

Chikaranomoto Holdings Co. Ltd. [Ticker# 3561]

FY2023 Q2 FINANCIAL RESULTS BRIEFING

14th November 2023



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FY2023-24 Q2 Financial Results

FY2023-24 Q2 Consolidated P&L Highlights



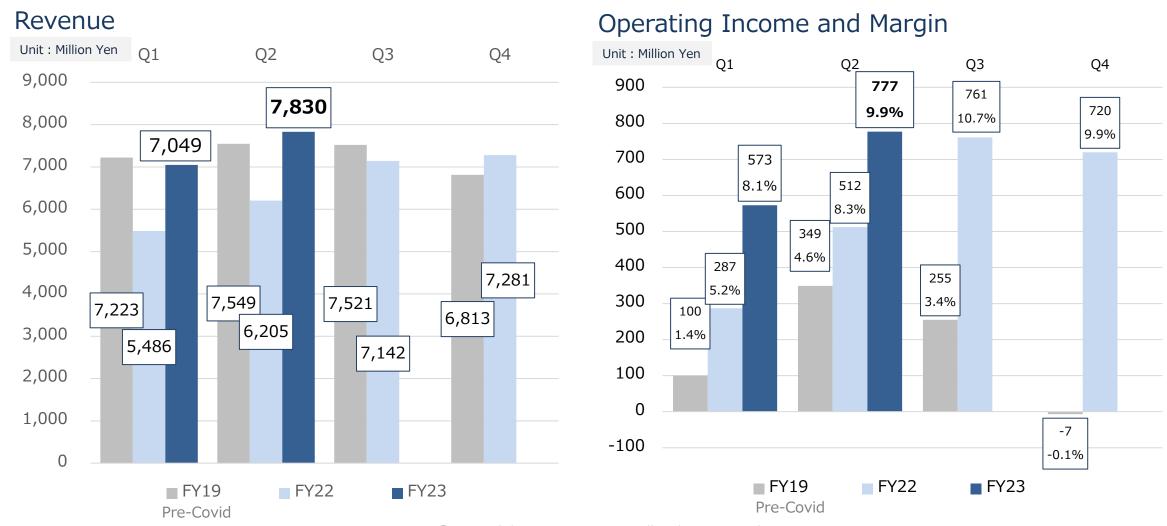
Consolidated revenue increased by 27.3% YoY and 0.7% vs. pre-Covid year. All income items reached a record high.

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			Vs. Q2 Plan		Vs. FY2022 Q2 Actual		FY2019 Q2 Actual
Revenue	14,879 Million Yen	+	10.7 %	+	27.3 %	+	0.7 %
Operating Income	1,350 Million Yen	+	375 Million Yen	+	551 Million Yen	+	901 Million Yen
	, Ten	+	38.5 %	+	68.9 %	+	200.3 %
Operating margin	9.1 %		7.3 %		6.8 %		3.0 %
Net	1,032 Million Yen	+	297 Million Yen	+	338 Million Yen	+	646 Million Yen
Income	T/OSZ Yen	+	40.4 %	+	48.7 %	+	167.1 %
Net Income margin	6.9 %		5.5 %		5.9 %		2.6 %

Consolidated Quarterly Results vs Previous Years (Q2)



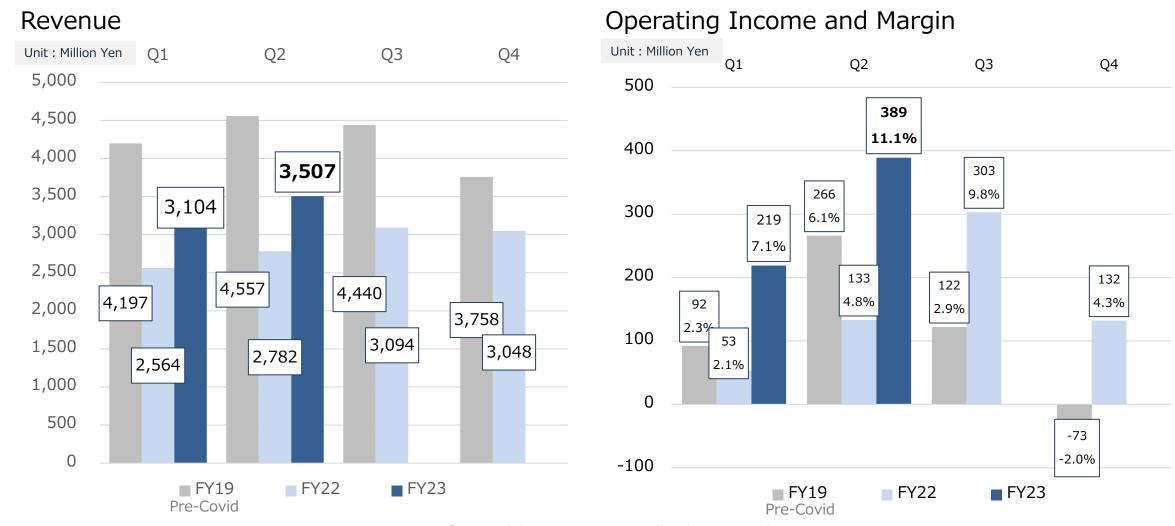
Both revenue and operating income reached a record high. Revenue reached 126.2% YoY, and operating income reached 151.7% YoY.



Domestic Store Operations Quarterly Results (Jul-Sep 2023)



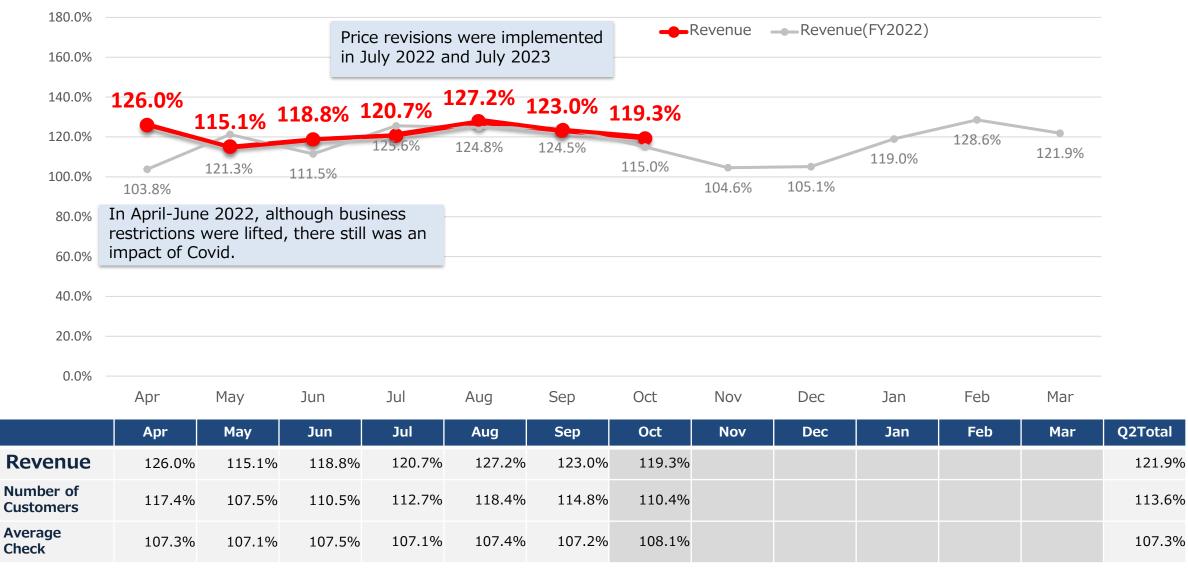
Domestic operating income reached a record high. Revenue reached 126.1% YoY, and operating income reached 292.3% YoY, with the recovery of inbound tourism, menu price revisions, and various cost reduction measures such as Digital Transformation initiatives.



Domestic Existing Stores 121.9% YoY (Apr-Sep 2023)



FY2023 Year-over-Year Sales/Number of Customers/Average Check



Highlights: Domestic Store Operations (Jul-Sep 2023)



Revenue

- ✓ Full-scale menu price revisions were implemented in July to increase the price by 10 yen from 40 yen.
 - Average check per customer 107% YoY.
- ✓ Sales increased in central Tokyo, tourist spots, and airports with the recovery of inbound tourism.
- ✓ 3 new stores(Youme Town Iizuka, Okegawa, Aeon Town Matsubara) successfully opened in Q2.



IPPUDO Lumine Est Shinjuku Green Tea Salt Tsukemen



Tao Summer festival
TAO KURO

Operating income

✓ Profitability improved due to digital transformation initiatives such as QR ordering and tablet ordering systems, resulting in an increase in operating margin from 4.8% to 11.1% YoY.



Tablet order system (IPPUDO Aeon Town Matsubara)

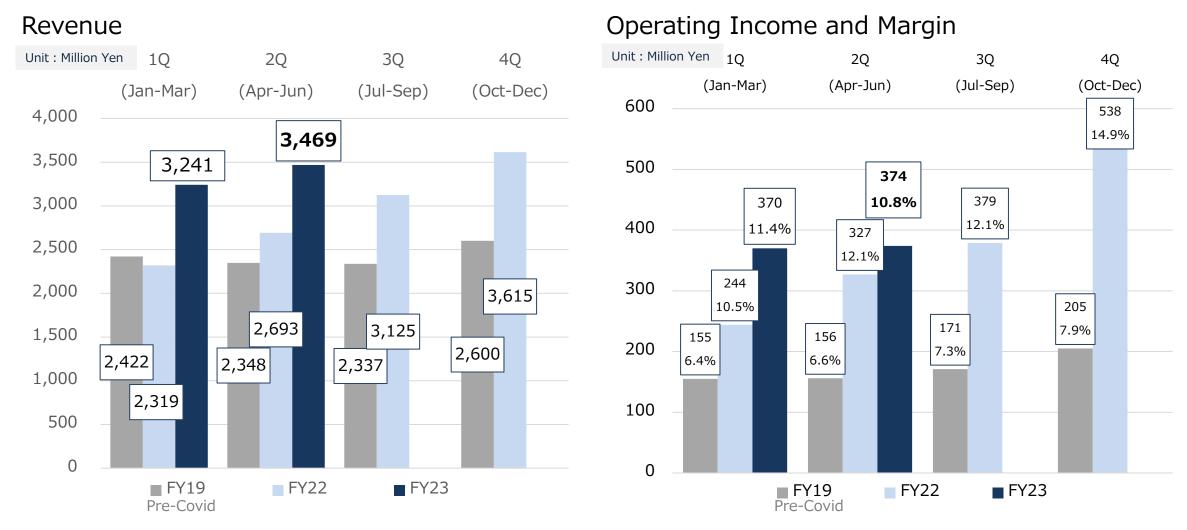


WAC-Fukuoka 2023 Green Curry Ramen

International Store Operations Quarterly Results (Apr-Jun 2023)



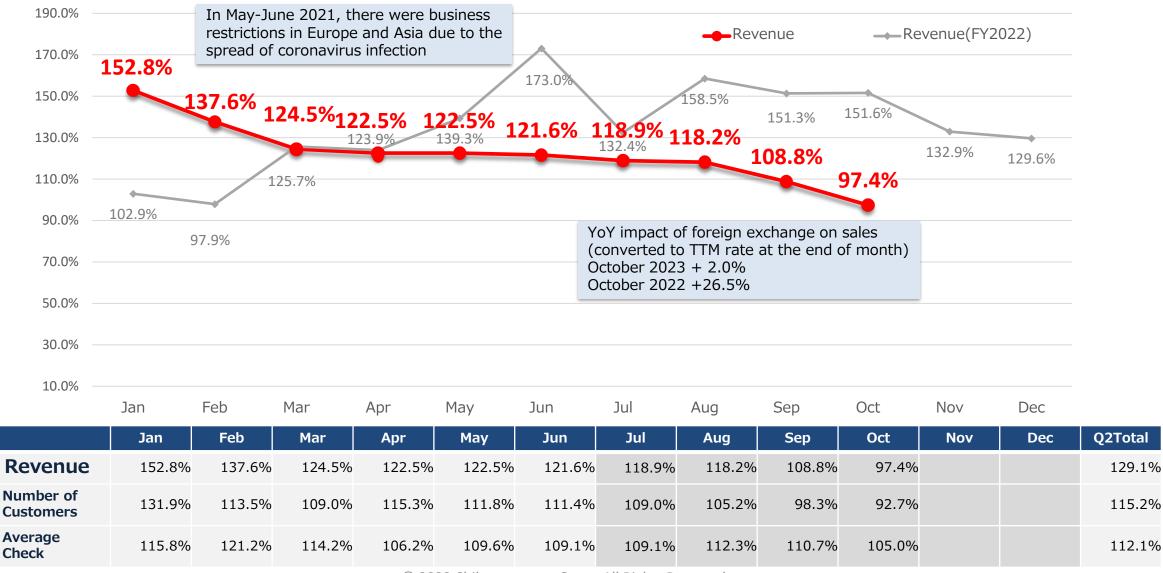
International revenue reached 128.8% and operating income 114.3% YoY with a thorough control of labor and COGS. Both revenue and operating income exceeded those of pre-Covid year partially because of the continued yen's depreciation from the previous year.



Int'l Existing Stores 129.1% YoY (Jan-Jun 2023)



FY2023 Year-over-Year Sales/Number of Customers/Average Check



Highlights: International Store Operations (Apr-Jun 2023)



Revenue

- ✓ Launch of limited time products, full scale menu price revisions, grand menu revisions and holding events, etc.
- ✓ Both sales and income increased due to the yen's depreciation, which has continued since Q1.
- ✓ 1 store in the Company-operated market (France) and 1 store in the licensed area (Malaysia) opened.



Breakfast Special IPPUDO NEW YORK



Veggie Ramen IPPUDO PARIS

Operating income

- ✓ In each area, full-scale menu price revisions and various cost reduction initiatives were implemented after the surge in raw materials and energy costs.
- ✓ Digital Transformation initiatives such as introduction of QR order system, etc.



Collaboration Events IPPUDO AUSTRALIA



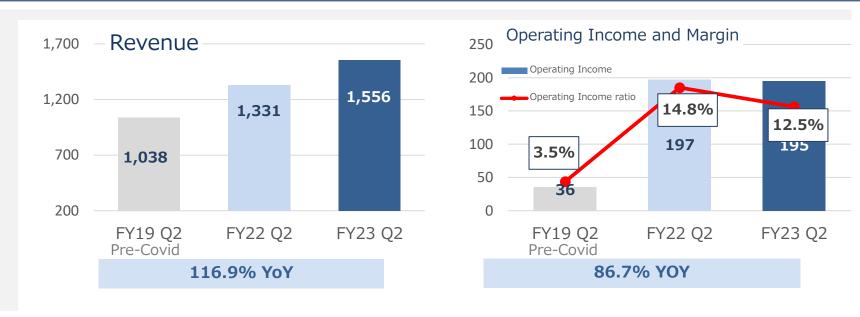
Workshops"Child Kitchen"
IPPUDO SINGAPORE

Production & Merchandise and Corporate Overhead (Apr-Sep 2023)



Production and Merchandise

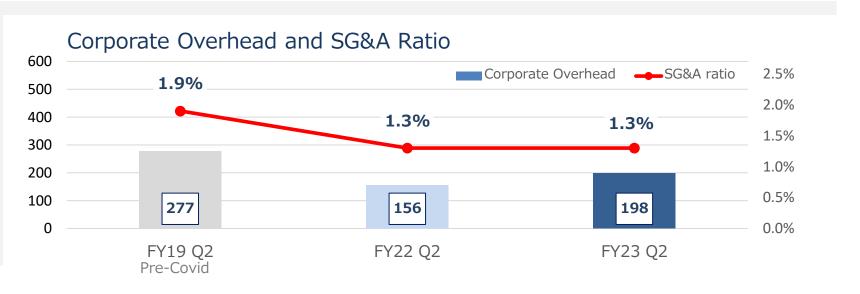
Revenue +16.9% YoY. E-Commerce site, IPPUDO branded products and exports are contributing.
Cost ratio increased by 3.8%,branded due to Ippudo blanded products' increase.



Corporate Overhead

SG&A ratio maintained low level of 1.3%. Continue to invest in human capital, recruitment, education, overseas training, etc. to lay the foundation for the next stage of growth.

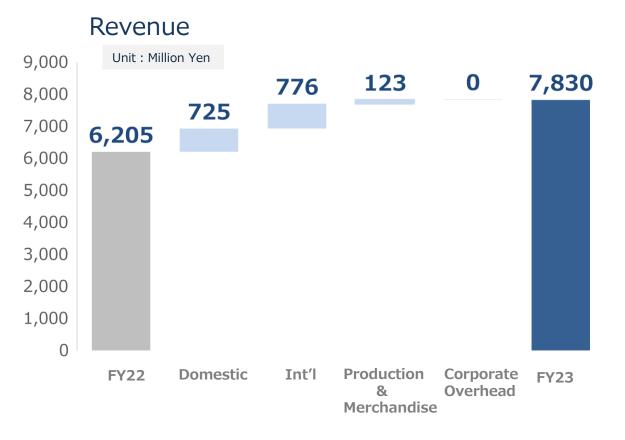
%SG&A ratio=Corporate Overhead/Consolidated Revenue

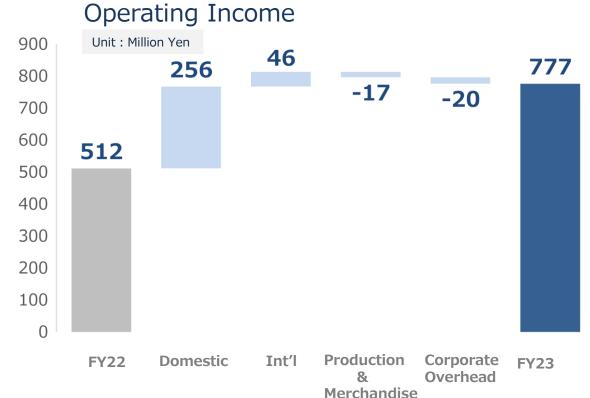


Segment Revenue, Operating Income and Operating Margin (Q2)



In the main segments of domestic and international, both sales and operating income increased YoY.





Segment operating margin

	Domestic	Int'l	Production& Merchandise	Others	Total
FY23	11.1%	10.8%	13.4%	-	9.9%
FY22	4.8%	12.2%	18.1%	-	8.3%

Consolidated Balance Sheet



Although cash and deposits decreased due to repayment of short-term loans and dividend payout, equity ratio improved to 50.1% with good results.

		Mar. 2023	Sep. 2023	GAP
	urrent Assets Cash and Deposits)	8,891 6,744	7,615 5,143	-1,276 -1,601
	Property, Plant and Equipment	5,488	5,900	+412
	Intangible Assets	157	156	-1
	Investments & Others	2,940	2,971	+31
	on-Current ssets	8,586	9,028	+442
To	otal Assets	17,477	16,644	-833

■ Assets		
· Cash and deposits	_	1,601
 Tangible assets from new stores 	+	410
 Deferred tax assets 	-	88

Equity Ratio 50.1% (43.7% as of end of March 2023)

Unit : Million Yen						
	Mar. 2023	Sep. 2023	GAP			
Total Liabilities (short-term loans) (long-term loans)	9,837 2,500 2,918	8,304 40 3,426	-1,533 - 2,460 + 508			
Shareholders' Equity	7,231	7,673	+442			
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	408	666	+258			
Total Net Assets	7,640	8,339	+699			
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	17,477	16,644	-833			
■ Liabilities • Interest bearing-lo	- 1,965					
Shareholders' EquitCapitalRetained earnings	+ 15 + 581					

Consolidated P&L



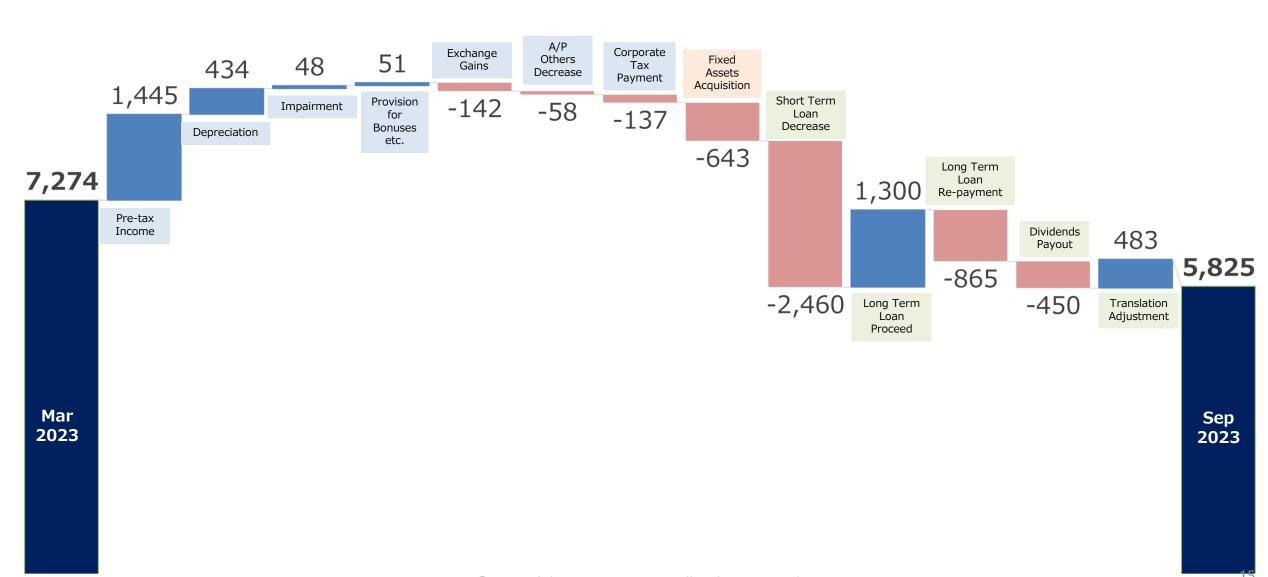
Unit : Million Yen	FY2023-24 Q2 Results	FY2023-24 Q2 Plan	FY2022-23 Q2 Results	FY2019-20 Q2 Results (Pre-Covid)
Revenue	14,879	13,438	11,691	14,772
Growth rate YoY	+27.3%	-	-	-
Gross Profit	10,523	-	8,257	10,523
SG&A Expenses	9,172	-	7,457	10,073
Operating Income	1,350	975	799	449
Operating Margin	9.1%	7.3%	6.8%	3.0%
Ordinary Income	1,491	988	929	399
Ordinary Margin	10.0%	7.4%	8.0%	2.7%
Pre-Tax Income	1,445	-	944	469
Net Income	1,032	735	694	386
Net Income Margin	6.9%	5.5%	5.9%	2.6%

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flow



Cash and Cash Equivalents -1,449

Unit: Million Yen



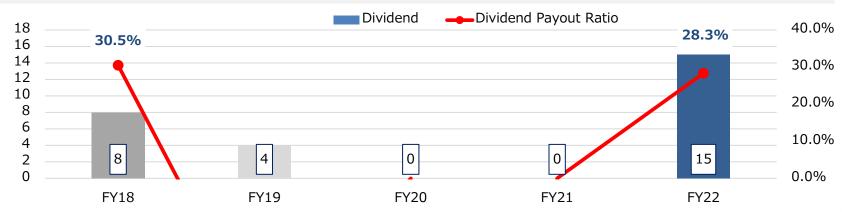
Dividends Forecast



The interim dividend for the fiscal year ending March 2024 is 7 yen per share. The dividend forecast remains 7 yen at the end of the fiscal year and 14 yen for the year.

	Q2	Q4	Total
FY2023-24 Results	7.00 yen		
FY2023-24 Plan	7.00 yen	7.00 yen	14.00 yen
FY2022-23 Results	<u>—</u>	15.00 yen (Ordinary:10.00 yen) (Special : 5.00 yen)	15.00 yen (Ordinary:10.00 yen) (Special : 5.00 yen)

Dividend Trends



New Stores (Jul-Sep)



Domestic: IPPUDO 3, International: IPPUDO 5















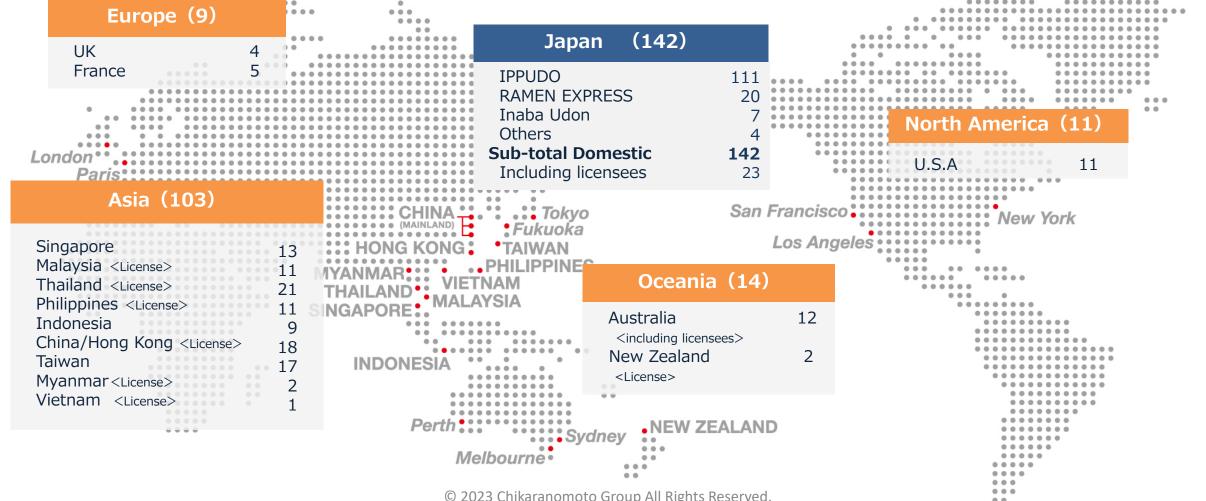




279 Stores in 15 countries and regions

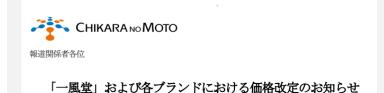
(+6 since the end of previous FY)

	Owned	Licensed	Total
Domestic	119	23	142
International	68	69	137
Total	187	93	279



Products and Promotions





Price Revisions

Full-scale menu price revisions were implemented on July 1st amid rising raw materials, logistics and labor costs in order to keep our products and service quality unchanged.





Events

Plant-based "Green Curry Ramen" was launched in tourism event "WELCOME Back to FUKUOKA", was held during the World Aquatics Championships.



Products

Store's limited edition "Futo Tsukemen" a summer regular menu item, launched on June 20 for a limited time only.

Retail Products



e-Commerce site (Domestic)

Sales of Soba, Ramen, and Udon.

■ e-Commerce site https://mensmarket.jp/index.html











Convenience stores/Mass retailers (Domestic)

Selling products that meet a wide range of customer needs at convenience stores, airports, mass retailers, etc.









Mass retailers (International)

Dry-noodle type ramen successfully launched







SDGs of CHIKARANOMOTO





Food Waste Reduction

Craft beer "KAEDAMA ALE" made from noodle scraps, was launched in limited stores on August 29th, reducing wastes by using ingredients just before disposal.



Products

Plant-base ramen was served at "GOOD LIFE Fair 2023", which is one of the largest sustainable lifestyle events in Japan, during September 1st-3rd.



Workshops

Workshops to convey the joy of making your own, the importance of the meal, and the importance of having dreams have resumed in domestic as well as overseas.

Chikaranomoto Group initiatives

Topics from October



To commemorate the 38th anniversary of the founding, the flagship products have been significantly renewed.

In addition, to coincide with World Food Day on October 16th, our fundraising campaign "Kaedama donation" was launched. The sales proceeds of "Kaedama(Additional noodles)" during the period will be used for future workshops activities.







FY2023-24 Revised Financial Plan

FY2023-24 Revised Annual Consolidated Financial Plan





Projection for FY22-23 revised upward. Revenue and income are expected to steadily grow domestically and internationally thanks to various measures despite uncertainty factors such as pandemic, foreign exchange fluctuations, material and utility costs.

Currency	Budgeted Rates
USD	149.58
EUR	159.84
GBP	185.95
SGD	108.38
AUD	94.78

Unit: Million Yen

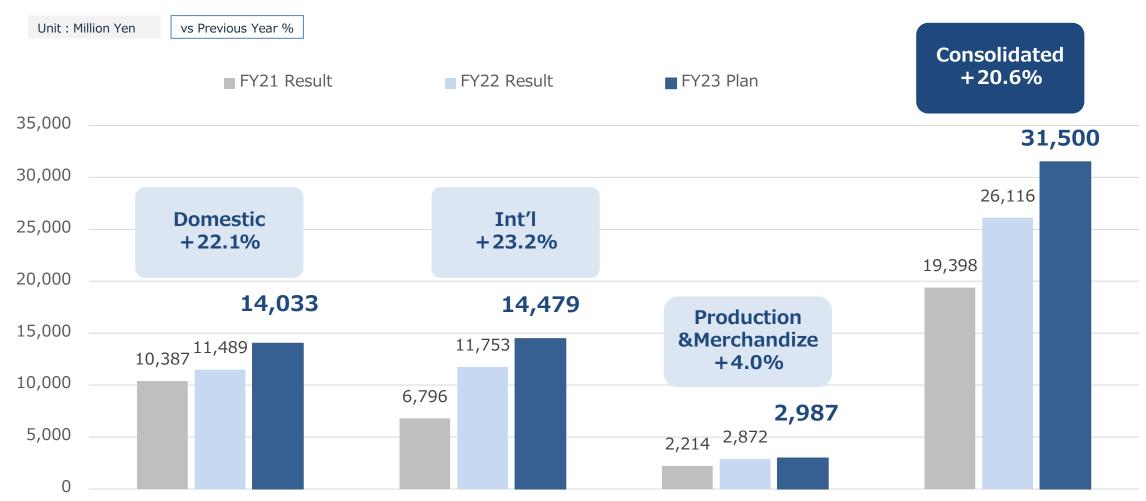
	FY2022-23	FY2023-24	FY2023-24	vs Previous Year		vs Initial Plan		Progress ratio	
	Result	Initial Plan	Revised Plan	Gap	%	Results	Progress ratio	Pre COVID 3-year average	Current year (vs revised plan)
Revenue	26,116	28,361	31,500	5,383	+20.6%	+3,138	+11.0%	48.9%	47.2%
Operating Income	2,281	2,540	3,100	818	+35.9%	+559	+22.0%	48.7%	43.6%
Ordinary Income	2,321	2,564	3,250	928	+40.0%	+685	+26.7%	51.8%	45.9%
Net Income Attributable to Shareholders	1,628	1,821	2,250	621	+38.2%	+428	+23.5%	59.8%	45.9%

FY2023-2024 Revised Financial Plan: Revenue





Both domestically and internationally, mild growth of existing stores and sales increase of new stores will be expected. Especially, opening new international stores will be accelerated. Production and Merchandise will see 20.6% revenue increase expanding IPPUDO related products.

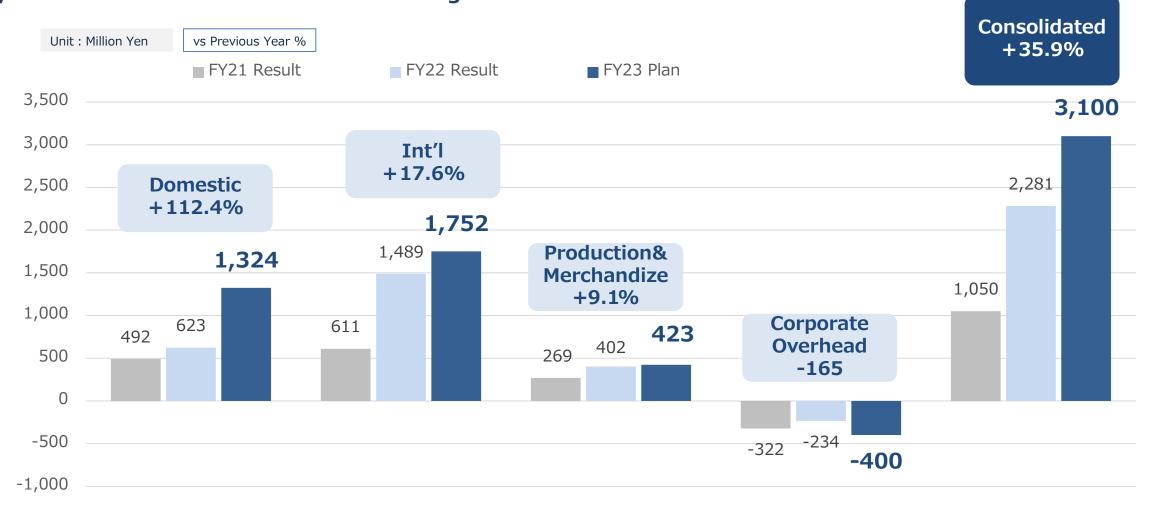


FY2023-2024 Revised Financial Plan: Operating Income





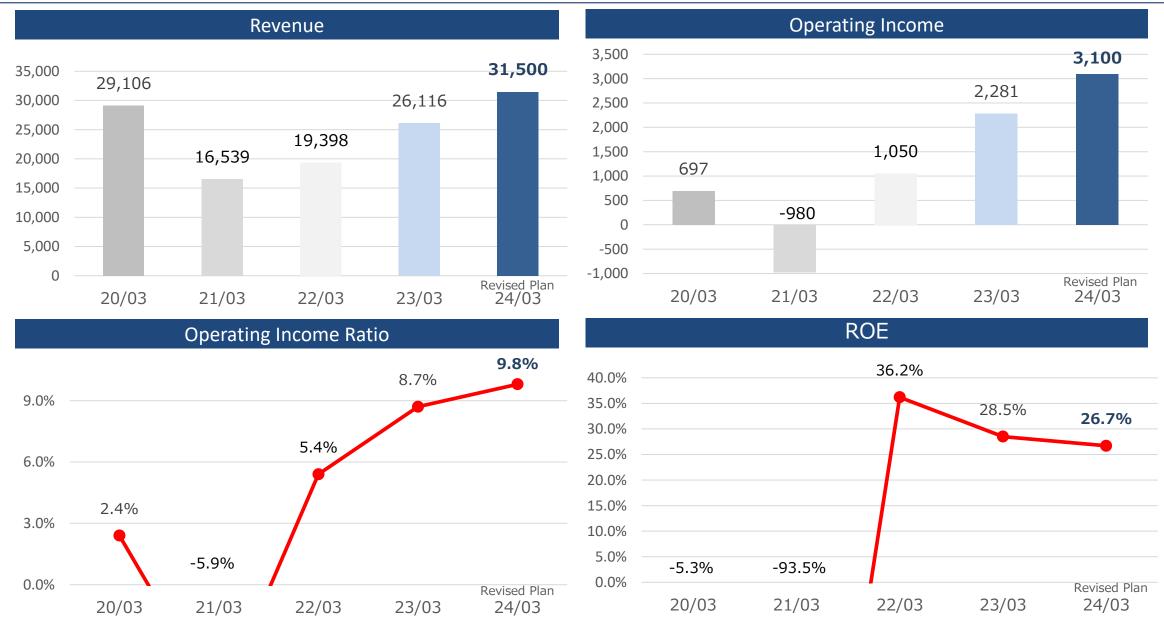
Although both at home and abroad, cost-increase risks such as raw materials and energy costs affected by foreign exchange fluctuations and geopolitical risks are foreseen, profits will be increased by continuous cost control and various digital transformation measures.



Major Financial Indicators





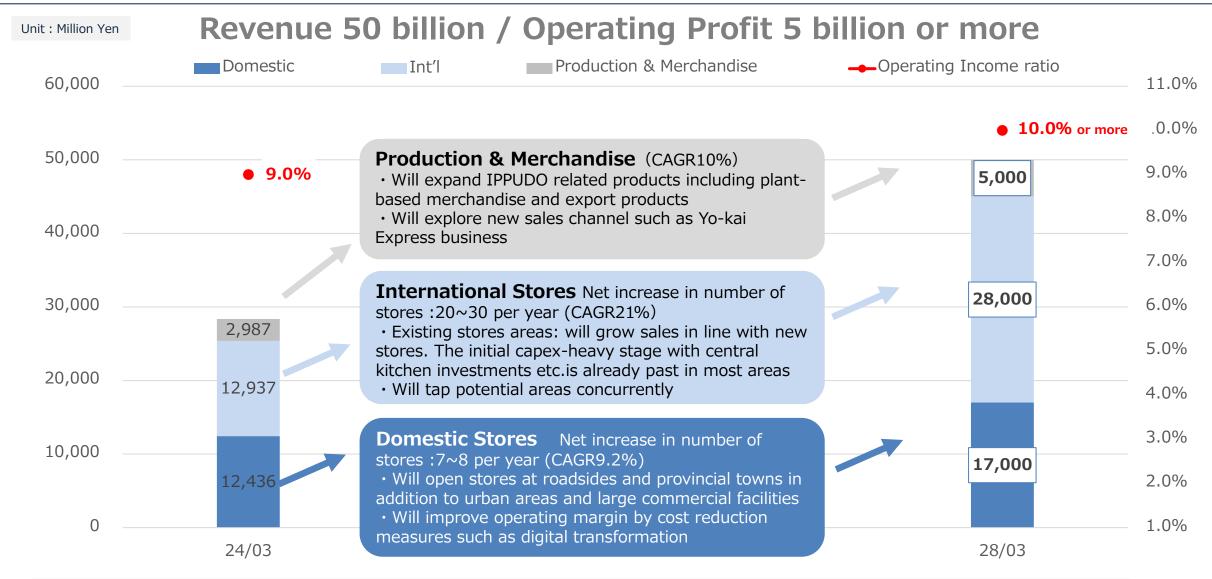




FY2027-28 Vision

FY2027-28 Vision [disclosed on May 12 2023]





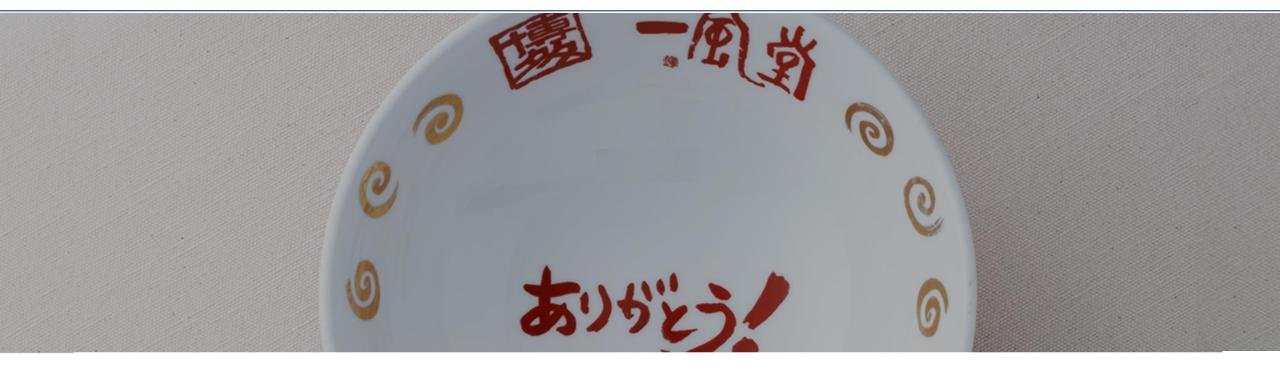
Recruit and develop global human resources/Promote digital transformation at stores and offices/Build global supply chain managements/ Infiltrate management philosophy/Strengthen the financial basis



Appendix

Founding Principles





We will continuously create new values through food, and communicate those values to the world with "Smile" and "Arigatou".

Keep changing to remain unchanged.

Corporate Profile



Chikaranomoto Holdings Co., Ltd. (Ticker#:3561)

Address Daimyo 1-13-14, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka City, Fukuoka, Japan

Date of Establishment 30th October 1986

Capital StockJPY 3,125,380,000 (Number of issued shares: 30,134,400 shares)

Fiscal Term
End of March

Number of Employees
 23 (consolidated: 521) **Permanent employees only

List of Directors

Chairman and Founder Mr. Shigemi Kawahara

President & CEO Mr. Tomoyuki Yamane

Senior Managing Director Mr. Toru Nakao

Director (Audit Committee) Mr. Akihiro Saito

Director (Audit Committee, Independent) Mr. Tetsuya Tsuji

Director (Audit Committee, Independent) Mr. Shinji Tanabe

As of 30st September 2023

Signature Products





KIWAMI SHIROMARU CLASSIC

IPPUDO original bowl.

Carrying the tradition all the way from the founding days, the original flavors are at the core of IPPUDO. Smooth and silky tonkotsu soup match perfectly with the ultra-thin noodles typical of Hakata ramen.

KIWAMI AKAMARU MODERN

IPPUDO modernized, deeper flavors of tonkotsu.

Depth and flavors of the soup until the last drop, with rich soy sauce,
garlic flavored oil and special spicy miso.

Soft pork belly chashu melts in your mouth to your complete satisfaction.



KIWAMI KARAKA

A bowl of stimulation, full of spiciness. When slurping the noodles, a combination of umami of tonkotsu soup and spiciness explode in your mouth. Also enjoy the toppings of mizuna leaves, niku (meat) miso and white onions.



Our Milestones



Spreading 'Smile' and 'Arigatou' through **Bowls of Ramen.**





2022.4

Listed on Tokyo Stock **Exchange Prime Market**

2019.10

Global Leadership Conference

2018.11

100th store overseas

2018.3

Listed on Tokyo Stock Exchange First Section

2017.3

Listed on Tokyo Stock Exchange Mothers Index

2016.2

IPPUDO Paris:

the first store in France

2015.10

30th anniversary event

2014.10

IPPUDO London: the first store in Europe

2009.5

IPPUDO Singapore: the first store in Asia

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2008.3 IPPUDO New York: the first store overseas

1997.1

Mr. Shigemi Karahara won championship 3 times consecutively in TV show by TV Tokyo "TV Champion Ramen Chef"

1995.4

IPPUDO Ebisu: the first store in Tokyo

1994.3

IPPUDO in Ramen Museum in Yokohama



1985.10.16

IPPUDO Daimyo: The first Ippudo restaurant in Fukuoka.

1979.11

Mr. Shigemi Kawahara started the bar "After the Rain" in Fukuoka

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