

I am Tanabe in charge of finance, accounting, and IR. I would like to explain our business performance for Q3 of the fiscal year ending March 2024.

Executive summary



- O1-Q3 sales rose by ¥18.8bn and profit by ¥5.7bn, setting quarterly and Q1-Q3 records for net sales and operating profit
- Domestic sales and profit growth in Q3 drove overall consolidated results Sales of both snacks and cereals were strong amid successful marketing initiatives Sharply higher costs were absorbed by the effect of price/content revisions and sales volume growth
- Overseas, sales fell but profit rose, although operating profit just missed the revised target
 Strong sales continued in the UK, Indonesia, etc., despite struggling in key region of Greater China
- In Q4 we will continue to maintain firm momentum domestically with steady marketing activities, and invest for future growth

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Please take a look at slide one. Here is the summary I will explain today. Consolidated net sales increased by JPY18.8 billion and profit increased by JPY5.7 billion in the first three quarters, exceeding the revised forecasts that were reviewed at the time of the announcement of the H1 results. Both the October to December quarter and the first nine months of April to December achieved record high sales and operating profit.

This was due to the growth in domestic sales and profits during the October to December period, which drove the overall consolidated results. Domestic sales of both snacks and cereals were strong, thanks to successful marketing initiatives. Operating profit increased due to the effect of price and content revisions and sales volume growth.

Overseas, sales fell but profit rose YoY. Operating profit fell slightly short of the revised plan. Although Greater China, a key region, has been struggling, the UK, Indonesia, and other regions continue to perform well. Through steady marketing activities, in Q4, we will continue to maintain the solid momentum in Japan and make investments for future growth as planned.

FY2024/3 Q3 Results highlights (nine months)



Summary

Net sales ¥227.3bn (+¥18.8bn YoY, +¥1.9bn vs. revised forecast) Operating profit ¥23.7bn (+¥5.7bn YoY, +¥1.0bn vs. revised forecast) Net profit ¥17.2bn (+¥4.6bn YoY, +¥0.9bn vs. revised forecast)

(Billion yen)

	FY2024/3 Q1-Q3	FY2023/3 Q1-Q3	Change	FY2024/3 Q1-Q3 Revised forecast	vs. Revised forecast
Net sales	227.3	208.5	+9.0%	225.5	100.8%
Domestic	172.3	154.3	+11.7%	168.9	102.0%
Overseas	55.0	54.2	+1.5%	56.5	97.3%
Operating profit	23.7	18.1	+31.3%	22.7	104.4%
Operating margin	10.4%	8.7%	+1.8pts	10.1%	+0.4pts
Domestic	20.8	16.0	+29.9%	19.7	105.3%
Overseas	2.9	2.1	+41.9%	3.0	98.2%
Ordinary profit	26.0	19.1	+36.6%	25.5	102.0%
Net profit *	17.2	12.5	+37.0%	16.3	105.5%

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Please turn to slide two. I would like to explain our consolidated financial results for the first nine months of the fiscal year ending March 2024.

Net sales were JPY227.3 billion, up 9% YoY, with 100.8% of revised plan. Operating profit was JPY23.7 billion, up 31.3% YoY, with 104.4% of revised plan. Net profit was JPY17.2 billion, up 37% YoY due to foreign exchange gains and other factors. This was 105.5% of the revised plan.

The following pages provide details of the Q3 results.

FY2024/3 Q3 Results highlights (three months)



Summary

Net sales ¥80.3bn (+¥5.0bn YoY, +¥1.9bn vs. revised forecast) Operating profit ¥10.2bn (+¥2.4bn YoY, +¥1.0bn vs. revised forecast)

Domestic sales and profit increased on the effect of price and content revisions and sales volume growth

Overseas profit increase on continued strong sales in the UK and

Indonesia, despite sluggish sales in Greater China

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< Vs. revised Profit rose driven by strong domestic sales and having reined in sales

promotion costs

	FY2024/3 Q3	FY2023/3 Q3	Change	FY2024/3 Q3 Revised forecast	vs. Revised forecast
Net sales	80.3	75.3	+6.6%	78.4	102.4%
Domestic	62.0	56.5	+9.8%	58.6	105.8%
Overseas	18.3	18.8	-2.9%	19.8	92.2%
Operating profit	10.2	7.8	+30.5%	9.2	110.9%
Operating margin	12.7%	10.4%	+2.3pts	11.7%	+1.0pts
Domestic	9.2	7.1	+29.5%	8.1	113.0%
Overseas	1.0	0.7	+40.9%	1.1	94.9%
Ordinary profit	9.4	6.3	+48.0%	8.9	105.7%
Net profit *	6.3	4.2	+49.4%	5.4	116.7%

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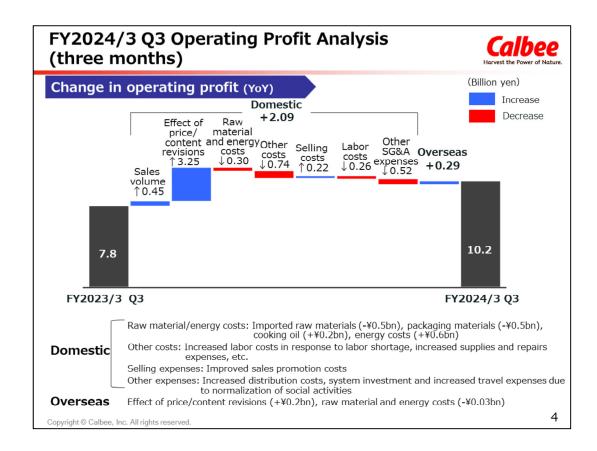
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Net sales were JPY80.3 billion, up 6.6% YoY, with 102.4% of revised plan. Operating profit was JPY10.2 billion, up 30.5% YoY. This was 110.9% of the revised plan.

Compared to the previous fiscal year, domestic sales and profit increased. Overseas sales fell below the previous fiscal year's level, but profits increased. In Japan, the effect of the price and content revisions and sales volume growth contributed to the increase. Overseas, sales declined significantly in Greater China, but continued to benefit from strong sales in the UK, Indonesia, and other markets.

Both net sales and operating profit achieved the revised plan. The main factors were strong sales in Japan and curbing of sales promotion costs.



Please move on to slide four. I will now explain the factors behind the change in operating profit.

The overall consolidated profit increased by JPY2.4 billion YoY, of which JPY2.1 billion came from domestic operations and JPY0.3 billion from overseas operations.

The increase in domestic profit was due to the effect of sales volume growth of JPY0.4 billion and the effect of revisions of JPY3.2 billion, which were partially offset by increased costs due to the weaker yen, higher labor costs, inflation, and other factors. The raw material price hikes came mainly from imported raw materials and packaging materials. Energy costs improved YoY due to unit price improvements and government measures to prevent drastic changes in electricity and gas prices. The amounts are as shown here.

The increase in overseas profit was mainly due to the effect of revisions.

FY2024/3 Q3 Domestic business (three months)



(Billion yen)

■ Snacks Sales increased in all categories on price and content revisions and higher sales volumes

Sales of *Potato Chips* grew on proactive marketing initiatives from having secured sufficient Hokkaido potato harvest in the fall of 2023 Gift snack items and *JagaRico* remained strong on increased people flows

■ Cereals Marketing initiatives were successful and sales grew, especially in large-volume products

■ Others Sweet potato business remained firm

		FY2024/3 Q3			
			Change(YoY)		
Domestic sales		62.0	+5.5	+9.8%	
Snacks		57.3	+4.1	+7.7%	
	Potato Chips	27.6	+1.6	+6.1%	
	JagaRico	11.9	+1.2	+11.4%	
	Other snacks	17.8	+1.3	+7.7%	
Cereals		6.3	+1.1	+20.1%	
Others (Agri, Food and health, Services)		5.0	+0.6	+14.7%	
Rebates deducted from sales		-6.7	-0.3	-	
Domestic operating profit		9.2	+2.1	+29.5%	

*Amounts for sales of Snacks, Cereals and Others (Agri, Food and health, Services) are prior to deduction of rebates, etc.

14.8% +2.3pts

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Operating margin

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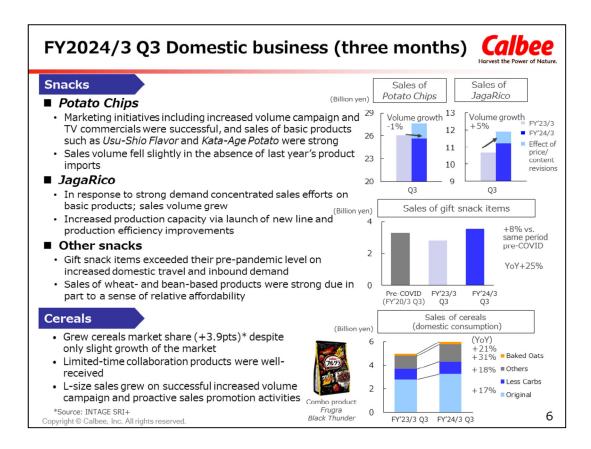
Sales increased in all categories of snacks, cereals, and others.

Overall snack sales increased by JPY4.1 billion YoY. With the harvest of Hokkaido potatoes in the fall of 2023, we were able to secure sufficient inventories of raw materials and implemented aggressive marketing measures, resulting in an increase of JPY1.6 billion in *Potato Chips*. Sales of *JagaRico*, which continues to do well, increased by JPY1.2 billion. Other snacks grew with an increase of JPY1.3 billion. Consequently, we saw sales growth in all categories.

Cereal sales increased by JPY1.1 billion, with growth mainly in large-volume products, thanks to successful marketing initiatives.

Sales in the others segment increased by JPY0.6 billion, and sales in the sweet potato business remained strong.

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Potato Chips sales increased YoY. Marketing initiatives such as increased volume campaign and TV commercials were successful, and sales of basic products such as *Usu-Shio Flavor* and *Kata-Age Potato* were strong. On the other hand, sales volume declined slightly YoY. This was mainly due to the absence of sales of the last year's imported products.

As for *JagaRico*, in response to continued strong demand, we concentrated on the production and sales of basic products, resulting in an increase in sales volume. We responded by increasing production capacity through the operation of a new line and by improving production efficiency through a consolidation of production items.

Sales of other snacks increased due to strong sales of gift snack items and wheat-based and bean-based snacks.

Sales of gift snack items exceeded the level before the spread of COVID-19 due to increased domestic travel and inbound demand.

Cereal sales increased YoY. Calbee's share of the cereal market was up 3.9 points YoY.

The cereal market, which had been in a downtrend until H1, showed a slight YoY increase in this term. Calbee's increased sales led the market. Aggressive sales promotion activities were also conducted through a combination of TV commercials, increased volume campaigns, and the launch of collaboration products, as well as by our sales force. *Frugra Black Thunder*, a limited-time collaboration product, was well received, and *Frugra* L-size sales grew on successful sales synergies.

FY2024/3 Q3 Overseas business (three months) ■ North America Demand of Harvest Snaps and brands of Japanese origin were firm, but PB and OEM sales continued to be sluggish, resulting in lower sales on a local currency basis ■ Greater China Both retail store and e-commerce sales declined significantly ■ Other regions The UK: Both sales and profit rose on potato chips and continued strong sales of new pellet snack products Indonesia: Both sales and profit rose on sales growth of potato chips and Guribee, a new production line which launched in December, and continued improvement of raw material costs FY2024/3 Q3 (Billion yen) Change ex Change(YoY) <Business results by region> -2.9% 18.3 -0.5 Overseas sales -8.3% +0.1 North America +1.6% -2.8% 5.7 Greater China 4.1 -2.5 -38.1% 40.6% 10.4 Other regions +1.1+12.0% +4.6% Rebates deducted from sales -1.9 +0.8 Overseas operating profit 1.00 +0.29 +40.9% Operating margin 5.5% +1.7pts +0.00 North America 0.15 +2.0% Greater China -0.03 -0.33 Other regions 0.88 +0.62 +244.8% *Sales by region are amounts prior to deduction of rebates, etc. 7

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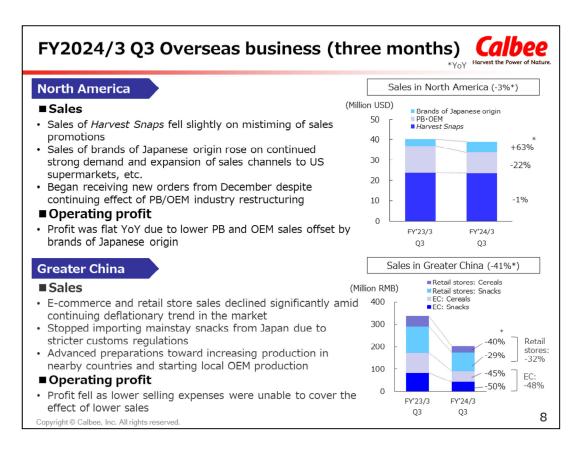
Sales in North America declined 3% on a local currency basis. Operating profit was flat YoY. Although *Harvest Snaps* and other brands of Japanese origin continued to enjoy solid demand, PB and OEM sales were sluggish, resulting in a YoY decline.

Sales in Greater China were down 38% YoY, with significant declines in both retail store and e-commerce sales. Operating profit decreased by JPY0.3 billion.

In other regions, sales increased 12%, led by the UK and Indonesia. Operating profit increased by JPY0.6 billion.

The UK was driven by expanded distribution of potato chips and improved sales of new pellet snacks.

Indonesia benefited from higher sales of potato chips and *Guribee,* whose new line started operation in December, as well as improved raw material costs.



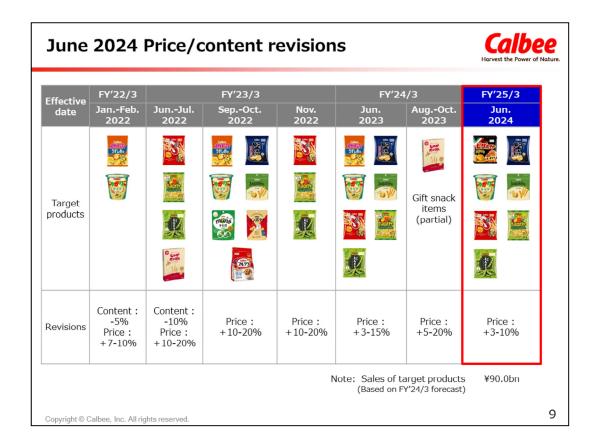
Please turn to slide eight. Let me explain a little more about North America and Greater China.

In the market of North America, sales declined on a local currency basis. Operating profit was flat YoY. *Harvest Snaps*, a mainstay product, declined slightly YoY due to mistiming of sales promotions at major retailers. Sales of brands of Japanese origin such as *JagaRico* and *Kappa-Ebisen* increased, driven by the continued strong demand and sales channel expansion to US-based supermarkets and other retailers. PB and OEM sales declined as the impact of the industry restructuring, which had continued until the latter half of last year, did not come to a full circle. Inquiries for new PB and OEM projects began to appear in Q3. New orders have been received since December, and we will continue to strive to win new contracts.

In the meantime, in October, the PB/OEM manufacturing plants launched an operational improvement project for further quality improvement and cost reduction. We aim to improve profits as soon as possible.

In Greater China, sales and profits declined. In the Chinese food market, the deflationary trend is evident, and Calbee, whose imported products are mainly in the high price range, experienced a significant decline in sales both for EC and retail stores. Our products were also affected by the suspension of imports of mainstay snacks from Japan due to stricter customs regulations. We have brought price-competitive products there from Southeast Asian companies, for which we prepared in advance. In addition, we are preparing for the April launch of local OEM production of *Jagabee*, which can flexibly meet the needs of Chinese customers.

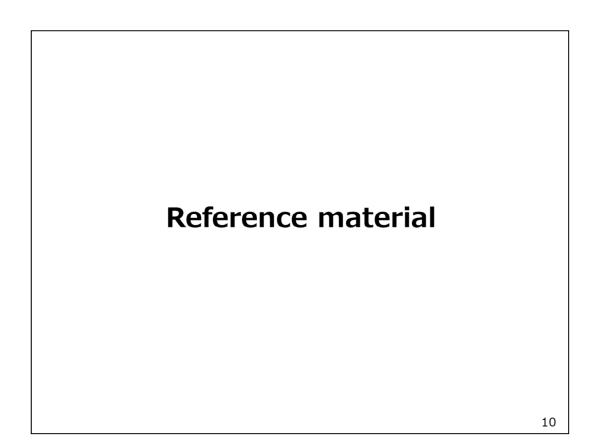
Operating profit declined. Although selling expenses were reduced, this was not enough to cover the impact of the substantial decline in sales.

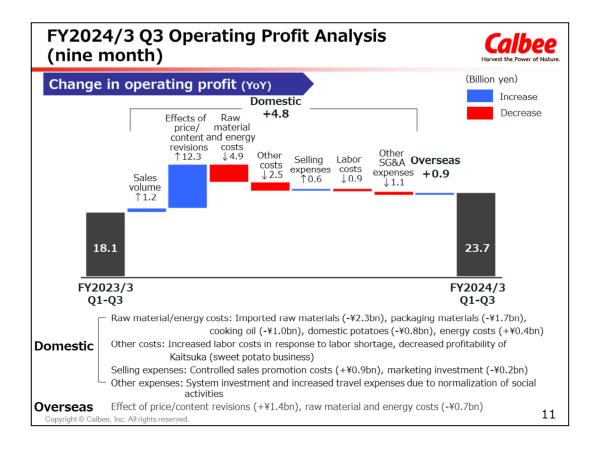


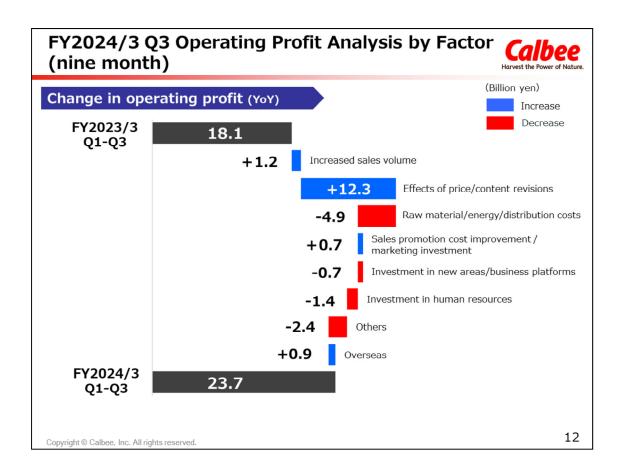
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The fourth price revision for major products in Japan will be implemented in June this year. The estimated price revision rate is 3% to 10%, and sales of the target products are JPY90 billion.

This concludes the explanation. Thank you for your attention.







Consolidated profit and loss statement



(Million yen)

	FY2024/3 Q3		FY2024/3 Q1-Q3					
		Percent of total(%)	Change (YoY) (%)	vs. Revised forcast (%)		Percent of total(%)	Change (YoY) (%)	vs. Revised forcast (%)
Net sales	80,268	100.0	+6.6	102.4	227,339	100.0	+9.0	100.8
Gross profit	29,259	36.5	+14.0	105.6	77,621	34.1	+13.4	102.0
SG&A	19,057	23.7	+6.7	102.9	53,905	23.7	+7.0	101.0
Selling	3,086	3.8	-8.1	101.2	8,311	3.7	-0.6	100.4
Distribution	6,301	7.9	+12.0	104.1	16,953	7.5	+3.9	101.5
Labor	5,959	7.4	+8.6	98.9	17,603	7.7	+11.3	99.6
Others	3,710	4.6	+9.7	109.5	11,036	4.9	+11.6	103.0
Operating profit	10,201	12.7	+30.5	110.9	23,715	10.4	+31.3	104.4
Ordinary profit	9,396	11.7	+48.0	105.7	26,031	11.5	+36.6	102.0
Extraordinary income/loss	-137	-	-	-	-101	-	_	_
Net profit*	6,301	7.9	+49.4	116.7	17,165	7.6	+37.0	105.5

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Financial condition



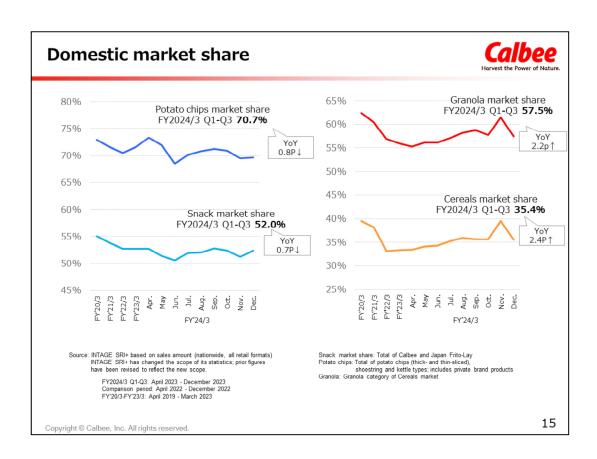
(Million yen)

		As of March 31, 2023	As of December 31, 2023	Change
Total assets		239,095	279,606	+40,511
	Current assets	98,970	119,993	+21,022
	Non-current assets	140,124	159,613	+19,488
Т	otal liabilities	56,408	83,455	+27,046
	Current liabilities	45,663	47,514	+1,851
	Non-current liabilities	10,745	35,940	+25,194
Ν	Net assets	182,686	196,151	+13,464
N	let Cash	30,311	1,871	-28,440
E	Equity ratio	72.8%	66.8%	-6.0pts

Main factors of increases / decreases
Notes and accounts receivable-trade +18,582 (Due to the last day of December being a bank holiday)
Property, plant and equipment+20,476 (Main capital investment) - Setouchl Hiroshima plant - New JayaRiko production line
Long-term borrowings +25,000
Retained earnings +10,656

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