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CAUTIONS REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This document contains forward-looking statements, such as Unicharm Corporation's current plans, strategies, and future performance. These forward-looking statements are based on judgments obtained from currently available information. Please be advised that, for a variety of reasons, actual results may differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements. Events that might affect actual results include, but are not limited to, economic circumstances in which Unicharm Corporation operates, competitive pressures, relevant regulations, changes in product development, and fluctuations in currency exchange rates.

Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (April 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014); Flash Report [J-GAAP]

February 12, 2015

Listed Company Name: Unicharm Corporation

Listing: First Section, Tokyo Stock Exchange

Code Number: 8113

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Planned Date of Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders: March 27, 2015

Planned Commencement Date of Dividend Payments: March 9, 2015

Planned Filing Date of Securities Report: March 30, 2015

Preparation of Any Additional Explanatory Documents for Full Year Financial Results: Yes

Holding of Any Briefing Session for Full Year Financial Results: Yes

(Securities Analysts, Institutional Investors)

(Amounts of less than one million yen have been truncated)

1. Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (April 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014)

(1) Consolidated financial results

(Figures in percentages represent increases or decreases from the same period last year)

	Net Sales		Operating Income		Ordinary Income		Net Income	
	Millions of Yen	%	Millions of Yen	%	Millions of Yen	%	Millions of Yen	%
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014	553,661	_	61,347	_	65,527	_	32,731	_
Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014	599,455	20.9	67,240	13.0	67,913	4.5	38,216	-11.4

(Note) Comprehensive income: Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014: \quad \text{\fifty}74,428 \text{ million (-\%)} \quad \text{\fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014:} \quad \text{\fifty}65,592 \text{ million (-8.9 \%)}

	Net Income Per Share	Net Income Per Share-diluted	Net Income to Shareholders' Equity	Ordinary Income to Assets	Operating Income to Net Sales
	Yen	Yen	%	%	%
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014	54.33	54.25	8.2	9.9	11.1
Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014	64.10	62.40	11.5	11.8	11.2

(Reference) Equity method investment gain or loss: Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014: ¥12 million Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014: ¥20 million

(Notes) 1. At the 54th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 25, 2014, the proposal of a "partial amendments of the articles of incorporation" was approved. As a result, from the fiscal year under review, the

last day of the fiscal year changed from March 31 to December 31. Consolidated companies whose fiscal year ended in March also changed to December. Accordingly, as the fiscal year under review is a transitional period, the consolidated fiscal year for consolidated companies whose fiscal year ended in March is nine months from April 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014, and for consolidated companies whose fiscal year ends in December it is twelve months from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014. As the reporting of accounts for this fiscal year is an anomaly, the rates of change over the previous fiscal year are omitted.

2. The Company has carried out a stock split on October 1, 2014, at a ratio of three shares per one common share. Accordingly, the net income per share and net income per share-diluted have been calculated presuming that this stock split was carried out at the start of the previous consolidated fiscal year.

(2) Consolidated financial position

	Total Assets	Net Assets	Ratio of Shareholders' Equity	Net Assets Per Share
	Millions of Yen	Millions of Yen	%	Yen
As of December 31, 2014	699,108	492,844	60.0	698.49
As of March 31, 2014	620,419	432,152	60.3	619.47

(Reference) Equity: As of December 31, 2014: ¥419,652 million As of March 31, 2014: ¥374,136 million

(Note) The Company has carried out a stock split on October 1, 2014, at a ratio of three shares per one common share. Accordingly, the net assets per share have been calculated presuming that this stock split was carried out at the start of the previous consolidated fiscal year.

(3) Consolidated cash flows

	From Operating Activities	From Investing Activities	From Financing Activities	Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Fiscal Year
	Millions of Yen	Millions of Yen	Millions of Yen	Millions of Yen
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014	68,892	(36,741)	(12,054)	127,044
Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014	95,659	(58,220)	(12,505)	97,498

2. Cash Dividends

		An	nual Divide	nds		Total Amount		Ratio of Total Amount of
	1st Q-End	2nd Q-End	3rd Q-End	Year-End	Total	of Cash Dividends (annual) Dividend Payout Ratio (consolidated)		Dividends to Shareholders' Equity (consolidated)
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Millions of Yen	%	%
Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014	_	18.00	_	20.00	38.00	7,640	19.8	2.2
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014	_	19.00	_	6.40	l	7,649	23.4	1.9
Fiscal year ending December 31, 2015 (projection)	_	7.40	_	7.40	14.80		20.2	

(Note) The Company has carried out a stock split on October 1, 2014, at a ratio of three shares per one common share. Accordingly, the fiscal year-end dividend amount for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014 reflects the result of this stock split.

3. Projected Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2015 (January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015)

(Figures in percentages represent increases or decreases from the preceding period)

	Net Sale	S	Operating Inc	come	Ordinary Inc	nary Income Net Income		ne	Net Income Per Share
	Millions of Yen	%	Millions of Yen	%	Millions of Yen	%	Millions of Yen	%	Yen
First Half	350,000	_	36,500	_	34,500	_	17,000	_	28.30
Full Year	760,000	_	86,000	_	80,000	_	44,000	_	73.24

(Note) The consolidated fiscal year under review (fiscal year ended December 31, 2014) is an irregular settlement of accounts due to changes in the accounting period. Accordingly, rates of change over the previous fiscal year are omitted.

* Notes

(1) Change in major subsidiaries during the period (or any change of specified subsidiaries accompanying a change in the scope of consolidation): None

(2) Change in accounting policies or estimates and retrospective restatements

- (i) Change in accounting policies in accordance with revision of accounting standards: Yes
- (ii) Change in accounting policies other than item (i) above: None
- (iii) Change in accounting estimates: None
- (iv) Retrospective restatements: None

(3) Number of issued and outstanding shares (common shares)

(i) Number of issued and outstanding shares (including treasury shares):

As of December 31, 2014: 620,834,319 shares

As of March 31, 2014: 620,834,319 shares

(ii) Number of treasury shares as of end of period:

As of December 31, 2014: 20,036,933 shares

As of March 31, 2014: 16,871,931 shares

(iii) Average number of shares during the period:

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014: 602,509,277 shares

Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014: 596,201,180 shares

(Note) The Company has carried out a stock split on October 1, 2014, at a ratio of three shares per one common share. Accordingly, the number of issued and outstanding shares (common shares) has been calculated presuming that this stock split was carried out at the start of the previous consolidated fiscal year.

(Reference) Outline of non-consolidated business results

1. Non-consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (April 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014)

(1) Non-consolidated financial results

(Figures in percentages represent increases or decreases from the preceding period)

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	Net Sale	es	Operating Ir	ncome	Ordinary In	come	Net Incom	me
	Millions of Yen	%	Millions of Yen	%	Millions of Yen	%	Millions of Yen	%
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014	206,248	_	20,114	_	32,043	_	19,254	_
Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014	265,658	10.1	25,263	11.0	33,342	-5.5	11,185	-58.7

	Net Income Per Share	Net Income Per Share-diluted
	Yen	Yen
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014	31.96	31.91
Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014	18.76	18.26

- (Notes) 1. At the 54th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 25, 2014, the proposal of a "partial amendments of the articles of incorporation" was approved. As a result, from the fiscal year under review, the last day of the fiscal year changed from March 31 to December 31. Accordingly, rates of change over the previous fiscal year are omitted.
 - 2. The Company has carried out a stock split on October 1, 2014, at a ratio of three shares per one common share. Accordingly, the net income per share and net income per share-diluted have been calculated presuming that this stock split was carried out at the start of the previous consolidated fiscal year.

(2) Non-consolidated financial position

	Total Assets	Net Assets	Ratio of Shareholders' Equity	Net Assets Per Share	
	Millions of Yen	Millions of Yen	%	Yen	
As of December 31, 2014	329,618	249,834	75.7	415.44	
As of March 31, 2014	322,386	241,652	74.9	399.62	

(Reference) Equity: As of December 31, 2014: ¥249,595 million As of March 31, 2014: ¥241,356 million

2. Projected Non-consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2015 (January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015)

Projected non-consolidated financial results are not stated in this presentation due to lack of any significance in terms of investment information.

(* Presentation regarding status of audit procedures)

This Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 is not subject to the audit procedures under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, and as of the date of disclosure hereof, the audit procedures for financial statements under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act are being carried out.

(* Explanation regarding proper use of the projected results and other notes)

Projections stated herein are based on the currently available information and the Company's assumptions and beliefs that were judged to be valid as of the announcement date hereof. Therefore, actual results may differ for various factors. Please refer to the "1. Analysis of Operating Results and Financial Position" section on page 2 for further details.

Unicharm Corporation (8113) Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014

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Unicharm Corporation (8113) Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014

1. Analysis of Operating Results and Financial Position

(1) Analysis of operating results

Comparison with actual results for the previous fiscal year

	Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Difference (Millions of Yen)	Rate of difference (%)
Net sales	599,455	553,661		_
Operating income	67,240	61,347	_	_
Ordinary income	67,913	65,527	_	_
Net income	38,216	32,731	_	_

Comparison with projected results

	Projection for Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Difference (Millions of Yen)	Rate of difference (%)	
Net sales	540,000	553,661	13,661	2.5	
Operating income	56,600	61,347	4,747	8.4	
Ordinary income	55,000	65,527	10,527	19.1	
Net income	31,700	32,731	1,031	3.3	

By region

		Net sales (Note)		Operating income			
	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year		
	Ended Mar. 31,	Ended Dec. 31,	Difference	Ended Mar. 31,	Ended Dec. 31,	Difference	
	2014	2014	(Millions of Yen)	2014	2014	(Millions of Yen)	
	(Millions of Yen)	(Millions of Yen)		(Millions of Yen)	(Millions of Yen)		
Japan	255,767	198,745		35,316	27,151		
China	92,879	116,821		7,980	14,018		
Others	250,808	238,095		24,157	20,140		

(Notes) 1. Net sales represent those to external customers.

1. Overview of the overall earnings in the period under review

In light of the management environment surrounding the Company and its group companies during the fiscal year under review, as for overseas operations, political unrest in Thailand and some Middle East countries along with currency depreciation in emerging countries caused raw material prices to rise. However, despite this and other factors, sales remained steady backed by economic growth in Asia and the ever-increasing popularity of personal care products primarily in emerging countries.

Meanwhile in Japan, amid some lingering weakness in the economy despite it showing signs of recovery from the government's monetary easing measures, continuing proposals of high value-added personal care products were successful in keeping sales steady.

In this environment and under the banner "we constantly provide the world's No.1 and unprecedented products and services to everybody around the globe, and deliver comfort, impression and satisfaction," the Company and its group companies continued to develop products to meet the needs of consumers, using unique non-woven fabric technology while endeavoring to expand the total assets in the industry.

^{2.} The consolidated fiscal year under review (fiscal year ended December 31, 2014) is an irregular settlement of accounts due to changes in the accounting period. As a result, the amounts and rates of change over the previous fiscal year are omitted.

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2. Overview of the operation by main business segment Financial results by segment are as described below.

1) Personal Care Business

	Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Difference (Millions of Yen)	Rate of difference (%)
Net sales (Note)	515,253	486,960	l	_
Operating income	65,732	58,262		_

(Notes) 1. Net sales represent those to external customers.

2. The consolidated fiscal year under review (fiscal year ended December 31, 2014) is an irregular settlement of accounts due to changes in the accounting period. As a result, the amounts and rates of change over the previous fiscal year are omitted.

• Baby Care Products

Overseas, the Company actively promoted sales in the main countries it is breaking into for products with functions that meet the distinct characteristics of each region. Accordingly, it has been working on expanding sales and market share in these regions. The trend of consumers in China, which is a key market for the Company, seeking high-quality products to ensure safety and peace of mind for their babies prompted the launch of a new premium-type series in the *Mamy Poko* series. We created the launch of this new series along with Internet sales and stronger efforts to boost sales at baby care specialty shops. Also in India, where further popularization is anticipated, the Company has been actively promoting sales of low-priced products, and working on expanding its sales areas and product usage.

In Japan, for low-birth-weight infants that are accounting for an increasing ratio of births, from the *Moony Air Fit* series, which makes use of its unique non-woven fabric and absorbency processing as well as forming technology, the Company newly launched the *Moony Air Fit for Newborns small-size (3S)*, 4S, 5S based on the concept of a product that fits comfortably on the particular posture and delicate skin of such infants. With this new product, the *Mamy Poko* series and sub-category products such as pants for children with bed-wetting problems, the Company endeavored to expand its product line up and strengthen relationships.

• Feminine Care Products

Overseas, the Company's high-quality products featuring charming designs remain highly popular with the Chinese younger generation that is a key market. In addition to this, sales are expanding in emerging countries as well, and business performance has remained steady.

In Japan, the Company has been actively promoting its *Sofy Hada Omoi* series of menses napkins that are gentle on sensitive skin during menses, the *Sofy Super Sound Sleep Ultra Fit Slim* series night time napkin designed for ultimate fit and comfort, and the familiar *Center-in* series of napkins in a stylish pouch for fashionable women. In this way, the Company has been proposing new value to meet the diversifying lifestyles of women, and is working to revitalize the market.

• Health Care Products

In the continually growing domestic market for health care products and in line with the progression of Japan's aging society, the Company has been actively promoting its incontinence care product for men *Lifree Comfortable Pads for Men* and the *Charm Nap Funwari Hada* incontinence care product for women that feels less heavy on the skin, and has continued its efforts to remove resistance to using these products by conveying that everyone has light incontinence. In nursing care products, the Company revamped its *Thin and Light Pants* from the *Lifree* series and launched the *Lifree Easy Wear Thin and Light Pants* for providing even more support to the elderly in independently excreting as needed. Also, in response to growing requests for comfort

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and a good tape fit regarding tape-type diapers used often by people who are confined to their bed, the Company launched the *Lifree Stretch Fit Thin and Light Tape Type* nursing care product. In this way, the Company has been leading the market growth for light incontinence and urine leakage care products and actively promoting its products through TV commercials, its website, over-the-counter consultations at shops, and by creating shelf space at retailers based on daily activities.

• Clean and Fresh Products

In the domestic market for clean and fresh products, as living environments and lifestyles change, an increasing numbers of customers want to clean their homes easily and within a limited time. The Company worked to expand sales and revitalize the market with a box-type wet tissue in the *Silicot Wet Tissues* series that enables users to clean quickly with just one hand, and the *Wave Handy Wiper* series, convenient wipes for cleaning the entire house.

2) Pet Care Business

	Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Difference (Millions of Yen)	Rate of difference (%)
Net sales (Note)	78,672	62,564	1	_
Operating income	1,130	2,810	_	_

(Notes) 1. Net sales represent those to external customers.

2. The consolidated fiscal year under review (fiscal year ended December 31, 2014) is an irregular settlement of accounts due to changes in the accounting period. As a result, the amounts and rates of change over the previous fiscal year are omitted.

In striving towards realizing a society where humans and pets can coexist productively, based on the two major themes of promoting the health and long life of both pets and their owners and facilitating segmentation, the Company has been working on developing products focused on consumer needs and cultivating new markets, and has made efforts to revitalize the market and promote sales.

In the domestic pet food market, the Company has prepared a comprehensive line-up of products to meet the physical changes of pets as they age, with a focus on promoting their long life. In the dog food market, which is seeing the progressive aging of small dogs, the Company has enhanced the range of products to meet the needs of aging dogs in the *Best Balance* series for each dog type and the *Dog Selection* series, and has also added food for dogs aged 13 years and over to the *Aiken Genki Grand Deli* series and the *Silver Plate* series as well. Through this, the Company is striving to meet the increasingly specific needs and preferences of aging dogs. In the cat food market, as the wet-type food market continues to enjoy strong growth, the Company has also added food for cats aged 13 and 15 years and over to the *Silver Spoon* series, and has also newly launched the *Neko Genki Easy-to-Eat Food for Cats aged 15 years and over* in the *Neko Genki* series as well. In this way, the Company has been meeting the needs of aging pets.

In the domestic pet toiletry business, which has its core market as excretion care products to help create a clean and comfortable shared living environment for owners and their pets, the Company has achieved stable growth through its routine efforts to enhance the appeal of existing products. In excretion care for dogs, the Company has newly launched the *Manner Wear for Male Dogs*, which are special clothes for dogs designed to meet the growing need for excretion care while taking pets outside, and is creating a new market in this way. At the same time, the Company is striving to address the needs of pet owners by enhancing its non-scented deodorizing sheet products in the *Deo Sheet* series. It has also expanded the line-up of excretion care products for cats by adding the *Soft Scented Deodorizing and Antibacterial Deo Toilet Replacement Sheets Eliminates Odor for One Week* to the *Deo Toilet* series.

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In the North American market, the Company has stepped up sales promotions for its flea and tick pesticides, while the ongoing expansion of market share of scented sheets for dogs featuring Unicharm's own technology and additions to the scented cat litter product line-up have contributed to stable growth.

As a result, net sales and segment income (operating income) for the pet care business for the fiscal year under review were ¥62,564 million and ¥2,810 million, respectively.

3) Other Businesses

	Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Difference (Millions of Yen)	Rate of difference (%)
Net sales (Note)	5,530	4,136	_	_
Operating income	355	253	_	_

(Notes) 1. Net sales represent those to external customers.

2. The consolidated fiscal year under review (fiscal year ended December 31, 2014) is an irregular settlement of accounts due to changes in the accounting period. As a result, the amounts and rates of change over the previous fiscal year are omitted.

In the category of business-use products utilizing its core non-woven fabric and absorber processing and forming technology, the Company focused on promoting the sales of industrial materials.

As a result, net sales and segment income (operating income) in other businesses for the fiscal year under review were \(\frac{\text{\frac{4}}}{136}\) million and \(\frac{\text{\frac{253}}}{253}\) million, respectively.

3. Projected results for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015

	Projected results for fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 2015 (Millions of Yen)	Actual results for fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Difference (Millions of Yen)	Rate of difference (%)
Net sales	760,000	553,661	_	_
Operating income	86,000	61,347	_	_
Ordinary income	80,000	65,527	_	_
Net income	44,000	32,731		_
Net income per share (Yen)	73.24	54.33	_	_

(Note) The consolidated fiscal year under review (fiscal year ended December 31, 2014) is an irregular settlement of accounts due to changes in the accounting period. As a result, the amounts and rates of change over the previous fiscal year are omitted.

In light of the management environment surrounding the Company and its group companies, we anticipate further market growth to continue in Asian countries where business is being rolled out. Meanwhile in Japan, although the government's economic policies are expected to facilitate a pick-up in business, faltering consumer confidence following the consumption tax rate hike and other factors are still weighing on the economy; hence, business conditions are forecast to remain uncertain.

Overseas, we intend to grow with a speed exceeding that of the market and strive for vitalization through offering products that meet individual needs in the target countries and aggressive sales activities.

In Japan, we continue to offer high value-added products reflecting consumer needs and lead the revitalization of the domestic market in the personal care business area.

In the pet care business, the Company will respond to the increasing pet-related demand by working to develop products linked to the four major trends among Japanese pet owners: "indoor pet keeping," "popularity of small dogs," "aging of pets," and "pet obesity," and also by revitalizing the market.

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As a result of the aforementioned efforts, net sales, operating income, ordinary income and net income for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015 are projected to be \pm 760,000 million, \pm 86,000 million, \pm 80,000 million and \pm 444,000 million, respectively, on a consolidated basis. Net income per share will be \pm 73.24.

In the meantime, the Company's assumptions on foreign exchange rates for the main currencies are JPY115.00 to the U.S. dollar and JPY18.50 to the Chinese yuan.

(2) Analysis of financial position

	Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Difference (Millions of Yen)
Total assets	620,419	699,108	78,689
Net assets	432,152	492,844	60,691
Ratio of shareholders' equity (%)	60.3	60.0	_

	Fiscal Year Ended Mar. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2014 (Millions of Yen)	Difference (Millions of Yen)
Cash flows from operating activities	95,659	68,892	1
Cash flows from investing activities	(58,220)	(36,741)	1
Cash flows from financing activities	(12,505)	(12,054)	_
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	97,498	127,044	29,546

(Note) The consolidated fiscal year under review (fiscal year ended December 31, 2014) is an irregular settlement of accounts due to changes in the accounting period. As a result, increases or decreases in cash flow over the previous fiscal year are omitted.

Total assets as of the end of the fiscal year under review were \(\frac{4}{99}, 108 \) million, up \(\frac{4}{78}, 689 \) million year on year. This was mainly due to increases of \(\frac{4}{29}, 879 \) million in cash and deposits, of \(\frac{4}{24}, 606 \) million in machinery, equipment and vehicles (net), and of \(\frac{4}{20}, 876 \) million in notes and accounts receivable - trade. Total liabilities were \(\frac{4}{206}, 264 \) million, up \(\frac{4}{17}, 997 \) million year on year, mainly increased by \(\frac{4}{20}, 270 \) million in short-term loans payable and \(\frac{4}{13}, 153 \) million in notes and accounts payable - trade, while long-term loans payable decreased by \(\frac{4}{15}, 579 \) million. Net assets were \(\frac{4}{492}, 844 \) million, up \(\frac{4}{60}, 691 \) million year on year, mainly due to increases of \(\frac{4}{32}, 731 \) million in net income and \(\frac{4}{23}, 308 \) million in foreign currency translation adjustments.

Consequently, the ratio of shareholders' equity decreased from 60.3% as of the end of the preceding fiscal year to 60.0% as of the end of the fiscal year under review.

Net cash provided by operating activities totaled \(\frac{\pm48,892}{868,892}\) million, due to \(\frac{\pm470,027}{70,027}\) million in income before income taxes and minority interests, \(\frac{\pm20,393}{20,393}\) million in depreciation, \(\frac{\pm414,685}{40,685}\) million in income taxes paid and a \(\frac{\pm413,584}{40,685}\) million decrease (increase) in notes and accounts receivable - trade.

Net cash used in investing activities totaled \(\frac{\pmathbf{\text{\tin}\text{\texi}\text{\text{\text{\texiclex{\text{\texi{\text{\texi{\texi{\text{\ti}\text{\text{\texi{\t

Net cash used in financing activities amounted to \fomall12,054 million, due to \fomale 8,008 million in purchase of treasury shares, \fomale 7,834 million in cash dividends paid and \fomale 5,508 million in proceeds from long-term loans payable.

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As a result, cash and cash equivalents at end of period amounted to \\$127,044 million, up \\$29,546 million over the end of the preceding fiscal year.

(Reference) Changes in cash flow-related financial indicators

	As of March 31, 2011	As of March 31, 2012	As of March 31, 2013	As of March 31, 2014	As of December 31, 2014
Ratio of shareholders' equity (%)	45.5	45.1	54.2	60.3	60.0
Ratio of shareholders' equity at market value (%)	127.0	170.4	198.2	178.9	250.3
Ratio of cash flows to interest-bearing debts (year)	_	2.1	1.2	0.3	0.5
Interest coverage ratio (times)	_	123.4	213.1	275.5	286.5

Ratio of shareholders' equity: Shareholders' equity / Total assets

Ratio of shareholders' equity at market value: Market capitalization / Total assets Ratio of cash flows to interest-bearing debts: Interest-bearing debts / Cash flows

Interest coverage ratio: Cash flows / Payment of interest

- Note 1: All the above indicators are calculated using consolidated financial figures.
- Note 2: Market capitalization is calculated using the Company's total shares outstanding excluding treasury shares.
- Note 3: Cash flows from operating activities are used for calculations.
- Note 4: Interest-bearing debts cover all debts for which interest is paid among those that are included in the consolidated balance sheet.
- Note 5: The ratio of cash flows to the interest-bearing debts and interest coverage ratio of as of March 31, 2011 are not stated, as cash flows from operating activities are negative.
- (3) Basic policy regarding profit distribution and dividends for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014 and the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015

The Company recognizes that one of its most important management policies is to return profits to shareholders, and it is striving to increase corporate value by generating cash flows to achieve this goal. In addition, the Company will aim to achieve 15% or higher ROE (return on equity) and maintain its policy of increasing dividend payments in a stable and continuous manner in terms of both cash flow and profit, while making efforts to aggressively expand business investment for strengthening and growing corporate structure to improve profitability.

The Company carried out a stock split on October 1, 2014 at a ratio of three shares per one common share. Accordingly, taking into account that this is an irregular accounting period of nine months, the annual dividend for the fiscal year under review will be a pre-stock split converted value of \(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{38.2}\) per share, consisting of \(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{6.4}\) per share after the year-end dividend stock split (pre-stock split converted value of \(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{19.2}\) per share) added to \(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{19}\) per share (pre-stock split) for the end of the second quarter. This will be the 13th consecutive period of an increase in dividends, with a dividend on equity rate (DOE) of 1.9%.

Also, based on the resolution for acquisition of the Company's common shares passed at the Board of Directors' meeting held on August 8, 2014, from August 11 to September 18, 2014 (contracted base), 1,165,500 shares (pre-stock split) were acquired by the "purchase on the Tokyo Stock Exchange" for the total acquisition amount of \(\frac{\pmathbf{F}}{7}\),999 million.

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In regard to our shareholder return policy for the next fiscal year and onwards, we will make stable and ongoing dividend payments based on medium- and long-term consolidated earnings growth, while prioritizing business investments to realize continual growth. We are targeting a total shareholder return of 50% for both shareholder dividends and the acquisition of treasury shares, by flexibly acquiring treasury shares as required.

Based on the abovementioned profit distribution policy, we plan to make an annual dividend payment in the next fiscal year of ¥14.8 per share, including a ¥7.4 per share dividend for the end of the second quarter.

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2. Management Policy

(1) Basic management policy of the Company

The Unicharm Group has established the management philosophy that "we contribute to creating a better quality of life for everyone by offering only the finest products and services to the market and customers, both at home in Japan and abroad," and it will strive to consistently create new value and promote corporate activities with the aim of ensuring the best value for its stakeholders, specifically its customers, shareholders, business partners, associates and society.

(2) Targeted business indicators

The Company aims to develop a management structure with high capital efficiency that enables it to survive the global competition through continuous growth in sales and profit, as well as increase in ROE.

(3) Medium- and long-term management strategy of the Company

The Company and its group companies are currently implementing the Ninth Medium-Term Management Plan for the three fiscal years from April 2014 to December 2016. The details of this Plan are described in the "Fiscal Year 2014 Unicharm Presentation Materials for Investor Meeting" released on April 30, 2014.

These materials can be accessed at the following URL.

Website of the Company:

http://www.unicharm.co.jp/english/ir/library/investors/index.html

(4) Issues facing the Group

As for overseas operations, the global economy is showing signs of steady growth and high levels of economic growth are expected to continue primarily in emerging countries in Asia. However, economic, financial and social conditions are causing fluctuations in the exchange rates of some emerging countries where we are rolling out business; this is considerably impacting business in these countries and raising concerns over the risk of price fluctuations in imported raw materials and products. Meanwhile in Japan, in addition to a sense of uncertainty about the direction of the economy, the rising prices of imported raw materials resulting from a weaker yen are causing anxiety in the fiercely competitive sales environment. The personal care business is also forecast to see a decline going forward in the target population for baby care and feminine care products.

In the midst of such issues, in accordance with the management philosophy of the Company and its group companies, we will strive to consistently create new value and speedily promote the expansion of product line-ups to meet customer needs. As for overseas, we will enhance our risk management while aggressively developing business areas and establishing our position as a category leader in growth markets; and in Japan we will expand our business by revitalizing the market. In these ways, the Company is striving to improve its business performance.

In order to further promote corporate reform in the future, in all businesses we will place greater emphasis on increasing added value through continuous product innovation, and thoroughly pursue cost reduction and the efficient use of management resources.

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3. Consolidated Financial Statements, Etc.

(1) Consolidated balance sheet

(1) 00.000.000.000		(Millions of Yen)
	Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014 (as of March 31, 2014)	Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (as of December 31, 2014)
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and deposits	108,901	138,781
Notes and accounts receivable - trade	67,687	88,563
Securities	3,013	-
Merchandise and finished goods	27,700	30,654
Raw materials and supplies	23,007	29,972
Work in process	920	1,806
Deferred tax assets	13,264	17,165
Other	20,785	14,950
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(90)	(121)
Total current assets	265,191	321,772
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings and structures, net	59,503	74,355
Machinery, equipment and vehicles, net	98,629	123,235
Land	18,661	19,697
Construction in progress	20,834	16,149
Other, net	6,788	6,644
Total property, plant and equipment	*1 204,417	*1 240,082
Intangible assets		·
Goodwill	73,463	72,148
Other	22,021	24,030
Total intangible assets	95,485	96,178
Investments and other assets		,
Investment securities	22,105	24,942
Deferred tax assets	27,776	7,313
Net defined benefit asset	860	3,828
Other	4,683	5,081
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(99)	(91)
Total investments and other assets	55,326	41,074
Total non-current assets	355,228	377,336
Total assets	620,419	699,108
		3,7,100

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		(Millions of Yen)
	Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014 (as of March 31, 2014)	Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (as of December 31, 2014)
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Notes and accounts payable - trade	78,433	91,586
Short-term loans payable	7,709	27,979
Accounts payable - other	35,532	41,583
Income taxes payable	5,739	5,428
Provision for bonuses	4,763	5,027
Other	16,725	18,578
Total current liabilities	148,903	190,183
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term loans payable	21,000	5,420
Deferred tax liabilities	1,460	2,082
Net defined benefit liability	4,995	4,348
Other	11,907	4,229
Total non-current liabilities	39,364	16,081
Total liabilities	188,267	206,264
Net assets		
Shareholders' equity		
Capital stock	15,992	15,992
Capital surplus	46,385	46,358
Retained earnings	306,974	334,558
Treasury shares	(21,110)	(28,667)
Total shareholders' equity	348,242	368,242
Accumulated other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	9,058	11,329
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	2	65
Revaluation reserve for land	(157)	(157)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	21,118	44,426
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	(4,128)	(4,254)
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	25,893	51,410
Subscription rights to shares	295	238
Minority interests	57,719	72,952
Total net assets	432,152	492,844
Total liabilities and net assets	620,419	699,108
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Unicharm Corporation (8113) Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014

(2) Consolidated statements of income and comprehensive income Consolidated statement of income

		(Millions of Yen)
	Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014 (April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014)	Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (April 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014)
Net sales	599,455	553,661
Cost of sales	331,807	308,421
Gross profit	267,647	245,240
Selling, general and administrative expenses	*1, *2 200,407	*1, *2 183,892
Operating income	67,240	61,347
Non-operating income		
Interest income	1,325	1,280
Dividend income	339	363
Foreign exchange gains	2,129	4,015
Other	850	2,016
Total non-operating income	4,644	7,675
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expenses	358	287
Sales discounts	2,909	2,947
Other	703	261
Total non-operating expenses	3,971	3,496
Ordinary income	67,913	65,527
Extraordinary income		
Gain on sales of non-current assets	41	28
Gain on sales of investment securities	788	-
Gain on change in equity	*3 4,745	-
Compensation for transfer	-	5,009
Other	108	-
Total extraordinary income	5,684	5,037
Extraordinary losses		
Loss on disposal of non-current assets	867	536
Amortization of goodwill	*4 4,557	-
Other	271	
Total extraordinary losses	5,695	536
Income before income taxes and minority interests	67,902	70,027
Income taxes - current	13,075	14,262
Income taxes - deferred	10,830	14,604
Total income taxes	23,905	28,867
Income before minority interests	43,996	41,160
Minority interests in income	5,780	8,428
Net income	38,216	32,731

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Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

Consolidated statement of completensive income		
•		(Millions of Yen)
	Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014 (April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014)	Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (April 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014)
Income before minority interests	43,996	41,160
Other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	1,422	2,270
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	30	118
Foreign currency translation adjustment	20,142	30,944
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax	-	(65)
Total other comprehensive income	21,595	33,267
Comprehensive income	65,592	74,428
Comprehensive income attributable to		
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent	55,596	58,237
Comprehensive income attributable to minority interests	9,995	16,190

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(3) Consolidated statement of changes in shareholders' equity Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014 (April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014)

(Millions of Yen)

	Shareholders' equity				
	Capital stock	Capital surplus	Retained earnings	Treasury shares	Total shareholders' equity
Balance at beginning of current period	15,992	29,782	275,609	(43,030)	278,354
Changes of items during period					
Dividends of surplus			(6,851)		(6,851)
Net income			38,216		38,216
Purchase of treasury shares				(12,002)	(12,002)
Disposal of treasury shares		16,603		33,922	50,525
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity					
Total changes of items during period	1	16,603	31,365	21,919	69,888
Balance at end of current period	15,992	46,385	306,974	(21,110)	348,242

		Accumu	lated other	comprehens	sive income				
	Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	Deferred gains or losses on hedges	Revaluation reserve for land	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	Total accumulated other comprehensive income	Subscription rights to shares	Minority interests	Total net assets
Balance at beginning of current period	7,635	(20)	(157)	3,955	-	11,413	677	38,755	329,201
Changes of items during period									
Dividends of surplus									(6,851)
Net income									38,216
Purchase of treasury shares									(12,002)
Disposal of treasury shares									50,525
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity	1,422	23	-	17,162	(4,128)	14,480	(381)	18,963	33,062
Total changes of items during period	1,422	23	-	17,162	(4,128)	14,480	(381)	18,963	102,951
Balance at end of current period	9,058	2	(157)	21,118	(4,128)	25,893	295	57,719	432,152

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Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (April 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014)

(Millions of Yen)

	Shareholders' equity					
	Capital stock	Capital surplus	Retained earnings	Treasury shares	Total shareholders' equity	
Balance at beginning of current period	15,992	46,385	306,974	(21,110)	348,242	
Cumulative effects of changes in accounting policies			2,682		2,682	
Restated balance	15,992	46,385	309,657	(21,110)	350,925	
Changes of items during period						
Dividends of surplus			(7,830)		(7,830)	
Net income			32,731		32,731	
Purchase of treasury shares				(8,008)	(8,008)	
Disposal of treasury shares		(27)		451	424	
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity						
Total changes of items during period	-	(27)	24,901	(7,556)	17,317	
Balance at end of current period	15,992	46,358	334,558	(28,667)	368,242	

		Accumu	lated other	comprehens	sive income				
	Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	Deferred gains or losses on hedges	Revaluation reserve for land	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	Total accumulated other comprehensive income	Subscription rights to shares	Minority interests	Total net assets
Balance at beginning of current period	9,058	2	(157)	21,118	(4,128)	25,893	295	57,719	432,152
Cumulative effects of changes in accounting policies								9	2,692
Restated balance	9,058	2	(157)	21,118	(4,128)	25,893	295	57,729	434,844
Changes of items during period									
Dividends of surplus									(7,830)
Net income									32,731
Purchase of treasury shares									(8,008)
Disposal of treasury shares									424
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity	2,270	63	-	23,308	(126)	25,516	(57)	15,223	40,681
Total changes of items during period	2,270	63	-	23,308	(126)	25,516	(57)	15,223	57,999
Balance at end of current period	11,329	65	(157)	44,426	(4,254)	51,410	238	72,952	492,844

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(4) Consolidated statement of cash flows

-		(Millions of Ye
	Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014 (April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014)	Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (April 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014)
Cash flows from operating activities	. ,	· · · · · ·
Income before income taxes and minority interests	67,902	70,027
Depreciation	22,101	20,393
Amortization of goodwill	9,203	3,769
Interest and dividend income	(1,664)	(1,643)
Interest expenses	358	287
Foreign exchange losses (gains)	(1,422)	(6,314)
Loss (gain) on sales and retirement of property, plant and equipment	813	498
Loss (gain) on change in equity	(4,745)	-
Compensation for removal	-	(5,009)
Decrease (increase) in notes and accounts receivable - trade	(3,542)	(13,584)
Decrease (increase) in inventories	(3,017)	(5,568)
Increase (decrease) in notes and accounts payable - trade	21,872	8,349
Increase (decrease) in other current liabilities	(59)	2,928
Other, net	(2,188)	(51)
Subtotal	105,609	74,083
Interest and dividend income received	1,635	1,656
Interest expenses paid	(347)	(240)
Proceeds from insurance income	100	1,154
Proceeds from compensation for removal	1,408	6,205
Income taxes refund	266	719
Income taxes paid	(13,013)	(14,685)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	95,659	68,892
Cash flows from investing activities		
Payments into time deposits	(11,182)	(1,602)
Proceeds from withdrawal of time deposits	14,267	5,579
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(58,738)	(42,303)
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment	44	879
Purchase of intangible assets	(1,187)	(360)
Purchase of investment securities	(168)	(2,722)
Proceeds from sales of investment securities	1,006	3,790
Other, net	(2,261)	(2)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(58,220)	(36,741)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Net increase (decrease) in short-term loans payable	805	174
Proceeds from long-term loans payable	-	5,508
Repayments of long-term loans payable	(2,223)	(1,000)
Redemption of convertible bonds	(5,630)	-
Purchase of treasury shares	(12,002)	(8,008)
Cash dividends paid	(6,849)	(7,834)
Cash dividends paid to minority shareholders	(1,182)	(1,552)
Proceeds from share issuance to minority shareholders	12,384	525
Proceeds from exercise of share options	2,443	367
Other, net	(251)	(233)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(12,505)	(12,054)
Effect of exchange rate change on cash and cash equivalents	4,353	9,449
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	29,286	29,546
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	68,211	97,498
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	97,498	127,044

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(5) Notes to consolidated financial statements

(Note regarding the Company's position as a going concern) Not applicable

(Material accounting policies concerning the preparation of consolidated financial statements)

Matters related to the scope of consolidation

Number of consolidated subsidiaries: 47

(Change in accounting policies)

The Company has adopted the "Accounting Standard for Retirement Benefits" (ASBJ Statement No. 26, May 17, 2012; hereinafter, "Retirement Benefits Accounting Standard") and "Guidance on Accounting Standards for Retirement Benefits" (ASBJ Guidance No. 25, May 17, 2012; hereinafter, "Retirement Benefits Guidance") and, from the consolidated fiscal year under review, the provisions set forth in Article 35 of the Retirement Benefits Accounting Standard and Article 67 of the Retirement Benefits Guidance. Based on this, the Company has revised the methods of calculating retirement benefit obligations and service costs and changed the method of attributing expected retirement benefits to periods from straight-line attribution to the payment calculation method. It has also changed the method of determining the discount rate from a method based on the average remaining length of service to a method that uses a single weighted average discount rate.

Regarding the application of Retirement Benefits Accounting Standard and others, the Company adheres to the transitional accounting stipulated in Article 37 of the Retirement Benefits Accounting Standard, and in the beginning of the consolidated fiscal year under review, it makes a corresponding adjustment to retained earnings for the effect of changes in the methods of calculating retirement benefit obligations and service costs.

As a result, at the beginning of the consolidated fiscal year under review, net defined benefit asset increased by \$2,988 million while net defined benefit liability decreased by \$1,194 million, and retained earnings increased by \$2,682 million. The impact of this change on profit and loss for the consolidated fiscal year under review is marginal.

(Changes in presentation methods)

(Consolidated statement of cash flows)

In the previous fiscal year, "Proceeds from sales of investment securities," which was indicated in "Other, net" of "Cash flows from investing activities," is stated independently from the fiscal year under review, as it has become significant in terms of amount.

As a result, in the consolidated statement of cash flows of the previous fiscal year, losses of ¥1,255 million that was indicated in "Other, net" is reclassified as ¥1,006 million under "Proceeds from sales of investment securities" and losses of ¥2,261 million under "Other, net."

(Consolidated balance sheet)

*1 Accumulated depreciation of property, plant and equipment

(Millions of Yen)

Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014 (as of March 31, 2014)	1	Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (as of December 31, 2014)		
Accumulated depreciation of property, plant and equipment	195,221	Accumulated depreciation of property, plant and equipment	208,900	

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(Consolidated statement of income)

*1 The main expense items and amounts of selling, general and administrative expenses are as follows.

(Millions of Yen) Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014 Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (April 1, 2013 -(April 1, 2014 -March 31, 2014) December 31, 2014) Sales-related transportation expense 30.234 27.502 Sales promotion expense 88,165 82,970 Advertisement costs 18,032 17,906 Salaries and bonuses to employees 18,492 15,407 Allowance for bonuses transferred 1,739 1,758 Employee retirement benefits 1,476 1,121 2,537 Depreciation 2,331

^{*2} Research and development expenses included in general and administrative expenses are as follows.

	(Millions of Yen)
Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014	Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014
(April 1, 2013 –	(April 1, 2014 –
March 31, 2014)	December 31, 2014)
	5,265 4,248

*3 Gain on change in equity

The gains on change in equity in the previous consolidated fiscal year are attributable to proceeds from a consolidated subsidiary's capital increase through third-party allotment.

*4 Amortization of goodwill

The Company fully amortized goodwill resulting from recognition of impairment losses on stock in subsidiaries, in accordance with paragraph 32 of JICPA Accounting Committee Report No. 7 "Practical Guidance for Consolidation Procedures Related to Equity Accounts in Consolidated Financial Statements" for the amortization of goodwill in the previous fiscal year.

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(Segment information, etc.)

[Segment Information]

- 1. Outline of reporting segments
 - (1) How to decide reporting segments

The Company's reporting segments shall be part of its organizational units whose financial information is individually available, and shall be subject to regular review by its Board of Directors for the purpose of deciding the allocation of its managerial resources and evaluating its business performance.

The Company is composed of three businesses, namely the personal care business, the pet care business and other businesses, as its basic units, and has been engaged in its business activities by comprehensively developing domestic and overseas strategies by business unit.

Therefore, the "personal care business," the "pet care business," and "other businesses" constitute the Company's reporting segments.

- (2) Type of products and services for each reporting segment
 - The Company has manufactured and sold baby care products, feminine care products, health care products, and clean-and-fresh products in the "personal care business." In the "pet care business," the Company has manufactured and sold pet food products and pet toiletry products. In "other businesses," the Company has manufactured and sold business-use products, etc.
- 2. Methods of calculating the amount of sales, profits/losses, assets, liabilities, and other items by reporting segment

Accounting methods for reporting segments are nearly the same as those of "material matters affecting the preparation of consolidated financial statements" in the most recent securities report (Securities Report, filed June 26, 2014).

3. Information concerning the amount of sales, profits/losses, assets, liabilities and other items by reporting segment

Fiscal year ended March 31, 2014 (April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014)

(Millions of Yen)

		Reporting se	egment		Elimination or	Consolidation
	Personal care	Pet care	Other	Total	company-wide	Consolidation
Sales						
Sales to external customers	515,253	78,672	5,530	599,455	_	599,455
Internal sales or transfers across segments	_	_	28	28	(28)	_
Total	515,253	78,672	5,558	599,484	(28)	599,455
Segment income (Operating income)	65,732	1,130	355	67,217	22	67,240
Segment assets	498,319	75,395	6,279	579,994	40,425	620,419
Others						
Depreciation	19,387	2,631	83	22,101	_	22,101
Amortization of goodwill	1,616	7,586	_	9,203	_	9,203
Increase in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	49,788	2,009	110	51,908	_	51,908

(Note) Amortization of goodwill includes "amortization of goodwill" for extraordinary losses.

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Fiscal year ended December 31, 2014 (April 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014)

(Millions of Yen)

	Reporting segment				Elimination or	Consolidation
	Personal care	Pet care	Other	Total	company-wide	Consolidation
Sales						
Sales to external customers	486,960	62,564	4,136	553,661	_	553,661
Internal sales or transfers across segments	_	_	12	12	(12)	_
Total	486,960	62,564	4,149	553,674	(12)	553,661
Segment income (Operating income)	58,262	2,810	253	61,327	20	61,347
Segment assets	576,884	76,366	4,383	657,633	41,474	699,108
Others						
Depreciation	18,340	1,987	66	20,393	_	20,393
Amortization of goodwill	1,687	2,081	_	3,769	_	3,769
Increase in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	40,109	1,544	102	41,756	_	41,756

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(Per-share information)

(Yen)

Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 20 (April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014)	14	Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (April 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014)		
Net assets per share	619.47	Net assets per share	698.49	
Net income per share	64.10	Net income per share	54.33	
Net income per share–diluted	62.40	Net income per share-diluted	54.25	

(Note 1) Due to the stock split carried out on October 1, 2014 at a ratio of three shares per one common share, the net assets per share, net income per share and net income per share-diluted have been calculated presuming this stock split was carried out at the start of the previous consolidated fiscal year.

(Note 2) The calculation basis for net income per share and net income per share-diluted is as follows:

	Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014 (April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014)	Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014 (April 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014)
Net income per share—basic:		
Net income reported in the consolidated statement of income (Millions of Yen)	38,216	32,731
Amount not attributable to common shareholders (Millions of Yen)		
Net income relevant to common shares (Millions of Yen)	38,216	32,731
Average number of common shares during period (Thousands of shares)	596,201	602,509
Net income per share—diluted		
Adjustment for net income (Millions of Yen)	(1)	_
Of which interest on bonds	(1)	
Increase in the number of common shares (Thousands of shares)	16,262	840
Of which the number of convertible bonds with share warrants	15,118	_
Of which the number of subscription rights to shares	1,143	840
Outline of potential stock which, due to the absence of any dilutive effect, was not included in the computation of the amount of net income per share after adjustment for residual income		

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(Note 3) Calculation basis for net assets per share is as follows:

	Fiscal year ended March 31, 2014 (as of March 31, 2014)	Fiscal year ended December 31, 2014 (as of December 31, 2014)
Total of net assets reported in the consolidated balance sheet (Millions of Yen)	432,152	492,844
Main items of the difference (Millions of Yen)		
Of which subscription rights to shares	295	238
Of which minority interests	57,719	72,952
Net assets relevant to common shares (Millions of Yen)	374,136	419,652
Number of common shares used to calculate net asset per share (Thousands of shares)	603,962	600,797

(Significant subsequent events)

Not applicable