

Kao Corporation

The 117th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders



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Highlights of consolidated financial results FY2022



	(billion yen)				n yen)		
	Net Sales			Operating income			_
	FY2021	FY2022	Growth (%)	FY2021	FY2022	Change	Factor
 Hygiene & Living Care Business 	496.8	516.5	+0.4%	51.8	30.7	-21.1	Strategic price increase Intensifying competition Soaring raw material prices ↘
 Health and Beauty Care Business 	354.5	369.5	-1.8%	49.7	34.6	-15.1	Strong performance of new products ↗ Increased competition Soaring raw material prices ↘
Cosmetics Business	239.3	251.5	+0.8%	7.5	14.1	+6.6	Strong performance of new products ↗ Japanese market recovery ↗
Life Care Business	53.0	55.7	+1.4%	3.6	-0	-3.6	Soaring raw material prices 🌶
Chemical Business	314.3	402.5	+18.6%	29.6	29.5	-0.1	Inventory write-down due to market fluctuations 🖒
Total	1,418.8	1,551.1	+3.7%	143.5	110.1	-33.4	

Consolidated net sales by geographical region FY2022

	Net Sales (billion yen)		Growth (%)			Share of Net Sales*	
	Japan	Asia	Americas & Europe	Japan	Asia	Americas & Europe	
 Hygiene & Living Care Business 	370.3	142.5	3.7	+1.0	-1.8	+17.9	33.3%
 Health and Beauty Care Business 	200.2	33.9	135.5	-2.4	+1.0	-1.4	23.8%
Cosmetics Business	160.7	59.6	31.2	+5.1	-10.1	-0.5	16.2%
Life Care Business	43.7	0.0	11.9	+0.7	+33.9	+4.9	3.6%
Chemical Business	140.1	98.2	164.2	+14.7	+15.9	+24.3	23.1%

*Share of net sales is calculated based on external sales to customers

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- **1. Insufficient actions against of soaring raw material prices** (Strategic price increase could not cover for the increase)
- 2. Intensifying competition in our stable earnings business
- **3. Sluggish business in Europe, America and China** (Logistics disruption and inflation/lockdowns)
- 4. Recovery and expansion of growth driver businesses

Progress toward becoming an essential company to a sustainable society Kao

Ecology

Everyday lives



One of the 12 companies in the world and the only company in Japan to win a **Triple A**

CLIMATE FORESTS WATER

rating for 3 straight years

Evaluated by an NGO run by a U.K. charity group



283 companies made the 2022 Climate Change A List





< Runner-up/Gold Award > Kao Corporation "Green pavement": technology for improving durability of asphalt pavement using PET waste

"Japan Resilience Award"





"Nikkei Superior Products and Services Awards" Mosquito repellent for Thailand Bioré GUARD Mos Block Serum





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Global economic situation

(%)

IMF GDP Growth Outlook (announced in January 2023)

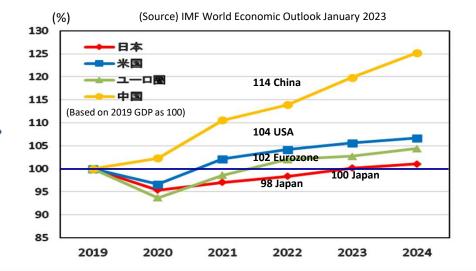
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	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Japan	+1.7	+1.4	+1.8	+0.9	Ιг
USA	+5.7	+2.0	+1.4	+1.0	L
Eurozone	+5.2	+3.5	+0.7	+1.6	1
Germany	+2.6	+1.9	+0.1	+1.4	1
China	+8.1	+3.0	+5.2	+4.5	
Source: IME World Economic Outlook January 2022					-

Global GDP growth in 2023: 2.9%

Source: IMF World Economic Outlook January 2023

Major risks in the world

- Prolonged and escalated situation in Ukraine
- Intensification of US-China conflict
- Prolonged soaring prices of goods
- Continuation of energy-related turmoil and crises
- Further deterioration of the Chinese economy



Forecast of the impact of the prolonged situation in Ukraine

- Continued destabilization of energy resource and raw material procurement
- Soaring food prices
- Fatigue of assistance from developed countries in Europe and the US and destabilization of domestic politics
- Reconstruction of the international order (The world will continue to be "tri-polarized") *Tripolarization: The Western countries, China/Russia, and Emerging countries

Market environment of each business

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Cosmetics and toiletries industry

Signs of full recovery in inbound demand

In November 2022, The number of foreign visitors to Japan has recovered to **40% of the pre-COVID 19 level** (*1) At the end of 2023, The number of visitor is expected to recover **to** over **20 million***1 In 2023,

Inbound consumption is assumed to be 3.1 trillion yen*1

Asked "what you want to buy in Japan" among those planning to travel from China **3**rd in the ranking is **Cosmetics** (51.9%) *²

*1) Japan Research Institute Report, January 10, 2023*2) According to ENJOY JAPAN November 15, 2022

Chemical industry

Movement towards decarbonization

Japan Chemical Industry Association estimated a minimum investment of 7.4 trillion yen will be required for the chemical industry to decarbonize (R&D expenses, capital investment, etc.)

Policy to request support for business conversion from the government

3) Nikkei Online Edition April 26, 2022

Retail industry

Continues to put higher prices to products and services

In the domestic retail industry, those companies who are **scheduled to raise prices in April 2023**

61.0% of companies

4) Teikoku Databank December 2010 survey

Logistics industry

Responding to the expansion of e-commerce despite labor shortages

Driven by the expansion of e-commerce,

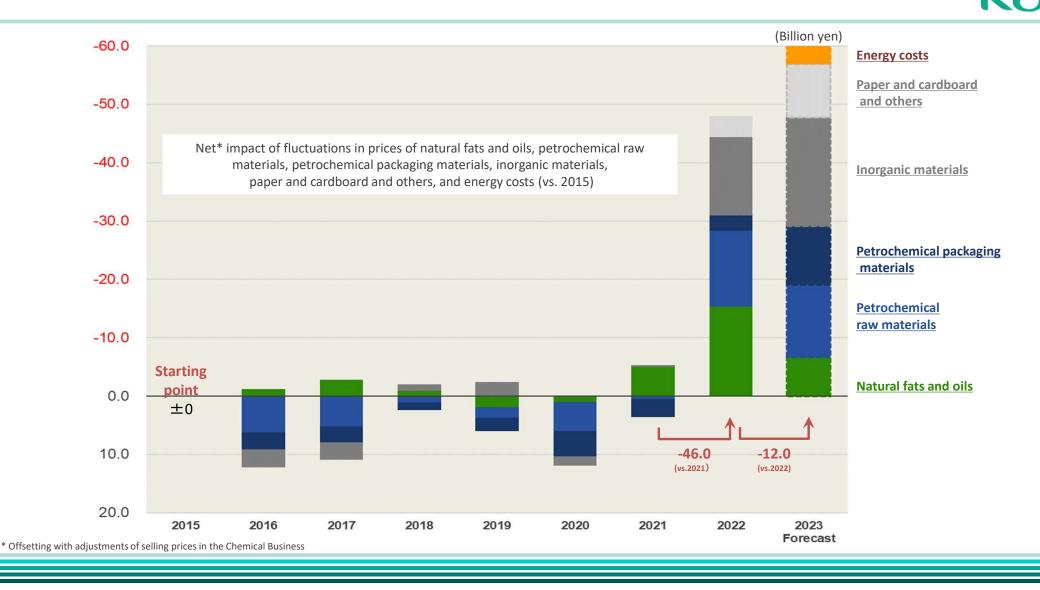
logistics facility to be completed in the Tokyo metropolitan area in 2023

Record high for 3 consecutive years

of 3 million square meters

5) Nikkei Newspaper December 2, 2022

Impact of hikes in raw material prices on consumer products business (vs. 2015) Kao



Change to a resilient business structure independent of market conditions (insufficient effort in 2022)

- Expand strategic price increases to all categories (across wide range of products in a limited amount)
- ✓ Increase the sales ratio of high-value-added, highly profitable products

Strengthen and expand strategic businesses globally (reinforcement and alignment in 2023)

- ✓ Intensively strengthen core businesses (earnings base and growth drivers)
- ✓ Commitment to the success of strategic products
- ✓ Early improvement of challenging business through structural reform

Consolidated operating results forecast for FY2023



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	FY2022	FY2023 (Forecast)	Growth/Change
Net Sales	1,551.1	1,580.0	+1.9%
Operating income	110.1	120.0	+9.9
Operating margin	7.1%	7.6%	_
Net income attributable to owners of the parent	86.0	88.0	+2.0
Cash dividends per share	148.00 yen	150.00 yen (planned)	+2.00 yen



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Strategically balanced targets for each business portfolio KaO

Stable Earnings	Growth Driver	Business Transformation
Expand share and increase profitability	Growth investment and global growth	Improve profitability
Fabric care	Skin care	Hair care for salons
Home care	Cosmetics	Hair care
Personal health care	Chemical	Sanitary (sanitary products)
	Professional Service (hygiene)	Sanitary (diapers)

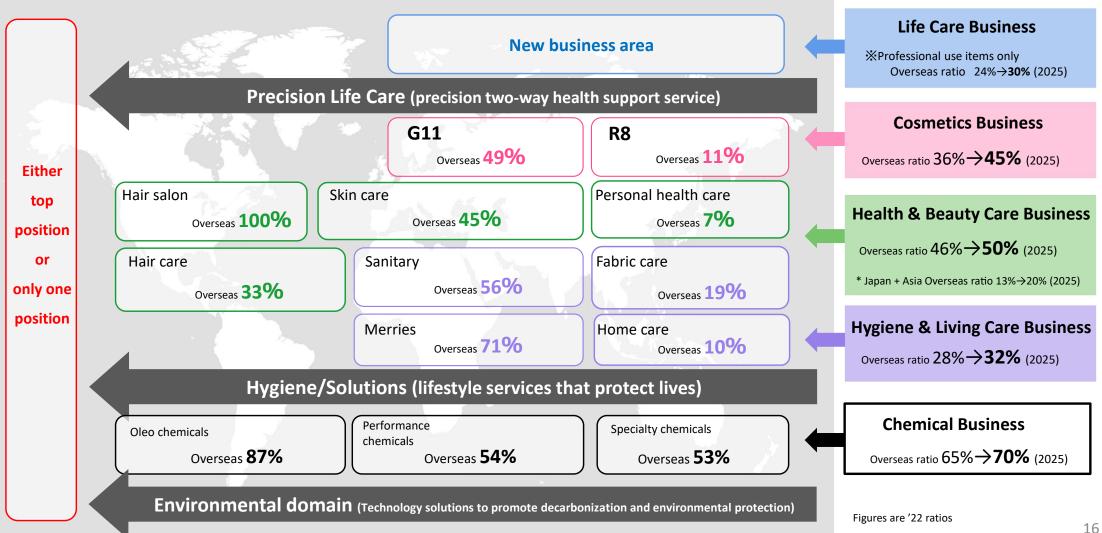
Japan market share: +5 pts	Global: more than 50%	← Structural reforms
Target Business ROIC: >20%	Target Business ROIC: >12%	Target Business ROIC: >7%

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Representative materials, materials and solutions in chemical business Kao

	Business	Market position	
	Natural fatty alcohol	Top in global	Color copies
s	Tertiary amine	11	
eria	Sulfate type anionic surfactant	11	
Materials	Surfactant for fabric softeners (ester quaternary salt type)	11	
	Aroma chemicals (HCA, MDJ, lactones, etc.)	11	Eco tires Reduces agrochemicals
	Toner/Toner Binder	Top in global	
	Hard disk polishing agents/cleaners	11	
	Cleaning agents for semiconductor back-end processes	11	
	Silica dispersant for fuel-efficient tires	Top in Japan	1 in 2 Bequired for
Solution	Adjuvant for agrochemicals	11	skyscrapers
olut	Additives for tofu	11	
S	Emulsifiers for confectionery	11	90% of poles
	Furan binder for casting	11	60% of pipes
	Metal cleaners	11	
	High-range water reducing admixtures for concrete products	11	
		Excerpt from the chemical busines	is 15

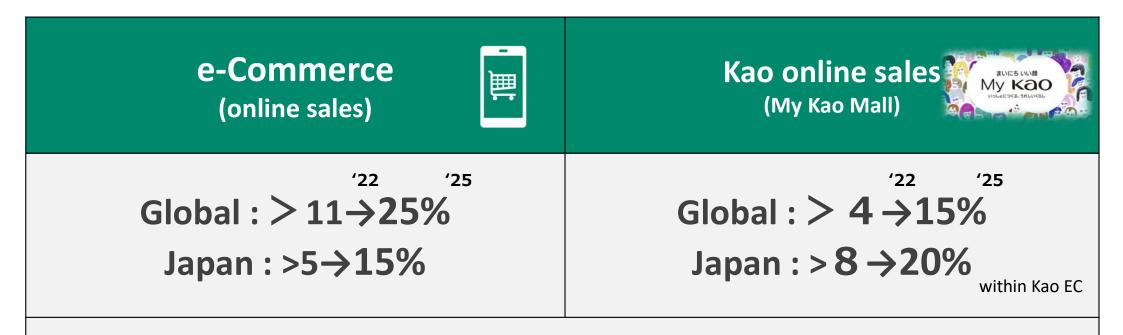
Global expansion policy for each business



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Reinforcement of EC sales and target for precision monitoring Kao



Precision Monitoring (high-precision personalization)

Precisely understand each individual and accurately match products

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Life care business (launch of testing business)

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In June 2021, the Food Sanitation Act and other related legal action were revised. Due to this revision, small businesses, restaurants, supermarkets, etc. are required to implement "hygiene management that incorporates the concept of HACCP". We started to deploy a hygiene management platform to help with this management.



About one third of babies are at high risk of developing allergies in the future due to the delay in early detection of allergic potential. We launched "Babywell Check", a mail-in testing service that aids in early detection without stress on babies.









Regain earning power

(Strengthen supervision of management and finance)

Create strong business field

(Reinforce strategic businesses and pursue global expansion)

Marketing innovation

(Launch of Kao's "digital" and "monitoring")



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