

EXPLANATORY MATERIAL ON FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 20, 2024

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External Environment and Our Initiatives

Macro environment: Consumers became budget-conscious,

and demand for durable consumer goods

declined

Bicycle business: Import volume of finished bicycles* dropped

by more than 10%

Initiatives utilizing our strengths and advantages

- (1) Price revision in the previous fiscal year (up 10-20% for Asahi brand products)
- (2) Strengthened e-commerce, captured demand for repair services

^{* (}Reference) statistical data from the Japan Bicycle Promotion Institute

Year-on-Year Financial Results

(Millions of yen, %)

	FY e Feb. 20 Res	0, 2023	FY ended Feb. 20, 2024 Results						
	Amount	Share	Amount	Share	Y/Y change	Major factors			
Net sales	74,712	100.0	78,076	100.0	104.5	 Increased unit prices due to the price revisions in August in the previous fiscal year Strengthening e-commerce, repair service, and measures to boost sales 			
Gross profit	36,195	48.4	37,305	47.8	103.1	Increased purchasing costs			
Operating profit	5,127	6.9	4,912	6.3	95.8	SG&A expenses increased due to the expansion of business			
Ordinary profit	5,316	7.1	5,192	6.7	97.7				
Profit	3,366	4.5	3,113	4.0	92.5				

Deviation from Forecast

(Millions of yen, %)

	FY ende 20, 2 (Fored	024			FY	ended Fe (Resi	eb. 20, 2024 sults)	
	Amount	Share	Amount	Share	Ratio	to plan	Points	
Net sales	80,000	100.0	78,076	100.0	0 97.6 (1,923		Decline in demand for durable consumer goodsShrinking bicycle market	
				tions und	_	g the	Results for FY ended Feb. 20, 2024	
Distribution volume in the bicycle business		Flat				Number of bicycles decreased by more than 10% Y/Y		
Sales per customer x number of customers (Y/Y)			•	er custor of custo			Sales per customer 102.7% x number of customers 102.0%	

1 Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended Feb. 20, 2024 Net Sales by Division (Comparison with the Previous Fiscal Year)

(Millions of yen, %)

FY ended Feb. 2023 Results			23	FY ended Feb. 20, 2024 Results					
		Results	Retail share*1	Results	Retail share*1	Y/Y change	Factors		
	Stores	64,352	88.6	65,566	86.4	101.9	Stores: Sales for helmets and repair orders increased		
	E-commerce	8,300	11.4	10,321	13.6	124.3	• E-commerce: Adjusting prices of hot-selling products and		
Retail (subtotal)		72,652	100.0	75,887	100.0	104.5	sophisticating inventory management Net sales at existing stores: 102.5% (sales per customer 102.3% x number of customers 100.2%)		
Other*2		2,059	-	2,188	-	106.3			
Total		74,712	-	78,076	-	104.5			
Market share*3 1 We use the retail share as the		22% ratio of stores	and e-commerce	24% e in retail.	-	-	Import volume of finished bicycles decreased by more than 10% Y/Y		

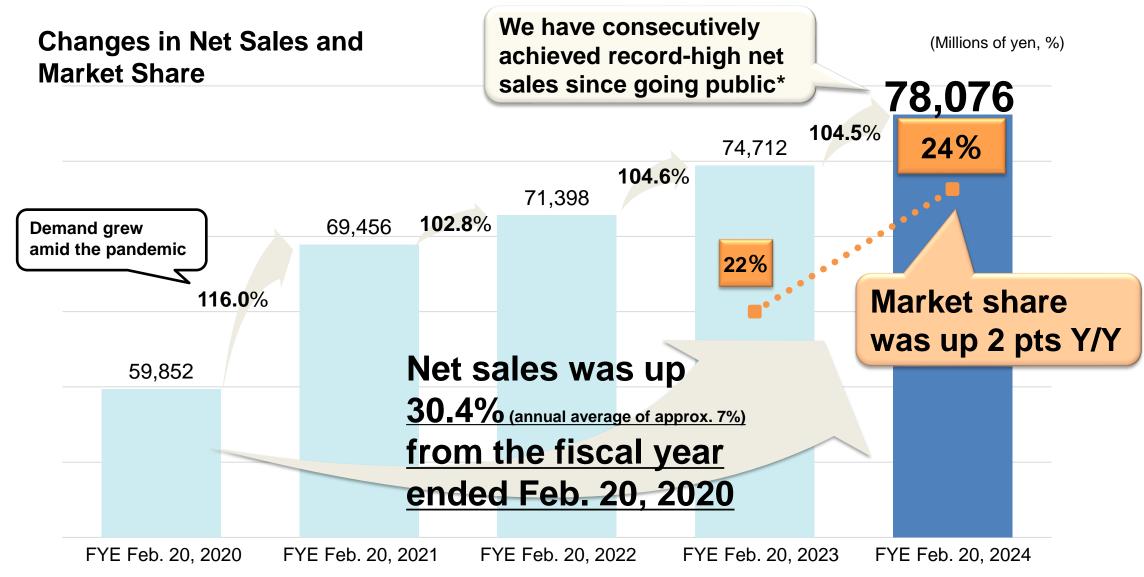
^{*2} Other net sales include royalty income, product sales to franchise stores and wholesale customers, out-of-store sales, etc.

^{*3} Market share = Number of bicycles sold by the Company / Number of bicycles sold for the domestic market that we uniquely estimated based on Trade Statistics of Japan by the Ministry of Finance and Current Survey of Production by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

1 Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended Feb. 20, 2024 Net Sales by Item (Comparison with the Previous Fiscal Year)

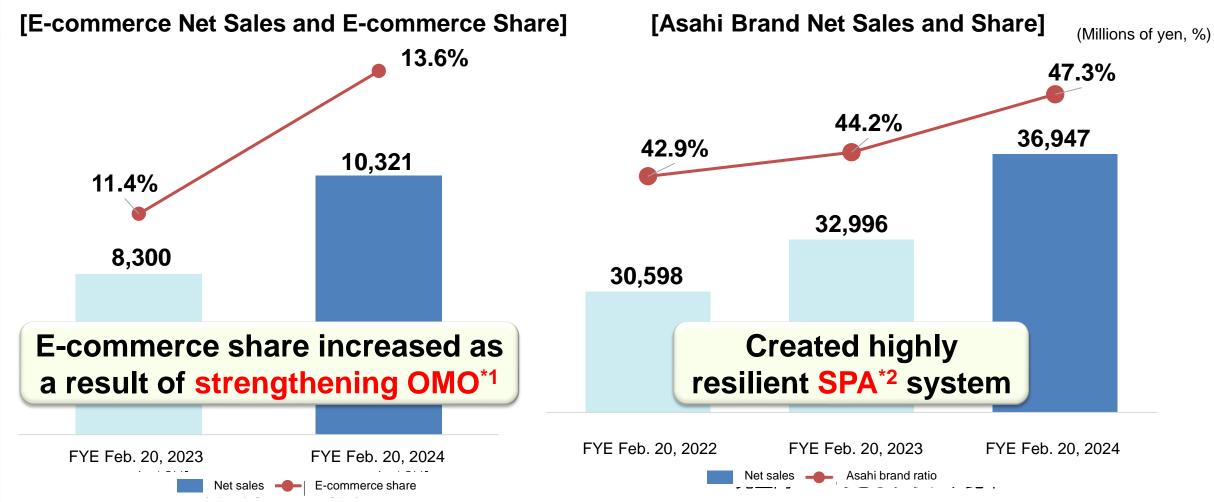
(Millions of yen, %)

	FY ended Feb. 20, 2023 Results		FY ended Feb. 20, 2024 Results					
	Amount	Share	Amount	mount Share Y/Y change		Factors		
Ordinary bicycles	13,010	17.4	13,117	16.8	100.8			
Sports bicycles	9,355	12.5	9,580	12.3	102.4	Strong sales of Asahi brand		
Children's bicycles	8,146	10.9	8,320	10.7	102.1			
Electric assist bicycles	20,406	27.3	21,148	27.1	103.6	Strong sales of Asahi brand's ENERSYS		
Other bicycles	2,831	3.8	2,611	3.3	92.2			
Parts/Other	20,961	28.1	23,298	98 29.8 111.1 Increase in sales for helmets and r		Increase in sales for helmets and repair orders		
Total	74,712	100.0	78,076 100.0 104.5					
Asahi brand net sales	32,996	44.2	36,947	47.3	112.0	Highly competitive product lineup offered to meet customers' needs as consumers become more budget-conscious		



^{*} Listed on the Jasdaq Securities Exchange in December 2004

1 Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended Feb. 20, 2024 Results from Strengthening Growth Foundations



^{*1} OMO is the abbreviation for Online Merges with Offline. OMO is an approach that merges e-commerce and stores to offer customer experience value, enabling customers to obtain information, shop, and use such channels.

^{*2} A specialty store retailer of private label products, or SPA, is a vertically integrated supply chain model borrowed from the apparel industry that encompasses all stages from manufacturing to product planning, logistics, and retail.

1 Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended Feb. 20, 2024 SG&A Expenses and Capital Investment (Comparison with the Previous Fiscal Year)

(Millions of yen, %)

		FY ended Feb. 20, 2023 Results		FY ended Feb. 20, 2024 Results					
		Amount	Ratio to net sales	Amount	Ratio to net sales	Y/Y change	Factors		
SG&A expenses		31,068	41.6	32,393	393 41.5 104.3 Personnel expenses ratio and expenses ratio declined		Personnel expenses ratio and logistics expenses ratio declined		
	Personnel expenses	15,181	20.3	15,595	20.0	102.7	 Increased personnel to expand business Effective use of external resources 		
Br	Advertising expenses	650	0.9	715	0.9	110.0	Web advertisements, e-commerce transaction charges		
Breakdown	Logistics expenses*	1,884	2.5	1,761	2.3	93.4	Reduced storage fees		
Ň	Depreciation	1,472	2.0	1,583	2.0	107.6	Investment in store openings and renovations		
	Other	11,879	15.9	12,737	16.3	107.2	Increase in the number of storesFees for cashless payment		
Capital spending			2,511	3,219		128.2	Investment in store openings and renovationsSystem introduction projects		

	As of Feb. 21, 2023	Number of stores opened	Number of stores closed	As of Feb. 20, 2024
Number of stores*1	519	15	1*2	533
Of which, urban stores	6	3	0	9

^{*1} Includes 18 franchise stores (6 stores in Osaka, 1 store in Hyogo, 4 stores in Kyoto, 4 stores in Mie, 1 store in Hiroshima, and 2 stores in Kagoshima)

^{*2} Oizumi Interchange store (the lease contract expired)



Ryogoku Kamezawa store (Tokyo) opened on September 22, 2023 <urban store>



Yaguma store (Aichi) opened on November 9, 2023

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Market Conditions and Our Initiatives

Item	Fiscal year ending Feb. 20, 2025
Bicycle market environment	 The number of bicycles imported is expected to decrease gradually Repair and maintenance services are expected to be concentrated in specialty stores
Our responses	 Strengthen links between OMO and CRM* ⇒ improve LTV Enhance expertise ⇒ increase repair and maintenance services, and parts sales Net sales Y/Y: 105% = sales per customer 103% x number of customers 102%

^{*}CRM is the abbreviation for customer relationship management. We are strengthening our customer relations by providing information via the official Cycle Base Asahi smartphone application to make their bicycle life more convenient and comfortable.

Comparison with the Fiscal Year Ended Feb. 20, 2024

(Millions of yen, %)

	FY ended Fo	*	FY ending Feb. 20, 2025 Plan					
	Amount	Share	Amount	Share	Y/Y change	Factors		
Net sales	78,076	100.0	82,500	100.0	105.7	Strengthen links between CRM and OMO		
Gross profit	37,305	47.8	39,600	48.0	106.2			
Operating profit	4,912	6.3	5,500	6.7	112.0	Improve human productivityEnhance digital and IT		
Ordinary profit	5,192	6.7	5,800	7.0	111.7			
Profit	3,113	4.0	3,680	4.5	118.2	platforms		

Net Sales by Division

(Millions of yen, %)

FY ended Feb. 20, 2024 Results			FY ending Feb. 20, 2025 Plan					
		Amount	Retail share	Amount	Retail share	Y/Y change	Factors	
	Stores	65,566	86.4	69,053	86.0	105.3	inorodoo onargoo ana parto	
	E- commerce	10,321	13.6	11,240	14.0	108.9	salesOpen new stores and refresh existing stores	
Reta	ail ototal)	75,887	100.0	80,293	100.0	105.8	Strengthen links between	
Other		2,188	_	2,206	-	100.8		
Total		78,076	-	82,500	-	105.7		
Market share		24%		25%	-	-		

Net Sales by Item

(Millions of yen, %)

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	Amount	Share	Amount	Share	Y/Y change	
Ordinary bicycles	13,117	16.8	13,887	16.8	105.9	
Sports bicycles	9,580	12.3	10,244	12.4	106.9	
Children's bicycles	8,320	10.7	8,289	10.0	99.6	
Electric assist bicycles	21,148	27.1	22,645	27.4	107.1	
Other bicycles	2,611	3.3	2,706	3.3	103.6	
Parts/Other	23,298	29.8	24,727	30.0	106.1	
Total	78,076	100.0	82,500	100.0	105.7	

2 Plan for the Fiscal Year Ending Feb. 20, 2025 SG&A Expenses and Capital Investment

(Millions of yen, %)

		FY ended Fe	· ·	FY ending Feb. 20, 2025 Plan					
		Amount	Ratio to net sales	Amount	Ratio to net sales	Y/Y change	Factors		
SG&A expenses		32,393	41.5	34,100	41.3	105.3			
	Personnel expenses	15,595	20.0	16,561	20.1	106.2	Increase wages, and increase personnel to expand business		
Br	Advertising expenses	715	0.9	766	0.9	107.1	Continue to run more online advertisements		
Breakdown	Logistics expenses	1,761	2.3	1,901	2.3	108.0	Inventory transfer expenses related to the relocation of logistics bases		
Nn	Depreciation	1,583	2.0	1,686	2.0	106.4	Open new stores and renovate existing stores		
	Other	12,737	16.3	13,185	16.0	103.5	Incur an increase in system-related maintenance costs		
Ca _l	pital spending		3,219		3,235	100.5	Growth foundations for stores and systems		

- 2 Plan for the Fiscal Year Ending Feb. 20, 2025
 - **Points of SG&A Expenses**
 - Personnel expenses: ¥16,561M (Up ¥966M or 106.2% year-on-year)
 - Enhance recruitment of new graduates (approx. 100) and mid-career hires
 - Increase wages
 - Logistics expenses: ¥1,901M (Up ¥140M or 108.0% year-on-year)
 - Inventory transfer expenses related to the relocation of logistics bases

- [Measures] · Reduce inventories through proper inventory management
 - Relocate logistics bases
 - Improve delivery efficiency

Stores

		As of Feb. 21, 2024	Number of stores to open	As of Feb. 20, 2025
Numb	er of stores*	533	15	548
	Of which, urban stores	9	4	13

Relocation and large renovation

	FY ended Feb. 20, 2024 Results	FY ending Feb. 20, 2025 Plan
Number of target stores	16	18

^{*}Includes 17 franchise stores (as of Feb. 20, 2025) (6 stores in Osaka, 1 store in Hyogo, 4 stores in Kyoto, 4 stores in Mie, and 2 stores in Kagoshima)

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3 Management That is Conscious of Cost of Capital and Stock Price Initiatives to Improve PBR

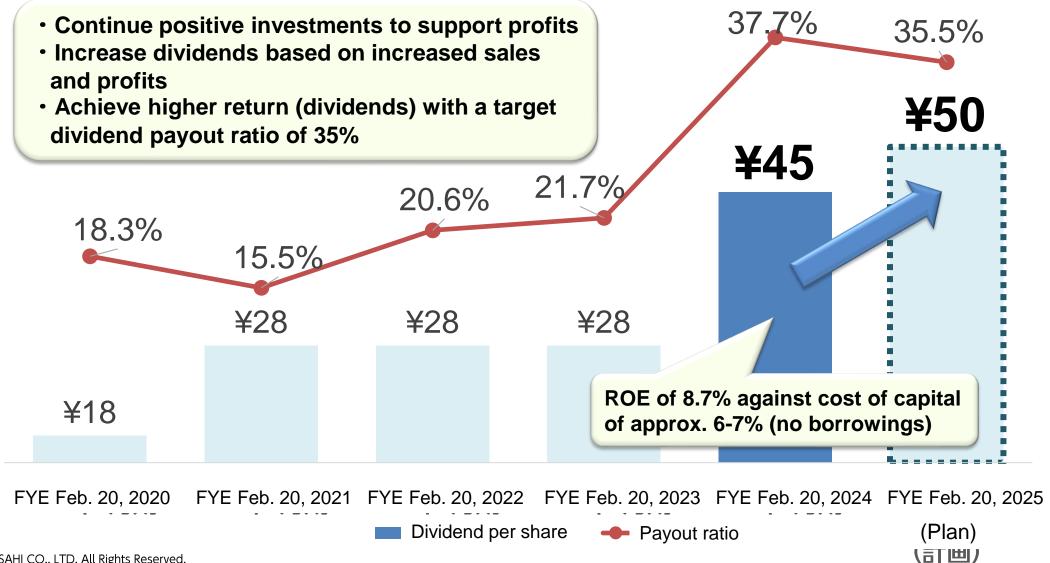
- (1) Growth investments
- ➤ Investment in foundations that support future growth

(Strengthening stores, digital and IT platforms, logistics infrastructure, and refining the SPA business model)

- (2) Profitability
- ➤ Efficient operation toward 8% operating profit margin

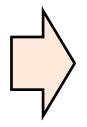
- (3) Shareholder value
- ➤ Shareholder return with a target dividend payout ratio of 35%
- Increase dividends based on increased sales and profits

Management That is Conscious of Cost of Capital and Stock Price 3 **Changes in Dividend per Share and Payout Ratio**



3 Management That is Conscious of Cost of Capital and Stock Price

Improvement in management efficiency



Improvement in PBR

(Target: 1.0 times or more)

[Reference] Changes in financial indicators

(Millions of yen, %, times, yen)

	FYE Feb. 20, 2020	FYE Feb. 20, 2021	FYE Feb. 20, 2022	FYE Feb. 20, 2023	FYE Feb. 20, 2024	FYE Feb. 20, 2025 [Plan, Target]
Net sales	59,852	69,456	71,398	74,712	78,056	82,500
Operating profit	4,006	6,863	5,221	5,127	4,912	5,500
Profit	2,559	4,717	3,541	3,366	3,113	3,680
ROE	9.4%	15.5%	10.4%	10.0%	8.7%	9.6%
Dividend per share	¥18	¥28	¥28	¥28	¥45	¥50
Total dividends	472	734	734	734	1,180	1,312
Payout ratio	18.3%	15.5%	20.6%	21.7%	37.7%	35.5%
PBR	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0 or more

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Environment

Item	Landscape during the fiscal year ended Feb. 20, 2024
Macro environment	Energy prices soared, prices in general including basic necessities of life rose, and consumers became budget-conscious.
Bicycle market environment	 Purchasing costs rose due to the further depreciation of the yen and raw material price hikes. Number of finished bicycles imported dropped by more than 10% year-on-year for two consecutive years.

Outlook for the fiscal year ending Feb. 20, 2026

With falling birth rate and aging population,

- Japan's workforce will decline, and pressure to raise personnel expenses is increasing
- Cycling population will decline
- The number of new bicycles to be sold is expected to decrease gradually in the Japanese market.
- Demand for repair and maintenance will increase with the shift to products with higher added value.
- **⇒**More expertise will be required at retail stores.
- More people are making the switch from ordinary bicycles to electric assist bicycles.



Overall image

Our Vision

Bicycles for vibrant lives everywhere together for a lifetime

Strengthen our customer relationship management Refresh our existing physical and online stores Develop new store formats domain Expand our business domain

Three Growth Foundations

Enhancement of digital and IT platforms

Enhancement and optimization of supply chain management

Enhancement of brand management

4 (Reference) Medium-Term Management Plan "VISION 2025" "Three Growth Foundations" and "Four Key Strategies"



Three Growth Foundations

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Four Key Strategies

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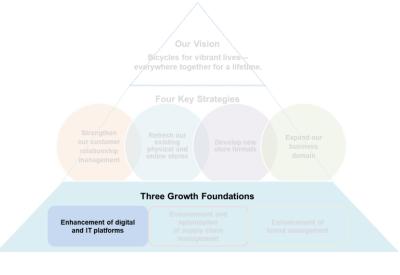
Enhancement of digital and IT platforms

Enhancement and optimization of supply chain management

Enhancement of brand management

Enhancement of digital and IT platforms

- Reconstruct systems
- Promote Digital Transformation (DX) at stores and the e-commerce site
- Accelerate the review and enhancement of platforms for operational efficiency



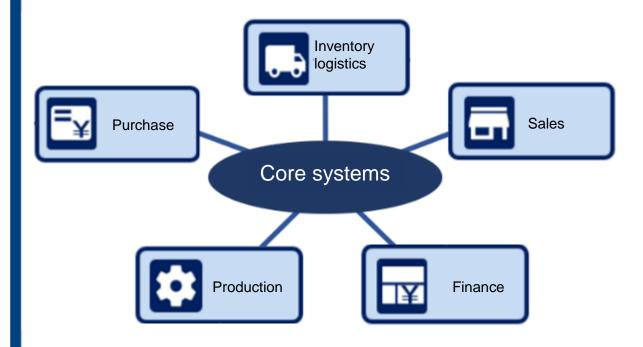


Image of core systems and peripheral systems

Effects of review		
Quality management system	 Streamline the quality management process Improve traceability 	
Warehouse management system	 Streamline the warehouse operations Manage warehouse inventory by coordinating with core systems 	
Mission-critical system	 Streamline the business process related to business activities especially for sales management and inventory management 	
Data integration management system	 Accumulate and analyze various data obtained from business activities in an integrated manner 	
Inventory management system	 Calculate appropriate order quantity from sales results and inventory information and reduce the unnecessary long-term backlogs 	
Customer data management system	 Realize the centralized management of customer data Improve searchability at the time of response to inquiries Extract analytical data required for creation of marketing, product, and new business strategies, etc. 	
Store system	 Create time for interpersonal businesses by reducing management and procedure businesses Improve operational efficiency for ordering, receiving goods, and inventory, etc. 	

Systems subject to implementation and the effects

Enhancement and optimization of supply chain management

- Strengthen the logistics cost management
- Central management and optimization of inventory
- Relocate the logistics bases
- Strengthen the delivery network



East Japan logistics center (Saitama)

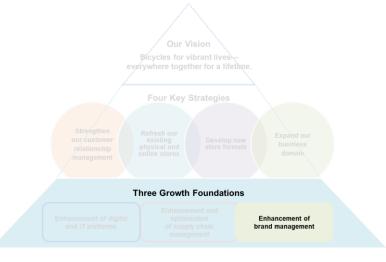




Strengthen the delivery network

Enhancement of brand management

- Rebuild the Asahi brand portfolio
- Educate employees on brand awareness





Explore outdoors with bicycles

Close to wonderful experiences and memories that you can't help recording

Just like each person has a different way of thinking and a different lifestyle, you have your own way of enjoying your outdoor activities and using tools

Bicycles make your outdoor activities more fun, whether you are spending time with your friends or enjoying a free solo trip



Expand the product lineup of ASAHI's original electric assist bicycles

Expanding the LOG series, based on the concept of "making outdoor activities more fun and convenient"

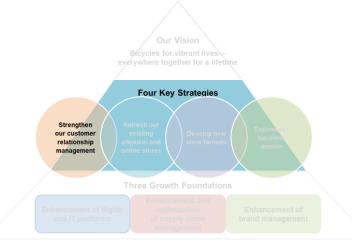
(Reference) Medium-Term Management Plan "VISION 2025" **Four Key Strategies Our Vision** Bicycles for vibrant lives everywhere together for a lifetime **Four Key Strategies** Strengthen Refresh our **Expand our** our customer existing **Develop new** business relationship physical and store formats domain online stores management **Three Growth Foundations**

Strengthen our customer relationship management

 Enhance CRM platform by using digital IT platforms

Create customer journey* map to provide beneficial information at a more effective timing

* Process through which customers are interested in, purchase and use bicycles.





Strengthen links between CRM and OMO



Provide a seamless customer experience through stores, e-commerce site, and official app

Store openings in urban areas

Extensive product lineup and higher quality







Refreshing of existing stores

Online order for store pickup

Higher logistics efficiency

Nationwide stores at which customers can pick up merchandise

Refresh our existing physical and online stores Enhance the sales ability of sales staff

Consider "people" as the most important management resource and promote the competency development of the store sales staff





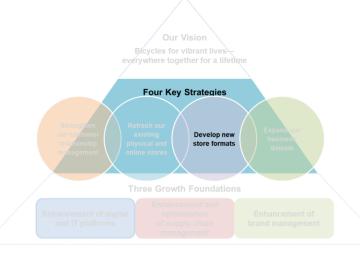
Fiscal year ended Feb. 20, 2024

- Number of staff certified as Meisters*: **730** (up 76 year-on-year)
- **Encourage more staff to be certified** as "Meisters," an internal certification system
- Introduce a leadership position as a higher-level position for Meisters

Open stores in urban areas

Develop new store formats

Accelerate opening stores in urban areas where demands for e-commerce are strong in order to enhance our online order for store pickup service





Takadanobaba store (Toshima-ku, Tokyo)



Kiyosumi-shirakawa store (Koto-ku, Tokyo)

Fiscal year ended Feb. 20, 2024

- Stores for e-commerce support and after sales service to be used as key bases in urban areas
- Increase urban stores (Opened three stores as planned)

Expand our business domain

Reuse business

Shift from a focus on conventional store sales and start e-commerce on a full-scale

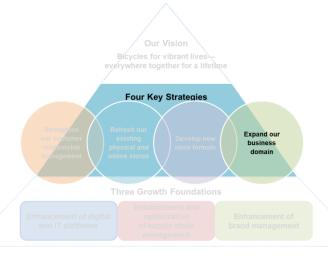




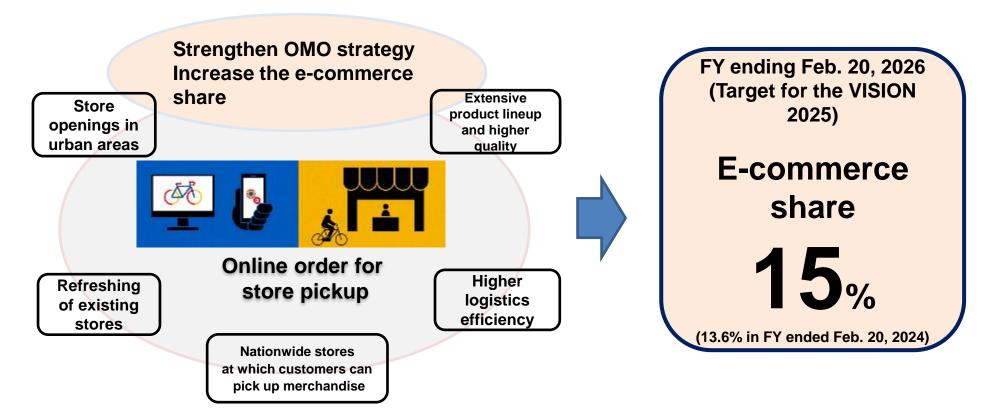
Image of our reuse business

Fiscal year ended Feb. 20, 2024

- Focus on e-commerce
- Number of products posted on the ecommerce site
 Approx. 29 times higher than the previous fiscal year*
- Purchase being enhanced
 Number of purchase stores: 423 stores

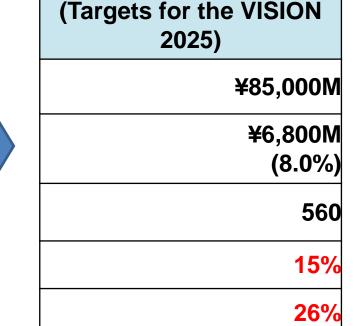
^{*}Comparison between the fiscal year ended Feb. 20, 2024 and average of each quarter for the fiscal year ended Feb. 20, 2023

4 (Reference) Medium-Term Management Plan "VISION 2025" Strengthen and Expand OMO



Pursue our OMO strategy that enables the seamless distribution of goods and information between e-commerce and stores

	FY ended Feb. 20, 2024 Results	FY ending Feb. 20, 2025 Plan
Net sales	¥78,076M	¥82,500M
Operating profit	¥4,912M (6.3%)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Number of stores	533	548
E-commerce share	13.6%	14.0%
Market share	24%	25%
Capital investment plan	¥3,219M	¥3,235M



¥3,000M - ¥4,000M

FY ending Feb. 20, 2026

Primary uses of capital investment

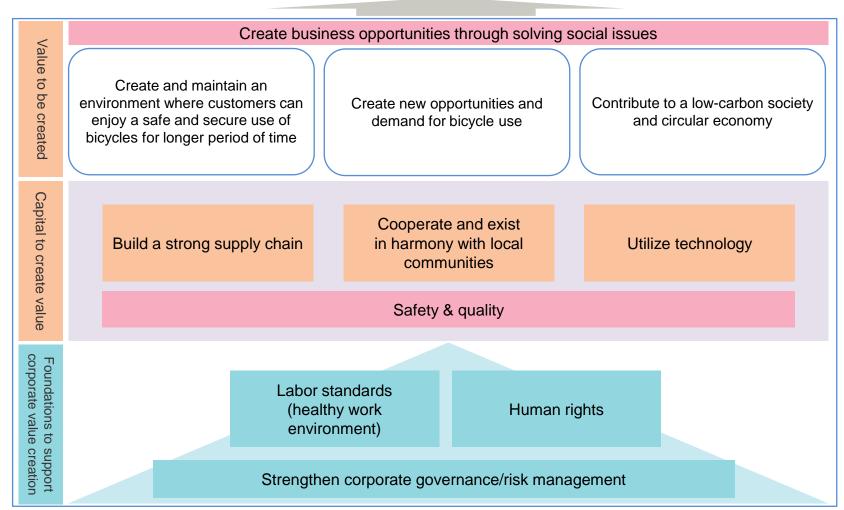
- Invest in the growth foundations: <u>implement DX</u>, <u>improve infrastructure systems</u>, <u>and invest in systems</u>
- Invest to maintain and refurbish stores: refresh our existing stores by renovating and relocating them
- Invest to increase profits: open 15 stores annually centered in urban areas

4 (Reference) Materiality

Value Creation Story Based on Materiality

• Materiality refers to the 10 themes that Asahi will focus on for the future that we want to realize. Each theme serves three functions of "value to be created," "capital (strength) to create value," and "foundations to support corporate value creation" through solving social issues, to contribute to the realization of the future.

A company creating new value for flourishing bicycle lifestyles "Creating a sustainable society" "Establishing sustainable growth for our company"



4 (Reference) Materiality

Definition of Each Materiality Theme

Functional category	Materiality theme	Definition	SDGs to be contributed to by achieving the materiality
Value to be created	Create and maintain an environment where customers can enjoy a safe and secure use of bicycles for longer period of time	 Support the bicycle business, an essential business, to contribute to boosting the bicycle business. With safety as our top priority, be a partner for every customer's bicycle lifestyle. 	3 constitute And will below 11 per minute constitutes 12 experience and windless a
	Create new opportunities and demand for bicycle use	 Create new opportunities to use bicycles throughout their life cycle (new product, reuse, repair, and disposal). Make the bicycle lifestyles of various customers healthy and colorful. 	3 AND MALCHE CRIPE 11 METHODALICE CRIP 17 PATHOCOMP 17 PATHOCOMP 18 PATHOCOMP 18 PATHOCOMP 18 PATHOCOMP 18 PATHOCOMP 19 PATHOCOMP 19 PATHOCOMP 19 PATHOCOMP 10 PATHOCOMP 11 PATHOCOMP 11 PATHOCOMP 11 PATHOCOMP 12 PATHOCOMP 13 PATHOCOMP 14 PATHOCOMP 15 PATHOCOMP 16 PATHOCOMP 16 PATHOCOMP 17 PATHOCOMP 18
	Contribute to a low-carbon society and circular economy	 Provide high quality after sales services so that customers can continue to enjoy a safe use of bicycles for a long time, thereby contributing to the achievement of a low-carbon society. Actively collect bicycles that are no longer needed and reuse them, thereby contributing to the effective use of resources. Contribute to the achievement of a low-carbon society by reducing GHG emissions in bicycle transportation and delivery. 	3 COOR MALITY APPROPRIESE AND A PROPERTY AND PROJECTS AND
	Safety & quality	Position safety & quality as an absolute value, and work to ensure that customers can enjoy a safe and secure use of bicycles.	12 servicios de l'escoluto de
Capital to create value	Build a strong supply chain	Strengthen cooperation with business partners to build a supply chain that can realize stable procurement, manufacturing, sales, and services, in order to steadily deliver bicycles to customers.	8 COMMITTION OF AND ADMINISTRATION OF ADMINISTRA
	Cooperate and exist in harmony with local communities	 Promote partnerships with local bicycle sales stores, governments, and municipalities to support customers' safe and secure bicycle lifestyles for many years to come as an indispensable company for the local communities. 	3 CORD MALLEN 11 SHETHWARE CRIES 17 FOR THE CRISS
	Utilize technology	• Plan to utilize technology to develop plans that meets customers' needs, optimize transportation and delivery, strengthen the connection with customers after sales (CRM), and promote efficient operation of stores (personnel allocation), which is a basis of such activities.	
Foundations to support corporate value creation	Strengthen corporate governance/risk management	 Based on highly viable governance, ensure highly sound and transparent management for all stakeholders. Strengthen risk management throughout the supply chain to build a sound corporate structure. 	3 CORRESIONS 5 TRANSP. 5 TRANSP. 5 TRANSP. 6 CONTRICTOR AND 10 NORTH-MILES. 10 NORTH-MILES. 10 NORTH-MILES.
	Labor standards (healthy work environment)	 Develop a work environment that allows employees who support the core of our business to work safely, securely, and in good health. Promote human resource development that enhances "People Power." 	16 Micc patter Notation Notations
	Human rights	Protect the rights of diverse human resources and create an environment of mutual respect.	

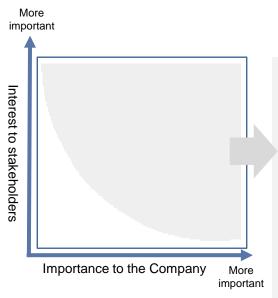
4 (Reference) Materiality

Materiality Identification Process

Identification of materiality (key issues)

We have identified materiality (key issues), taking into account the business environment and challenges (including opportunities and risks) we face, the social and environmental issues we expect to face in the future, and our major stakeholders. The importance of materiality was evaluated based on the two assessment criteria of "issues that are important to Asahi" and "issues of high interest to stakeholders."

Materiality (key issues) identification process



[Value to be created]

- Create and maintain an environment where customers can enjoy a safe and secure use of bicycles for longer period of time
- Create new opportunities and demand for bicycle use
- Contribute to a low-carbon society and circular economy

[Capital to create value]

- Safety & quality
- Build a strong supply chain
- Cooperate and exist in harmony with local communities
- · Utilize technology

[Foundations to support corporate value creation]

- Strengthen corporate governance/risk management
- Labor standards (healthy work environment)
- Human rights

STEP 1	Identify materiality candidates	We identified materiality candidates based on competitors' materiality and business characteristics of the Company, by referring to international indicators and guidance such as SDGs (sustainable development goals of the United Nations), ISO26000, GRI Standards, and SASB (Sustainability Accounting Standards Board), sustainability issues such as global risks and business opportunities, and ESG rating criteria.	
STEP 2	Narrow down and prioritize materiality	Based on the materiality candidates identified, we conducted interviews and questionnaire surveys with our inside and outside Directors, next-generation leaders, and institutional investors. Based on the results, we made a comprehensive judgment from the perspectives of "issues that are important to Asahi" and "issues of high interest to stakeholders," narrowed down materiality, and prioritized them.	
STEP 3	Select materiality	We evaluated the relevance of the materiality to our vision and business strategy, and after repeated discussions among the senior management, we compiled the materiality.	
STEP 4	Approve internally	We evaluated the relevance of the materiality to our vision and business strategy through discussions at the Board of Directors and the Sustainability Committee, and identified materiality to be prioritized through the resolutions of the Board of Directors.	

ASAHI's Mission

Our mission is to contribute to people's lives around the world through bicycles. As we pursue our mission, we will share with stakeholders the prosperity that our business activities generate.

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