

Kufu Company Inc.

FY2024.9 Q1

Presentation Material

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Daily Life Business

Life Event Business





# 1. Consolidated Financial Results for FY2024.9 Q1

# Group Composition (Main Group Companies as of February 1, 2024)



#### Daily Life Business

Daily and community life domain



Shopping information service



Household budget service, Research and development



Regional/lifestyle information media



Educational app

#### Life Event Business

**Home domain** 



Management consulting service



Consulting service for high-net-worth individuals

くふう住まい

Home and real estate specialized media and consultation service

Marriage domain

エニマリ

Wedding information media and produce service

#### Investment and Incubation Business



くふうキャピタル

RETRIP

Travel/outing media

Holding company

(Investment)

**⇔**くふうジオデータ

Investment management

(Affiliates)





Location and behavioral data marketing

Development and sales of insurance products

Informational website for trips with children

#### Others



Holding company (Support for operating companies)

## Highlights of FY2024.9 Q1 Consolidated Financial Results 🛟くふうカンパニー



 In FY2024.9 Q1, net sales were 3,263 million yen, operating loss was 117 million yen, and EBITDA was 134 million yen

#### **Progress by segment**

Daily Life Business	<ul> <li>Daily and community life domain</li> <li>Under the change in the media strategy, lifestyle information media "Kufu Live!" was transfered</li> <li>Although the Tokubai business maintained a slight increase in sales, the decline in profits from media advertising since March of last year had a significant impact on the Daily Life Business</li> </ul>
Life Event Business	<ul> <li>Home domain</li> <li>Under tough market conditions, HyAS group recorded operating loss due to a decline in sales with sluggish growth in the number of housing construction projects and a delay in housing delivery, in addition to acquisition costs. The group became wholly owned subsidiary on February 1st. 2024 and growth plans for the home domain are currently being considered</li> <li>Sales of SaaS tools for real estate agencies were steady, and the "Ietate" business was contributed by an increase in the number of contracts at consultation counters</li> <li>Marriage domain</li> <li>As the decline in the number of paid advertising venues bottomed out and the number of weddings held and orders increased, the domain made steady progress toward full-year profitability</li> </ul>

#### **Investment and Incubation Business**

#### Investment and business development domain

• The gain on sale of operating investment securities was recorded in FY2023.9 Q1, but no major transactions occurred in FY2924.9 Q1

## **Consolidated Quarterly Financial Results**



Both sales and profits decreased year-on-year

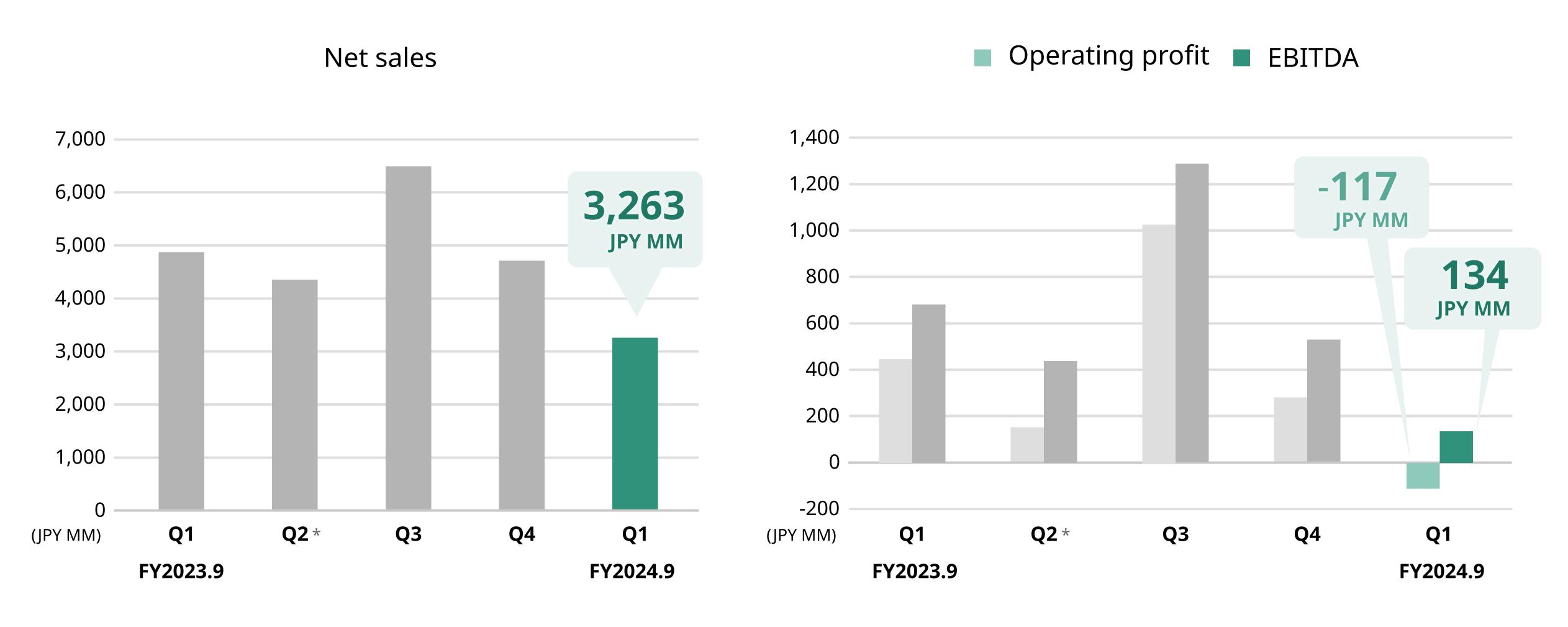
			FY2023.9	FY2024.9				
	Q1	<b>Q2</b> *	Q3	Q4	Full year	Q1	YoY	QoQ
Net sales	4,883	4,362	6,543	4,696	20,486	3,263	66.8 %	69.5 %
Operating profit	433	151	1,023	274	1,882	-117	-	_
EBITDA	685	418	1,285	536	2,926	134	19.7 %	25.2 %

(JPY MM)

## Consolidated Financial Results - Quarterly Trends



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#### Consolidated Quarterly Financial Results – Net Sales by Segment 🛟 くふうカンパニー

- In the Daily Life Business, sales decreased mainly due to the transfer of some media businesses in the first quarter
- In the Life Events Business, sales declined driven by the Home domain

				FY2023.9	FY2024.9				
		Q1	<b>Q2</b> *1	<b>Q3</b> *2	<b>Q4</b> *3	Full year	<b>Q1</b> *4	YoY	QoQ
	Daily Life Business	1,110	1,211	930	1,157	4,409	1,016	91.6%	87.8%
	Life Event Business	2,938	3,037	3,628	3,549	13,154	2,233	76.0%	62.9%
Net sales	Investment and Incubation Business	828	99	1,974	70	2,972	91	11.0%	128.9%
	Others	50	58	80	-	189	-	_	-
	Adjustment	-43	-44	-70	-80	-240	-77	-	-

(JPY MM)

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## Consolidated Quarterly Financial Results – OP by Segment 🛟くふうカンパニー

- In the Daily Lifestyle Business, the impact of the decline in profits from media advertising was large
- In the Life Events Business, profits declined mainly due to lower sales in the Home domain

				FY2023.9	FY2024.9				
		Q1	<b>Q2</b> *1	<b>Q3</b> *2	<b>Q4</b> *3	Full year	<b>Q1</b> *4	YoY	QoQ
	Daily Life Business	259	313	179	202	955	141	54.4%	69.6%
	Life Event Business	191	118	306	369	986	7	3.7%	1.9%
Operating profit	Investment and Incubation Business	313	5	834	-35	1,118	-34	_	-
	Others	-61	-44	-44	-	-149	-	_	-
	Adjustment	-269	-242	-252	-263	-1,027	-231	-	-
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#### Consolidated Financial Results - B/S



	As of	As of				
	end-Sep. 2023	end-Dec. 2023	Change	Change factors		
Current assets	14,122	12,200	-1,921			
(Cash and deposits)	9,405	6,720	-2,685	<ul> <li>Cash and deposits decreased by 2,685 million yen</li> </ul>		
(Operational investment securities)	1,334	1,420	86	due to acquisition of subsidiary shares, repayment of borrowings, and share buyback		
(Real estate for sale)	1,232	1,384	152	or is or rounings, arrei or an enday is areit		
(Other current assets)	525	982	456	<ul> <li>Other current assets increased by 456 million yen due to an increase in deposits of investment funds</li> </ul>		
Non-current assets	6,851	7,449	598	·		
(Goodwill)	3,591	4,018	426	<ul> <li>Goodwill increased by 426 million yen due to the start of consolidation of Gold Eggs Inc., etc.</li> </ul>		
(Investments and other assets)	1,795	1,846	50			
Assets	20,973	19,649	-1,323			
Liabilities	9,376	8,680	-695			
(Short-term and long-term borrowings)	5,349	4,797	-552	• Short-term and long-term borrowings decreased		
Net assets	11,596	10,969	-627	by 552 million yen		
(Capital surplus)	8,452	8,220	-232	<ul> <li>Capital surplus decreased by 232 million yen due t</li> </ul>		
(Retained earnings)	1,739	1,534	-204	acquisition of additional subsidiary shares, etc.		
(Treasury shares)	-132	-304	-171	<ul> <li>Treasury shares increased by 171 million yen due</li> </ul>		
(Valuation difference on available for-sale securities)	-13	-4	8	share buyback by the end of December		
Total liabilities and net assets	20,973	19,649	-1,323			

## **Group Management Target by FY2026.9 (5th Term)**



## Group EBITDA \*1

# 10 billion yen \*2

50%

Ratios of main business segments \*3

50%





- \*1: EBITDA (operating profit + depreciation and amortization)
- \*2: Target to be achieved through organic growth of each group companies

  EBITDA plus costs for stock-related compensation upon the resolution to issue the 8th and the 9th share acquisition rights (stock options with charge)
- \*3: Ratio of each business segment based on the sum of the Daily Life Business and the Life Event Business.

  In September 2022, some of the business segments and domains were revised. The composition ratio was calculated based on the revised amounts.
- \*4: The home domain includes HyAS & Co. Inc.

# The acquisition of naming rights for a new professional baseball team in Shizuoka is aimed at strengthening regional business





# The acquisition of naming rights for a new professional baseball team in Shizuoka

- In January 2024, a capital and business alliance agreement was signed with Hayate 223, which became the first in Shizuoka Prefecture to enter professional baseball farm leagues
- Acquired the naming rights of the team, and named it "Kufu Hayate Ventures Shizuoka"
- A press conference to announce the team name held in Tokyo on January 16, 2024, with the participation of over 20 media companies including TV and newspapers



#### Strengthen regional business starting with Shizuoka

- SHIZUOKAONLINE CO. LTD. will change its name to "kufushizuoka Inc." (April 2024)
- Kufu Sumai rebranded "Ietate," a local housing information media and service operated mainly in Shizuoka, to "Kufu Ietate" (March 2024), and strengthen the opening of consultation counters



# 2. Business Overview by Segment



# Becoming No.1 service

in all businesses provided by Kufu Company Inc. Group, by providing one-stop online and offline services

Shopping

Overwhelmingly No.1 in the number of registered stores & users in 3 years

Home

No.1 in the number of housing-related constructions in 5 years

Marriage

No.1 in the number of wedding creations in 5 years



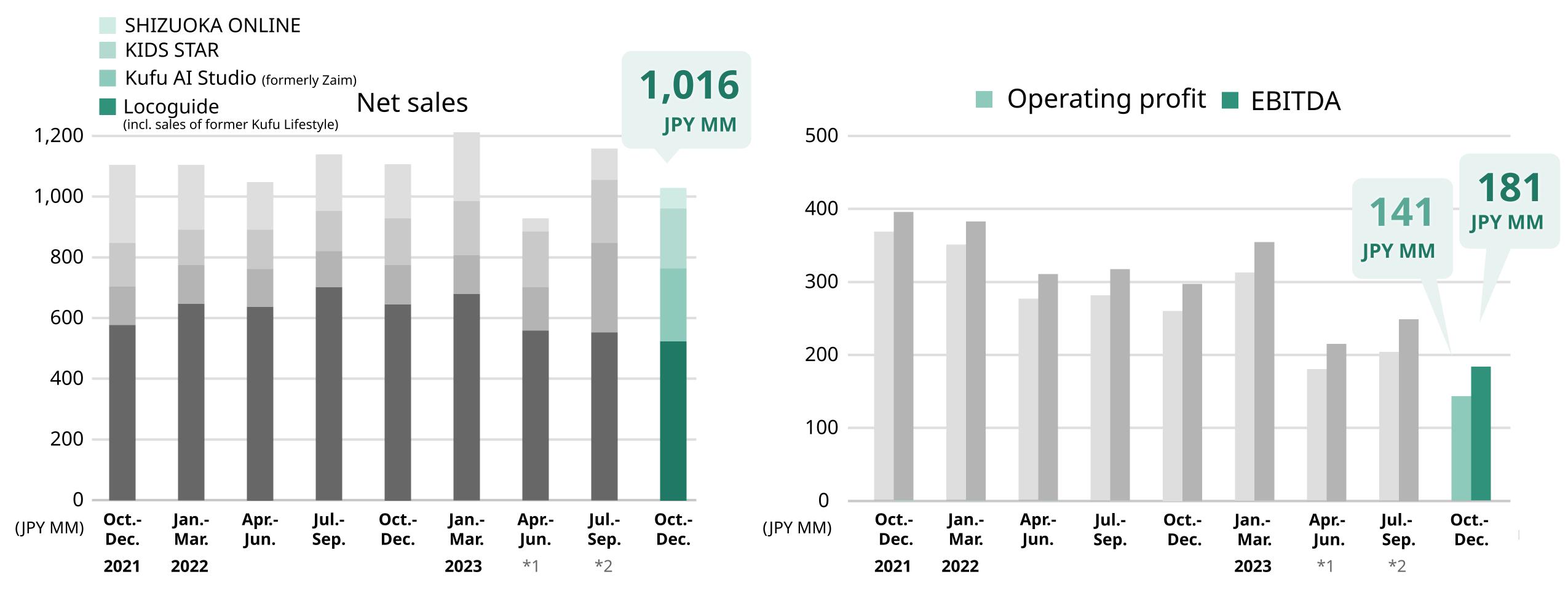
# Daily Life Business



## Daily Life Business – Financial Results – Quarterly Trends 🛟くふうカンパニー



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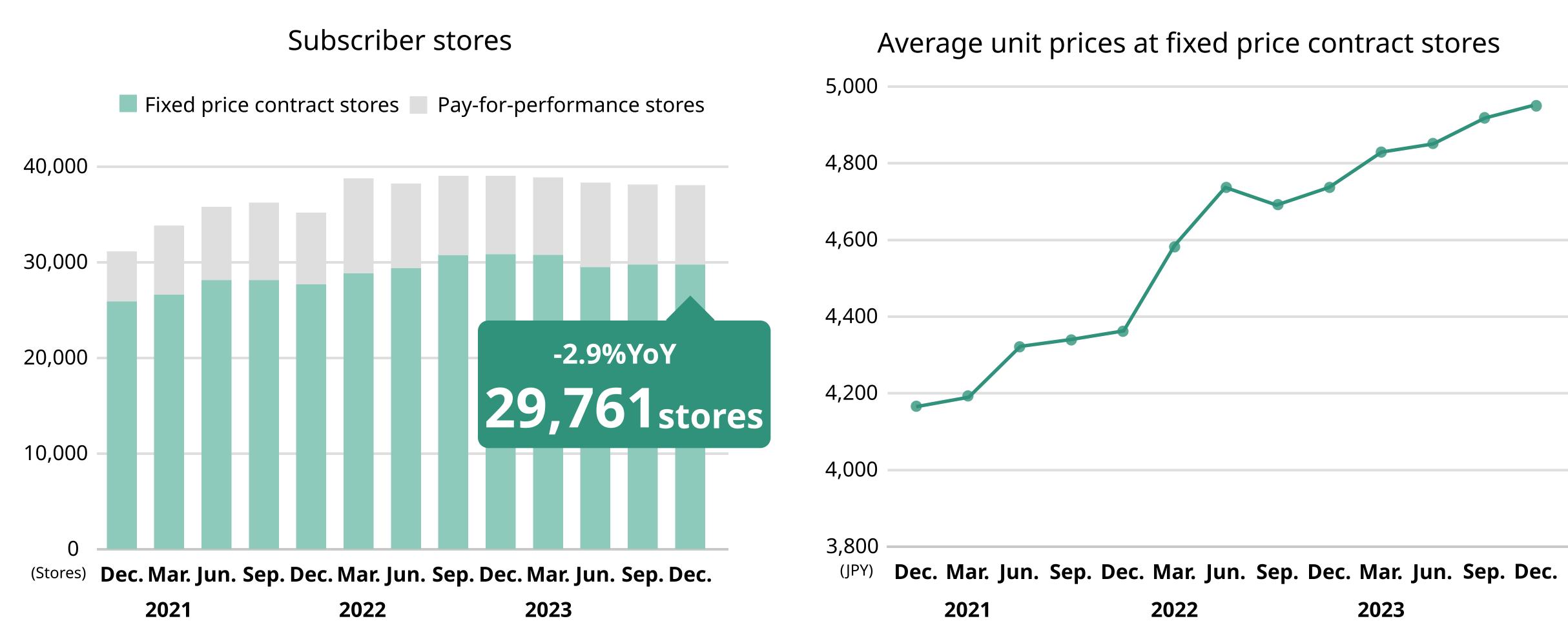
<sup>\*1: &</sup>quot;Ietate" business run by SHIZUOKA ONLINE Co. LTD, was succeeded by Kufu Sumai Inc, and its segment was changed to the life event business on April 1, 2023.

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#### Number of Subscriber Stores for Tokubai Service and Average Unit Price \*



 As of the end of December 2023, there were 38,199 subscriber stores (stores with fixed price contracts were down 2.9 % YoY to 29,761)



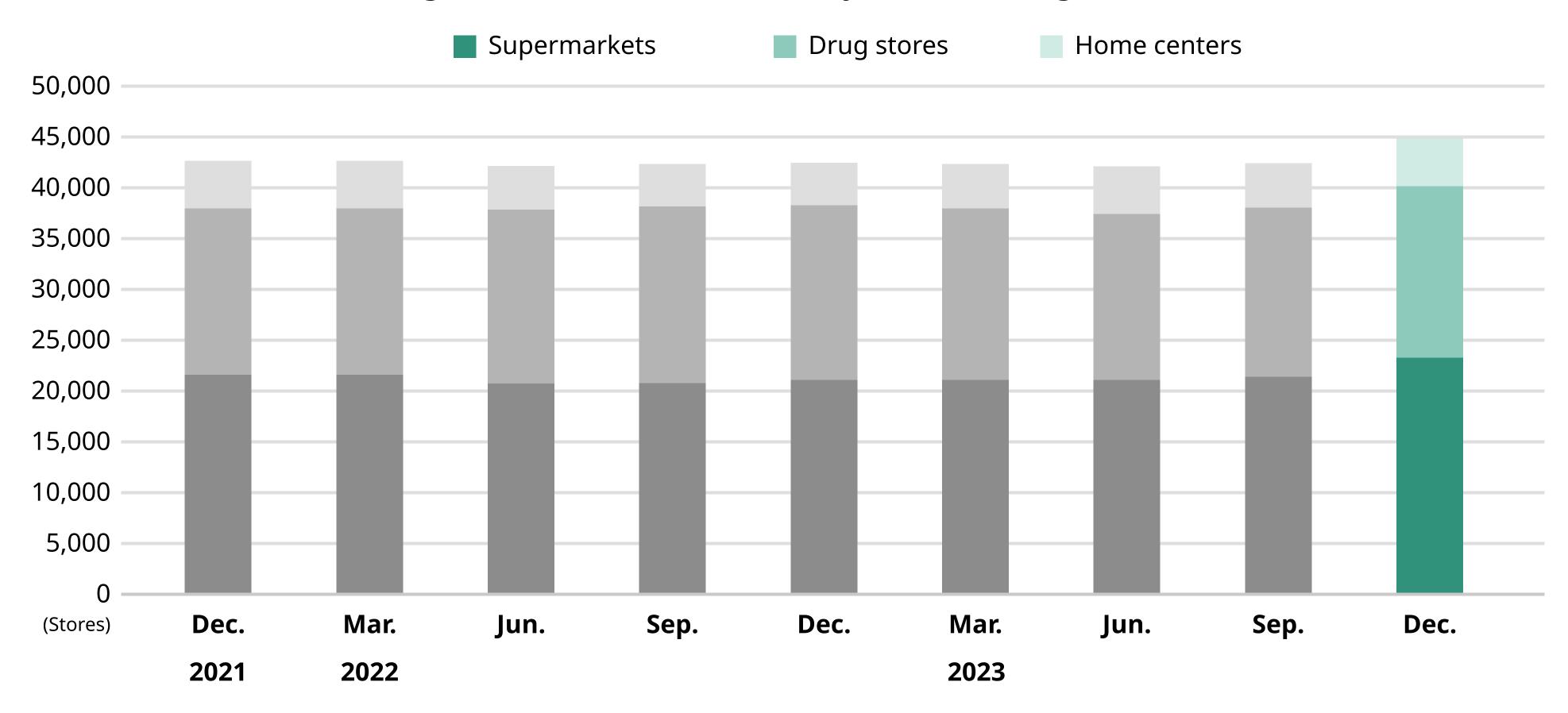
<sup>\*</sup> The number of subscriber stores and the average unit prices do not include the initiative with approximately 16,000 convenience stores.

# Number of stores registered for Tokubai service (3 major retail categories) 🌎 くふうカンパニー



 Focusing on improving information comprehensiveness in the three major retail categories (supermarkets, drug stores, and home centers)

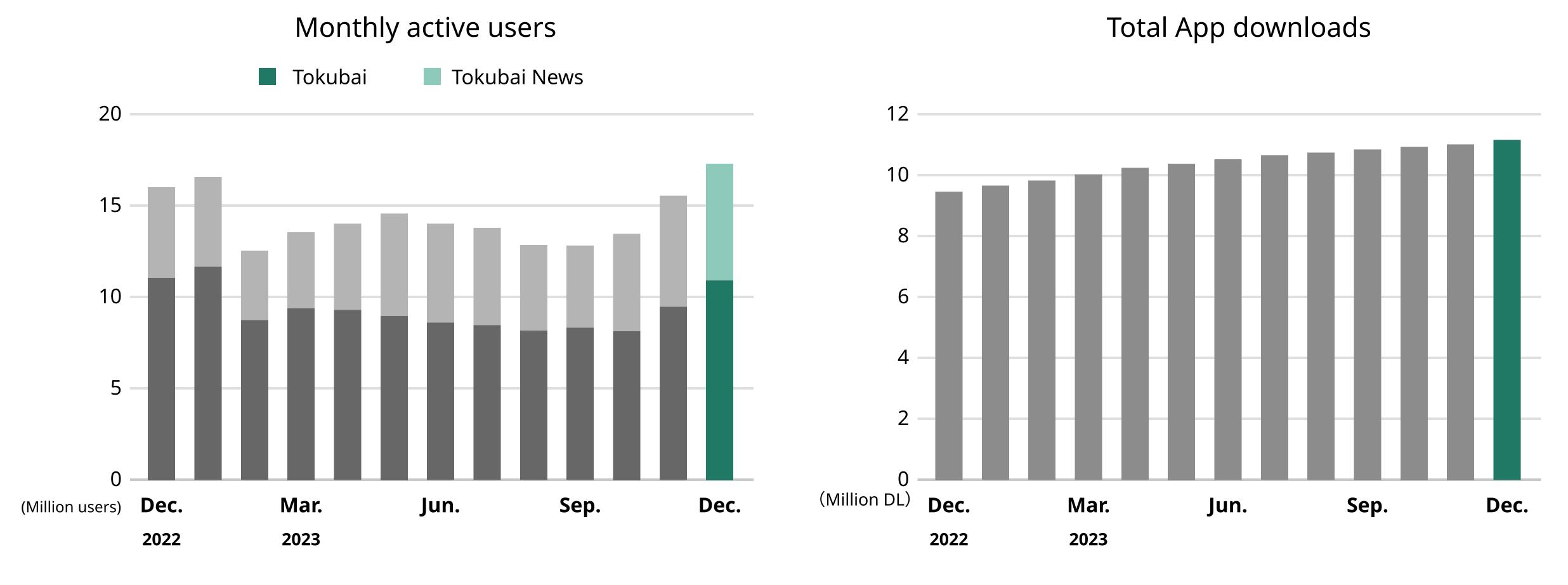
#### Registered stores in the 3 major retail categories



#### Number of monthly active users and app downloads of Tokubai service



- As of the end of December 2023, the number of monthly active users of Tokubai service was approximately 17 million, and the cumulative number of app downloads was approximately 11 million
- As of the end of December 2023, the number of core users \* was 3.37 million (3.52 million as of the end of December 2022)



### Demand for Tokubai service is expanding due to high prices

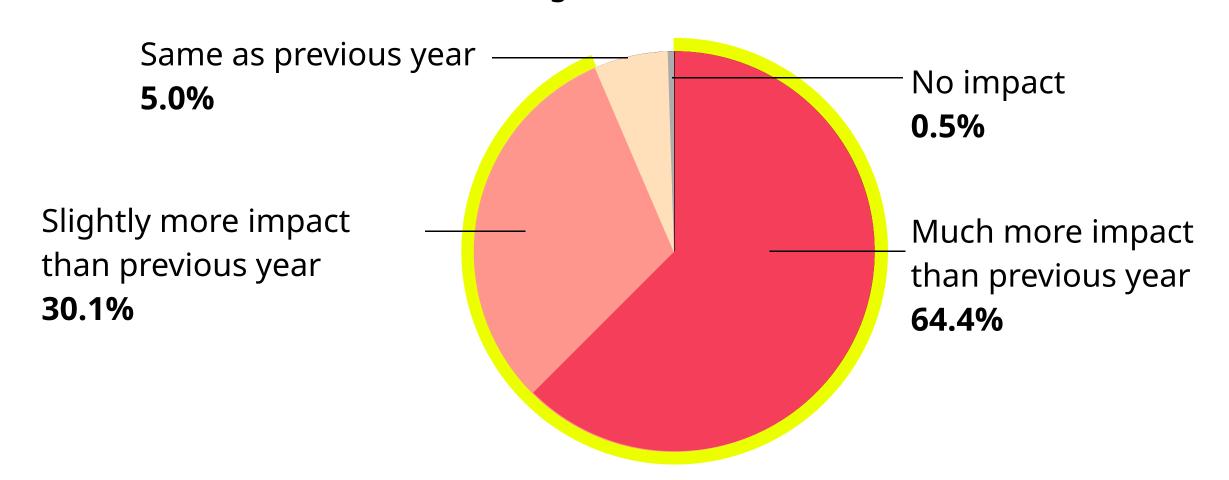


- According to a survey conducted among 2,593 Tokubai users, approximately 90% responded that they had increased the frequency of purchasing low-priced groceries compared to the previous year (2022)
- As long-term price increases further impact household budgets, the need to "buy at a better price" is expanding

#### Survey on High Prices (November 2023)

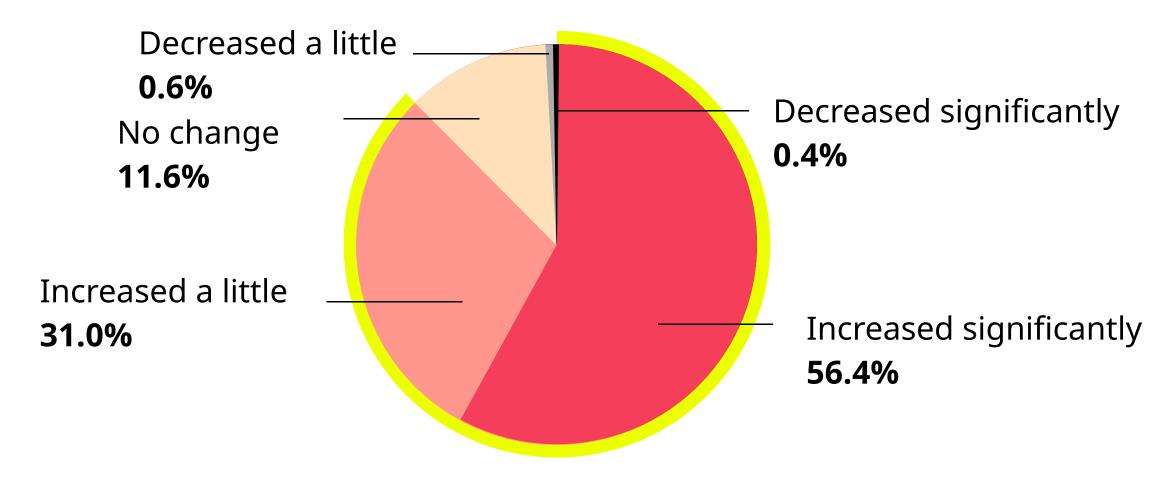
To what extent are price increases in 2023 affecting household budgets compared to previous year?

[single answer, n=2,593]



Do you buy low-priced groceries more often compared to previous year?

[single answer, n=2,593]



Survey method: Internet survey

Survey period: From November 17, 2023 to November 22, 2023

Survey target: 2,593 users of Tokubai service

# New function "Tokubai Flyer Comparison" utilizing image analysis AI 🛟 🕻 ふうカンパニー



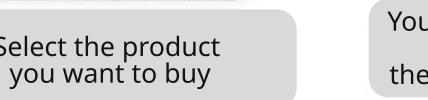
- A function that allows you to display only the products you are looking for from multiple flyers in a list and easily compare them
- Further enhancing the convenience of the function, "viewing flyers of frequently visited stores all at once", which users find useful

#### **Tokubai Flyer Comparison (Released November 2023)**











You can view the entire flyer of the store that sells the product you want to buy

## Promoting initiatives to improve user convenience



- A web page featuring Black Friday was opened, approximately 25,000 stores participated, and a campaign was also held. Continuing to strengthen event features with high user needs
- A special web page that shows the irregular business days and hours of each store during the year-end and New Year holidays, which was well received last year

#### **Featuring on Black Friday**





# Featuring on business hours during the year-end and New Year holidays





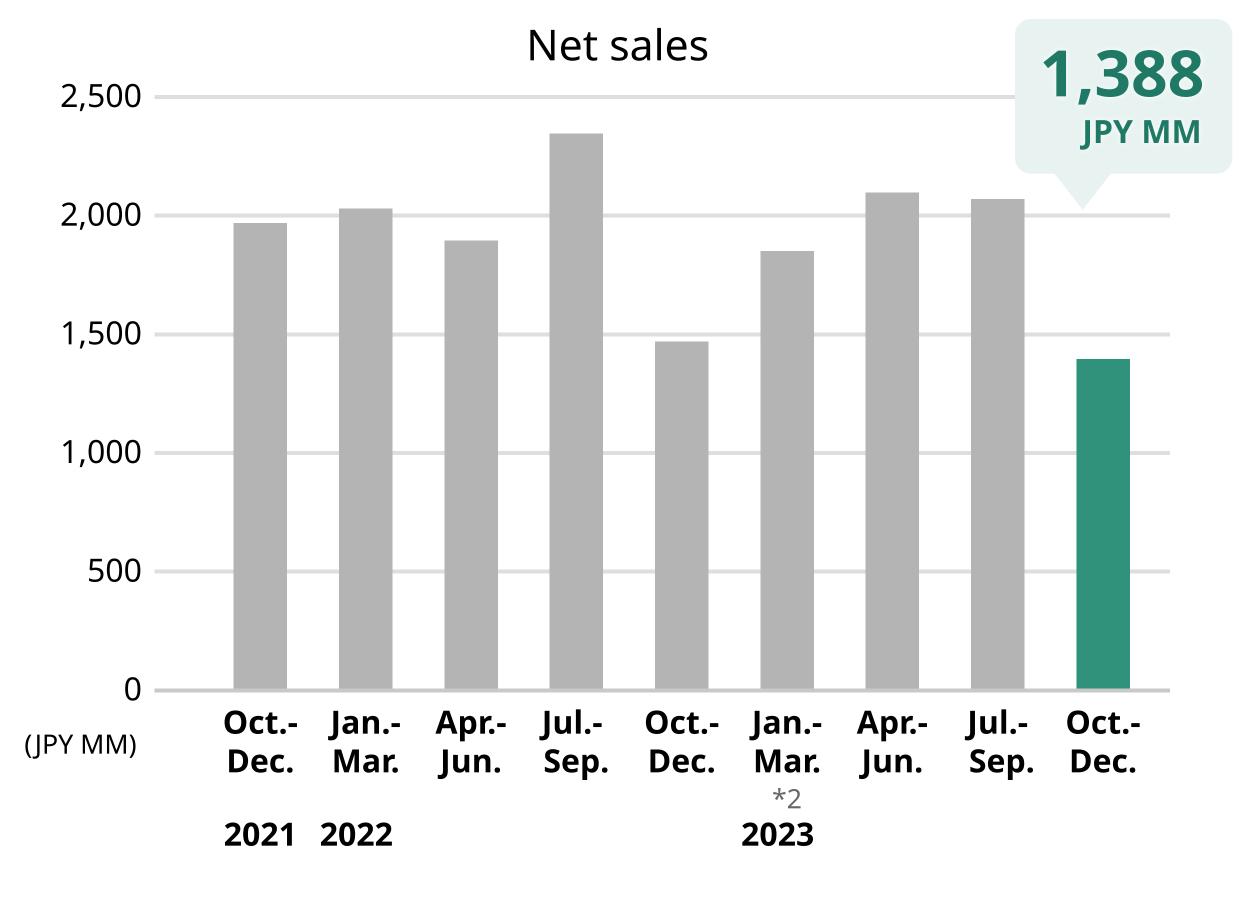
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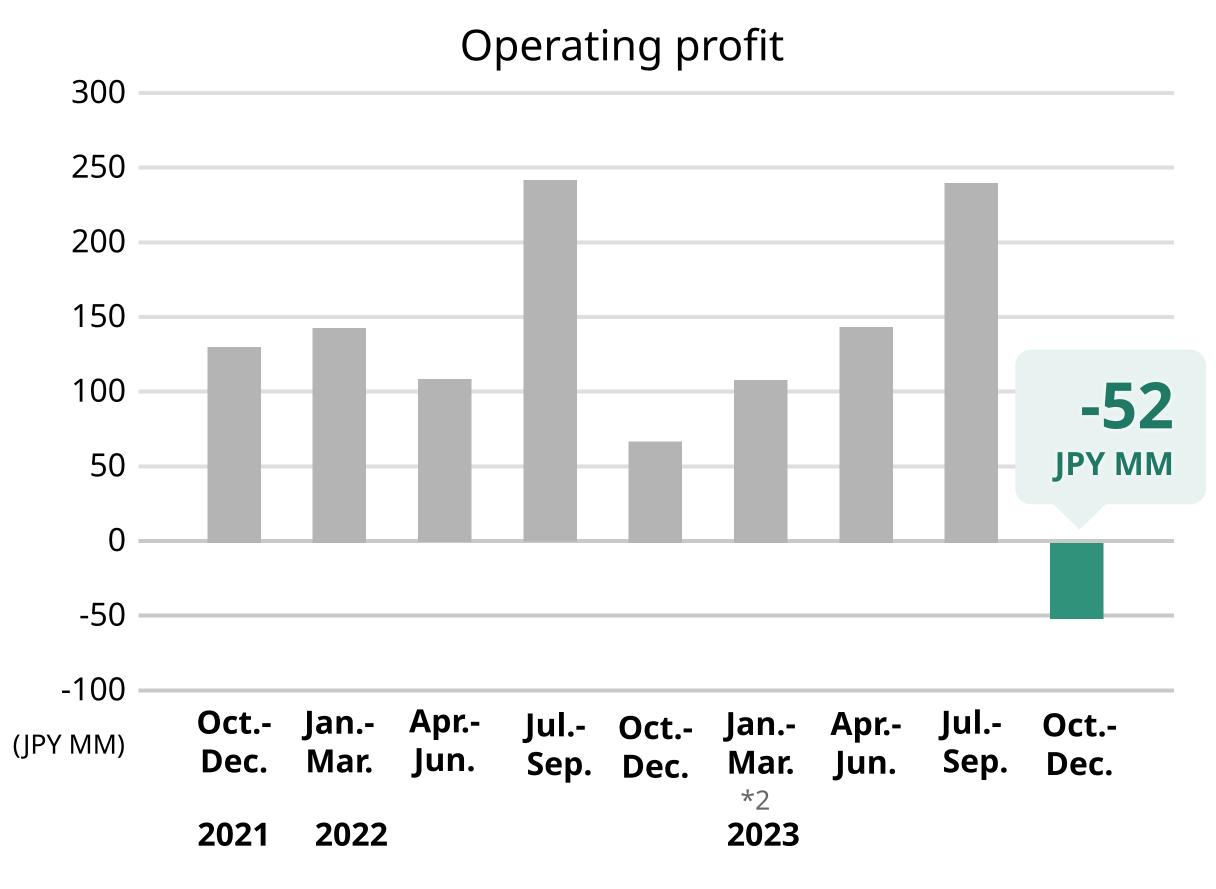


# Home Domain Business (HyAS group) – Financial Results 📲 – Quarterly Trends 🛟 🕻 ふうカンパニー



- Under tough market conditions there was sluggish growth in the consulting business and delivery delays in the construction business
- Despite falling into the red mainly due to decreased sales and acquisition costs, HyAS group became wholly owned subsidiary \*1 and growth plans for the home domain are currently being considered





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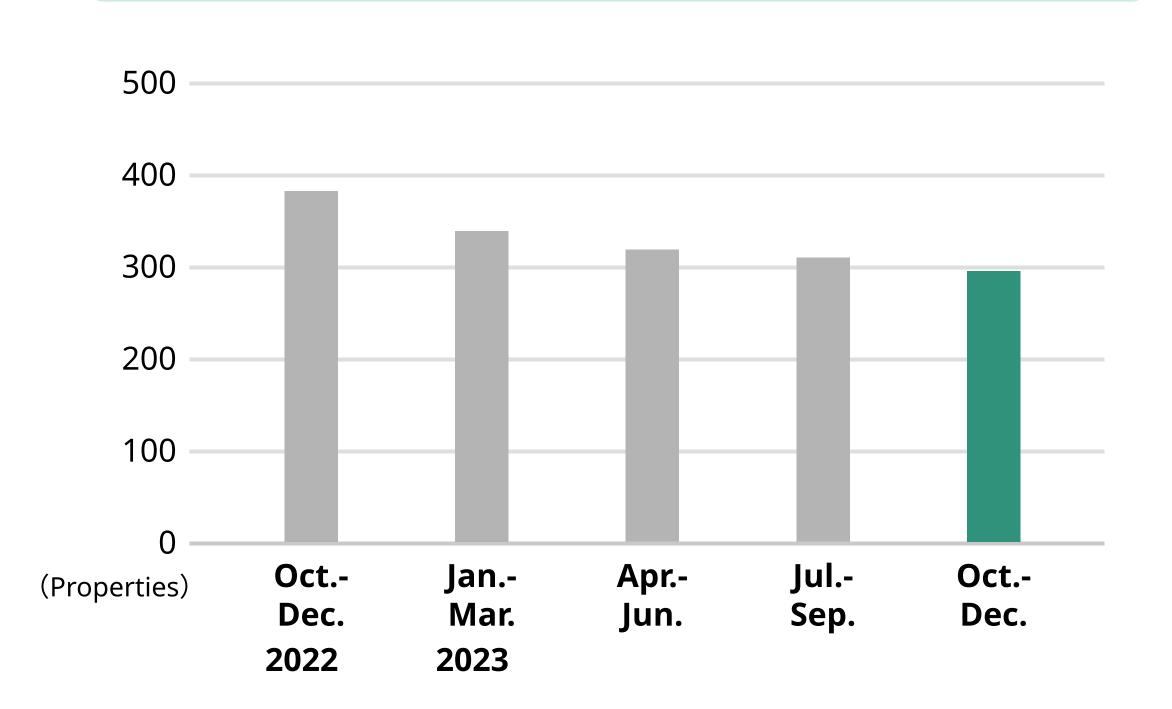
<sup>\*2:</sup> Profit (loss) of OM Solar, Inc. was consolidated starting from Jan.-Mar. 2023.

# HyAS strengthen response to diverse user needs and online customer attraction



- Under tough market conditions due to the soaring material prices, etc., the number of housing-related constructions by HyAS Group has been on a downward trend recently
- Strengthening new product introduction that meet diverse user needs, such as renovation products, and support for member construction companies to attract customers online, as the market is expected to continue to be tough

#### Number of housing-related constructions (HyAS Group) \*



# Strengthening response to diverse user needs and online customer attraction

Proposing renovation houses, in addition to custom-made houses





Strengthening support for member construction companies to attract customers online





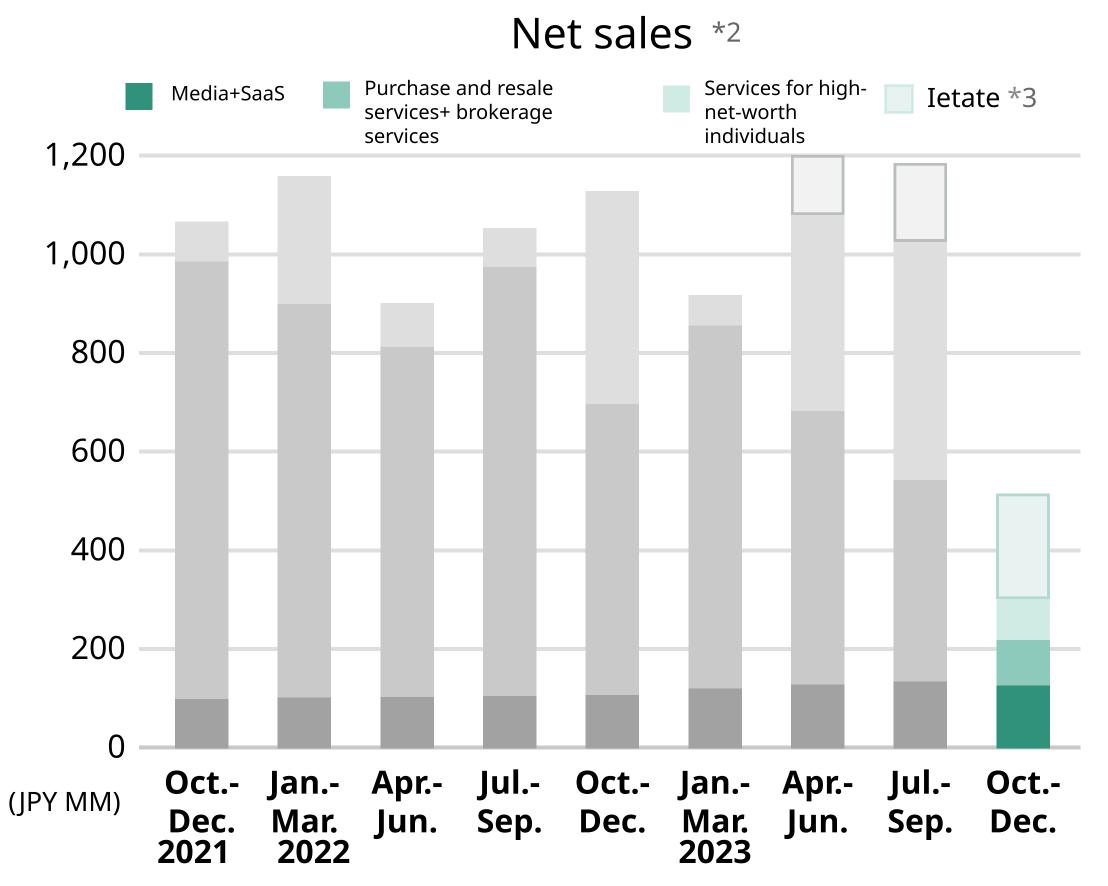
<sup>\*</sup> Calculated based on the number of "R+house" constructions by member construction companies of HyAS & Co. Inc., the number of constructions by R+DM CO.LTD., and the number of system installations by OM Solar, inc. (all based on construction starts).

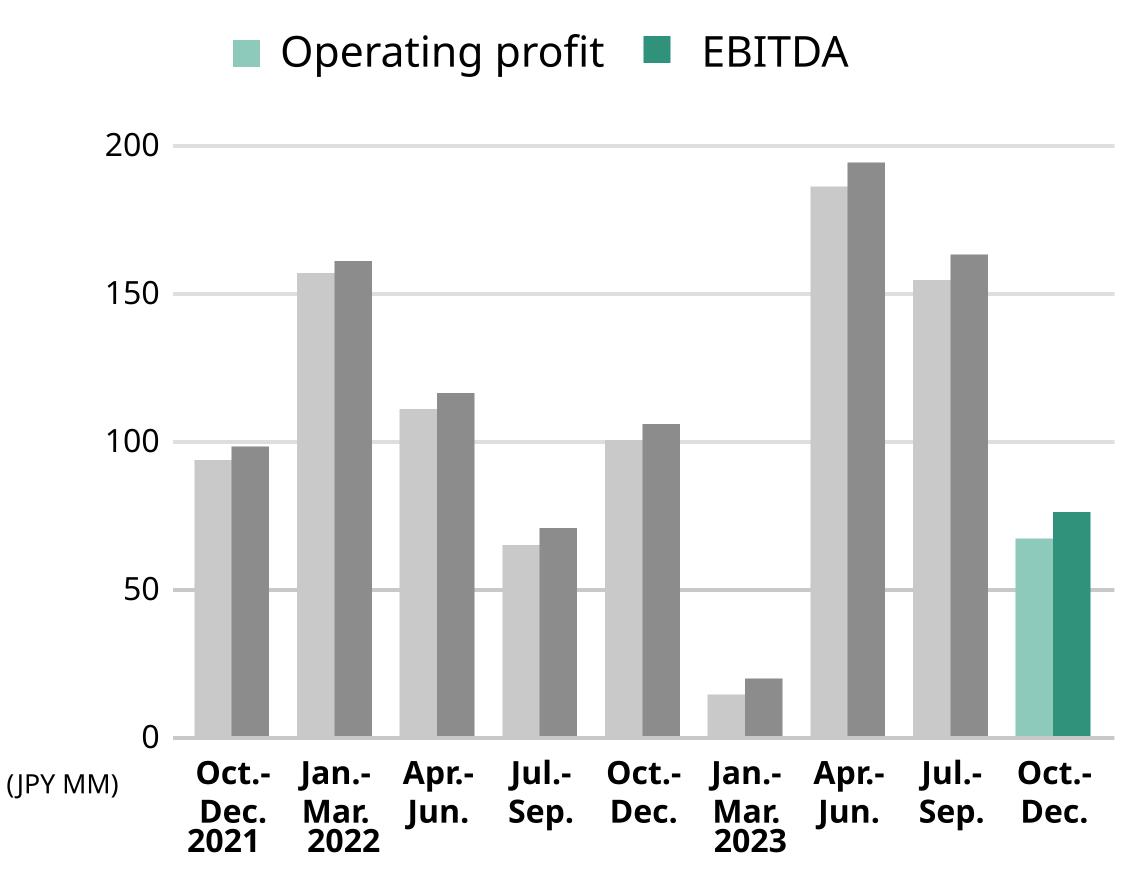
#### Home Domain Business (Kufu Sumai, SSI) – Financial Results \*1



#### Quarterly Trends

- Sales of SaaS tools remained steady, and the number of contracts at consultation counters increased in the Ietate business
- Purchase and resale services made progress in reducing inventory





<sup>\*1:</sup> The simple aggregate of Kufu Sumai Inc. and SSI Corporation (includes some intragroup transactions). O-uccino, Inc. and Ouchino Kufu Co., Ltd. were integrated into Kufu Intermediate Holding Company Inc. which was renamed as Kufu Sumai Inc. as of October 1, 2022.

<sup>\*2:</sup> Services for high-net-worth individuals show sales of SSI Corporation, and others show sales of Kufu Sumai Inc. For net sales in September 2022 or before, Media + SaaS represents sales of former O-uccino, Inc. and purchase and resale services + brokerage services represents results of former Ouchino Kufu Co., Ltd.

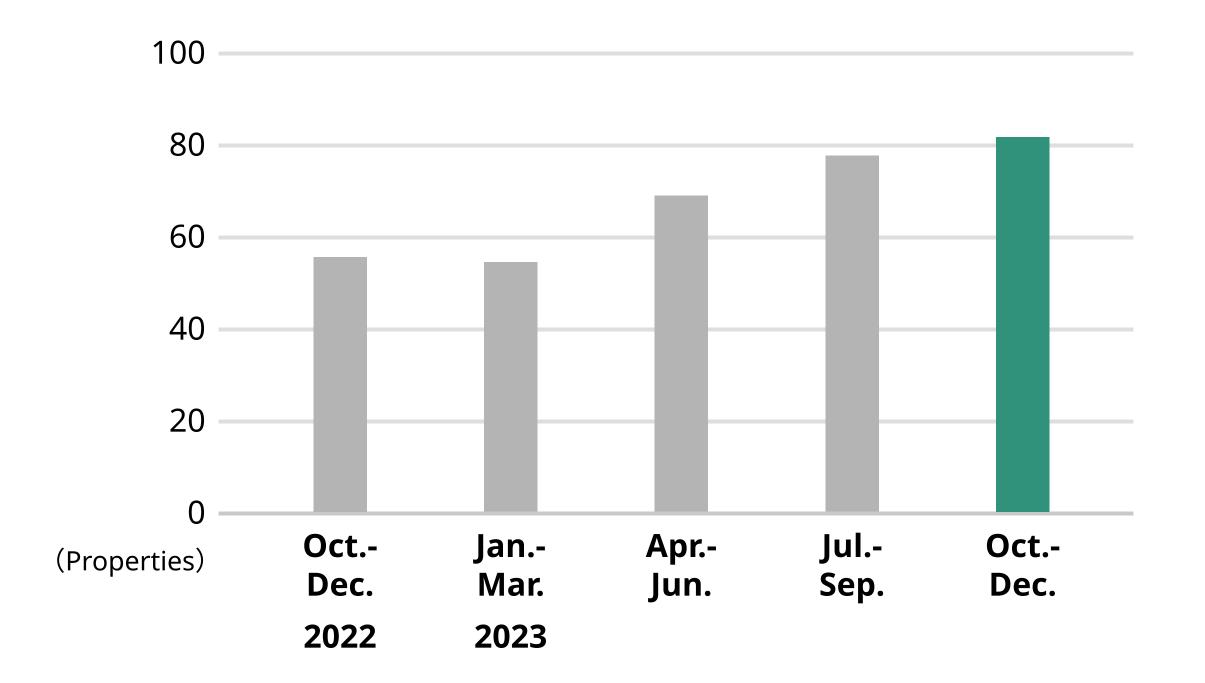
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# As users become more price conscious, expanding the growth of consultation services



- Our consultation services (Ietate) have the strength of introducing local construction companies in a reasonable price range, and the number of contracts has increased
- As users become more price conscious, accelerating the increase in the number of users by expanding the product lineup and opening consultation counters

#### Number of housing-related constructions (Ietate) \*



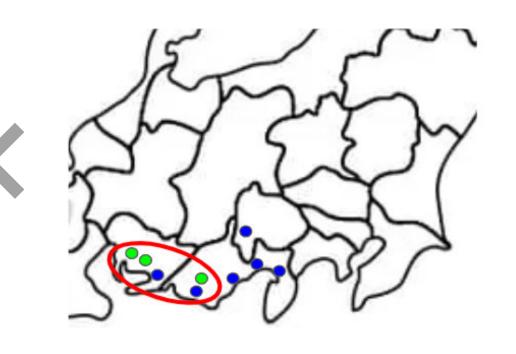
#### Promoting the expansion of consultation services

#### Product lineup expansion



Responding to the low-cost needs of users, such as planned houses and container houses (the photos show an example of 10~15 million yen)

#### Area expansion



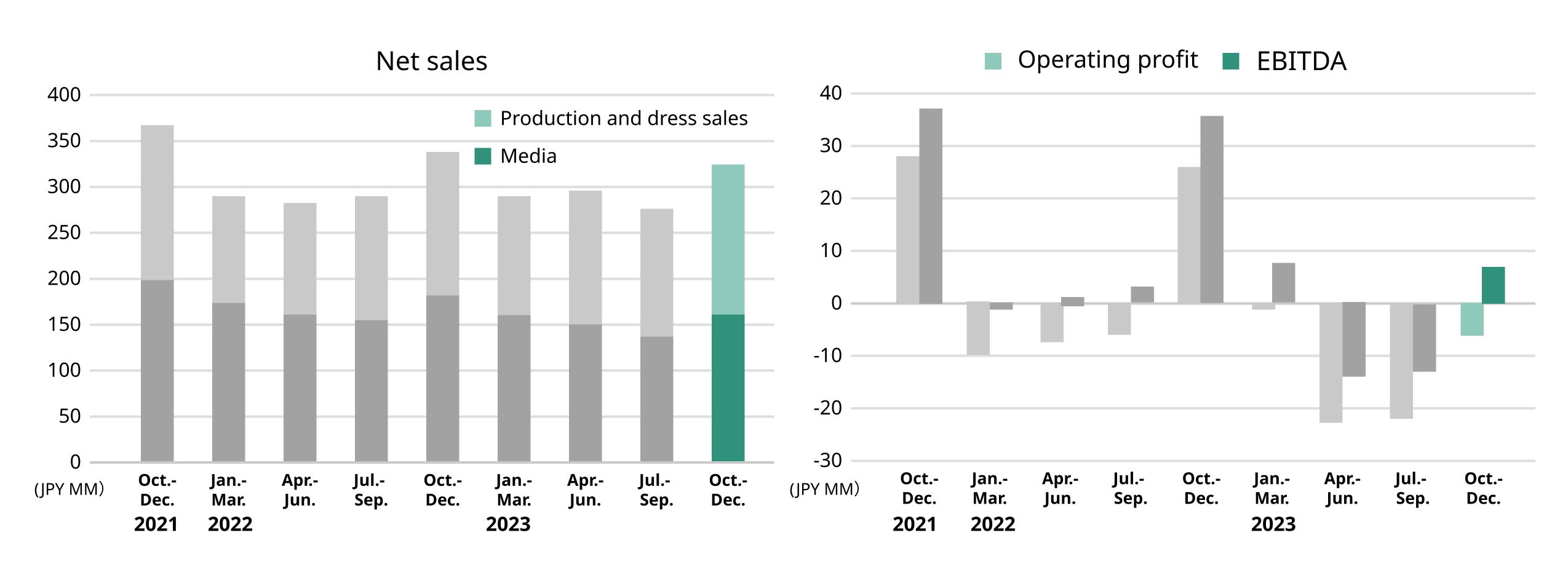
In addition to the existing 6 stores,
3 stores in total are scheduled to open in Shizuoka and Aichi prefectures in March~April

<sup>\*</sup> Calculated based on the number of cases in which we confirmed that contracts were concluded through the local housing information media "Ietate" and the consultation services "Ietate Soudan Counter".

#### Marriage Domain Business- Financial Results - Quarterly Trends



- Steady progress toward full-year profitability
- In the media business, seasonal advertising products contributed, and the decline in the number of paid advertising venues bottomed out
- In the Wedding Producing business, the number of weddings held and orders increased



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