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Hokkoku Financial Holdings Summary of Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended March 2025

Updating the Medium-Term Business strategy





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1.Executive Summary



Executive Summary

Re-branding		• Toward a "Two-Brand" Structure for a Full-fledged Start to Double-Sector Management that Responds to Changes in the Environment and Can Achieve Sustainable Growth over the Long Term
	Disclosure period	 Continue to formulate medium-and long-term strategies 10 years from backcasting. From a strategic perspective, long-term figures are not disclosed from this time, and plans up to the third year are disclosed.
Medium-Term Business strategy Update	ROE	 Under the main scenario in which the policy interest rate rises to around 1% by the end of January 2026, revenues will increase in the regional finance business centered on the Hokkoku Bank. In new business domains, revenues grew mainly in the consulting business, cashless business, and fund business. In the fiscal year ending March 2026, ROE was secured at 5%, and in the third year the target is 6% or more. (Achievement of ROE8% or higher is assumed for the fiscal year ending March 2030.)
	Capital strategy	 Changed to a shareholder return policy based on dividends. Toward a Dividend Payout Ratio of Around 40% and Flexible Stock Repurchases (Dividend per share ¥120 for the fiscal year ended March 2025 → ¥200 for the fiscal year ended March 2026 (before stock split)) Conducted a stock split to create an environment that makes it easier to invest and to expand the investor base (1 → 10 shares)



2. Financial Highlights



Overview of Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended March 2025

■ Hokkoku Financial Holdings Consolidated

(Millions of yen)

	2024/3	2025/3	Change	Rate of change
Ordinary Revenue	90,839	89,576	△ 1,263	△ 1.3%
Ordinary income	14,461	12,298	△2,163	△ 14.9%
Net income	9,055	8,120	△ 935	△ 10.3%

■ Hokkoku Bank on a non-consolidated basis

(Millions of yen)

	2024/3	2025/3	Change	Rate of change
Ordinary Revenue	73,449	72,862	△ 587	△ 0.7%
Ordinary income	11,185	11,511	326	2.9%
Net income	8,233	8,323	90	1.0%
Core net operating profit	6,162	11,325	5,163	83.7%

■ Equity ratio

	2023/3	2024/3	2025/3
Consolidated	10.08%	10.37%	9.85%

■ Summary

- Hokkoku FHD consolidated: Decrease in sales and profits for the first time in six fiscal years
- Hokkoku Bank on a Non-Consolidated Basis: Lower sales and profits for the first time in two fiscal years

Operating profits from core business increased for the first time in three years

■ SUMMARY

• To a rise in yen interest rates and a decline in foreign currency funding costs due to the sale of foreign bonds

Operating profits from core business increased compared to the previous fiscal year due to an increase in net interest income.

• Lower gains on sales of strategic shares helds resulted in gains/losses on securities in the previous fiscal year.

Decrease in comparison.

• Disposal of non-performing loans in the previous fiscal year due to the recording of 1.8 billion yen in provision for earthquake response

Increased compared with the previous fiscal year, and ordinary income decreased compared with the previous fiscal year.



3. Company name change and new branding system



Changed name to CCI and shifted to two branding structures



As a regional financial institution called the Hokkoku Bank

Valuing the trust and peace of mind that we have cultivated.

We will develop businesses tailored to local customers,

As a partner for a prosperous future for the local community

"Hokkoku Bank Brand" to be accompanied



In advanced, innovative and distinctive regions

To achieve this,

Expanding the scope of our business beyond the boundaries of banks,

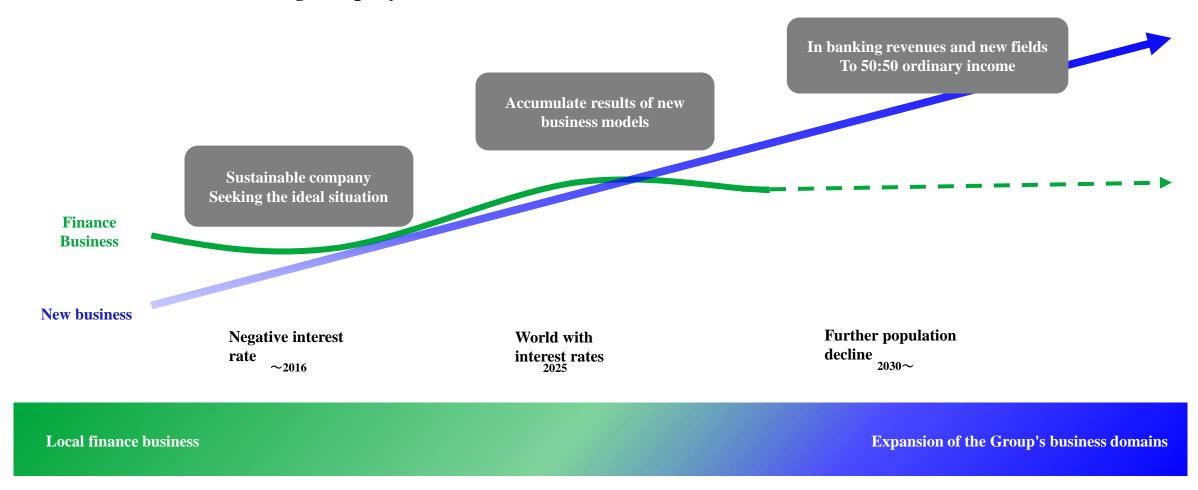
Not only in the Hokuriku region but also in the Tokyo metropolitan area and overseas markets

CCI branding to strengthen development and dissemination



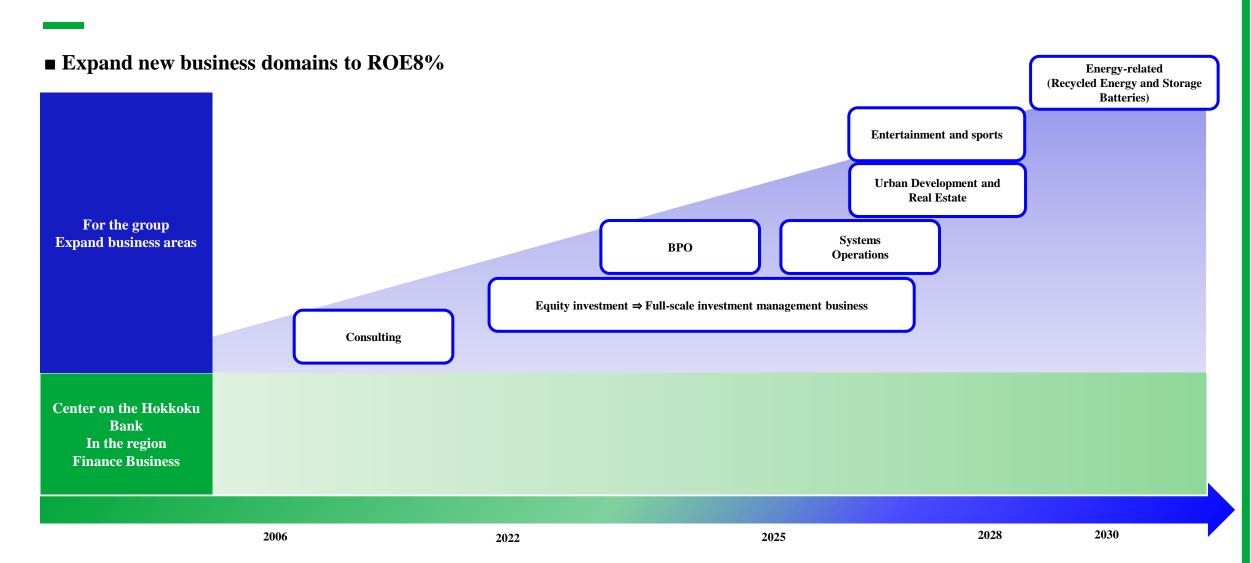
Objectives of the "Two Brands"

■ Toward a Sustainable Holding Company Structure in 20 Years



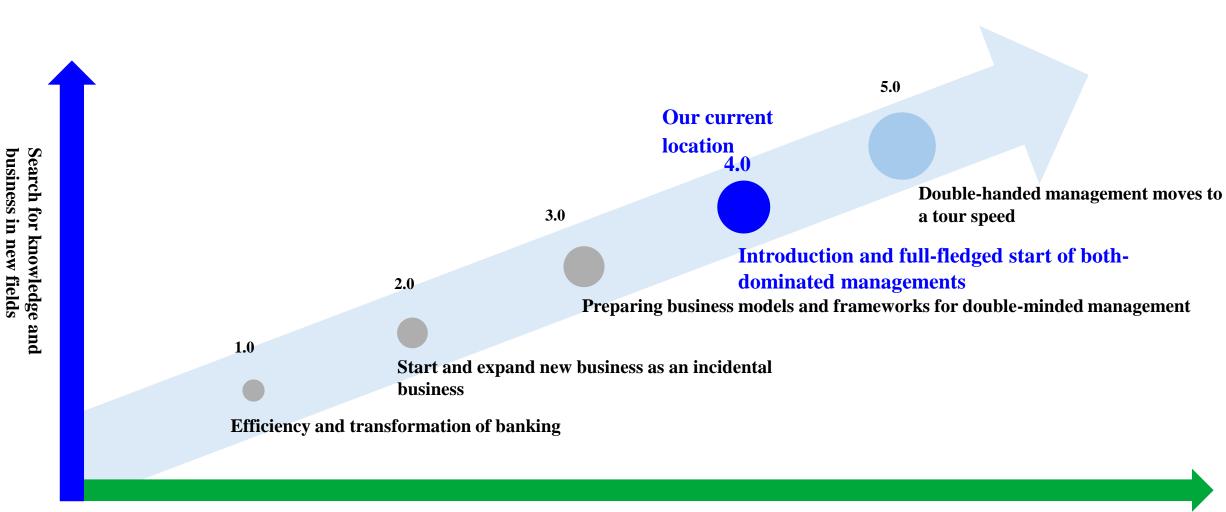


Business domains of the two brands





Stage of evolution into double-handed management





Banking and new business





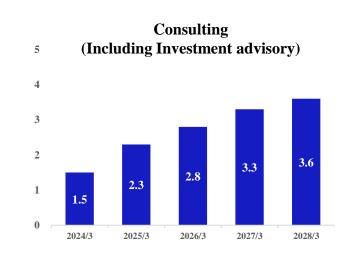


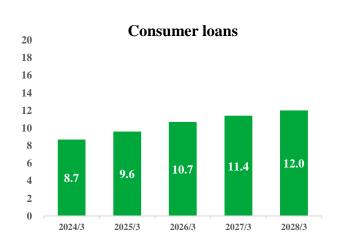


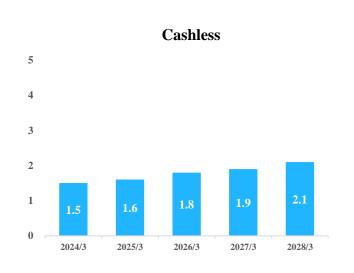
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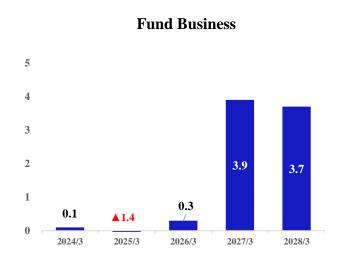












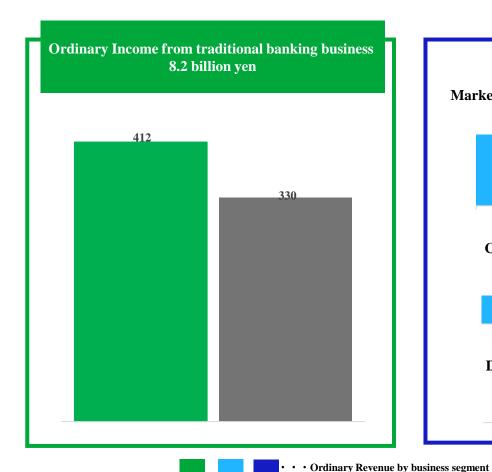


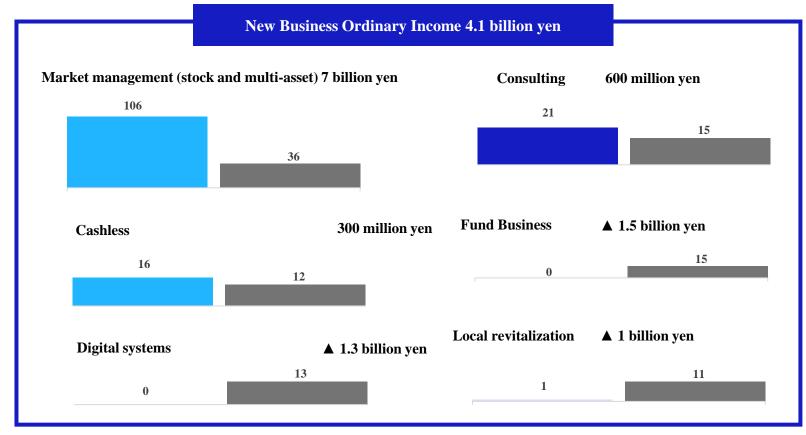
Ordinary Revenue and Costs and Investments by Business (Result for the Year Ending March 31, 2025)

■ Traditional banking business enhances management efficiency and establishes a cost structure capable of recording stable profits

· Cost and investment amounts by business segment

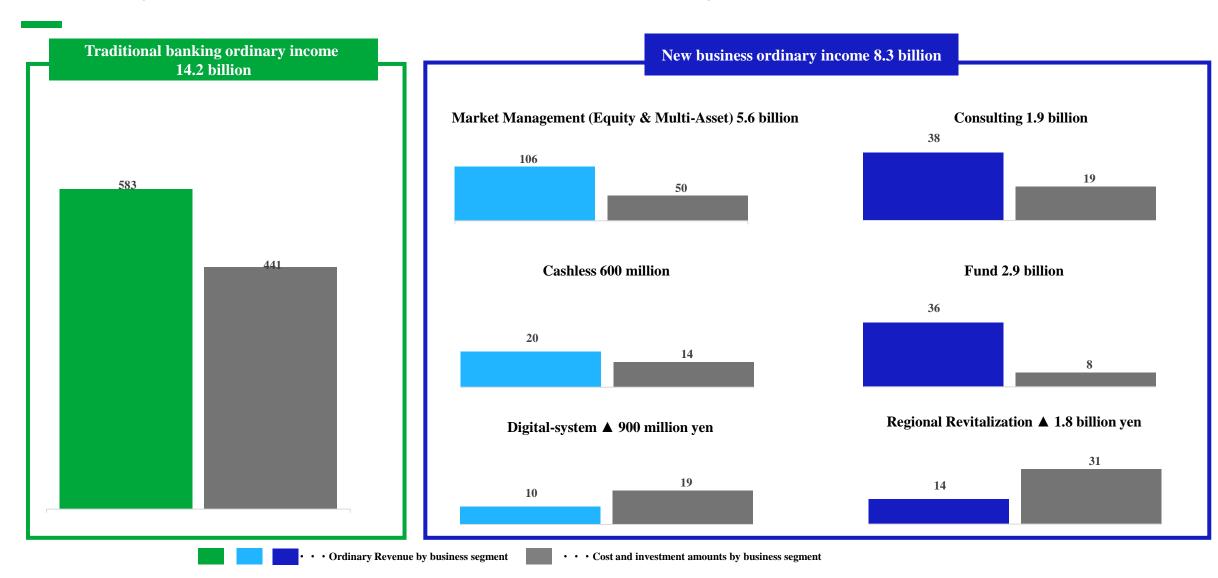
■ Strengthen investment in personnel expenses and system development for new businesses







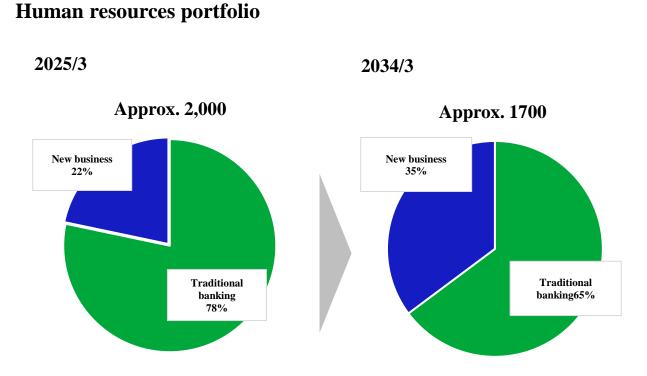
Ordinary Revenue and Costs and Investments by Business (Plan for the Fiscal Year Ending March 2028)





Talent portfolio strategies and the use of Risk Ring AI

- Strengthen career recruitment to acquire skilled human resources capable of responding to new business areas
- **■** Continue to invest in Riskyring and review the human portfolio from traditional banking to new business
- Develop a system that can shift to high-value-added operations through AI utilization while changing the human resources portfolio



Initiatives to Strengthen Human Capital

and Utilize AI
(Human Capital)
Human resource development cost approx. 100
million yen
Career recruitment ratio 61%
80 students attending and completing graduate
school

(AI utilization)

Introduction of AI interviews in recruitment Efficiency of call center operations



4.Medium-Term Business strategy 2025 Update

Medium-term Business strategy 2025 ~ Update ~

■ Measures for increasing corporate value

1.Initiatives to Improve ROE

· Shareholder returns are based on dividends, and we will pay dividends based on sustainable profits.

Our basic policy is to shift from a total return ratio of 50% or more to a dividend payout ratio of around 40% plus flexible share buybacks

- Establish an earnings model in the interest rate world and expand earnings in the regional finance business
- In new business domains, revenues growth centered on consulting and cashless funds
- · Traditional banking business enhances management efficiency and realizes a cost structure that can record stable profits
- Strengthen investment in human resources and system development in new business domains

2.Initiatives for Governance and Human Capital

- 2 Enhancement the Governance Structure to Establish the Brand Structure and Efforts to Improve the Effectiveness of Board of Directors
- · Strengthen recruitment and training of skilled personnel capable of responding to new business areas and review human resource portfolio



Medium-term Business strategy 2025 ~ Update ~

- Continue to formulate medium-to long-term strategies 10 years from backcasting, but disclose up to the third year strategically.
- Reflects improvement in banking business profits due to rising interest rates and revision of plans for new business profits due to changes in the market environment
- ROE8% target is expected to be achieved in the fiscal year ending March 2030

	2025/3		
Item	Actual	Achievement rate	
Key business Business revenue	38.9 billion yen	113.4%	
Consolidated Operating Income	12.2 billion yen	80.2%	
Net income (consolidated)	8.1 billion yen	79.4%	
ROE ※	3.7%	▲ 0.8pt	

	2026/3	2027/3	2028/3	
Item	A year later	Two years later	Three years later	
Banking business revenue	48.3 billion yen	54.6 billion yen	58.3 billion yen	
Revenue from new businesses	21.2 billion yen	21.7 billion yen	22.5 billion yen	
Consolidated Operating Income	18 billion yen	19.8 billion yen	22.5 billion yen	
Net income (consolidated)	11 billion yen	12.4 billion yen	14.7 billion yen	
ROE*	5.1%	5.0% or more	6.0% or more	



Capital management and shareholder value

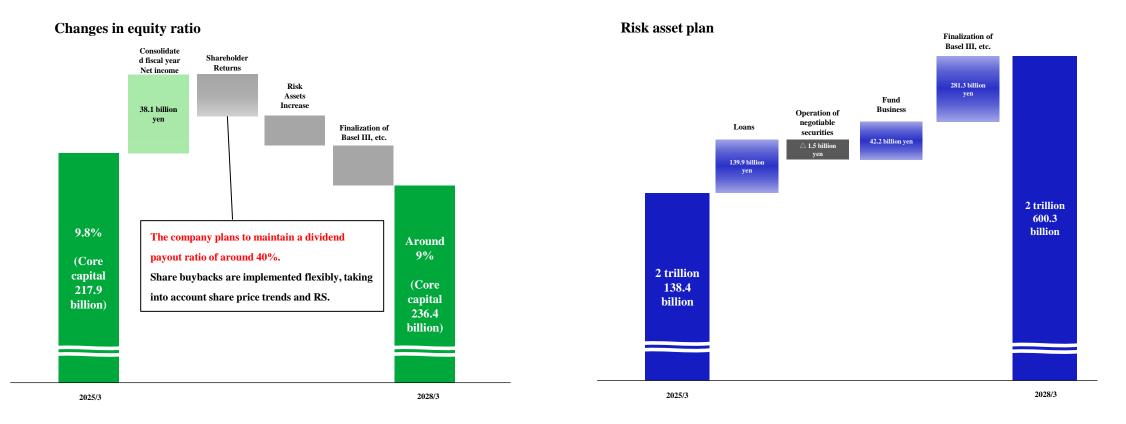
- Pay dividends based on sustainable profit growth to achieve more stable shareholder returns
- Shareholder return policy shifts from a total return ratio of 50% or more to a dividend payout ratio of around 40% plus flexible share buybacks

Item	2025/3 Actual	2026/3 A year later	2027/3 Two years later	2028/3 Three years later
Dividend payout ratio	33.7%	41.2%	Approx. 40% We will pay dividends based on sustainable progrowth, Flexibly acquire treasury stock	
Total dividends	2.7 billion yen	4.6 billion yen		
Purchase of treasury stock	3 billion yen	Billions yen		
Cost of capital	Approx. 6-9%	Approx. 7-9%		
ROE	3.7%	5.1%	5.1% 5%or more 6.0%or	
Core capital	217.9 billion yen	223.4 billion yen	228.2 billion yen 236.4 billion yen	
Risk assets	2.2102 trillion yen	2.3421 trillion yen	2.5035 trillion yen 2.6003 trillion	
Equity ratio	9.8%	9.5%	9.1%	9.1%



Risk Asset Control

- Target equity ratio is around 9% to 10%
- Loans will be strengthened in urban areas, securities investment will remain almost unchanged, and loans will be phased in through the finalization of the Basel III. Risk assets are expected to increase due to an increase in risk weights.



Status of strategic shareholdings

■ Review and Future Policy

- Strengthen dialogue with business partners with the goal of halving the ratio by the end of March 2025 compared to March 2022.
- As a result of the dialogue, shares were steadily reduced and the target was achieved ahead of schedule. (Amount Outstanding of P23's Strategic Stockholdings)
- Sales of shares for which the holding purpose was changed to net investment after receiving approval to sell, were also conducted in consideration of market trends.

(Sale of P23 from Sep. 2022 to Sep. 2024; changed to net investment)

• At the same time, as we continue to engage in dialogue, we have strategically held some of our brands, and we have adopted a "increasing corporate value for both parties" and "the realization of our measures."

Determined that "realization of social impact" is expected, and reviewed the holding policy this time

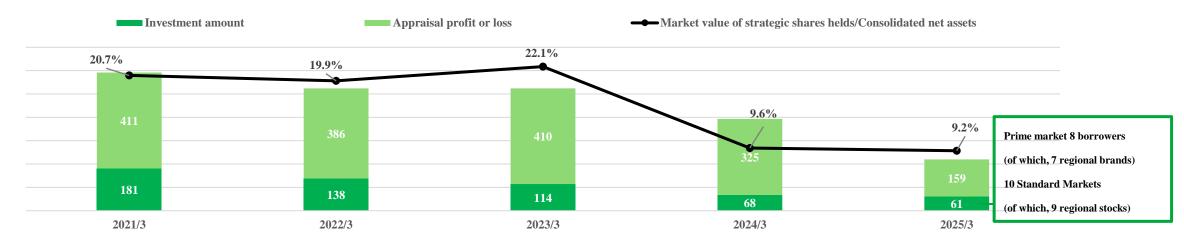
- The purpose of holding strategic stocks is categorized as follows. (Changes in the policy of holding P24 strategic shares helds)
- ①Increasing corporate value of both parties through collaborative efforts to realize social impact
- 2 Improve corporate value further by improving relationship level

Governance by reviewing holding standards to avoid merely becoming a stable shareholder and strengthening dialogue to achieve objectives You ensure the functionality.



Status of strategic shareholdings

■ Amount Outstanding of Strategic Shareholdings (Billions of yen)



■ Status of sale (change in holding purpose from September 2022 to September 2024)

	2022/9	2023/3	2023/9	2024/3	2024/9	2025/3
Number of shares to be changed	46,200	-	2,091,216	31,700	471,740	-
Number of shares sold	-	▲3,700	4 ,900	▲ 197,300	▲25,900	▲582,400
Total number of shares	46,200	42,500	2,086,316	1,920,716	2,366,556	1,784,156



Future Strategic Shareholdings

■ Changes in the policy of holding strategic stocks

March 2022 to March 2025

Do not hold all listed stocks

From April 2025.

In principle, we do not hold listed stocks, but we intend to continue holding some stocks from a strategic perspective and link them to increasing corporate value of us and our shareholders.

■ Holding standard

Quantitative criteria

Return on capital formula

(Interest income + Fees and commissions + Dividends-Expenses)/((Market riskweighted assets + Loan risk-weighted assets) × 8.0%) Qualitative criteria

Relationship level

Social impact

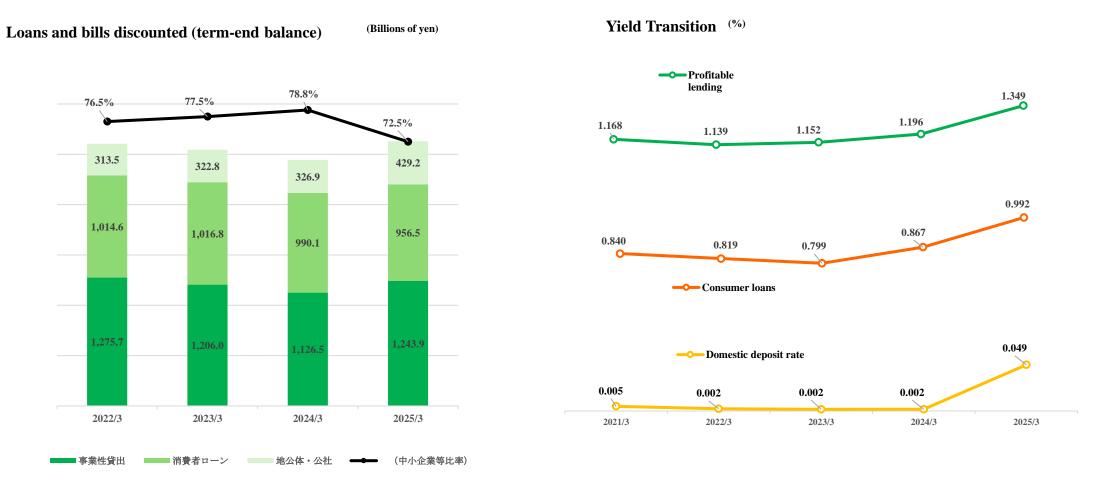


5.Business Strategies for Achieving ROE



Business of lending money

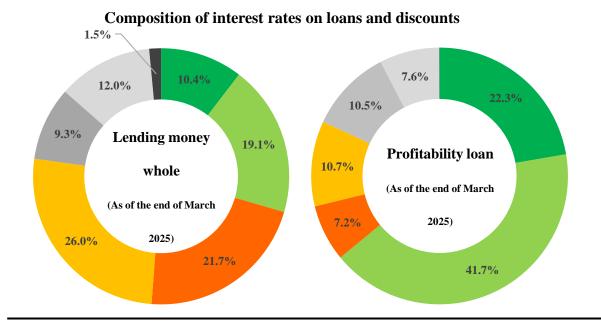
■ Loans outstanding and yields were generally in line with forecasts. The balance for urban areas and large enterprises increased.





Interest rate structure

- Negotiations on shifting the market-linked interest rate structure for short-term loans have generally been completed. As a result of an increase in the proportion of new long-term loans linked to the market, the interest rate structure of overall commercial loans is 40% linked to the market.
- **■** The policy interest rate increase of 0.1% is expected to increase revenues by about ¥900 million.



Interest Rate Structure of Newly Executed Interest Rates

	2024/3	2025/3
Fixed interest rate	49.2%	49.8%
Spread	18.6%	48.0%
Short-term plastic	32.2%	2.2%
Total	100%	100%

but less than 3 years)

[■] Floating rate (marketlinked)

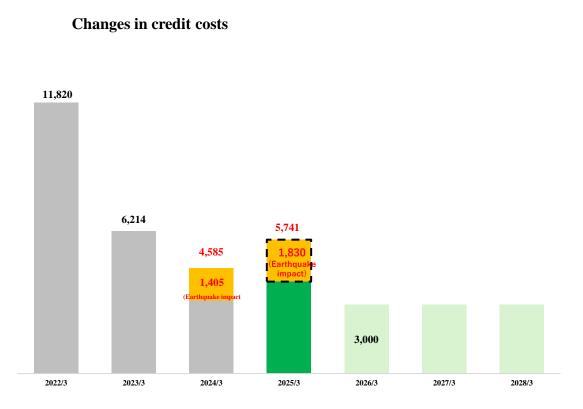
[■] Fixed rate (less than one vear)

[■] Fixed rate (1 year or more ■ Fixed rate (3 years or more but Fixed rate (5 years or more) less than 5 years)



Credit Cost Results and Future Prospects

- Credit costs increased ▲ ¥670 million due to the impact of the Noto Peninsula Earthquake, compared to the initial forecast of ¥2.5 billion.
- Credit costs as a whole increased by ¥240 million from initial expectations due to the impact of large borrowers.
- Credit costs due to the impact of the earthquake have been posted. The credit cost for FYE March 2026 is assumed to be ¥3 billion.



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Disclosed claims under the financial reconstruction law (Billions of yen)	608	758	734	683	755
Conservation amount (Billions of yen)	587	659	706	645	715
Coverage ratio (%)	96.5	86.9	96.2	94.4	94.6



Balance by Deposit Segment

Deposit Balance by Attribute

(Billions of yen)

	2022/3	2023/3	2024/3	2025/3	Compared to 24/3 Change	Change from 24/3
Individuals	2781.2	2870.9	2951.9	3007.5	+55.6	+1.8%
CORPORATION	1155.4	1143.4	1230.3	1258.1	+27.8	+2.2%
Public money and financial	336.0	369.7	529.3	650.1	+120.8	+22.8%
Overall	4272.7	4384.1	4711.6	4915.8	+204.2	+4.3%

■ Interest rate scenario

- By raising the Japanese policy interest rate twice in fiscal 2025
 Reached 1.00% and interest rates rose about the same level across the entire yield curve.
- Figures remain unchanged from fiscal 2026.
- **■** Initiatives
- Increase sticky deposits by enhancing payment services such as LIFE+, Hokkoku Digital Banking, our core services

"Personal services"

"Internet banking for corporations"

- Affiliated convenience store fee free(*)
- Free bank transfer fees
- Free transfer fees to other banks (*)
- · Low-priced transfer fees to other banks

• Free bank transfer fees

• Available 24 hours/365 days a year

Tree pank transfer fees

XUp to three times a month



Loans and Discounts Outstanding by Segment

Loans Outstanding by Attributes

(Billions of yen)

Loans Outstanding by Type

(Billions of yen)

	2022/3	2023/3	2024/3	2025/3	Compared to 24/3 Change	Compared to 24/3 Rate of change
Small and medium-sized enterprises, etc.	19,931	19,719	19,267	19,079	▲188	▲0.9%
(Ratio of SMEs, etc.)	76.5%	77.5%	78.8%	72.5%	-	▲ 6.3%
Medium-sized and large companies	2,973	2,509	1,899	2,925	+1,026	+54.0%
National and local public entities	3,135	3,228	3,269	4,292	+1,023	+31.2%
Overall	26,039 T	25,456	24,436 Standing b	26,297 v Pogion	+1,861	+7.6%

Loans Outstanding by Region

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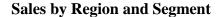
	2022/3	2023/3	2024/3	2025/3	Compared to 24/3 Change	Compared to 24/3 Rate of change
Hokuriku 3 prefectures total	23,956	23,794	23, 067	23,239	+172	+0.7%
In Ishikawa Prefecture	18,119	18,139	17,758	18,308	+550	+3.0%
In Toyama Prefecture	4,645	4,511	4,227	3,880	▲347	▲8.2%
Including Fukui Prefecture	1,190	1,144	1,081	1,050	▲31	▲2.8%
Other	2,083	1,662	1,368	3,030	+1,690	+123.5%

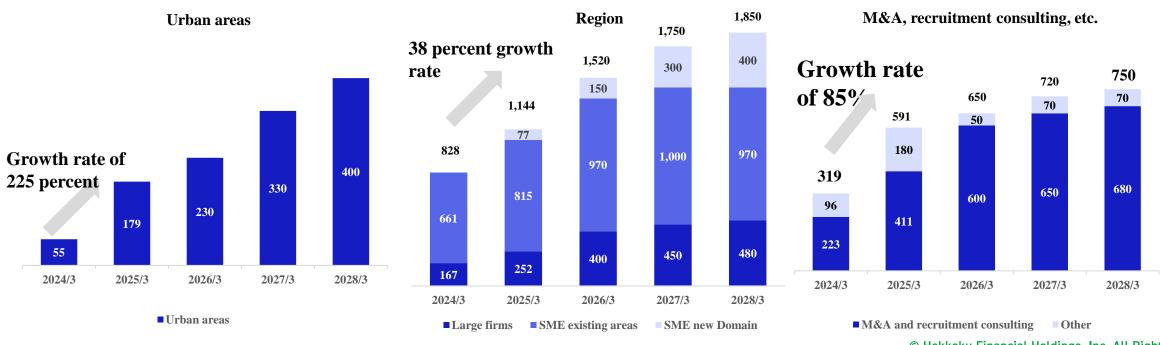
	2022/3	2023/3	2024/3	2025/3	Compared to 24/3 Change	Change from 24/3
Profitable lending	12,757	12,060	11,265	12,439	+1,174	+10.4%
Consumer loans	10,146	10,168	9,901	9,565	▲336	\$3.3%
Of which, secured	9,819	9,867	9,609	9,281	▲328	▲3.4%
Of which, unsecured	327	301	291	284	▲ 7	▲ 2.5%
National and local public entities	3,135	3,228	3,269	4,292	+1,023	+31.2%



Consulting

- Basic Strategy "Establishment of a Framework for Implementing Policies for Initiatives by Customer Segment"
- High-value consulting for medium-sized and large companies that have a significant impact on transforming the region
- Acquisition of approaches and knowledge to urban customers with anticipated needs
- Overseas operations are currently being developed at four sites: Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, and Africa



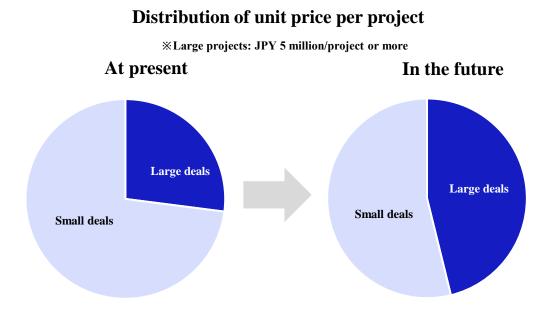


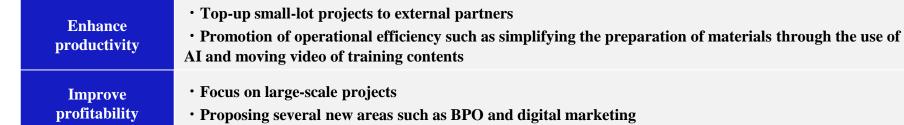


Consulting

■ Improve per capita fees by improving productivity and profitability while maintaining the current personnel system









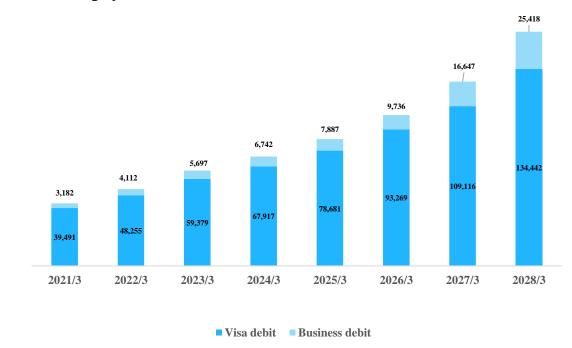
Cashless

- **Ishing Corp.**
- Planning to launch a new service for smartphone payments (cardless) and points at all Visa member stores at the end of July
- Strengthen PR to promote and promote the use of business debits to support more efficient corporate payments

Visa debit subscribers (thousands)

7 8 9 9 10 15 485 485 485 2021/3 2022/3 2023/3 2024/3 2025/3 2026/3 2027/3 2028/3 Visa debit Business debit

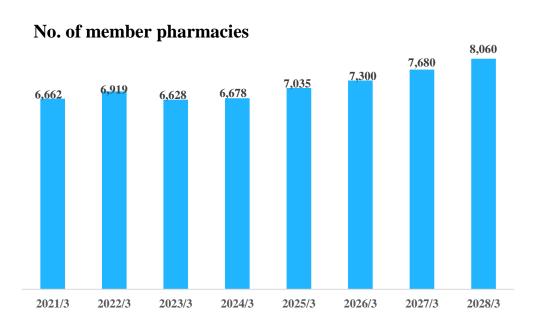
Visa debit payments (JPYmn)

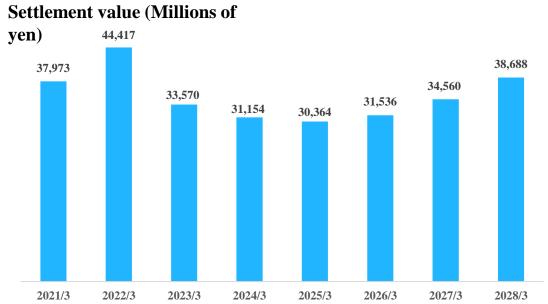




Cashless

- Acquiring
- Franchise stores by introducing a new service (Tap to Phone) that allows smartphones to be used as merchant terminals Increase
- Introduce low-rate plans for SMEs in Visa to improve occupancy rates and increase payments

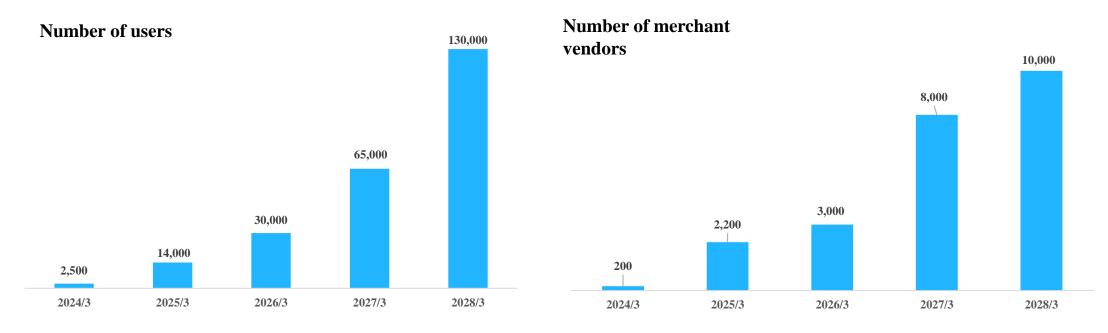






Cashless

- **■** Titsweek Corp.
- Increase convenience for consumers by expanding use of stores through collaboration with our merchant terminals (approximately 7000 stores)
- Increase the number of users and franchisees through collaboration with local governments in the prefecture (As of the end of March 2025, the cooperative municipalities, Ishikawa Prefecture, Nomi City, and Suzu City)





Digital systems

■ By using agile, cloud, and AI, we can improve R&D productivity and quality. Our strategic systems are as follows: Early release

Strategic system under development

To be released	System under development	Content
Jul 2025	API & BaaS base	· Provision of financial functions to FinTech companies and regional operating companies
August, 2025	New card base	 Franchisees: Use smartphones and tablets as payment terminals (Tap to Phone) Users: Provide digital cards as a new choice for payment methods
January, 2027	Next fiscal year Core banking system	 Improved core banking system availability with multi-cloud support Strengthen collaboration with external services through open languages and cloud natives Cost reduction by Operation and Maintenance in-house development

Development productivity improvement Efforts

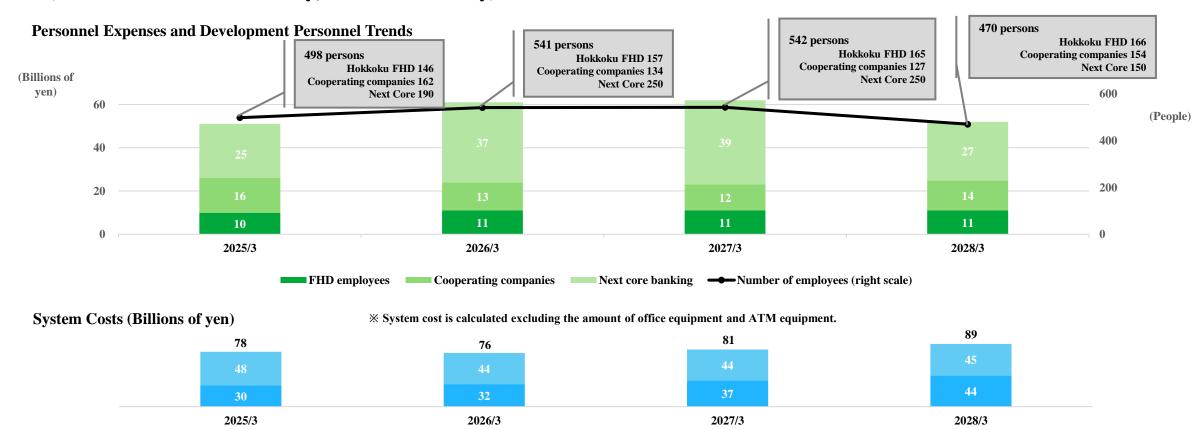
Utilize multiple LLM(Azure Open AI • Gemini for developing and operating

- · Automatically converts from the old program (COBOL) to the new program (Java), and automatically generates test cases from the program.
- Use of generation AI for failure detection and security-modernization



Digital systems

- Utilization of productivity improvement and offshore developments through AI utilization and system modernization
- Intensive investment until March 2029 for early release of the next core banking system (Scheduled: 1st 2027 January, 2nd 2029 January)





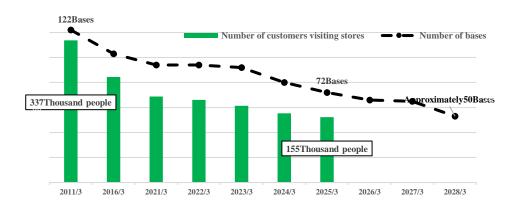
Progress in digitalization and number of stores

- **■** Enhancement of in-van functions and progress in digitalization will lead to a store structure of approximately 50 bases
- Set basic commissions for some services in anticipation of service maintenance costs such as strengthening security

Personal Internet banking



(Major Possible Transactions)
Inquiries (transaction details), transfers, automatic remittances, time deposits, and foreign currency deposits
Mutual funds, loans, Pay-easy, account transfers, and address changes



Internet banking for corporate clients



35000 contracts

(Major Possible Transactions)
Inquiries (transaction details) Individual remittance and total remittance remittance
Pay-easy
Den Sai Service Account Transfer Address Change Overdraft Function

• Basic commissions have been set since July 2025 in line with the strengthening of security measures, including cybercrime, and the rise in maintenance and operation costs of services due to the surge in prices.

Annual service revenue: Approx. 1 billion yen

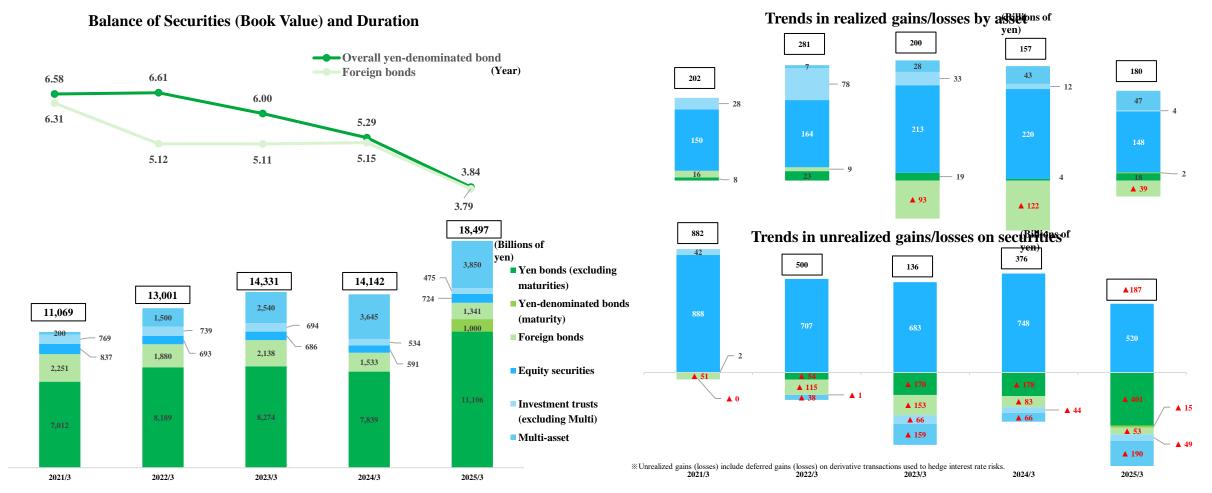


Market and fund management

Limited liability investment partnership **Bond held to maturity Private equity** (Corporate Planning Dept.) **Shares for net investment purposes** JGBs and foreign bonds Multi-asset Private debt (Market Finance Department) (Market Finance Department) Share policy held Venture capital (Corporate Dept.) **Listed stocks** (QRI) P41 P42 P43 P40

Status of Securities Management and Future Investment Strategies 1

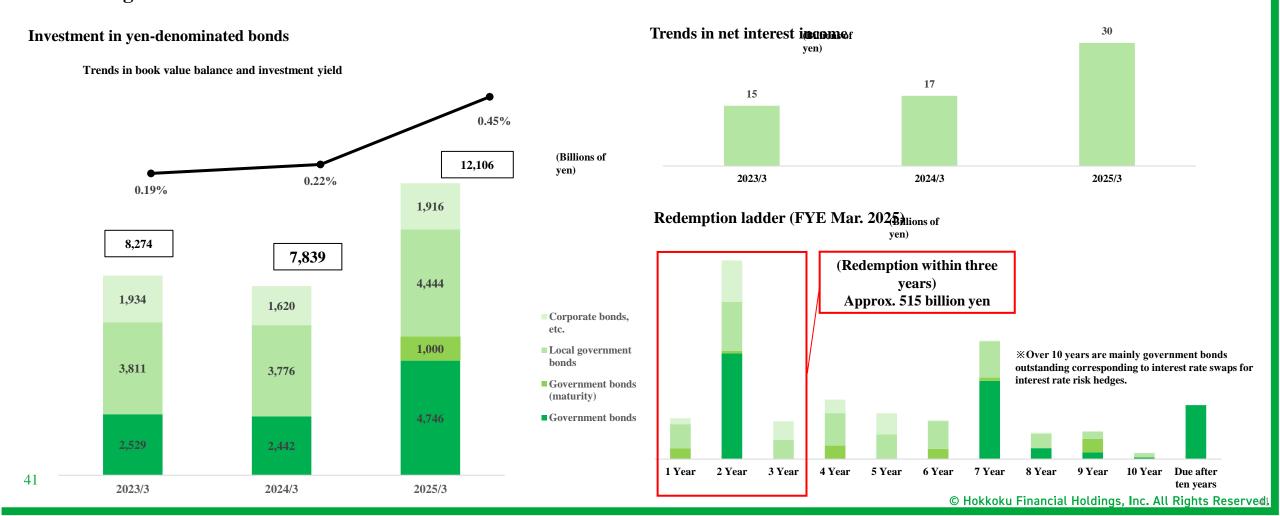
■ In March 2025, we focused on short-to medium-term bond operations. Curtailed duration and accumulated assets under management, mainly in yen-denominated bonds





Status of Securities Management and Future Investment Strategies (2)

■ Determine when to change monetary policy and aim for a yen-denominated bond portfolio that can secure stable profits through reinvestment

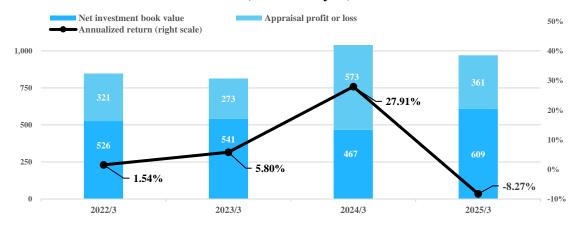




Status of shares for net investment purposes

- **■** The proceeds from the sale of strategic shares helds are also actively invested in net investment equities.
- **■** Focus on improving performance by investing in quality growth stocks.

Balance of Net Investment Shares (Billions of yen)



Engagement (Voting) Initiatives

Combine the "Voting Criteria" set by asset owners and qualitative information obtained by asset managers through interviews, etc. to engage in effective voting



Investment strategy

Invest in quality growth stocks that are expected to grow over the medium to long term while controlling overall portfolio risk.

Bottom-up analysis Investment decisions In addition to publicly available information, invest in issues with a high probability of performance growth based on qualitative information obtained through interviews

Portfolio Management Monitoring of risk indicators in the investment portfolio and analysis of investment performance

Established standards for the appointment of directors, Exercise criteria of VotingRightomuneration for directors, capital policy, appropriation of surplus, preliminary takeover defense measures, etc.

Gathering information through public materials related to IR and Grasping business conditions interviews with financial results of companies targeted for investment



Status of the Fund Business

- Operates 10 funds. Implement diversified investment that emphasizes the local community but does not specialize in the region.
- **■** Established several new funds, including Beyond Recovery Fund and the Social X-Impact Fund.

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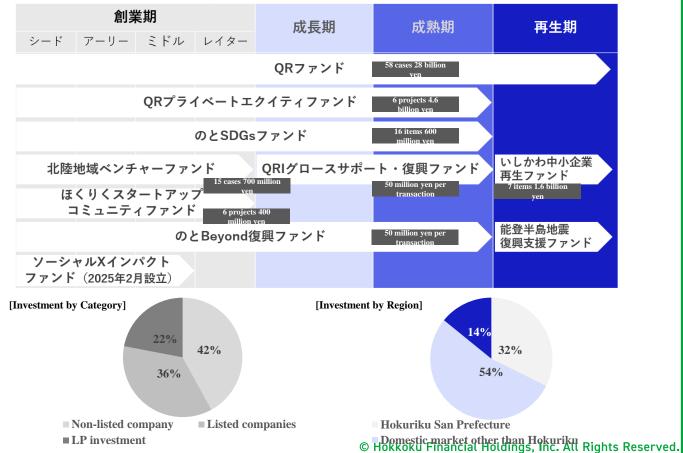
Revenues	plan	of th	e fund	business
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2025/3	2026/3	2027/3	2028/3
Actual	Planning	Planning	Planning
▲14	3	39	37

Investment Results and Plans

	2024/12 Actual	2027/12 Plan
Number of investees	104	120
Investment amount (Billions of	360	670
Amount collecteds of	48	173
Market value illions of	343	630
Investment ratio	1.09	1.20

Fund Investment Status (as of Dec. 2024)





Local revitalization

■ Creating a business base and a place for communication where innovation is born here

■ Sports and entertainment businesses, tourism and other urban development projects in collaboration with local governments

Source of creative and new business

Scheduled to open Hirooka Terrace in September 2025 as a business base for $\,$

generating new innovation



Increase in tourists to Kanazawa and Kaga areas

of traveling, is viewed as an integral part.

Taking full advantage of the brand potential in the Kanazawa and Kaga areas,
 The central urban area, which has increased tourism resources, and the ease and convenience

Urban development



Urban development that leverages the current characteristics of the Noto area

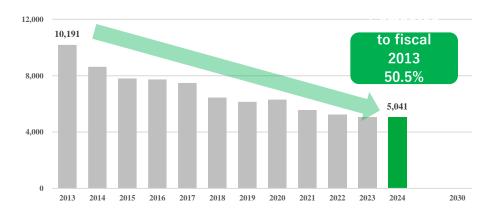
- Toward Advanced Primary Industries (Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry)
 (smartization, introduction of advanced technologies, sixth industrialization, support for fostering, etc.)
- Scattered tourist resources (Senmaida, Morning Market, Sojiji Temple, Mawaki Ruins, Kujuku Bay, Wide-area branding of salt fields, festivals, food, the sea, etc.), Wakura Onsen and Toward the formulation of a stay-type program in collaboration





Environment-related

Trends in CO 2 emissions (tons)



Scenario analysis Result for transition risks and physical risk

(Transition risks)	4°C	2°C
Increase in credit costs through 2050	(no transition response)	Approx. 2.6 billion
(Physical risk)	4°C	2 °C
Increase in credit costs through 2050	Approx. 3.8 billion	Approx. 1.3 billion
Impact of our buildings	Approx. 500 million	Approx. 200 million

^{*} The reserve calculation standard was changed to the reserve classification basis from this time

Initiatives for Regional GX Aiming to be a carbon-free leading Prefectural businesses (other financial institutions, accounting firms, etc.) region Information platform construction · Measurement and sharing of greenhouse gas emissions · Enlightenment and promotion for · Formulation and execution of action plans for decarbonisation companies in the pref Local · Proactive introduction of decarbonisation-related equipment governm 🔰 北國フィナンシャル ホールディングス · Building ZEB, energy creation, reduced use of vehicles, and EV · HV) · Education and consulting for business partners · Establishment of a system of cooperation with prefectures, other financial institutions, and accounting firms

Initiatives for the Fiscal Year Ending March 2025

- $\hbox{\bf \cdot} \ Conducted \ studies \ for \ CN \ with \ local \ governments \ (Hakusan \ City), \ chambers \ of \ commerce \ and \ industry, \ and \ local \ companies$
- Enlightenment through joint seminars with seven financial institutions
- · Provision of tools for measuring CO2 emissions and commencement of handling of PIF (Positive Impact Financing)



Human capital enhancement

Hiring **■**Recruiting Diverse Human Resources

- Career recruitment as a percentage of new hires
 - $FY2020\ 25.0\% \rightarrow FY2024\ 61.1\%$
 - Career recruitment ratio of officers and executive officers 5.7%
 - Ratio of career hires for managers and chiefs 9.7%
- Hiring two new graduates for the Expert Course
- (9.5% of new graduate hires)



Hiring

- **■**Strengthening Human
- Total Humaneson creed elecklopment cost

FY2020 58 million yen \rightarrow FY2024 100 million yen

- Number of students who attended or completed graduate school $FY2020 2 \rightarrow FY2024 80$
- Support for career change through the Job Challenge System 41 participants in fiscal 2024 (10 of whom changed their career)

Active role

To produce

Active

Fostering

- **■**Fostering Career Autonomy through career-based personnel system
- A Culture of Challenges (Introduction of a Challenge System)

Approximately 400 employees were assigned, promoted, challenged for job challenges, or

- for in-house side businesses.
 Implementation of personnel allocation with an emphasis on employee Career plan
 - Deployment rate to desired departments 98.8% (actual results of personnel transfers in
- March 2025) Wellness Support Team' to support employee mental and physical health
 - 2476 cases of physical health support and 603 cases of counseling, for a total of 3079 cases
 - → Provided 1.47 cases of support per employee

- ■Sharing knowledge with local communities
- Dispatched to local governments and private companies 78 in fiscal 2024 (of which, 73% of employees on loan are involved in corporate management)



Advanced corporate governance

■Candidate selection based on succession plan

Launched Board of Directors effectiveness assessment utilizing external organizations

Implementation of succession plans

Candidates were selected for three Hokkoku FHD directors and one president of the Hokkoku Bank in fiscal 2025. Candidates are selected through interviews with outside directors on a number of candidates for each post, the Nomination and Compensation Committee, chaired by an outside director, and discussions at Board of Directors.



Utilization of external third-party organizations for Board of Directors effectiveness assessment

Since last fiscal year, we have conducted a questionnaire survey and individual interviews with each director by an external third-party organization, Boardroom Review Japan Co., Ltd. Going forward, we will reflect the aggregate analyses in our self-assessments to improve the effectiveness of our Board of Directors and to upgrade our governance.

Method of evaluating the viability





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