	+10.0%	12.3%
Ordinary profit	5,583	11,125	6,097	+9.2%	12.0%	12,293	+10.5%	11.9%
Profit attributable to owners of parent	3,711	7,440	4,073	+9.7%	8.0%	8,210	+10.3%	7.9%
(Ref)Adjusted profit attributable to owners of parent	3,759	7,464	4,073	+8.3%	8.0%	8,210	+10.0%	7.9%

<sup>(1)</sup> EBITDA = Operating profit+ Depreciation + Amortization of goodwill

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# Growth Strategy of Katitas: Increasing Sales Staff Headcount and Improving Productivity (FY2020 Results) (Reposted from FY2020 4Q)

■ Large number of vacant properties that can be purchased in Japan; potential market size for Katitas is considerable.

■ Katitas plans to expand through an increase in procured and sold homes by increasing sales staff headcount while maintaining and improving productivity.

#### **Sales Staff**

Sales employees<sup>(1)</sup>
(average during the fiscal year)
525

#### **Increase in Number of Sales Employees**

- Continued hiring with a focus on new graduates
- ✓ A new graduate 104 joined Katitas in April 2021

#### New initiatives to enhance retention

- ✓ Strengthen initiatives to reduce work loads through operational improvements
- ✓ Pay special year-end bonuses, introduce a defined contribution pension plan

#### <Historical Turnover Rate(3)>



## **Productivity**

Procurement 8.6<sup>(2)</sup> / sales employee

Sales 8.6 / sales employee

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### Capacity(FY2020 Results)

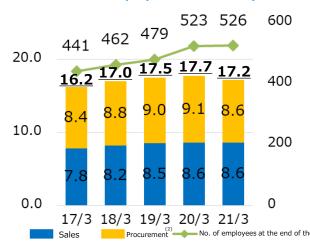
Number of properties procured: 4,502 (2)

Number of properties sold: 4,525

## **Improvement in Productivity of Sales Employees**

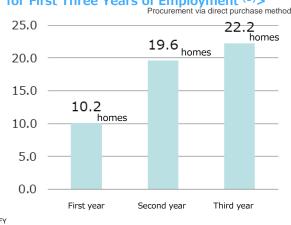
✓ Improvement in productivity by increasing the inventory turnover ratio and improving operations

### <Growth in Sales Employees' Productivity (2)(4)>



✓ Increased productivity of new graduate employees in a short time through established training programs

# <Average Productivity of New Graduates for First Three Years of Employment (5)>



<sup>1)</sup>The number of sales employee includes employees in branches, sales department managers and section chiefs 2)Farnings presentation materials from the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021, will include properties purchased at aug

<sup>(2)</sup> Earnings presentation materials from the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021, will include properties purchased at auction, retroactively applied in previous fiscal years.

previous fiscal years.

(3)Turnover rate = number of employees who resigned or retired during the fiscal year / number of employees at the beginning of the fiscal year



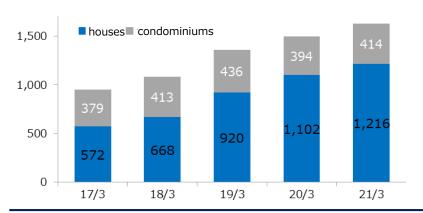
# Reprice: Business Status (FY2020 Results)

(Reposted from FY2021 1Q)

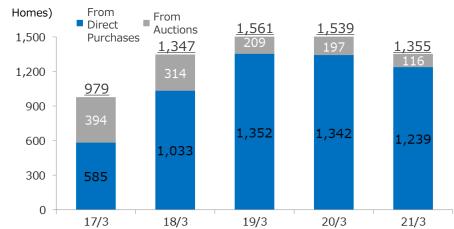
- Reprice's growth strategy is to increase the sales staff headcount and improve productivity. In the 3 years from FY2018, it prioritized increasing the sales staff headcount and hired a total of approx. 70 new graduates. However, as the number of inexperienced sales staff rose, productivity declined. Recently, it has been curbing hiring to about 15 people per year in a bid to raise productivity.
- Compared to Katitas, Reprice has a shortage of inventory. But profit margins have improved thanks to setting prices in line with market conditions and exercising restraint on discounting and price cutting.
- After the March 2016 merger, Reprice has increased the number of homes sold at a 5-year CAGR of 14.4%, owing to the elimination of financial constraints and the emergence of synergies.

#### Sales Volume (1) and Number of Properties Sold (1) (JPY MM) (Homes) 1,630 Sales (Left axis) 35,000 1,496 Number of Homes Sold 1,356 1500 30,000 (Right axis) 1,081 25,000 951 1000 20,000 31,670 15,000 28,594 5,64 500 10,000 6,49 5,000 0 17/3 18/3 20/3 21/3 19/3

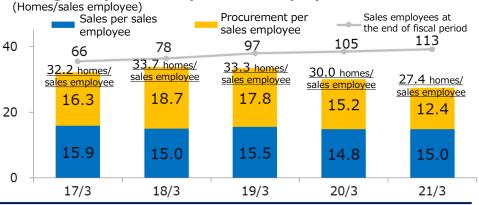
## Number of sales by houses/condominiums (1)



### Number of Houses Procured by Procurement Method (1)



# Number of sales employees at FY end and changes in productivity of sales employees(1)(2)

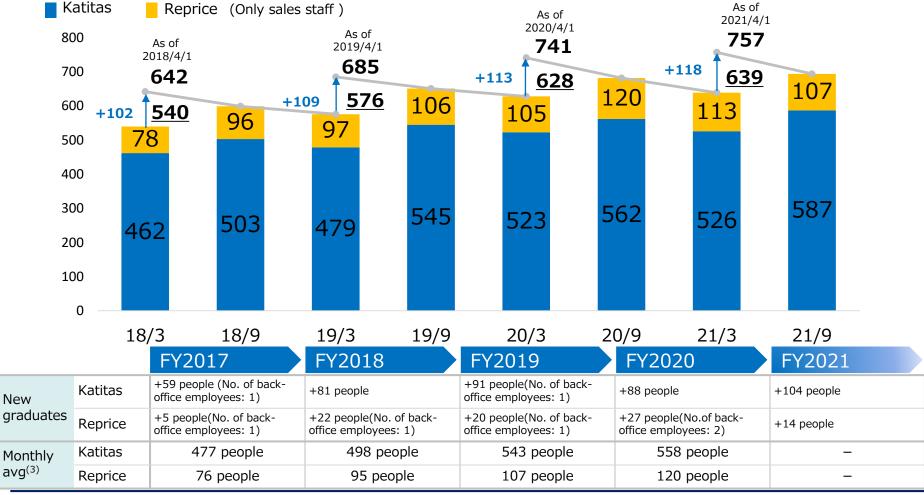


<sup>(1)</sup> Sales volume and number of homes procured and homes sold, and are for Reprice Co., Ltd. and Comprehensive Urban Development Corporation (a former subsidiary of Reprice, which was sold in September 2016) Productivity= sum of the number of homes procured and the number of homes sold by Katitas over a period, divided by the average of the number of sales employees of Katitas at the beginning and end of the fiscal year



## Number of sales staff **UPDATE**

- The number of sales employees at end-Sep. rose by 55 from end-Mar. Effects of various retention measures are gradually emerging.
- Launched a BPR project team<sup>(1)</sup> to improve employee retention and raise productivity by reducing workload.
- Continued recruiting activities, focusing on new graduates. The number of people offered jobs to join in April 2022 was about the same as in previous years (106 at Katitas, 15 at Reprice)<sup>(2)</sup>.



<sup>(1)</sup> BPR (Business Process Re-engineering): Drastic reform of business flow and operational structure

<sup>(2)</sup> As of December 31, 2021

<sup>(3)</sup> Monthly avg = The total of the number of sales employees at the end of each month / 12



## 2. Dividends

(Reposted from FY2020 4Q)

- We decided on a FY2020 year-end dividend of ¥16.0 per share, up from our initial forecast of ¥13.5 (announced on April 27, 2021).
- As a result, total dividends for FY2020 amounted to ¥29.5 per share (interim dividend of ¥13.5, year-end dividend of ¥16.0)
- For FY2021, we forecast total dividends of ¥32.0 per share (¥16.0 each for interim and year-end dividends).
- We plan to maintain a consolidated dividend payout ratio of 30% or more and continue paying dividends twice each year.

	FY2 (ended Marc	020 ch 31, 2021)	Forecast for FY2021 (ending March 31, 2022)			
	Interim	Year-end	Interim	Year-end		
Dividends per share (initial forecast)	¥13.5	¥ <mark>16.0</mark> (¥13.5)	¥16.0	¥16.0		
Dividend payout ratio	30.	5%	30.	0%		
Dividend payout ratio <sup>(1)</sup> (based on adjusted net profit)	30.4	4%	-	-		

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted net profit: Net profit adjusted for consumption tax and other items. Please see P20 for details on adjustment items.

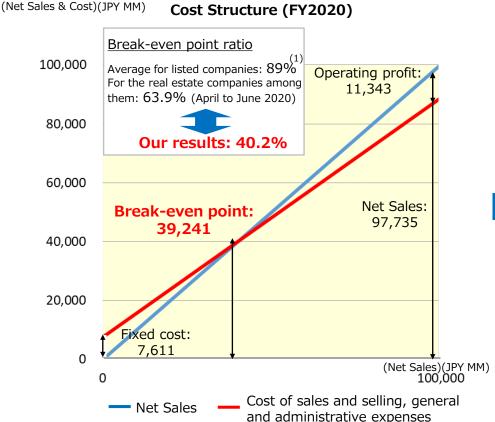


# **Performance stability**

(Reposted from FY2020 4Q)

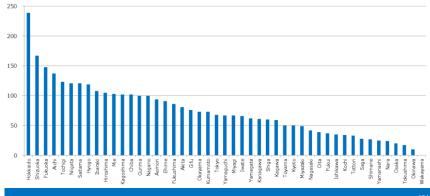
- Fixed costs are small relative to variable costs, making it easy for profits to stabilize.
- Geographical diversification minimizes risk of impairment due to disasters, and provisions for a portion of the cost of long-term inventory serves to curb future losses.

The cost structure with a high variable cost ratio and small fluctuations in profit

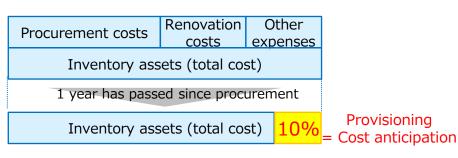


# Holdings dispersed throughout Japan / low risk of major impairment due to disaster

Inventory by prefecture (as of the end of March 2021)



Provisioning for long-term inventory at 10% of cost(2)



- The number of properties that would be in the red based on the gross profit of the property itself is in the 1% range.
- The number of properties that lose money on a property gross profit basis after provisioning is even more limited.

<sup>(1)</sup> Nihon Keizai Shimbun, September 19, 2020: "Deficits due to reduced revenues, Increasing vulnerability, Sudden rise from April to June, Break-even ratios in 19 industries over 90%, with air transport at 300%"

<sup>(2)</sup> Long-term inventory: inventory for which 1 year has passed since purchase settlement



# **Financial Stability**

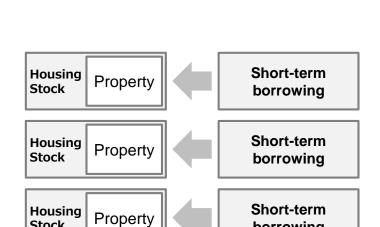
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(Reposted from FY2020 4Q)

borrowing

- Katitas takes out working capital loans to cover all its operating needs thanks to its high profitability and stable financial position.
- This has operating advantages in terms of improving procurement flexibility and financial advantages in terms of making its easier to secure on-hand liquidity even in an unfavorable environment.

#### **KATITAS** Stable borrowing through the arrangement of a syndicated loan Short-Commitment Line **Property** Term ¥0 bn/¥4.00 bn borrowina **Property** Installment repayment Housing stock **Property** · All Japan ¥0.73 bn Regional cities (¥0.75 bn per year) Small-sized **Property** Longproperties Term bullet repayment borrowing **Property** ¥18.52 bn (Repayment deadline: **Property**



Borrowing by taking out

individual short-term loans for each property

## Balance Sheet Strengths

- Katitas can purchase properties flexibly without the need to borrow funds at the time of purchase.
- Katitas can ensure on-hand liquidity provided it controls purchases when sales decline.
- Katitas already has commitment lines as back-up lines of credit and will continue to build good relationships with financial institutions.

2024/3)

Stock

- The current rate is 232.6% (1), and the ratio of fixed assets to long-term capital is 4.4% (2). Liquidity of real estate for sale, etc. was also high, at 2.04 times per year.
- Katitas enjoys financial stability, with an equity-to-asset ratio of 50.6%.

<sup>(1)</sup> Current rate = (Current assets - Real estate for sale - Real estate for sale in process)/ Current liabilities

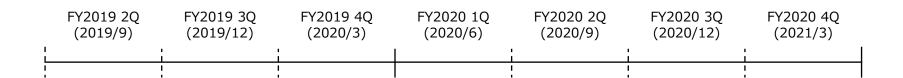
<sup>(2)</sup> Ratio of fixed assets to long-term capital = Total non-current assets /(Total non-current liabilities+Total net assets)



# Progress in the Reassessment Penalty, etc. from the Regional Taxation Bureau

(Reposted from FY2020 4Q)

- •As announced in a press release on April 28, 2020, Katitas believes that there are no errors in its existing accounting and tax treatment. Accordingly, the Company has moved ahead with necessary procedures for filing an appeal against the reassessment penalty.
- •At a meeting on March 23, 2021, the Board of Directors resolved to file an appeal by the end of March 2021 with the Tokyo District Court asking for the tax authorities to rescind the reassessment penalty (the "Appeal"). The Appeal was received by the Tokyo District Court on March 29, 2021.
- ·As we had expected to file the Appeal, our forecast remains unchanged.
- •The costs of the lawsuit will have a negligible impact on operating performance.
- •In our accounting and tax processes, we plan to maintain our current method of handling consumption tax.



Tax investigation from Aug 2019 to Apr 2020

Note: The period under investigation is the 4 years from FY2015 to FY2018. We recorded extraordinary losses of ¥2,014 million.

Received notice of reassessment on Apr 28, 2020

Conducted timely disclosure

Filing an appeal with the National Tax Tribunal from Jul 2020 to Mar 2021 Board of Directors resolution on Mar 23, 2021 to move from appeal to trial

Conducted timely disclosure



# 2. Adjustment Item List

- Following a tax investigation by the Kantoshinetsu Regional Taxation Bureau, Katitas recorded a consumption tax difference of JPY 2,014 million under extraordinary losses.
- The Company is not in full agreement with the reassessment penalty. Accordingly, we are filing an appeal with the Tokyo District Court.
- Katitas plans to continue using its Proportional Division Method in its accounts in the future.

	Full Year			Third Quarter			
	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2019 3Q	FY2020 3Q	FY2021 3Q	
Profit attributable to owners of parent	5,926	5,190	7,440	5,014	5,924	7,100	
Differences in consumption taxes, etc.	_	2,014	48 <sup>(2)</sup>	_	45 <sup>(2)</sup>	_	
Refund of income taxes	_	-562	_	_	_	_	
Income taxes – deferred for refund of income taxes	_	28	-27	_	-19	_	
Advisory fees (3)	_	_	3	_	3	_	
Tax impact to above adjustments	_	_	-1		_	_	
Total of adjustment (After tax impact adjustment)	_	1,480	23	_	29	_	
Adjusted net profit attributable to owners of the parent	5,926	6,671	7,464	5,014	5,954	7,100	
Adjusted EPS (JPY) (4)	78.81	87.36	97.16	65.72	77.57	92.04	
Adjusted dividend payout ratio(%)	33.0%	30.9%	30.4%	_	_	_	

<sup>(1)</sup> Amount subject to reassessment due to a difference in views on the method of calculating consumption tax, based on a tax investigation by the Kantoshinetsu Regional Taxation Bureau. The Company is filing an appeal with the Tokyo District Court because it considers the penalty unacceptable.

<sup>(2)</sup> Rough estimate of a delinquent tax pertaining to the Reassessment Penalty, etc.

<sup>(3)</sup> The amount paid to lawyers, tax accountants, and other professionals in relation to tax reassessment, etc.

<sup>(4)</sup> The Company conducted a two-for-one common stock split on April 1, 2020. Adjusted EPS is calculated as if the stock split had occurred at the beginning of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2019.



## **Presentation Highlights**

Overview of Financial Results for the First Nine Months of the FY2021 (Ending March 31, 2022)

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3. Overview of Business Model

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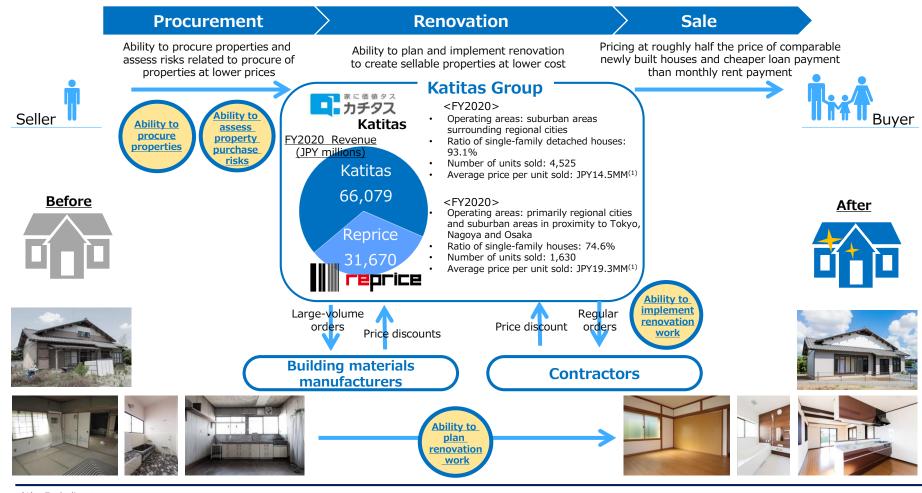
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## **Business Model of Katitas**

- Katitas purchases lower-cost pre-owned vacant houses through its unique know-how, adds value to them through renovation and sells them at roughly half the price of comparable newly built houses
- Katitas sells renovated pre-owned single-family houses to the market targeting middle- and lower-income households in regional cities as a new "Fourth Option" an alternative housing option to newly built, "as is" pre-owned and rental houses



(1) Excluding tax

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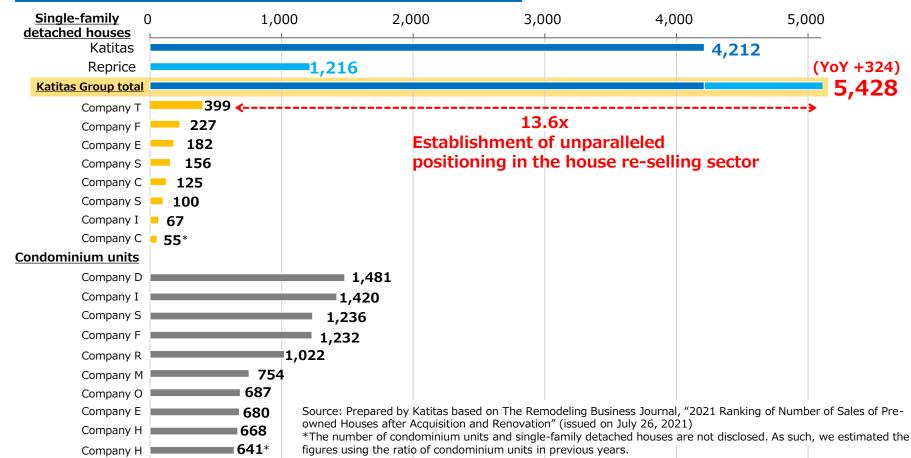


## Number of Houses Sold is Over 10 Times that of No.2 Ranked Company

- No.1 among House Reselling Businesses<sup>(1)</sup> in terms of number of units sold in FY2019
- Established unique positioning by focusing on pre-owned single-family detached houses located in regional cities and Regional areas that competitors find challenging to bring to the market



3.



<sup>(1)</sup> A "Housing Reselling Business" is defined as one conducted by certified "building lot and transactions" dealers with extensive know-how in renovation so as to efficiently and effectively improve the quality of existing house inventory (Requests for FY2016 Tax Reform (Special Measures Concerning Taxation))



## 3. Katitas's Unique Model and Positive Social Impact

# Providing a 4<sup>th</sup> housing option—an affordable alternative to newly built houses, pre-owned houses and rental houses

Unaffordable
"Newly built houses"

Old and nonrenovated "Pre-owned houses"

"Rental houses" which do not meet demand



High-quality and reasonably priced "Katitas houses"

## Katitas's Unique Model: Creating value from valueless "as-is" houses

- Purchase, renovate and re-sell pre-owned single-family houses and houses left vacant which are valueless "as-is"
- Value-added house re-selling business: "Kati (="value" in Japanese) tas (="to add" in Japanese) to valueless "as is" properties"



## Positive Social Impact: Addressing one of Japan's social issues

- A pressing social issue in Japan facing population decline is what to do with the existing vacant houses in regional areas
- Sales of previously vacant, unused houses to new homeowners stimulate local economies and help foster community development

Addressing Issue of Vacant Houses (Akiya)

Stimulation of Local Economy

Environmentally Friendly



Katitas' ESG and SDGs: Contributing to Acquisition of Affordable Housing for Low- and Middle-Income Households

There are 8.49 million vacant houses nationwide, a large social problem

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Resolving the vacant house issue by renovating and distributing vacant houses

Affordable houses for people with annual household income of ¥2-5 million





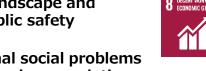
Renovation contractors

Creating employment



University students wishing to work for the community

Vacant houses spoil the landscape and create concern over public safety







Population concentration in urban areas



Various regional social problems including the aging population, young people leaving and the hollowing out of the economy



## Katitas' ESG and SDGs: Status of Overall Initiatives

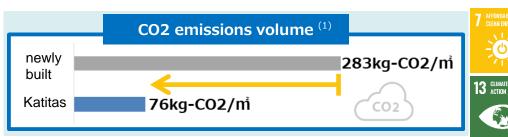
## Katitas's pre-owned house renovation business

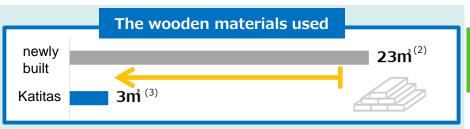




## Scrap and build new houses







### Flat Board of Directors operations in which Directors can comment freely.

Independent outside directors: 1/3 of the total

✓ Of those, three are Independent Outside Directors. Outside Director attendance ratio: 100% (4)

## Salaries of sales employees are mainly fixed salaries

✓ Incentives make up a small percentage of salaries, which are less likely to become contributors to unreasonable sales activities and sales.

Wage system

Fixed salaries and allowances 80%

Incentives 20%

## Weekly video conference connecting all branches nationwide

✓ Communication including failure cases and compliance.



## The three reporting principles

- √ Thorough internal notifications on compliance awareness.
- 1. Promptly report trouble
- Voluntary Remuneration Advisory Committee
- 2. Report the bad things first · Monthly partner meetings held with
  - renovation contractors (KRP Meeting)

3. Do not lie

Monthly human rights education

<sup>(1)</sup> Source: Kimoto, Ikaga, Hanaki, Shintani, and Noguchi (2009), "Projection of CO2 Emissions from Construction, Renovation, and Demolition of Housing to 2050"

<sup>(2)</sup> Source: "Current Status and Issues in the Forestry, Logging, and Timber Industry," Forestry Agency (March 2021) (3) Our standard remodeling property results, constructed in December 2018

<sup>(4)</sup> Results for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021

<sup>(5)</sup> Results for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2020 (for employees ranging from personnel in charge to sales department managers)



# Katitas' ESG and SDGs: Company Where Female Employees Can Take an Active Role

- Katitas actively recruits and promotes women because operations to purchase houses and to remodel them are ones in which women can take an active role.
- Katitas contributes to the revitalization of local regions through the creation of job opportunities for women, which is an issue in local regions and the suburbs where the Company operates.
- In June 2020, Katitas was selected as a new constituent of the MSCI Japan Empowering Women Select Index.

# Annual sales ranking of sales employees (FY2020 results)





65% (13) of the company's top-ranking sales personnel were women

## Female employee ratio: 39.2% (As of April 2021)





Many women interested in renovations and housing

### Breakdown of new-graduate recruits by gender



## Percentage of female managers(As of April 2021)





Katitas also has a high percentage of women in managerial positions\*1

Ratio of women and men in terms of average years of service (As of March 31, 2021) (3)





Average for 66% large companies

There is little difference in average years of service between men and women.

Selected as a new constituent of the MSCI Japan Empowering Women Select Index

# 2020 CONSTITUENT MSCI JAPAN EMPOWERING WOMEN INDEX (WIN)

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99%

<sup>(1)</sup> Total number in management and supervisory roles, including Katitas's sales and administrative divisions

<sup>(2)</sup> Source: Teikoku Databank "Awareness Survey of Corporate Attitudes Towards Promotion of Women (2020)"

<sup>(3)</sup> Average years of service of female employees/Average years of service of male employees

<sup>(4)</sup> Source: The Ministry of of Health, Labour and Welfare "Basic Survey on Wage Structure (2020)"



## **Updated ESG Report to Reflect Investor Feedback**

(Reposted from FY2021 1Q)

- We updated the ESG Report (published in November 2020) to reflect the feedback we received during constructive dialogues with investors.
- We disclosed our purpose (vision) and included the voices of many stakeholders.
- We disclosed the risks and opportunities related to climate change (with reference to TCFD), the economic impact of our business and the number of beneficiaries, and more.

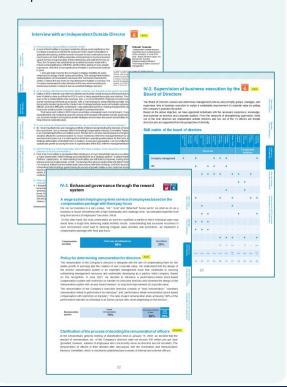
## **Voices of many stakeholders**

Introduced the value provided by Katitas through its business. Included stakeholder voices to help investors gain a fuller understanding of our business.



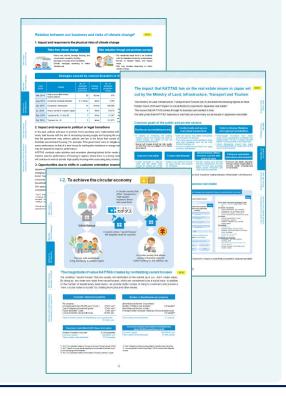
# Enhanced disclosure on governance

Disclosed an interview with an independent outside director, a skills matrix, and our policy for determining executive compensation.



# Reflected many feedback from investors

Proactively reflected feedback we received from investors in constructive dialogues during IR activities.





# **The Company's Customer Profile**

	Customer profile
Business area	<u>Suburban areas surrounding regional cities</u> (Targeting regions with populations of 50,000 – 300,000)
Properties handled	Mainly pre-owned single-family <u>detached houses</u> which have become vacant due to events such as inheritance
Average selling price	JPY 15.0 million (including tax)
Buyers' needs	<u>Actual demand</u> (purchases made for the purpose of the buyer themselves living in the property as a residence)
Buyers' age range	30s-50s (75.2% of the Company's sales results)
Buyers' annual income	JPY 2-5 million (69.9% of the Company's sales results) (home loan to annual income ratio is 3.94)  * Households with annual incomes between JPY 2-5 million are the largest volume zones in rural areas, excluding the three major cities.
Type of buyers' loan	<u>Home</u> loan
Financial institutions with loan transactions	<u>Nationwide</u> regional banks, shinkin banks, credit associations and labor banks, etc.
Source of loan payments	Buyer's <b>flow income</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Figures for average selling price, buyers' age range, and buyers' annual income are from cumulative results for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021.

<sup>(2)</sup> Home loan to annual income ratio = selling price (including tax) / annual income
Annual income based on customer responses. Calculated excluding customers that pay in full in cash, customers with unknown income, and corporations.



## Examples of Value-Added Properties (1): Appearance and Exterior Work

- Work on appearance is intended to improve endurance and make houses look more attractive
- Expansion of parking spaces is essential in Regional areas; decisions on procuring properties are made depending on whether such expansion is possible or not, and potential acquisition of adjacent land and scaling-down of the size of houses are examined









Renovated one-story house: replaced the damaged eaves and refreshed the dilapidated exterior



House where porch tiles were replaced, a new exit door was installed and the exterior wall was clad with accent tiles



House where two parking spaces were created by removing garden trees and part of the retaining wall



## Examples of Value-Added Houses (2): Interior Work

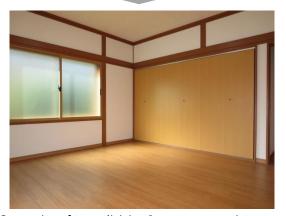
- Not only re-wallpapering and re-flooring, but also a willingness to make floor plan changes helps Katitas' efforts to "create comfortable dwelling spaces"
- Renovation work is intended to erase traces of former owners completely, while selected parts of houses are left untouched in order to curb costs (and eventually, to rein in selling prices)





New look of an integrated LDK space with replaced flooring and wallpaper, after the floor plan with the living and dining rooms separated was altered by changing the location of the kitchen





Conversion of two adjoining Japanese rooms into two modern Western rooms, by installing a wall and replacing tatami mats with flooring, at a low cost achieved by using the original sash





Renovated entrance, by replacing the carpet with flooring, cladding the entrance foyer with new terracotta-style tiles and installing a new shoe closet



## 3.

## **Examples of Value-Added Houses (3): Facilities Work**

- New plumbing products are installed to improve usability and cleanliness
- Materials are purchased at lower prices through bulk purchases, which results in large-scale renovation work at about half the price paid in personally-requested renovation work













Newly-installed kitchen unit with a hanging cupboard, replacing the inconvenient unit used for more than 30 years and resulting in drastic improvement in both usability and appearance



A new modular bath system is installed in approx. 90% of houses purchased



A new multi-functional toilet is also installed in approx. 90% of houses purchased



A new washstand is installed in approx. 90% of houses purchased and many requests for locational change are met



Room doors and other fittings are replaced and repaired as necessary



## 3. Implementing risk management based on track record of 60,000 projects

- Katitas has accumulated a stock of "failure cases" through purchasing and selling more than 60,000 houses. These cases frequently occur as a result of errors made at the time of purchasing. Failure cases are shared with branches nationwide on a weekly basis.
- Before purchasing, in addition to clarifying the boundaries with adjacent land, Katitas conducts "three-party on-site meetings" with the renovation contractor and termite exterminator. The three parties will check the entire house to ascertain whether the building has deterioration in the frame, or a history of roof leakage.
- Katitas will also carry out extensive inspections both during renovation and at the time of completion, in order to minimize failures and problems that may occur after the property has been delivered.

Examples of Pre-purchase Inspections: Inspections concerning Three Major Risks Associated with Older Detached Houses

#### **Termite Risk**

The termite exterminator performs an inspection of the underfloor space looking for evidence of termite damage. This avoids unexpected renovation costs, and reduces the risk of procuring a property that is difficult to renovate

#### Rain Leakage Risk



The renovation contractor will check the entire frame of the building including the roof space looking for evidence of roof leaks and pests. These inspections increase the accuracy of renovation cost estimates.

## **Risks Associated with Property Rights**



A land survey is conducted on every project. This provides comfort to the buyer. Land surveys are unnecessary for preowned condominiums.

## Examples of cases which required major repair after purchasing or after sale



Unstable foundations were discovered after purchasing. This needed to be repaired before sale which led to additional costs.



Case in which subsidence under the floor was discovered after purchasing. A major rebuilding of the foundation was necessary.



Case in which the roof leaked after sale. A full repair was carried out under the warranty against defects.



Case in which deterioration in roof materials was noticed after sale. As a partial repair was not possible, the entire roof had to be replaced.

- Katitas regards these failure cases as the "assets of the company,". They are shared with the entire company on a weekly basis to prevent recurrences (= minimize risk)
- Nevertheless, unsaleable properties are occasionally procured due to unexpected defects.

## **Entry Barrier of Katitas' Business Model and Competitive Advantage**

## **Individual property characteristics**

# Property conditions are extremely varied

Even with properties built by the same home builder, the deterioration of properties differs based on the location and maintenance.

# Economies of scale do not apply

In addition to the individual characteristics of the homes themselves, extreme differences in the levels of deterioration make standardized reforms difficult, and economies of scale do not easily apply.

## **Regional characteristics**

#### Lifestyles by region

Lifestyles differ throughout Japan with its heavy snowfall regions and hot and humid regions, meaning thorough regional knowledge is required to respond to customer needs.

# <u>Differing business</u> environments

The presence of competition as well as the number and level of partner companies such as contractors and other licensed professionals differ by region.

We will create our own unique positioning by properly managing the balance between "standardization" and "individual solutions"

## Standardization policies

### Preparation and weekly updates of manuals

 $\sim\!\!$  Organize individual work processes including purchasing, reforms, and sales in detail.

Create manuals for renovation contractors as well.

#### Standardization of knowledge

 $\sim\!$  Collect information on good knowledge and bad knowledge through weekly business condition reports.

Standardize and disseminate solution methods to workplaces through weekly company-wide morning video conferences.

## Checking system at headquarters

 $\sim$ Check the contents of contracts and reforms at headquarters from a third-party perspective.

## **Individual solutions policies**

### •Sales staff oversees every phase of the business flow

~By overseeing every phase from the property acquisition to reform plans to sales, the sales staff takes responsibility for everything from property quality to customer support.

## • Hire personnel with ties to each region throughout Japan

 $\sim$ Hire "exceptional students wishing to work for the region" at local universities and establish positioning as a company that works for the region.

#### Compensation system not reliant on results

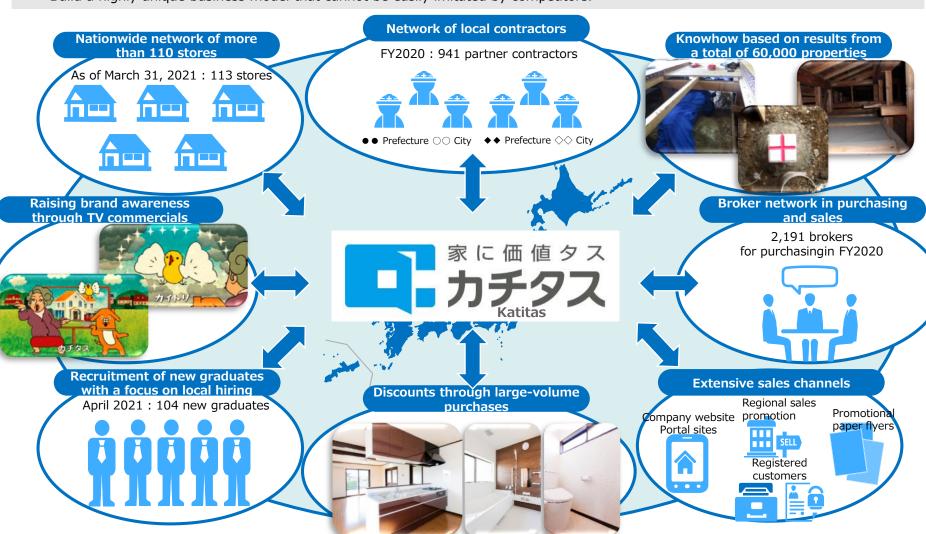
~Compensation system based on fixed salaries to allow employees to work for a long time and accumulate the benefits of experience.

- Accumulate "experiences of success and failure" based on the results of more than 60,000 properties
- By focusing on regional cities and the middle-income range, we will build a platform that, unlike metropolitan city center and high-end markets, is resistant to market conditions
- Hiring and development that enhances personnel performance
- Detailed management by a management class with diverse backgrounds



# Build a strong foundation that cannot be imitated by competitors through an organically integrated ecosystem

- The strength of Katitas's business model is as a strong, organically integrated collective, and not in individual, exceptional strengths.
- Build a highly unique business model that cannot be easily imitated by competitors.



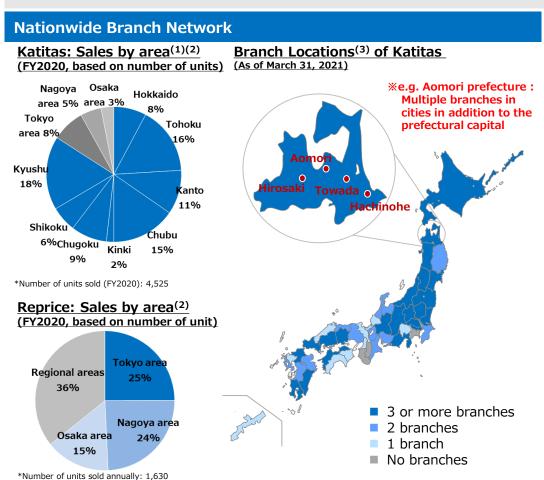
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## Nationwide Branch Network and High Brand Recognition

- Katitas maximizes purchasing and sales opportunities by covering geographic areas not or rarely accessed by competitors, including small- and medium-sized cities with populations between 50,000-300,000
- Katitas has No.1 brand recognition in regional areas

\*"Regional areas" are other areas than the "three metropolitan areas"(2)

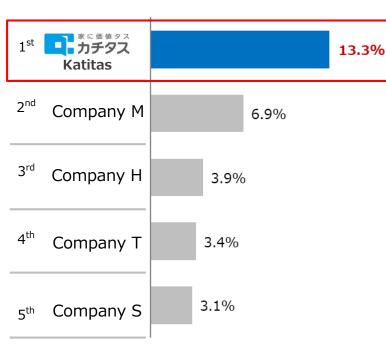


#### **High Brand Recognition in Regional Areas**

#### Survey on Brand Recognition<sup>(4)</sup>

UPDATE

Q. "Which company comes to mind if you are asked about a company to which one could sell a house?"



Source: Web-based survey without presenting answers options in January 2022 conducted by a third-party research firm requested by Katitas. The number of samples of each survey was 1,100. Ten prefectures were selected as target survey areas and the surveys were conducted in rotation. The above chart shows aggregated results of prefectures where Katitas TV commercials were aired

<sup>(1)</sup> Tohoku: Aomori, Iwate, Miyagi, Akita, Yamagata and Fukushima prefectures. Kanto: Ibaraki, Tochigi and Gunma Prefectures. Chubu: Niigata, Toyama, Ishikawa, Fukui, Yamanashi, Nagano and Shizuoka prefectures. Kinki: Shiga and Wakayama prefectures. Shinkoku: Tokushima, Kagawa, Ehime and Kochi prefectures. Kyushu: Fukuoka, Saga, Alagasaki, Kumamnoto, Oita, Miyazaki, Kagoathima and Okinawa prefectures. Shinkoku: Tokushima, Kagawa, Ehime and Kochi prefectures. Nyushu: Fukuoka, Saga, Alagasaki, Kumamnoto, Oita, Miyazaki, Kagoathima and Okinawa prefectures). Oita of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications): Tokyo area (Saitama, Chiba, Kanagawa and Tokyo prefectures), Nagoya area (Gifu, Aichi and Mie prefectures) and Osaka area (Osaka, Hyogo, Nara and Kyoto prefectures).

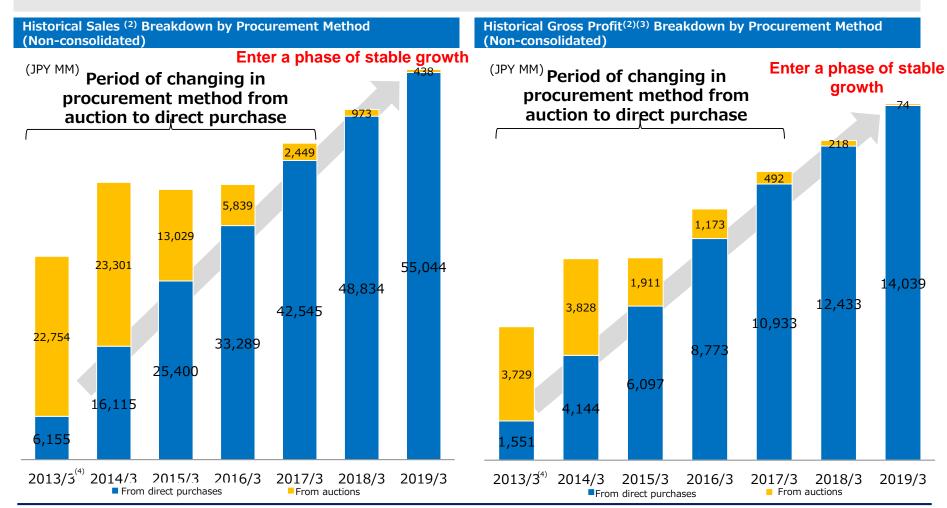
<sup>(3)</sup> Branch list is explained in detail on P.46
(4) Surveyed areas in January 2022 were Aomori, Miyagi, Ishikawa, Shizuoka, Tottori, Shimane, Kagawa, Kumamoto and Kagoshima prefectures (where TV commercials were aired), as well as Gunma and Kyoto prefectures (where no TV commercials were aired)

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## Increased Ratio of Properties Procured Through Direct Purchases as Compared to **Auction Purchases Contributed to Rapid Growth in Sales and Gross Profit**

(Reposted from FY2018 4Q)

- Katitas has largely shifted its property procurement method from auctions to direct purchases. (1) This drastic reform increased gross profit
- From the fiscal year ended March 31, 2018, Katitas is likely to enter a phase of stable growth of around 10% annually



Please refer to P.56 regarding the comparison between procurement through auctions and direct purchases

<sup>2)</sup> Sales and gross profit are based on managerial accounting

<sup>(3)</sup> Gross profit from sales attributed to homes procured through auction and direct purchases is based on the procurement costs and renovation costs of the homes before appraisal loss, loss from lower-of-cost-or-market valuation, impairment loss and other minor adjustments 37 (4) During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2013, we changed the end of our fiscal year from January 20 to March 31 and as a result the fiscal year ended March 31, 2013 covers the approximately 14-month period from January 21, 2012 until March 31, 2013



## Unique Business Model to Add Value to Vacant Houses

- Katitas adds value to under-valued vacant houses by renovating them for re-sale
- Katitas' unique business model and its efforts to solve problems related to vacant houses in regional areas are highly regarded by external parties, as represented by the award given by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and the Porter Prize

Awarded by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry as an Innovative Renovation Company in FY2015<sup>(1)</sup>



- Contribution made through purchasing/reselling pre-owned houses with a focus on regional single-family houses.
   Developed a framework to enhance customer satisfaction by minimizing renovation costs
- As an industry leader, not only tackling the empty house problem but also established its own construction quality standard which contributes to the soundness of the industry

#### Porter Prize in FY2017







The reasons awards were received can be viewed through the following URL or by double-clicking on the above icon.

http://katitas.jp/information/ir/file/2017porter prize Eng.pdf

- The prize is intended to recognize outstanding Japanese companies that implement excellent competitive strategies
- The prize bestows recognition on Japanese companies that have <u>achieved</u> <u>and maintained superior profitability</u> by implementing <u>unique strategies</u> based on innovations in products, processes, and ways of managing
- Reason for the award; (1) Katitas renovates pre-owned houses in regional areas and sells them at price levels that make mortgage payments competitive with renting. (2) Katitas continues its growth by providing high quality houses in regional areas where population is decreasing with limited supply of newly built houses

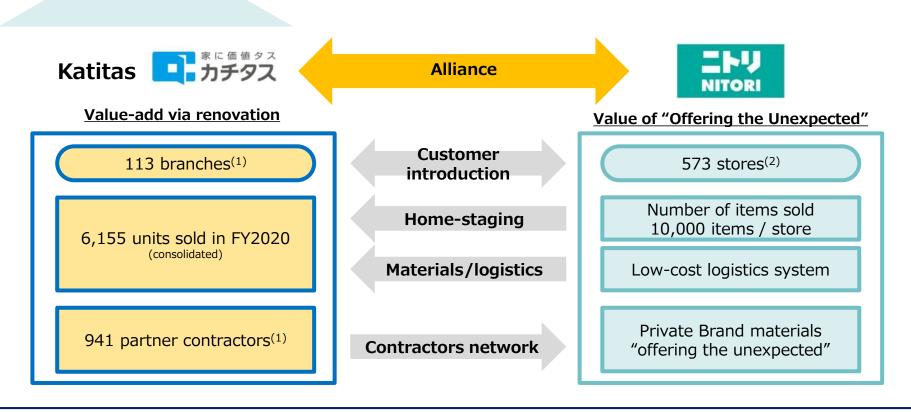


## 3. Alliance with Nitori Holdings (Announced on April 28, 2017)

- Advantage Partners transferred 34% of Katitas' shares to Nitori Holdings for JPY23,300 MM
- Katitas and Nitori entered into an alliance that aims to utilize their respective strengths to provide enriched and more comfortable living environments to their customers

**Expected Synergies** 

## From House Re-seller to Lifestyle Provider



<sup>(1)</sup> As of March 31, 2021

<sup>(2)</sup> Aggregate of "Nitori" stores, "Nitori Express" stores and "Nitori Deco house" stores in Japan (as of February 28, 2021)



## 3. Progress of Alliance-based Operations(1/2)

- Pre-owned houses fitted with Nitori furniture and interior items not only convey a more concrete image of the post-move lifestyle and living space to those considering purchasing, but also have the advantage to the purchaser of incorporating the expense into the home loan, so that there is no burden associated with the new lifestyle.
- Those who have purchased a property from the Katitas Group are presented with a coupon which will earn them five times more points than usual when they purchase Nitori products

**Sales Service** 

Offering and selling pre-owned houses fitted with Nitori furniture and interior items







**Sales Service** 

Issuing coupons that can be used for purchases of Nitori products



Coupon presented to purchasers when properties are delivered



Website banner announcing that coupons will be given



## **Progress of Alliance-based Operations(2/2)**

3.

Land 325.98m Building 125.85m

- "VHS (Virtual Home Staging)" virtually installs Nitori furniture in Katitas properties.
- This can be implemented more easily in terms of cost and furniture delivery logistics than showing a "furnished house".
- VHS increases the success rate, so using VHS before revising prices helps to curtail price reductions.



(Including tax)

Monthly pa

Monthly payments JPY 44,573

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Links to a 360° panorama allows viewers to take virtual tour of a property while moving the view around.



(5 bedroom + 1 bathroom)

Switchahlo with one click



Currently, VHS is used mainly for living rooms



## **Presentation Highlights**

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## **Company Summary**





Name	KATITAS Co., Ltd.		
Date of Establishment	September 1, 1978		
Representative Katsutoshi Arai, President and CEO			
Fiscal Year-End	March 31		
Capitalization	JPY 3,778,871,000 (As of March 31, 2021)		
Number of outstanding shares	78,650,640 shares (As of March 31, 2021)		
Listed Stock Market TSE 1st Section (Securities Code: 8919)			
Headquarters	4-2 Mihara-cho, Kiryu-shi, Gunma		
Tokyo office	Shinkawa Nakano TH Bld., 1-18-3, Shinkawa, Chuo-ku, Tokyo		
MSI Management Center	3-12 Kotohira-cho, Kiryu-shi, Gunma		
Subsidiary REPRICE Co., Ltd.			



Name	REPRICE Co., Ltd.		
Date of Establishment	June 19, 1996		
Representative Katsutoshi Arai, President and CEO			
Fiscal Year-End	March 31		
Capitalization	JPY 75,000,000 (As of March 31, 2021)		
Headquarters	NF Bld., 1-9-16, Sakae, Naka-ku, Nagoya-shi, Aichi		
Parent company	KATITAS Co., Ltd.		



# 4. History

Date	Event
Sep. 1978	Established as Yasuragi Co., Ltd., in Kiryu, Gunma Prefecture with ¥10 million in capital to conduct the stone quarrying business
Dec. 1988	Acquired a real estate brokerage license and started the real estate sales and agency business
Aug. 1998	In line with the revised Civil Execution Act, established a business model of purchasing real estate at property auctions and selling refurbished properties
Mar. 1999	Opened the Takasaki Branch (later opened more regional branches, reaching a total of 113 as of March 31, 2021)
Feb. 2004	Listed on the Centrex Market of the Nagoya Stock Exchange
Mar. 2012	Tender offer for the Company's shares by Advantage Partners Inc., a private-equity fund
Jul. 2012	Delisted from the Centrex Market of the Nagoya Stock Exchange
Jul. 2013	Changed company name to KATITAS Co., Ltd.
Feb. 2016	Received the METI Minister Award for "Advanced Rehabilitation Remodeler" from the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Infrastructure
Mar. 2016	Acquired all shares of REPRICE Co., Ltd. (now a consolidated subsidiary)
Apr. 2017	Formed a capital and business alliance with Nitori Holdings Co., Ltd.
Oct. 2017	Received the 17th Porter Prize (sponsored by the School of International Corporate Strategy, Hitotsubashi University Business School)
Dec. 2017	Listed shares on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange
Mar. 2020	Due to stable growth post-listing, achieved consolidated operating profit of ¥10.0 billion
Apr. 2021	Cumulative number of homes sold by Katitas surpasses 60,000
May. 2021	Cumulative number of homes sold by Reprice surpasses 10,000



## 4.

## **Management Team (Executive Directors)**

#### Katsutoshi Arai, President and CEO of Katitas and Reprice



- After working at Sanwa Bank (now MUFG Bank) and Bain & Company, obtained an MBA at Columbia University and then joined Recruit. In May 2012, joined the new management team of the former Yasuragi (now Katitas) as the company was taken private. Has been CEO since then.
- During his time at Recruit, was in charge of new business development related to housing, which he launched and grew as a business. Became sales manager of the custom-built housing business which at the time was a low-profile business, achieving rapid growth of its sales, becoming general manager in one year.
- Creating a foundation for stable growth through management that combines his background in consulting, MBA, and sales skills.

Shinichi Onizawa, Director, General Manager of Sales Headquarters



- Joined Yasuragi in June 2001.
- Involved in management of the Sales Headquarters since the Yasuragi days.
- As an industry veteran, is very familiar with the risks related to the purchase and sale of pre-owned homes.

# Kazuhito Yokota, Director, General Manager of Administration Headquarters



- After working at Recruit, established Career Design Center, which listed on TSE (ticker: 2410), and served as representative director and vice president.
- Joined Yasuragi in August 2012.
- Advanced understanding of business administration and the recruiting of talented personnel due to extensive experience and performance.

Harutoshi Oe, Director, General Manager of Marketing Office



- Previously worked at Recruit (mediumand long-term strategy office) and chief editor of a housing magazine.
- Joined Yasuragi in January 2013.
- Brought into the Company to strengthen its marketing.
- Helped to raise Katitas brand awareness through TV commercials and newspaper ads promoting purchases.



- Takayuki Ushijima, Director, Vice President of Reprice
  - After working at a recruitment consulting company, joined Reprice in May 2009.
  - At Reprice, promoted to area manager three months after joining the company. In 2014, became the youngest director ever.
  - Engaged in building up Reprice's organization, leading the company's growth.



## **Katitas Group Branch List (All Own Branches)**

#### Branches (As of Dec 31, 2021)



## Katitas 📑 🕏

#### ⇒ Nationwide network covering regional small- to medium- sized cities

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Hokkaido Sapporo Otaru Asahikawa Iwamizawa Kitami Hakodate Kushiro Obihiro Muroran  Tohoku Hirosaki Towada Hachinohe Aomori Morioka Ichinoseki Sendai Osaki Akita Yokote Odate Yamagata Sakata Yonezawa Koriyama Iwaki Aizu Fukushima	Kanto Mito Tsukuba Shimotsuma Hitachi Tochigi Utsunomiya Oyama Nasu Ota Midori Numata Takasaki Kumagaya Koshigaya Saitama Iruma Higashi- Matsuyama Mobara Kisarazu (1) Sakura Hachioji	Small- to n  Koshinetsu, Hokuriku Nagaoka Niigata Joetsu Shibata Tsubamesanjo Toyama Takaoka Kanazawa Nanao Fukui Kofu Ueda Nagano Matsumoto Ina  Tokai Gifu Tajimi Ogaki Shizuoka Numazu Iwata Fuji Nagoya Matsuzaka Nabari	Mansai Hikone Kusatsu Fukuchiyama Kobe Himeji  Chugoku Tottori Yonago Izumo Okayama Tsuyama Higashi-Hiroshima Fukuyama Miyoshi Yamaguchi Shimonoseki Iwakuni	Shikoku Tokushima Takamatsu Marugame Matsuyama Saijo Uwajima Kochi  Kyushu Fukuoka Kita-Kyushu Kurume

#### **Total 116 Branches**



Reprice Tokai Reprice Tokyo Shibarikyu Reprice Tokyo Daimon Reprice Hokkaido Reprice Tohoku Reprice Kita-Kanto Reprice Shinshu Reprice Shizuoka Reprice Gifu Reprice Kansai Reprice Chugoku Reprice Okayama Reprice Shikoku Reprice Kyushu

**Total 14 Branches** 

#### Main types of house sellers

- ✓ Local home builders
- ✓ □ ホテテョッシҳ (Katitas)
- ✓ Real estate brokers



Regional cities(3)

## Main types of house sellers

- √ Home builders
- "Power Builders" (home builders specializing in built-for-sale houses primarily targeting customers purchasing home for the first time in the price range of JPY20MM-30MM)
- ✓ House re-sellers
  (primarily condominium units)
- reprice
- Real estate brokers

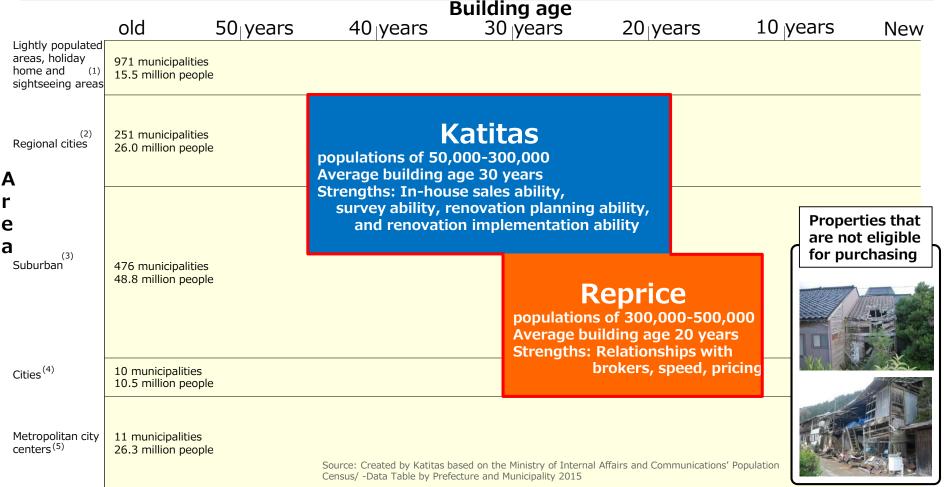
Rural areas

- (2) Primarily regional cities and suburban areas in proximity to the three major metropolitan cities of Japan (Tokyo, Nagoya and Osaka)
- (3) Suburban areas surrounding regional cities across Japan



## **Business Development Areas and Building Ages of the Group**

- Katitas focuses on regional cities (population 50,000-300,000) and buildings with an average 30 years. It has strengths in in-house sales ability, survey ability, renovation planning ability, and renovation implementation ability.
- Reprice focuses on urban and suburban areas (population 300,000-500,000) and buildings with an average 20 years. It has strengths in its broker network, speed, and pricing accuracy



<sup>(1)</sup> Lightly populated areas, holiday home and sightseeing areas: Municipalities with populations under 50,000 excluding areas within the three metropolitan areas (2) Regional cities: Municipalities with populations of 50,000-300,000 excluding areas within the three metropolitan areas

<sup>(3)</sup> Suburban areas: Areas within three metropolitan areas excluding Tokyo 23 wards, ordinance-designated cities same as above and municipalities with populations of 300,000-500,000

<sup>(4)</sup> Cities: Ordinance-designated cities outside the Tokyo 23 wards and three metropolitan areas (Sapporo-shi, Fukuoka-shi, Hiroshima-shi, Sendai-shi, Kitakyushu-shi, Niigata-shi, Hamamatsu-shi, Kumamoto-shi, Okayama-shi, Shizuoka-shi) (5) Metropolitan city centers: Tokyo 23 wards and ordinance-designated cities within three metropolitan areas (Osaka-shi, Nagoya-shi, Kyoto-shi, Yokohama-shi, Kobe-shi, Kawasaki-shi, Chiba-shi, Saitama-shi, Sakai-shi, Sagamihara-shi)



## Medium and Long Term Expansion with Opportunities for Procurement Based on Increased Supply of Vacant Houses

- There is a large number of vacant houses and the number is expected to increase, which provides Katitas with procurement opportunities
- Although a large majority of such vacant houses cannot be distributed in the housing market on an "as-is" basis, Katitas is capable of acquiring such houses with a low level of competition

#### Abundance in Stock and Flow of Vacant Houses(1) Number and Predicted Rate of Increase of Vacant Houses Actual **Estimate** Nationwide: 8.49MM Stock of Vacant detached houses (4): 2.69MM vacant Other areas than the three metropolitan houses areas(including Condominium) (4): 2.23MM Number of akiyas (10K Houses) Annual increase in houses(estimate base) Flow of 2019 - 2023: **+536k** vacant 2024 - 2028: +628k houses 17.1% 8.6% 9.4% 9.8% 11.5% 12.2% 13.1% 13.5% 13.6% Ratio of akivas to houses (10K Houses)

#### **Unique Business Segment** Regional cities / Regional areas Metropolitan Urban areas (3) city centers (2) (Areas excluding metropolitan city centers and suburban areas) # of # of # of vacant vacant vacant houses(3): houses(4): houses(4): 0.218 0.677 1.795 Singlemillion million million family houses IIII reprice **Katitas** Katitas Group's focused areas Katitas Group's business domain is unique and has relatively high barriers to entry # of # of # of vacant vacant vacant houses (4) houses(4): houses(4): 0.329 0.326 0.437 Condomillion million million miniums Competitors' focused area

Source: Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications, "2018 Housing and Land Survey (Revised Report)"

Source: Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications, "2018 Housing and Land Survey Approximate Tabulation of Dwellings",

Estimates are prepared by Katitas based on "Scenario 1: Retirement rate will return to the level in FY2008 - FY2012" in "Housing Market and Its Issues in 2040: Long-Term Outlook and Short-Term Analysis due to COVID-19" by Nomura Research Institute, Ltd.

<sup>(1)</sup> Vacant houses include pre-owned properties and rental houses

<sup>(2)</sup>Tokyo 23 wards and ordinance-designated cities within three metropolitan areas (Osaka-shi, Nagoya-shi, Kyoto-shi, Yokohama-shi, Kobe-shi, Kawasaki-shi, Chiba-shi, Saitama-shi, Sakai-shi, Sagamihara-shi)

<sup>(3)</sup>Areas within three metropolitan areas excluding Tokyo 23 wards and ordinance-designated cities same as above (4)Pre-owned properties and rental houses are excluded from the calculation of vacant houses same as above



## Reasons for Temporary Purchasing Issues

(Reposted from FY2020 3Q)

#### **Home Inheritance**

- →The heir, an adult, has built another house. He has no need for the inherited house, which then lies vacant.
- The house was built 30–40 years ago, around the time the heir
- The house was built 30-40 years ago, around the time the heir entered elementary school.
  The heir is currently between 40-60 years old and is concerned about COVID-19 infection, so is limiting contact with other people and movement outside the prefecture where he lives.
  There are fewer opportunities for family members to gather (such as for memorial services, religious festivals, and year-end holidays), and dealing with the family home requires that siblings gather to discuss the situation.



The heir, concerned about infection risk, leaves the home vacant. Family members have few opportunities to gather.

#### **Senior Owners**

- →A house becomes vacant when the owner moves into a care facility.
- Buying or selling a house requires contact with the owner. (Confirmation of intent by a judicial scrivener may also be needed.)
- Many seniors resist meeting others in person, due to concerns about infection risk.
- · Care homes may prohibit visitors. (Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare introduced mitigation measures on October 15, 2020.)



The owner, aged 80+, is in a senior care facility. Family members are unable to visit.

## Vacant houses

The pause in information about vacant houses is only temporary. The number of vacant homes is rising each year.













The issue is with timing: when information about vacant houses becomes available. The size of the market for unoccupied houses (purchasing environment) remains unchanged.



## Fourth Housing Option in Regional Areas: Pre-Owned and Renovated Single-Family Houses

- Katitas' primary target customer base consists of approximately 1.38 million households currently living in rental houses in regional areas, with annual income of JPY2-5 million and the intention to own a house
- Based on the assumption that there is demand for 138,000 units if the duration of the abovementioned families considering the purchase of housing units is 10 years.
- The number of properties sold by Katitas in FY2020 was 4,525, which is equivalent to around 3% of the estimated market and many potential customers still exist.

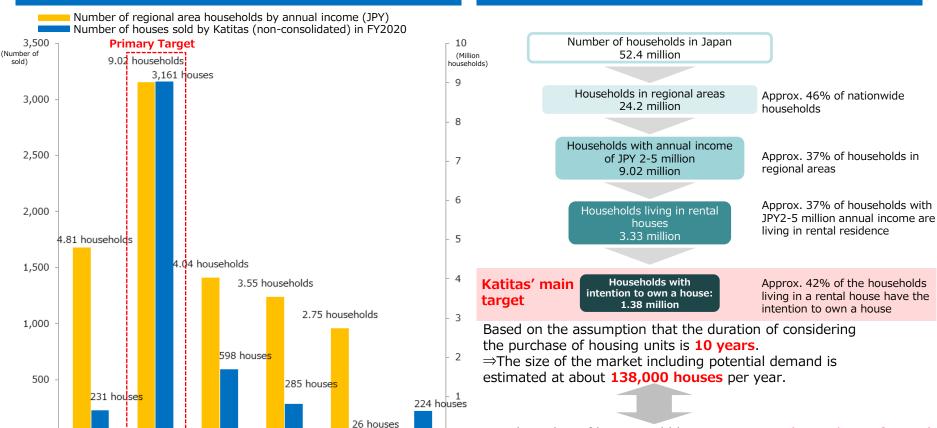
#### **Customer Group by Annual Income and Macro Environment**

Less than ¥ 2mn

#### Large Potential Customer Base

Annual number of houses sold by Katitas: 4,525(around 3% of target)

⇒ There are still many potential customers



Sources: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare "2015 Comprehensive Survey of Living Conditions", Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications "2013 Housing and Land Survey (Revised Report)", National Institute of Population and Social Security Research "2014 Household Projections for Japan by Prefectures" and Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism "Outline of 'FY2015 Survey of Public Consciousness about Land Issues"

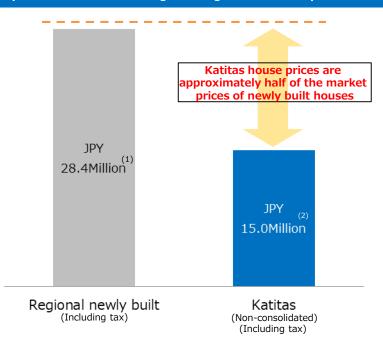
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## Offering High-Quality Renovated Houses at Reasonable Prices

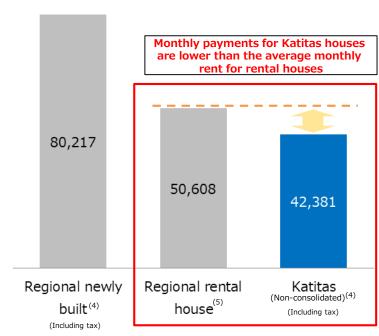
- Katitas offers high-quality renovated houses at reasonable prices, which provides customers a "Fourth Option" to either newly built, pre-owned (non-renovated) or rental houses
- Katitas is able to offer renovated houses at roughly half the price of comparable newly built houses, that also offer lower monthly mortgage payments compared to renting

Less Expensive than the Average Selling Price of Newly Built Houses



Timing of transaction	From April 2016 to March 2017
Timing of construction	In January 2016 and after
Туре	Building lot (land and building)
Total floor area (m²)	Between 50 and 200
Use of building	Housing

#### Lower Payments than Rental Houses<sup>(3)</sup>



#### Monthly repayment amount when mortgage interest rates rise

		Regional newly built	KATITAS
Mortgage interest rates	1.0%	JPY 80,217	JPY 42,381
	1.5%	JPY 87,009	JPY 45,969
	2.0%	JPY 94,135	JPY 49,734

<sup>(1)</sup>Average prices (including tax) of newly built houses are surveyed under the following screening method, based on the "Integrated System of Land Information" operated by Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

the "Integrated System of Land Information" operated by Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (2)The average sales price of Katitas is calculated based on the sale price of properties constructed during the period between April 2019 and March 2020.

<sup>(3)</sup> Monthly rent paid by households other than single-person households

<sup>(4)</sup> Payment amounts for Regional newly built and Katitas are calculated based on the premise assuming that a buyer pays the average sale price under a 35-year loan with no initial down payment or other incentive payments at a fixed interest rate of 1.0% for the life of the loan (5) Source: Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications, "2018 Housing and Land Survey (Revised Report)"

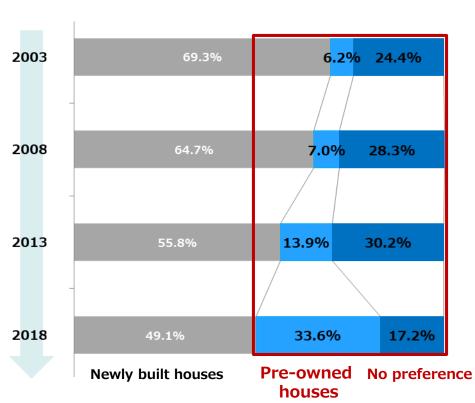


## Expanding Market for Procurement and Sale of Pre-owned Houses

- Increasing number of households with less preference for newly built houses and increasing preference for pre-owned houses even in the Japanese market where traditionally people tend to prefer newly built houses
- Expansion of the pre-owned housing market is expected to continue according to research by Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. (NRI)

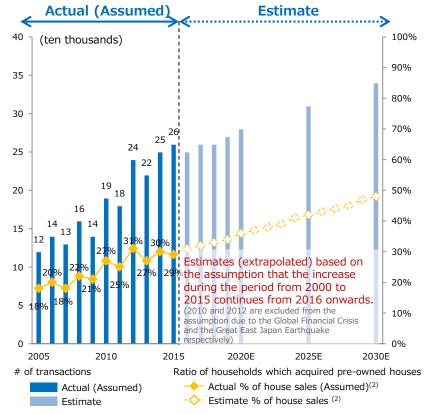
#### **Mindset Change toward Ownership of Pre-owned Houses**

Survey of preference in moving to newly built or pre-owned houses from the current rental houses



#### **Increase in Transactions of Pre-owned Houses**

Actual and estimated figures of transactions of pre-owned houses and ratio of households which acquired pre-owned houses from 2005 to 2015



Source: Produced by Katitas based on data in NRI's June 7, 2017 press release claiming that existing housing will increase to 340,000 houses by 2030 and unoccupied houses will double to more than 20 million houses by 2033.

Source: Housing Bureau of Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, "Comprehensive Survey on Housing and Living Environments (2018)"

<sup>(1)</sup> NRI estimates / forecasts based on Census, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications "Population estimate", "Housing and Land survey", National Social Security and Population Research Institute "Forecast of number of Japan's households" and NRI Questionnaire on housing purchasers

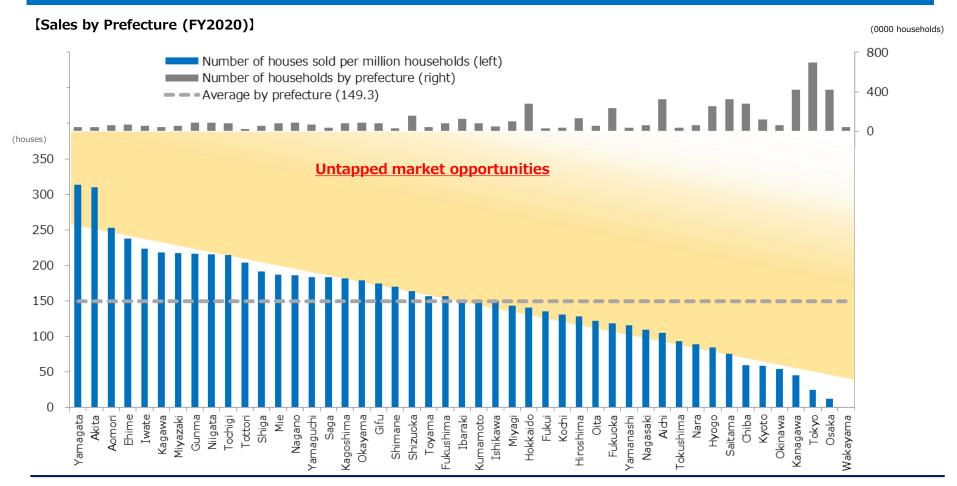
<sup>(2)</sup> Questionnaire by NRI: Ratio of households which acquired pre-owned houses (excluding newly built houses) out of households which acquired a house



## Untapped Market Opportunities

- Housing sales of Katitas vary by region, although the branch network finally covers all areas of Japan
- It is intended to expand the share in each sales area through quantitative and qualitative measures (recruit of salespersons and enhancement of salespersons' capabilities, respectively)

#### **Gap in Market Share by Region**





- Track record of dealing over 60,000 pre-owned single-family homes, leading to accumulation of know-how (Management of failure)
- Conducting efficient procurement and renovation by utilizing organized third parties such as builders and intermediaries
- Advantage in ability to procure vacant pre-owned homes that competitors are unable to acquire, utilizing our ability to judge, procure, plan and renovate

#### Accumulated Knowhow based on Track Record

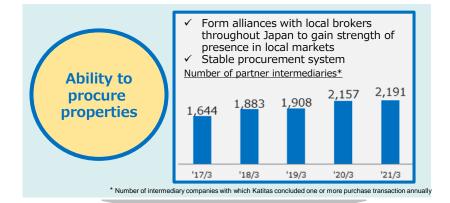
## **Ability to** assess property purchase risks

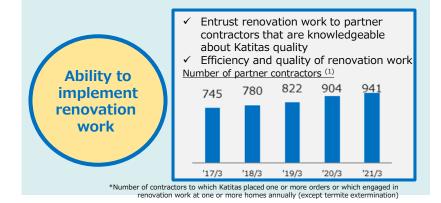
- ✓ Careful inspection and leverage track record to knowledgeably assess properties that on face might seem too risky for competitors to procure
- Purchase price determined with strong awareness of expected renovation costs and likely selling price

# **Ability to plan** renovation work

- Exploit renovation know-how to meet customer needs with a reasonable selling price
- ✓ Plan renovation to make purchased properties sellable, by addressing region specific needs
- ✓ Awarded by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry as an Innovative Renovation Company in 2015(3)

#### **Well-organized Third Parties**





The number of contractors and intermediary companies are on a non-consolidated basis

<sup>(2)</sup> Starting in 2014, METI has been granting annual awards to companies that address a variety of needs of consumers with the strengths of their unique business models



## Comparison: Detached Houses vs Condominium Units

- There are few companies which can accommodate renovations for regional older detached houses. Price competition rarely occurs at the procurement and selling stages
- Cost-effective promotion can be achieved because of limited numbers of competitors exist

# Detached house in regional area

Regional detached housing stock<sup>(1)</sup>: 14.6 (million units)



## City area condominium

Three metropolitan areas condominiums stock<sup>(1)</sup>: 4.34 (million units)



#### **Product**

✓ Mainly wooden

- Interior + Exterior construction(parking extension etc. )
- Many properties for which, without renovation, there are no buyer

#### Value-added points

Time-consuming and value-added renovation (Need to deal with various aspects, such as area under flooring, termites and other structural issues so that the renovation needs skilled workers and experience)

 Leading brokers have not entered the regional markets so that <u>bespoke procurement and selling networks need to</u> <u>be established</u>

#### ✓ Reinforced concrete

- ✓ Mainly interior renovations
- ✓ Many properties can be sold without renovation
- <u>Instant and low value-adding</u> renovation
   (Easy renovation such as interior renovation)
- Brokerage network is well-established and there is <u>low need</u> to newly establish procurement and selling network

# Distribution network

## Attractiveness of regional detached house market

# **Competition environment**

**Promotion** 

- ✓ Market entry is difficult and there are few competitors
   ⇒ Price competition is less likely to occur (both in procurement and selling)
- Promotional costs (Net advertisement and TV commercial) is relatively low
- Few competitors so <u>accumulated costs invested in</u> <u>advertising are likely to be recored</u>
- Price 
  volatility 

  ✓ Procu
- Procurement and selling prices are generally stable. Resistant to fluctuations in real estate market condition

- ✓ Market entry is easy and there are many competitors
   ⇒ Significant price competition (both in procurement and selling)
- ✓ Promotion cost is high
- Many competitors so that <u>accumulated costs invested in</u> <u>advertisement are less likely to be realized</u>
- Procurement and selling prices are both <u>volatile against real</u> estate market condition



## (Ref)Shift from Auction Procurement to Direct Purchases (FY2016 Results)

 Shift from procurement by auction to direct purchase has enabled us to alleviate difficulty in procurement, minimize price competition, reduce inventory turnover period, and minimize quality risk

Residential properties procured mainly through auction		Residential properties procured mainly through direct purchase		
Targeted portfolios	<ul> <li>✓ Residential properties subject to auction due to owners' inability to repay housing loans, etc.</li> <li>✓ Sold through courts</li> </ul>		sidential properties purchased from house ners directly or through housing brokers	
Difficulty in procurement	<ul> <li>✓ Anyone can participate in auction process</li> <li>✓ Purchasing team is not required for negotiations with house owners</li> </ul> → Entry barrier: Low	bro ✓ Pro req ess	rchasing requires relationships with residential okers and brand power oposals and negotiations with house owners are quired for sale (a strong purchasing team is sential)  > Entry barrier: High	
Price competition	✓ Supply volume is unstable and sensitive to economic circumstances ✓ Many participants in the market spurs price competition  → Gross margin ratio(2): Low (20.1%(1))	inh √ Neg cau	able supply volume backed by events such as neritance and relocation of residence egotiation-based transactions are less likely to use price competition  → Gross margin ratio <sup>(2)</sup> : High (25.7% <sup>(1)</sup> )	
Inventory period	✓ Longer time for properties to be delivered after a successful bid  → Inventory period(3): Long (340 days(1))	wh pro	operties can be delivered shortly after purchase, nich enables us to commence renovations omptly  Inventory period(3): Short (177 days(1))	
Quality risk	✓ Preliminary inspection of properties prior to a bidding is not possible	✓ Pre pur	eliminary inspection of properties prior to rchase is possible  Risk related to quality of residence: Low	

<sup>(1)</sup> Figures in brackets represent historical results of Katitas on a non-consolidated basis (averages with respect to properties procured through auctions or direct purchases (FY2017/3))

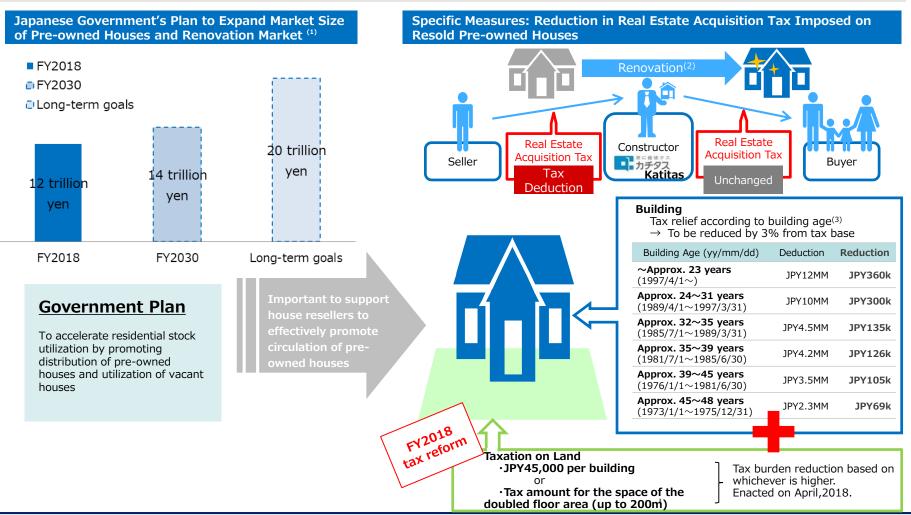
<sup>(2)</sup> Gross margin ratio (Management accounting base): Gross profit ÷ Net sales

<sup>(3)</sup> Inventory period: Simple average number of days from the date procured to the date sold of each property



## **Market Revitalization Backed by Governmental Policies**

- The Government of Japan is making efforts to build a society in which real estate stock is efficiently used by expanding the market of preowned houses and renovation projects, with an aim to solve problems related to the rapidly proliferating number of vacant houses
- Specifically, reduction in the real estate acquisition tax has decreased procurement costs (on a scaled basis according to building age)



<sup>(1)</sup> Source: Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Housing Bureau, Housing Policy Division "Housing Policy Basic Plan (Nationwide) (Full Text)" (March 19, 2021)

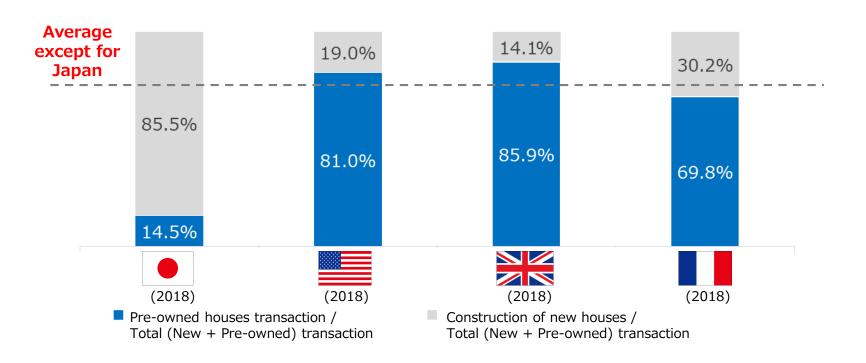
<sup>(2)</sup> Quake-resistance, energy-saving, barrier-free, water facilities (3) Building age as of March 31, 2021



## **Pre-owned Houses Market Share of Each Country**

■ Lower market share of pre-owned houses compared with United States and Europe

#### Pre-owned houses Market Share - Japan vs United States and Europe



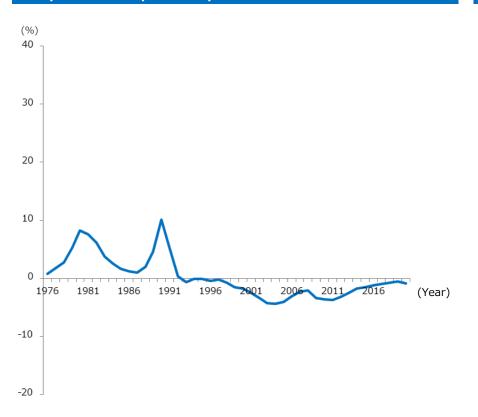


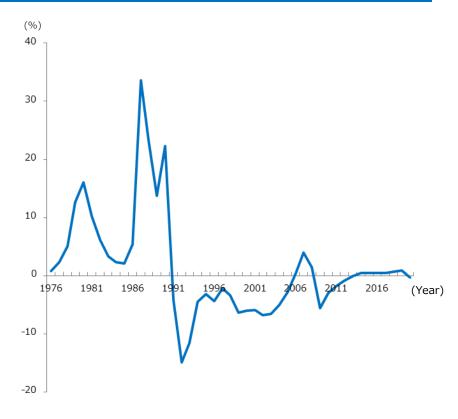
## Trends in Land Prices - Regional Areas vs Three Metropolitan Areas

- As land prices in regional areas fluctuate based on actual demand, the level of volatility is lower than that in urban areas.
- In addition, with the trend of stable and low land prices, fluctuations in land prices have a limited influence on prices of residential properties in regional areas.
- As a result, buying and re-selling residential properties in regional areas is less subject to market volatility.

Trends in land prices of residential districts in regional areas, compared to the previous year

Trends in land prices of residential districts in the three metropolitan areas, compared to the previous year







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