

ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Year ended March 31, 2019

UTILIZING OUR STRENGTHS,
AIMING AT FURTHER GROWTH



DAIDO STEEL CO., LTD.

THE COMPANY

DAIDO STEEL CO., LTD. ranks among the world's largest manufacturers of specialty steel. With a history dating back to 1916, the Company has accumulated extensive skills in combining steel scrap with other materials to achieve the strength, workability and other characteristics to match exacting requirements. Along with the manufacture of value-added steel, the Company offers many services that leverage its technological resources. Most services target high-end market sectors that demand the highest levels of quality and specialization. Daido Steel is one of the leading players worldwide in the manufacture of critical steel components where nothing less than absolute reliability is acceptable. These components include automobile transmissions and engine parts as well as components used in ships, aircraft and electric generators. Daido Steel shares are traded on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange under the securities code 5471.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This annual report contains forward-looking statements concerning DAIDO STEEL CO., LTD.'s and its Group companies' current plans, projections, strategies and performance. These forward-looking statements are not historical facts. Rather, they represent the assumptions and beliefs of Daido Steel's management based on information currently available.

They should therefore not be relied upon as the sole basis for evaluating the Company. Daido Steel also wishes to caution readers that actual results may differ materially from expectations, and that forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

DAIDO STEEL CO., LTD. AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
YEARS ENDED MARCH 31

	Millions of Yen					Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2019
For the Year:						
Net Sales	¥543,255	¥505,219	¥445,123	¥460,578	¥483,633	\$4,894,189
Operating Income	33,815	36,218	25,514	24,432	20,409	304,640
Net Income Attributable to Owners of the Parent	21,182	23,921	16,386	6,746	10,886	190,829
R&D Expenses	5,638	5,419	6,206	5,766	5,301	50,793
Capital Expenditures	34,413	35,606	28,941	23,205	30,296	310,027
Depreciation and Amortization	23,171	20,741	23,276	22,454	22,437	208,748
At Year-End:						
Total Assets	650,697	642,021	574,169	535,676	588,590	5,862,135
Total Equity	318,140	316,410	290,501	268,346	292,406	2,866,126
Interest-Bearing Debt	174,998	160,352	142,599	136,114	146,208	1,576,559
Number of Employees (Consolidated)	12,421	11,873	11,498	11,040	10,855	-
Number of Consolidated Subsidiaries	38	36	34	34	34	-
Per Share of Common Stock (Yen and U.S. Dollars):						
Basic Net Income*	¥ 496.88	¥ 561.08	¥ 385.92	¥ 156.22	¥ 251.01	\$ 4.47
Cash Dividends Applicable to the Year*	130.00	120.00	100.00	75.00	65.00	1.17
ROA (%)	5.3	5.9	4.8	4.5	3.8	-
ROE (%)	7.5	8.8	6.7	2.8	4.5	-

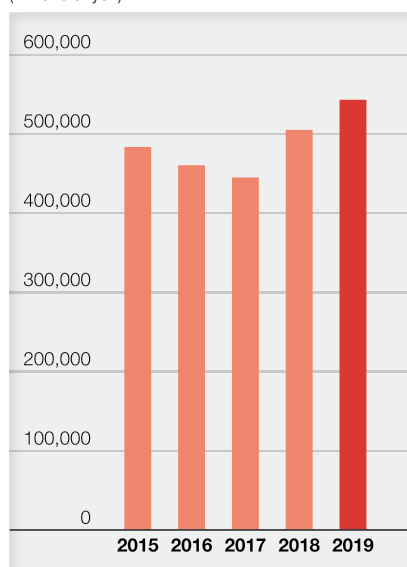
Note: The translation of Japanese yen amounts into U.S. dollar amounts is included solely for the convenience of readers outside Japan and has been made at the rate of ¥111 to \$1, the approximate rate of exchange at March 31, 2019.

* See the footnote on page 25.

NET SALES

Years ended March 31

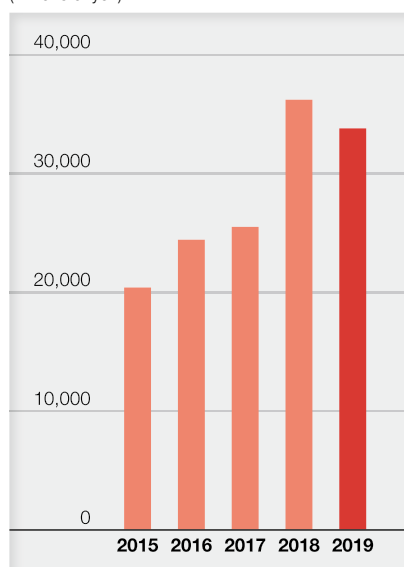
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OPERATING INCOME

Years ended March 31

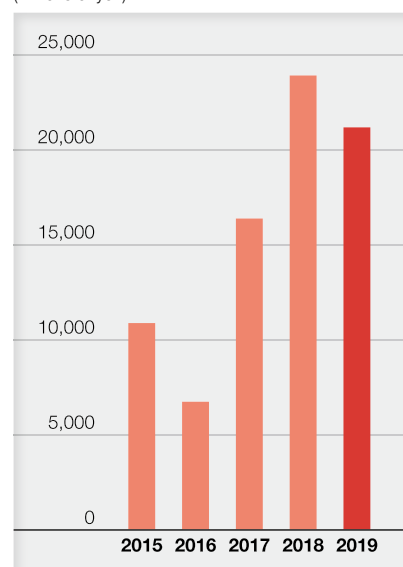
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NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE PARENT

Years ended March 31

(millions of yen)





Overview of Results for Fiscal 2018

In fiscal 2018, the Japanese economy continued to see moderate recovery in consumer spending as employment and income conditions improved. With growth in capital expenditures in the corporate sector as well, the economy itself remained on a gradual recovery track. However, some weakness in industrial production and other soft spots emerged in the economy heading into the fourth quarter. In the U.S., the steady economic recovery continued as consumer spending and capital expenditures increased. In Europe, the modest economic recovery continued on the back of strong employment conditions, but also exhibited some stalling with Germany's GDP growth trending flat. In China, economic growth decelerated as exports declined, but government stimulus measures are expected to provide support going forward.

Under these economic circumstances, the Daido Steel Group's key client industries such as automobiles and industrial equipment generally did well. Accordingly, steel sales volumes increased year on year. However, demand declined in some areas such as semiconductors. As for raw materials and auxiliary materials, scrap steel prices generally increased year on year due to robust domestic demand. Also, sharp growth in prices for auxiliary materials including graphite electrodes used in steelmaking resulted in higher costs.

As a result, the Daido Steel Group's net sales in fiscal 2018 increased by ¥38,036 million year on year to ¥543,255 million, due to a rise in sales prices reflecting higher prices for raw materials and auxiliary materials, as well as growth in sales volumes. Ordinary income declined by ¥1,787 million to ¥34,343 million, owing to impact from higher costs associated with a sharp rise in auxiliary material prices. Net income attributable to owners of the parent decreased by ¥2,738 million to ¥21,182 million.

Outlook for Fiscal 2019

In fiscal 2019, the global economy is likely to lose some steam and growth to slow. In the U.S., modest growth should continue on the back of robust employment conditions, though slight deceleration is likely as tax cut benefits fade. The Chinese economy is slowing due partially to trade friction with the U.S., and while support from government stimulus measures is expected to keep the slowdown modest, excessive debt and other risks exist. The Japanese economy is also likely to decelerate, owing to weaker external demand. Against this economic backdrop, in the key U.S. and China markets we anticipate a slight decline in demand for automobiles, a major source of demand. Also, we expect recovery to take time for the semiconductors field, which is seeing sharp deceleration.

We need to keep a close eye on uncertainties that can have an impact on the global economy, including the U.S.'s protectionist policies and the U.K.'s exit from the European Union. In addition, the Daido Steel Group recognizes the ongoing need to monitor risks that could have an impact on the Group, such as the risk of weaker demand due to foreign exchange fluctuations and the risk of price fluctuations in raw materials and fuel.

Given these conditions, our segment forecasts for the coming fiscal year are as follows.

SPECIALTY STEEL

In structural steel, we project slightly lower global demand for automobiles, a major source of demand for this steel. In tool steel, we anticipate similar demand trends. As for costs, we expect prices to remain high for energy and auxiliary materials, such as graphite electrodes used for manufacturing, and will work to reduce costs to maintain sustainable margins. Further, we will pursue market penetration of the newly applied surcharge system reflecting fluctuations in prices for raw material alloys in tool steel.

HIGH PERFORMANCE MATERIALS AND MAGNETIC MATERIALS

We expect high performance products like stainless steel, high alloys and powder metal to see ongoing growth in sales volumes in the automobile industry over the medium term, assuming improvements in the fuel economy of internal combustion engines for automobiles increase usage. To prepare for this medium-term growth, we are working on bolstering manufacturing facilities. In magnetic products, we are concentrating on the increasing use of electronics in automobiles and electrical applications and working hard to reduce costs.

PARTS FOR AUTOMOBILE AND INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT

In free forgings, we are focusing on keeping up with ongoing brisk demand for civil aircraft. In turbo-related products, we will strive to grow by tapping into expanding demand from an increasing ratio of gasoline engines with turbos installed over the medium to long term. In engine valves, we are continuing to work towards cost improvement and mass production of hollow-head valves that contribute to improving the fuel consumption of automobiles.

ENGINEERING

We will keep working to expand sales of Premium STC® (Short Time Cycle)—our mainstay STC® annealing furnace with a new combustion system installed, vacuum carburizing furnaces for auto parts makers, and rotary electric furnaces that lead to more energy-efficient steelmaking.

TRADING AND SERVICE

In the trading and service segment, demand should be at the same level as in 2018.

Based on the above, for fiscal 2019, the Daido Steel Group forecasts consolidated net sales of ¥530.0 billion, operating income of ¥31.0 billion, ordinary income of ¥31.5 billion, and net income attributable to owners of the parent of ¥24.0 billion.

Medium- to Long-Term Management Strategy

Initiatives to realize a sustainable society are a key global theme. Even among our customers, reducing emissions that contribute to global warming is a major topic, and high levels of efficiency for the internal combustion engines of automobiles and jet engines of aircraft are required. In the automobile industry moreover, the kind of major technological innovation only seen once every 100 years is about to occur, such as the diversification of power trains to proliferate the use of electronics and similar devices and the expanding use of automated cars and connected cars. Furthermore, the digital revolution marches onward, capitalizing on big data, AI (artificial intelligence) and IoT (Internet of Things), and ushering in transformations in a wide variety of industries. As a result, the Daido Steel Group expects that demand for semiconductors will increase and the automation of various processes and suchlike by robots will develop further.

In this business environment, we formulated our medium-term business plan (Daido Steel Group 2020 Mid-Term Management Plan), a three-year plan through fiscal 2020 (the fiscal year ending March 31, 2021). We also set our basic management policy as “Beyond the Special: We support our customers’ technological innovations by supplying high performance materials.” We will put that policy into practice. For instance, we will supply high alloys and stainless steel that are highly resistant to heat and corrosion for higher efficiency jet engines and internal combustion engines in automobiles, high performance powder products and high performance magnets for the increasing use of electronics in automobiles, and soft magnetic materials for the expanding use of automated cars. We will also deliver products for the digital revolution, such as super-clean stainless steel needed for semiconductor manufacturing equipment and high performance magnets required for increasing use of automation and robots. By supplying the high performance materials that our customers need, we will firmly support their evolutionary and technological innovations.

June 2019



Takeshi Ishiguro
President

SPECIALTY STEEL

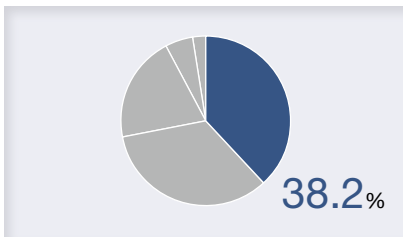


MAIN PRODUCTS

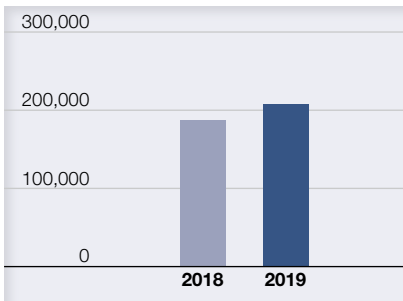
Specialty steel for automotive parts, industrial machinery parts, electrical machinery parts, construction, tool steel, etc. Specialty steel products and materials manufacturing, distribution, raw material sales, transportation and logistics

SHARE OF NET SALES

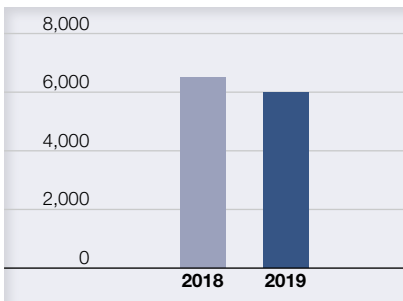
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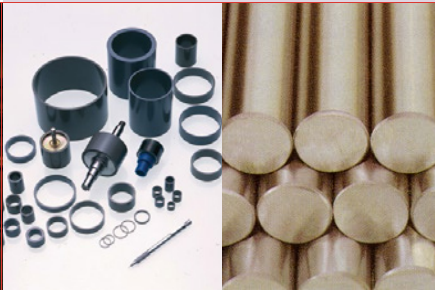
NET SALES Years ended March 31 (millions of yen)



OPERATING INCOME Years ended March 31 (millions of yen)



HIGH PERFORMANCE MATERIALS AND MAGNETIC MATERIALS

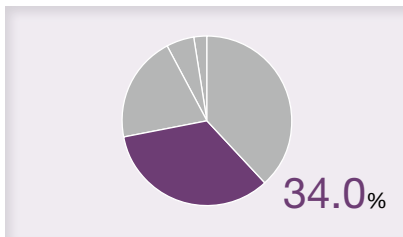


MAIN PRODUCTS

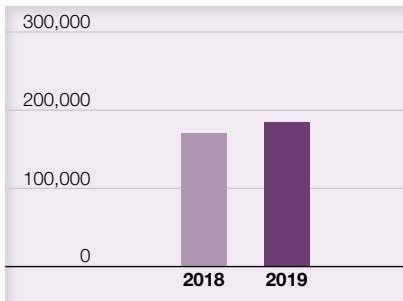
Stainless steel, nickel-based alloys, electrical and electronic parts, magnetic material products (OA·FA motors, automotive meters, sensors, measuring device components, etc.), alloy powder (magnetic powder for HEV), titanium products (medical titanium alloys, shape-memory alloys), welding wire

SHARE OF NET SALES

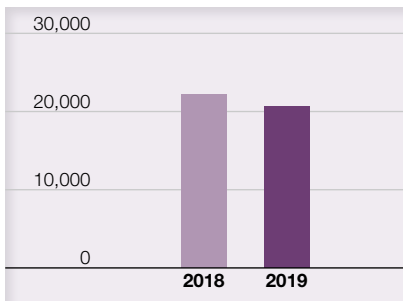
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NET SALES Years ended March 31 (millions of yen)



OPERATING INCOME Years ended March 31 (millions of yen)



PARTS FOR AUTOMOBILE AND INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT

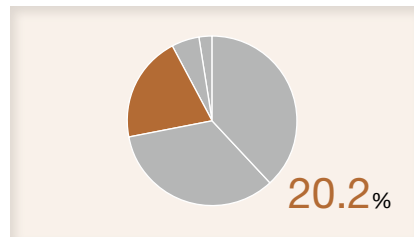


MAIN PRODUCTS

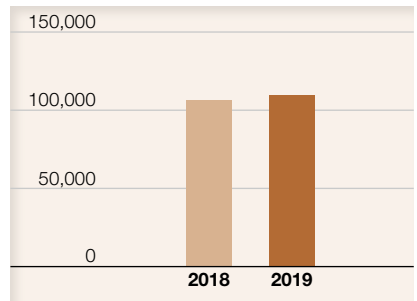
Die forging, precise hot forging, welded parts (automotive parts and bearing races) / Open die forging (parts for boats and ships, industrial machines, heavy electric machines, steelmaking equipment, chemical equipment, oil drilling rigs, and spacecraft and aircraft) / Casting (manganese railway rails, components for automobiles, industrial machines, electric machines and furnaces, advanced cast steel products, etc.) / Precision casting (automotive, industrial machines, electric machines, telecommunications equipment, etc.) / Engine valves, compressors, hydraulic equipment, machine tool parts

SHARE OF NET SALES

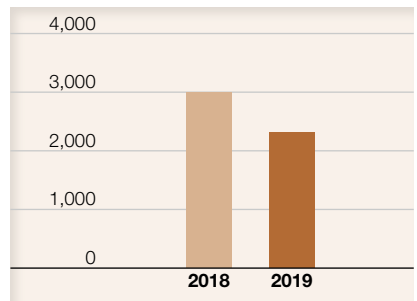
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OPERATING INCOME Years ended March 31 (millions of yen)



ENGINEERING

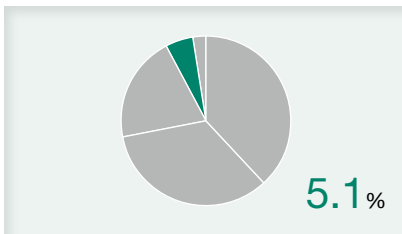


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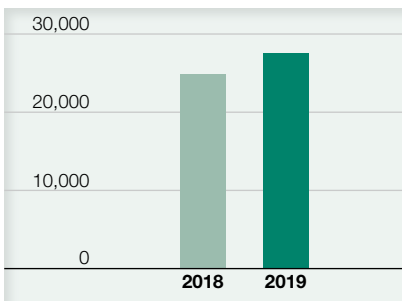
Steelmaking equipment, industrial furnaces and facilities, environmental equipment (for drainage, exhaust, waste disposal and treatment facilities), machine tools, machine maintenance

SHARE OF NET SALES

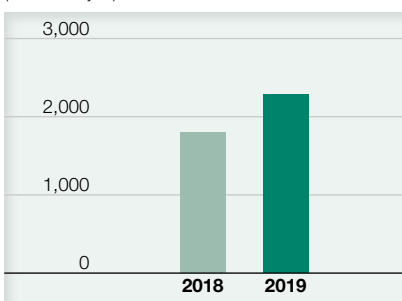
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NET SALES Years ended March 31
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OPERATING INCOME Years ended March 31
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TRADING AND SERVICE

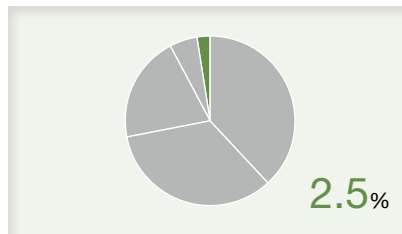


MAIN PRODUCTS

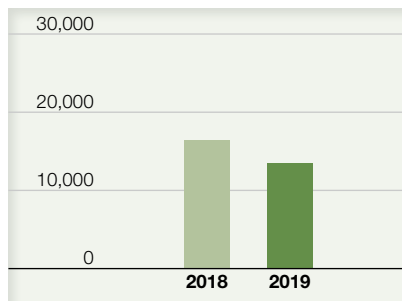
Sale of Group company products, welfare services, real estate and insurance business, golf course management, analysis business, outside software sales business

SHARE OF NET SALES

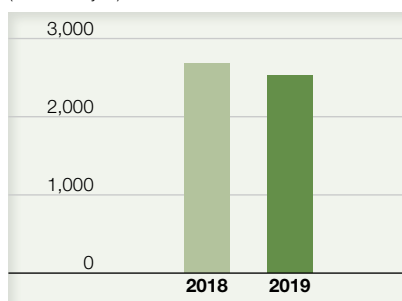
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NET SALES Years ended March 31
(millions of yen)



OPERATING INCOME Years ended March 31
(millions of yen)



SPECIALTY STEEL

Overview of Business

Specialty steel, the Company's core business, generates approximately 38% of consolidated net sales. Specialty steel is made by combining steel with alloys to add value in the form of properties such as resistance to heat, abrasions or rust.

Because a range of special properties can be achieved by varying the types and amount of alloy, one of the special features of the business is that products are developed to meet the specific applications required by users. The automobile and industrial machinery sectors are the primary users of specialty steel, accounting for about 80% of sales in this business segment.

Results of Operations

Sales volume for structural steel increased year on year as automobile-related demand was brisk and demand for industrial machinery was robust. Sales volume for tool steel also rose year on year, driven by strong momentum in the automobile field.

The cost of steel scrap, the main raw material, was generally higher year on year due to strong domestic demand. A sharp rise in prices for auxiliary materials such as graphite electrodes used in steelmaking also led to higher costs. Sales prices increased year on year, reflecting the rise in raw material and auxiliary material prices.

As a result, the specialty steel segment's net sales in fiscal 2018 increased 9.9% year on year to ¥207,744 million, due primarily to higher sales volume and an increase in sales prices reflecting higher raw material and auxiliary material prices. Operating income decreased by ¥479 million to ¥5,998 million, owing to the impact of higher costs associated with a steep increase in auxiliary material prices.



Tool steel from Daido Steel

HIGH PERFORMANCE MATERIALS AND MAGNETIC MATERIALS

Overview of Business

This segment, which accounts for roughly 34% of consolidated net sales, manufactures and sells high performance materials and magnetic materials used chiefly in automobiles, computers, mobile phones and consumer electronics.

Key products include stainless steel products, rare earth magnets, high alloys, titanium products, and high performance powder metal products.



NEOQUENCH-DR (Nd-Fe-B ring magnets) for EPS motors

Results of Operations

Sales volumes of stainless steel products and high alloys increased year on year, driven by brisker demand amid the movement to make automobiles more fuel efficient. However, semiconductor-related products were affected by capital expenditures being delayed worldwide and magnetic products by lower automobile sales in China, such that both saw a decline in sales volume along with inventory adjustments. Net sales of powder metal products increased, due to an increase in sales prices reflecting higher raw material prices.

As a result, net sales for the high performance materials and magnetic materials segment in fiscal 2018 increased 8.1% year on year to ¥184,554 million, reflecting higher sales volumes for stainless steel and high alloys used in automobiles, along with higher sales prices. Operating income decreased ¥1,501 million to ¥20,694 million, owing mainly to lower sales volumes for semiconductor-related stainless steel and magnetic products.

PARTS FOR AUTOMOBILE AND INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT

Overview of Business

This segment contributes around 20% of consolidated net sales. It manufactures die forged parts such as crankshafts using specialty steel, precision cast parts for use in turbochargers, as well as engine valves, jet engine shafts and parts for gas turbines. Most of the auto parts sold in this segment use materials that were developed through joint projects with auto-makers to meet their exacting requirements. These parts can therefore lower processing expenses at customers' factories as well as contribute to reducing the weight of finished products.

In this segment, Daido Steel has a high market share in numerous product categories, including aircraft jet engine shafts, automobile engine valves and turbine wheels. We will continue to develop and launch new products that differentiate us from competitors and support our position as a provider of advanced parts

In addition to specialty steel supplied by the specialty steel segment of the Group, some materials used in this segment are manufactured in-house.

Results of Operations

Net sales of free forged products increased year on year as strong aircraft-related demand outweighed a decline in semiconductor-related demand in the fourth quarter. Net sales of die forged products and engine valves rose year on year, reflecting brisk automobile production. Net sales of precision cast products increased year on year, owing to ongoing growth in demand for turbine housing. However, turbine wheels experienced inventory adjustments, due mainly to a decline in automobile sales in China.

As a result, net sales in the parts for automobile and industrial equipment segment for fiscal 2018 increased 3.4% year on year to ¥109,929 million, chiefly on a contribution from sales volume growth. Operating income decreased by ¥761 million to ¥2,309 million, as a sharp rise in auxiliary material prices pushed up costs.



Jet engine shaft



ENGINEERING

Overview of Business

This segment generates about 5% of consolidated net sales. Major activities include the design and manufacture of, and related after-sales services for, melting and refining equipment such as arc furnaces and ladle furnaces (LF), heat treatment furnaces for auto parts such as vacuum carburizing furnaces and STC® (Short Time Cycle) annealing furnaces, and environmental equipment such as sewage sludge carbonization furnaces and automobile tunnel filters, as well as machine tools.

With respect to heat treatment furnaces for auto parts in particular, the operation and engineering technologies we have fostered over the years support our cutting-edge engineering business worldwide, in which we constantly maintain a grasp of current market needs. The many new types of equipment and technologies that this segment has created contribute to improvements in quality for customers and energy reduction in a wide variety of settings.

Results of Operations

Net sales in the engineering segment for fiscal 2018 increased 10.7% year on year to ¥27,529 million, as companies' capital expenditures were strong, and operating income rose ¥455 million to ¥2,292 million.



Daido Arc Process (DAP)

TRADING AND SERVICE

Overview of Business

The major activities of this segment, which accounts for approximately 2% of consolidated net sales, include the sale of products made by Group companies, employee benefits services, real estate and insurance services, golf course management, analytics, and sales of software to external customers.

Results of Operations

Net sales in the trading and service segment for fiscal 2018 declined 4.8% year on year to ¥13,499 million, while operating income decreased by ¥158 million to ¥2,527 million. These decreases partly reflected lower sales at the China trading subsidiary from a slowdown in domestic demand in China.

Leveraging its advanced technology capabilities in specialty steel, the Daido Steel Group has declared its management philosophy of “pursuing the potential of materials to support our future,” and conducts a proactive program of research and development (R&D) to expand new products and businesses and strengthen the foundations for existing businesses.

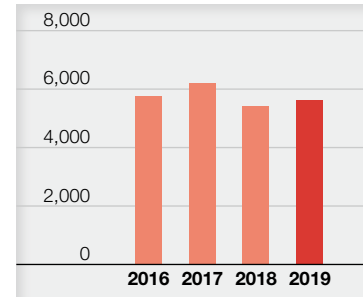
We are pursuing R&D for new products, materials and technologies, primarily through the Daido Corporate Research & Development Center. We employ a total of 303 researchers throughout the Daido Steel Group.

R&D expenses for the Daido Steel Group during the fiscal year under review amounted to ¥5,638 million. An explanation of our R&D efforts by segment, including purpose, major achievements, and expenditures follows.

R&D EXPENSES

Years ended March 31

(millions of yen)



(1) Specialty Steel

In this segment, R&D includes basic material development, such as automotive structural materials and tool steel, and process innovations ranging from steelmaking, refining and solidification to quality assurance.

R&D costs for the fiscal year under review in this segment totaled ¥1,593 million. The following is one of our major achievements in this area.

- **DHA-HS1 steel for hot stamping dies**

Hot stamping is a process that enables parts with ultra-high tensile strength exceeding 1 GPa to be manufactured by forming a steel sheet while it is extremely hot and then rapidly cooling it in the die. As the use of ultra-high tensile materials is increasing to make vehicles lighter, there has been a need for dies with wear resistance suitable for the cooling capacity and high temperature of the hot stamping process. Optimizing the composition of the steel enhances thermal conductivity and softening resistance and the cooling capacity and wear resistance of the die can be expected to improve. We aim to expand the adoption of DHA-HS1 by pressed parts manufacturers.

(2) High Performance Materials and Magnetic Materials

In this segment, the Daido Steel Group conducts R&D focusing on developing materials that resist corrosion and heat, high-grade strip steel, welding materials, magnetic materials and electronic devices.

R&D costs for the fiscal year under review in this segment totaled ¥2,660 million. The following are some of our major achievements in this area.

- **DNM140-HCR, a high-strength stainless steel with outstanding corrosion resistance for non-magnetic drill collars**

In recent years, the environment for materials used in oil drilling has become more severe due to developments such as a shift from onshore to offshore drilling or drilling at increasing depths. This has resulted in a need for non-magnetic drill collars with higher corrosion resistance. DNM140-HCR stainless steel has received praise from North American oil service companies for providing outstanding corrosion resistance while maintaining a high strength. We have begun selling it as a high-strength and highly corrosion-resistant material for drill collars used in severe environments.

- **NCT, a sputtering target material for interconnection with protective layers for in-vehicle touch panels**

We developed NCT, an alloy target material for wire protection film that offers outstanding environmental resistance, which is required at high levels for in-vehicle applications. We designed it with an eye to touch panel displays, which are being increasingly used in automobile center consoles and navigation systems. Since NCT has superior corrosion resistance enabling wet etching and is non-magnetic, it offers high levels of productivity and suitability for our customers' deposition processes.

- **Neodymium magnet, free of heavy rare earth elements, also adopted for use in high-output, high-torque motors for mid-sized hybrid vehicles**

This plate magnet that Daido Electronics Co., Ltd., a member of the Daido Steel Group, manufactures using its proprietary hot deformation method has been adopted for use in a Japanese automaker's dual motor hybrid system for new hybrid vehicle models. This type of magnet has been used in compact hybrid vehicles since 2016. As a result of manufacturing process improvements, it has also been adopted for use in motors for mid-sized hybrid vehicles that require even higher levels of output and torque.

(3) Parts for Automobile and Industrial Equipment

R&D in this segment concentrates on development of turbochargers, engine valves and other automotive parts, as well as parts for various types of industrial machinery.

R&D costs for the fiscal year under review in this segment totaled ¥1,253 million. The following is one of our major achievements in this area.

- **DSA760 certified for use in marine engine exhaust valves by world's largest manufacturer**

In July 2018, DSA760 obtained certification for use as a material for marine engine exhaust valves from the world's largest manufacturer of two-stroke diesel engines for marine use, which has a market share of just over 70%. This is the second certification for use, following that received in April 2016 from the biggest domestic marine engine manufacturer.

(4) Engineering

Engineering R&D focuses on the development of environmental conservation and recycling equipment, and a variety of energy-saving industrial furnaces.

R&D costs for the fiscal year under review in this segment totaled ¥130 million.

Basic Policy

The Daido Steel Group considers it extremely important for contemporary corporations to take on a role that extends beyond economic activities and to contribute to the sustainable development of society through environmentally conscious activities and involvement in the resolution of social issues.

The Daido Steel Group is playing a part in helping to create a recycling-oriented economy and society through its primary business operations: the manufacture and sale of specialty steel largely created from recycled scrap steel. Daido Steel is also engaged in a broad range of initiatives, including developing a variety of environmental activities, abiding firmly by our corporate ethics, striving for disclosure to increase the transparency of management, and creating a safe and pleasant place for employees to work.

Major Initiatives

Preventing Global Warming

The first commitment period for the Kyoto Protocol ran from 2008 to 2012. In that time frame, Daido Steel aimed to reduce its CO₂ emissions volume by 10% compared to the 1990 level in accordance with the guidelines of the Japan Iron and Steel Federation. We worked to achieve this goal by such measures as expanding the use of exhaust heat recovery in heating furnaces, shifting our fuel source from heavy oil to natural gas, and improving the yield ratio through an increase in the ratio of production by continuous casting. Due to the effects of cumulative investments of roughly ¥5.0 billion made from 2006 to 2012, operational improvements and changes in production levels, annual CO₂ emissions from 2008 to 2012 decreased by 24.7% on average. In addition, in fiscal 2014, a cutting-edge, energy-efficient electric arc furnace was installed at the Chita Plant at a cost of ¥19.8 billion. This generated rationalizing effects

throughout the year, which brought about a 3% improvement in CO₂ emissions per ton of production. Thereafter, we continued to take steps such as introducing ladle preheating oxygen combustion in the steelmaking process and making operational advancements to electric furnace input power control, resulting in further improvements in CO₂ emissions in fiscal 2018.

Going forward, in accordance with the objectives of the Commitment to a Low Carbon Society ongoing plan for fiscal 2013 to fiscal 2020 formulated by one company in the Japan Business Federation (Keidanren) and one company in the Japan Iron and Steel Federation, we will continue implementing further reform measures, such as introduction of energy-saving advanced technologies, reductions in the number of heat exchangers, improvements in the yield ratio, and production in optimal areas.

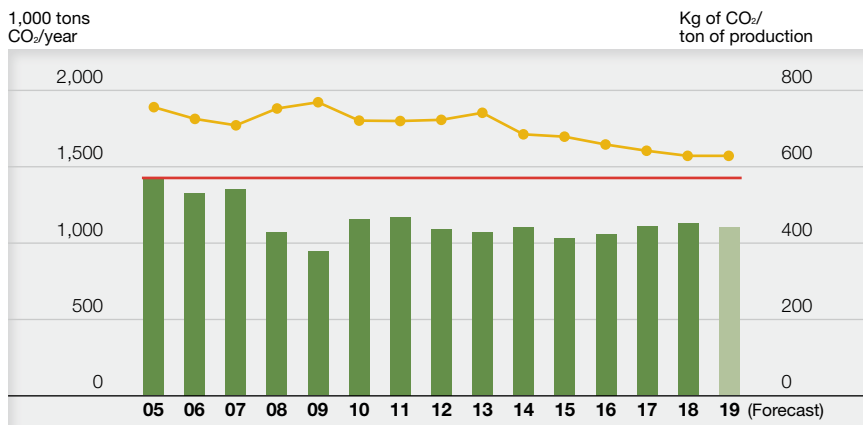
Strengthening the CSR Promotion Framework

The Daido Steel Group has responded to the needs of our various stakeholders by establishing the Human Resources Labor Committee and various other committees as parent organizations to support CSR activities, such as the Environment and Energy Committee. With a view to further strengthening this framework, in fiscal 2007, the CSR Committee was established to supervise general CSR activities. Members of the CSR Committee formulate Group-wide policies and action plans with the aim of unifying and expanding CSR activities across all Group companies and divisions.

Starting January 2013, the Environment and Energy Committee was split into two independent committees (namely, the Environment Committee and the Energy Committee) to promote CSR activities in a more fulfilling way.

* For details, please refer to the annually issued CSR Report.
URL: <http://www.daido.co.jp/csr/data/report.html> (Japanese only)

ENERGY UNIT AND CO₂ EMISSIONS VOLUME



■ CO₂ emissions volume (left scale)

● CO₂ emissions per ton of production (right scale)

(Base year: FY2005)

* CO₂ emissions coefficient for electric power: 0.374 kg of CO₂/kWh

Basic Policy

Daido Steel views corporate governance as one of the key issues for management in today's rapidly changing business environment. We strive to increase management efficiency, accelerate and improve decision-making, and ensure management transparency.

In addition to determining the Daido Steel Group Management Philosophy and Guidelines, the Company has also established the Daido Steel Corporate Code of Ethics to clarify its responsibilities as a corporation that contributes to society. Through these measures, the Company endeavors to maintain its foundation as a corporation that is open to society.

Governance System

Daido Steel uses an Audit & Supervisory Board system. By using a system that supervises and oversees business execution through a Board of Directors, including three external directors, and an Audit & Supervisory Board, including two external Audit & Supervisory Board members, Daido Steel enhances its corporate governance, optimizes and accelerates decision-making and secures fair and transparent management.

Internal Control System

Risk Management Initiatives

Daido Steel emphasizes risk management and legal compliance in its management. Specifically, the Company has set out basic points for risk management in the Risk Management Regulations. In addition, we have established a Corporate Risk Management (CRM) Committee to discuss management of projected upcoming and latent risks within the Group.

The Company has appointed a director who is responsible for the Company-wide supervision of risk management and compliance.

The Company has formulated regulations for emergency countermeasures in the event of a major accident or other issue, with the purpose of promptly sharing information with concerned parties, speedy and smooth response to the issue, and minimizing the impact on business activities. The Company disseminated the regulations to all employees and Group companies while determining rules for emergency countermeasures and contact systems with the Group companies. The Company and Group companies also participate in Group CRM study sessions for information exchange and the study of auditing techniques related to risk management, compliance, internal controls and other topics.

Efforts to Enhance Compliance

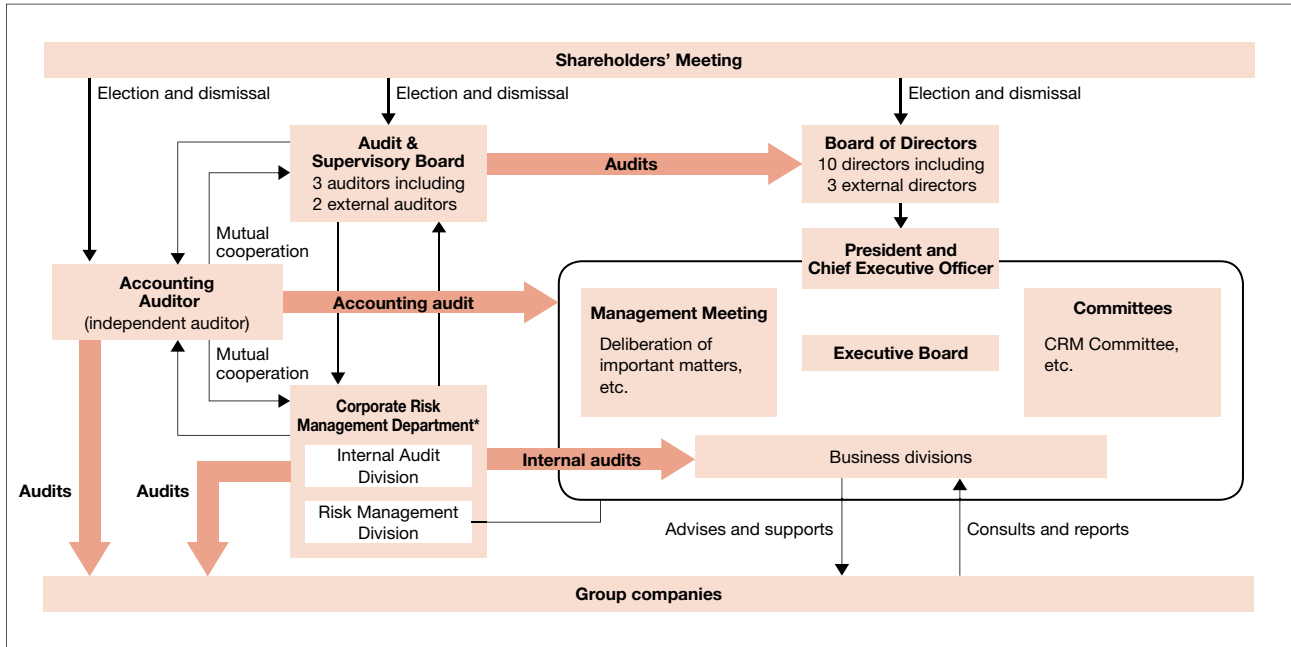
Daido Steel has established the Daido Steel Corporate Code of Ethics and the Daido Steel Code of Conduct, and works to disseminate them to all employees and Group companies. The Company also maintains a hotline for the purpose of consultation and reporting on compliance for employees in charge of risk management and compliance, as well as directors in charge of management, divisions in charge, and outside attorneys.

Efforts to Ensure the Reliability of Financial Reporting

The Daido Steel Group prescribes the basic points for system improvement and operation in the Internal Control Regulations to ensure the reliability of financial reporting and enhance the level of response of the Company and Group companies to J-SOX, and has established a CRM Committee.

MECHANISM FOR BUSINESS EXECUTION, AUDIT, SUPERVISION AND INTERNAL CONTROL

(As of June 26, 2019)



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OVERVIEW OF OPERATING ENVIRONMENT AND PERFORMANCE

In fiscal 2018, the Japanese economy continued to see moderate recovery in consumer spending as employment and income conditions improved. With growth in capital expenditures in the corporate sector as well, the economy itself remained on a gradual recovery track. However, some weakness in industrial production and other soft spots emerged in the economy heading into the fourth quarter. In the U.S., the steady economic recovery continued as consumer spending and capital expenditures increased. In Europe, the modest economic recovery continued on the back of strong employment conditions, but also exhibited some stalling with Germany's GDP growth trending flat. In China, economic growth decelerated as exports declined, but government stimulus measures are expected to provide support going forward.

Under these economic circumstances, the Daido Steel Group's key client industries such as automobiles and industrial equipment generally did well. Accordingly, steel sales volumes increased year on year. However, demand declined in some areas such as semiconductors. As for raw materials and auxiliary materials, scrap steel prices generally increased year on year due to robust domestic demand. Also, sharp growth in prices for auxiliary materials including graphite electrodes used in steelmaking resulted in higher costs.

As a result, the Daido Steel Group's net sales in fiscal 2018 increased by ¥38,036 million year on year to ¥543,255 million, due to a rise in sales prices reflecting higher prices for raw materials and auxiliary materials, as well as growth in sales volumes. Ordinary income declined by ¥1,787 million to ¥34,343 million, owing to impact from higher costs associated with a sharp rise in auxiliary material prices. Net income attributable to owners of the parent decreased by ¥2,738 million to ¥21,182 million.

BUSINESS SEGMENT PERFORMANCE

Specialty Steel

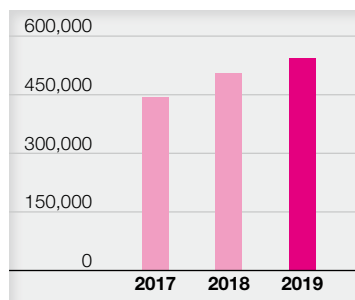
Sales volume for structural steel increased year on year as automobile-related demand was brisk and demand for industrial machinery was robust. Sales volume for tool steel also rose year on year, driven by strong momentum in the automobile field. Further, manufacturing costs increased, owing to the steep rise in prices for auxiliary materials and steel scrap, as mentioned above. Sales prices increased year on year, reflecting the rise in raw material and auxiliary material prices.

As a result, the specialty steel segment's net sales in fiscal 2018 increased 9.9% year on year to ¥207,744 million, due primarily to higher sales volume and an increase in sales prices reflecting higher raw material and auxiliary material prices. Operating income decreased by ¥479 million to ¥5,998 million, owing to impact from higher costs associated with a steep increase in auxiliary material prices.

NET SALES

Years ended March 31

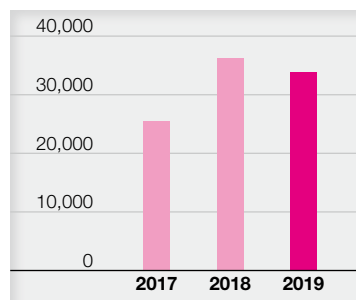
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OPERATING INCOME

Years ended March 31

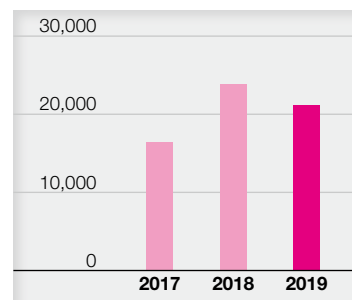
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NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE PARENT

Years ended March 31

(millions of yen)



High Performance Materials and Magnetic Materials

Sales volumes of stainless steel products and high alloys increased year on year, driven by brisker demand amid the movement to make automobiles more fuel efficient. However, semiconductor-related products were affected by capital expenditures being delayed worldwide and magnetic products by lower automobile sales in China, such that both saw a decline in sales volume along with inventory adjustments. Net sales of powder metal products increased, due to an increase in sales prices reflecting higher raw material prices.

As a result, net sales for the high performance materials and magnetic materials segment in fiscal 2018 increased 8.1% year on year to ¥184,554 million, reflecting higher sales volumes for stainless steel and high alloys used in automobiles, along with higher sales prices. Operating income decreased ¥1,501 million to ¥20,694 million, owing mainly to lower sales volumes for semiconductor-related stainless steel and magnetic products.

Parts for Automobile and Industrial Equipment

Net sales of free forged products increased year on year as strong aircraft-related demand outweighed a decline in semiconductor-related demand in the fourth quarter. Net sales of die forged products and engine valves rose year on year, reflecting brisk automobile production. Net sales of precision cast products increased year on year, owing to ongoing growth in demand for turbine housing. However, turbine wheels experienced inventory adjustments, due mainly to a decline in automobile sales in China.

As a result, net sales in the parts for automobile and industrial equipment segment for fiscal 2018 increased 3.4% year on year to ¥109,929 million, chiefly on a contribution from sales volume growth. Operating income decreased by ¥761 million to ¥2,309 million, as a sharp rise in auxiliary material prices pushed up costs.

Engineering

Net sales in the engineering segment for fiscal 2018 increased 10.7% year on year to ¥27,529 million, as companies' capital expenditures were strong, and operating income rose ¥455 million to ¥2,292 million.

Trading and Service

Net sales in the trading and service segment for fiscal 2018 declined 4.8% year on year to ¥13,499 million, while operating income decreased by ¥158 million to ¥2,527 million. These decreases partly reflected lower sales at the China trading subsidiary from a slowdown in domestic demand in China.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

R&D costs for the entire Daido Steel Group during the fiscal year under review totaled ¥5,638 million. The research objectives, main achievements and R&D costs in each business segment were as follows:

(1) Specialty Steel

Daido Steel bears the principal responsibility for carrying out specialty steel R&D. Research areas include basic material development, such as automotive structural steel and tool steel. Other areas of emphasis are development of process innovations ranging from steelmaking, refining and solidification to quality assurance for finished products.

Specialty steel R&D costs during the fiscal year under review totaled ¥1,593 million.

(2) High Performance Materials and Magnetic Materials

Development of materials that resist corrosion and heat, high-grade strip steel, welding materials, electromagnetic materials, and other basic materials, as well as R&D of electronic devices, is conducted mainly by Daido Steel. R&D costs in this segment during the fiscal year under review amounted to ¥2,660 million.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES BY SEGMENT

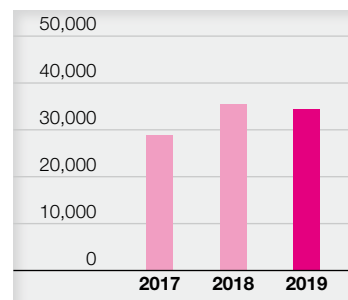
Years ended March 31

	Millions of Yen		
	2019	2018	Change (%)
Specialty Steel	¥11,011	¥ 8,207	34.2
High Performance Materials and Magnetic Materials	12,776	12,087	5.7
Parts for Automobile and Industrial Equipment	9,704	14,139	(31.4)
Engineering	268	254	5.5
Trading and Service	652	919	(29.1)
Total	¥34,413	¥35,606	(3.4)

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

Years ended March 31

(millions of yen)



(3) Parts for Automobiles and Industrial Equipment

Mainly the responsibility of Daido Steel, R&D in this segment concentrates on development of turbochargers, engine valves and other automotive parts, and parts for various types of industrial machinery. R&D costs for the fiscal year under review in this segment totaled ¥1,253 million.

(4) Engineering

Engineering R&D is carried out primarily by Daido Steel, focused on development of environmental conservation and recycling equipment and a variety of energy-saving industrial furnaces. Engineering R&D costs during the fiscal year under review were ¥130 million.

(5) Trading and Service

There are no R&D activities in this segment.

FINANCIAL POSITION

Cash Flows

Cash and cash equivalents as of March 31, 2019 amounted to ¥40,729 million, representing an increase of ¥469 million year on year.

Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities amounted to ¥28,114 million, a decrease of ¥2,929 million from the previous fiscal year. This mainly reflected income before income taxes of ¥33,111 million.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities totaled ¥33,708 million, an increase of ¥3,491 million from the previous fiscal year. The major cash outflows included ¥34,355 million in purchases of property, plant, and equipment.

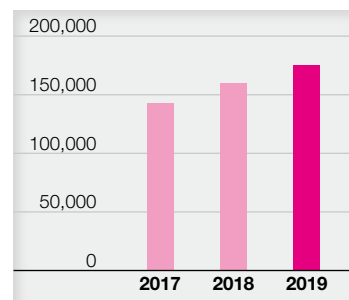
Cash Flows from Financing Activities

Net cash provided by financing activities was ¥5,589 million, an increase of ¥111 million from the previous fiscal year. The main cash inflow was proceeds of ¥10 billion from the issue of corporate bonds.

INTEREST-BEARING DEBT

Years ended March 31

(millions of yen)



CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

DAIDO STEEL CO., LTD. AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
MARCH 31, 2019

ASSETS	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars (Note 1)
	2019	2018	2019
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 15)	¥ 40,729	¥ 40,259	\$ 366,928
Time deposits (Notes 7 and 15)	1,006	1,909	9,063
Receivables:			
Trade (Note 15)	132,800	134,153	1,196,397
Other	1,142	1,330	10,288
Total receivables	133,942	135,483	1,206,685
Inventories (Note 4)	132,547	115,064	1,194,117
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	4,919	4,658	44,315
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(62)	(65)	(559)
Total current assets	313,081	297,308	2,820,549
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:			
Land (Note 7)	36,291	36,083	326,946
Buildings and structures (Notes 5 and 7)	199,552	190,688	1,797,766
Machinery and equipment (Notes 5 and 7)	499,787	485,110	4,502,586
Construction in progress	7,946	5,953	71,585
Total	743,576	717,834	6,698,883
Accumulated depreciation	(517,498)	(505,805)	(4,662,144)
Net property, plant, and equipment	226,078	212,029	2,036,739
INVESTMENTS AND OTHER ASSETS:			
Investment securities (Notes 3, 7 and 15)	70,955	85,154	639,234
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies (Note 15)	18,144	21,109	163,460
Asset for employees' retirement benefits (Note 8)	14,802	19,139	133,351
Deferred tax assets (Note 10)	2,577	2,396	23,216
Other investments and assets	5,060	4,886	45,586
Total investments and other assets	111,538	132,684	1,004,847
TOTAL	¥ 650,697	¥ 642,021	\$ 5,862,135

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars (Note 1)
	2019	2018	2019
CURRENT LIABILITIES:			
Short-term borrowings (Notes 6 and 15)	¥ 66,673	¥ 50,156	\$ 600,658
Current portion of long-term debt (Notes 6, 7 and 15)	26,493	30,909	238,676
Payables:			
Trade (Notes 7 and 15)	87,361	90,381	787,036
Acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment	13,260	13,866	119,459
Total payables	100,621	104,247	906,495
Income taxes payable (Note 15)	5,372	7,447	48,396
Accrued expenses	12,634	12,915	113,820
Provision for environmental measures	1,176	653	10,595
Other current liabilities (Note 7)	8,122	5,812	73,171
Total current liabilities	221,091	212,139	1,991,811
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:			
Long-term debt (Notes 6, 7 and 15)	81,622	78,981	735,333
Liability for employees' retirement benefits (Note 8)	10,330	9,642	93,063
Retirement allowance for directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members	792	798	7,135
Provision for environmental measures	3,039	3,086	27,378
Deferred tax liabilities (Note 10)	12,829	18,272	115,577
Other long-term liabilities	2,854	2,693	25,712
Total long-term liabilities	111,466	113,472	1,004,198
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (Note 17)			
EQUITY (Note 9):			
Common stock:			
Authorized: 116,000 thousand shares			
Issued: 43,448 thousand shares in 2019 and 2018	37,172	37,172	334,883
Capital surplus	30,286	30,337	272,847
Retained earnings	203,299	187,799	1,831,522
Treasury stock, at cost:			
819 thousand shares in 2019 and 817 thousand shares in 2018	(3,652)	(3,644)	(32,901)
Accumulated other comprehensive income:			
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities	17,496	27,498	157,622
Deferred (loss) gain on derivatives under hedge accounting	(0)	0	(0)
Land revaluation surplus	1,538	1,805	13,856
Foreign currency translation adjustments	984	1,756	8,865
Defined retirement benefit plans	(1,615)	1,712	(14,550)
Total	285,508	284,435	2,572,144
Noncontrolling interests	32,632	31,975	293,982
Total equity	318,140	316,410	2,866,126
TOTAL	¥650,697	¥642,021	\$5,862,135

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

DAIDO STEEL CO., LTD. AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2019

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars (Note 1)
	2019	2018	2019
NET SALES	¥543,255	¥505,219	\$4,894,189
COST OF SALES (Note 11)	451,755	412,713	4,069,865
Gross profit	91,500	92,506	824,324
SELLING, GENERAL, AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES (Notes 11 and 12)	57,685	56,288	519,684
Operating income	33,815	36,218	304,640
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSES):			
Interest and dividend income	2,529	1,936	22,784
Interest expense	(922)	(941)	(8,306)
Equity in earnings of associated companies	1,134	978	10,216
Foreign exchange loss	(296)	(127)	(2,667)
Provision for environmental measures	(1,045)	(747)	(9,414)
Expenses for environmental measures	(64)	(550)	(577)
Loss on sales and disposals of property, plant, and equipment—net	(744)	(322)	(6,703)
Gain on sales of investment securities	29	—	261
Business structure improvement expenses (Note 13)	(754)	—	(6,793)
Provision for loss on business of unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	(134)	—	(1,207)
Other—net	(437)	386	(3,937)
Other income (expenses)—net	(704)	613	(6,343)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	33,111	36,831	298,297
INCOME TAXES (Note 10):			
Current	10,578	11,218	95,297
Deferred	(353)	(1,075)	(3,180)
Total income taxes	10,225	10,143	92,117
NET INCOME	22,886	26,688	206,180
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO NONCONTROLLING INTERESTS	1,704	2,767	15,351
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE PARENT	¥ 21,182	¥ 23,921	\$ 190,829

	Yen	U.S. Dollars
PER SHARE OF COMMON STOCK (Note 2 (u)):		
Basic net income*	¥ 496.88	¥ 561.08
Cash dividends applicable to the year*	130.00	120.00
		\$ 4.48
		1.17

	Thousands
WEIGHTED-AVERAGE NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING SHARES OF COMMON STOCK*	42,630
	42,633

* Per share figures and shares have been adjusted, as appropriate, to reflect a one-for-ten reverse stock split effected October 1, 2017.
See notes to consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

DAIDO STEEL CO., LTD. AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2019

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars (Note 1)
	2019	2018	2019
NET INCOME	¥ 22,886	¥26,688	\$ 206,180
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME (Note 18):			
Unrealized (loss) gain on available-for-sale securities	(9,730)	6,188	(87,658)
Deferred loss on derivatives under hedge accounting	(1)	(1)	(9)
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(896)	621	(8,072)
Defined retirement benefit plans	(3,321)	(628)	(29,918)
Share of other comprehensive (loss) income in associates	(67)	79	(604)
Total other comprehensive (loss) income	(14,015)	6,259	(126,261)
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	¥ 8,871	¥32,947	\$ 79,919
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO:			
Owners of the parent	¥ 7,054	¥29,987	\$ 63,550
Noncontrolling interests	1,817	2,960	16,369

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

DAIDO STEEL CO., LTD. AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2019

	Thousands	Millions of Yen					
	Outstanding Number of Shares of Common Stock*	Common Stock	Capital Surplus	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Deferred (Loss) Gain on Derivatives under Hedge Accounting
BALANCE, MARCH 31, 2017	42,635	¥37,172	¥29,928	¥169,497	¥(3,613)	¥ 21,236	¥ 1
Net income attributable to owners of the parent	-	-	-	23,921	-	-	-
Cash dividends, ¥120 per share	-	-	-	(5,118)	-	-	-
Purchase of treasury stock	(4)	-	-	-	(31)	-	-
Disposal of treasury stock	0	-	0	-	0	-	-
Adjustment of retained earnings for changes in the scope of consolidation	-	-	-	(510)	-	-	-
Change in the parent's ownership interest due to transactions with noncontrolling interests	-	-	409	-	-	-	-
Reversal of land revaluation surplus	-	-	-	9	-	-	-
Net change in the year	-	-	-	-	-	6,262	(1)
BALANCE, MARCH 31, 2018	42,631	37,172	30,337	187,799	(3,644)	27,498	0
Net income attributable to owners of the parent	-	-	-	21,182	-	-	-
Cash dividends, ¥130 per share	-	-	-	(5,330)	-	-	-
Purchase of treasury stock	(2)	-	-	-	(8)	-	-
Disposal of treasury stock	0	-	(0)	-	0	-	-
Adjustment of retained earnings for changes in the scope of consolidation	-	-	-	(619)	-	-	-
Change in the parent's ownership interest due to transactions with noncontrolling interests	-	-	(51)	-	-	-	-
Reversal of land revaluation surplus	-	-	-	267	-	-	-
Net change in the year	-	-	-	-	-	(10,002)	(0)
BALANCE, MARCH 31, 2019	42,629	¥37,172	¥30,286	¥203,299	¥(3,652)	¥ 17,496	¥(0)

	Millions of Yen					
	Land Revaluation Surplus	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Defined Retirement Benefit Plans	Total	Noncontrolling Interests	Total Equity
BALANCE, MARCH 31, 2017	¥1,814	¥1,452	¥ 2,365	¥259,852	¥30,649	¥290,501
Net income attributable to owners of the parent	-	-	-	23,921	-	23,921
Cash dividends, ¥120 per share	-	-	-	(5,118)	-	(5,118)
Purchase of treasury stock	-	-	-	(31)	-	(31)
Disposal of treasury stock	-	-	-	0	-	0
Adjustment of retained earnings for changes in the scope of consolidation	-	-	-	(510)	-	(510)
Change in the parent's ownership interest due to transactions with noncontrolling interests	-	-	-	409	-	409
Reversal of land revaluation surplus	-	-	-	9	-	9
Net change in the year	(9)	304	(653)	5,903	1,326	7,229
BALANCE, MARCH 31, 2018	1,805	1,756	1,712	284,435	31,975	316,410
Net income attributable to owners of the parent	-	-	-	21,182	-	21,182
Cash dividends, ¥130 per share	-	-	-	(5,330)	-	(5,330)
Purchase of treasury stock	-	-	-	(8)	-	(8)
Disposal of treasury stock	-	-	-	0	-	0
Adjustment of retained earnings for changes in the scope of consolidation	-	-	-	(619)	-	(619)
Change in the parent's ownership interest due to transactions with noncontrolling interests	-	-	-	(51)	-	(51)
Reversal of land revaluation surplus	-	-	-	267	-	267
Net change in the year	(267)	(772)	(3,327)	(14,368)	657	(13,711)
BALANCE, MARCH 31, 2019	¥1,538	¥ 984	¥(1,615)	¥285,508	¥32,632	¥318,140

Thousands of U.S. Dollars (Note 1)

	Common Stock	Capital Surplus	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	
					Unrealized Gain on Available-for-Sale Securities	Deferred (Loss) Gain on Derivatives under Hedge Accounting
BALANCE, MARCH 31, 2018	\$334,883	\$273,306	\$1,691,883	\$(32,829)	\$247,730	\$ 0
Net income attributable to owners of the parent	-	-	190,829	-	-	-
Cash dividends, \$1.13 per share	-	-	(48,018)	-	-	-
Purchase of treasury stock	-	-	-	(72)	-	-
Disposal of treasury stock	-	(0)	-	0	-	-
Adjustment of retained earnings for changes in the scope of consolidation	-	-	(5,577)	-	-	-
Change in the parent's ownership interest due to transactions with noncontrolling interests	-	(459)	-	-	-	-
Reversal of land revaluation surplus	-	-	2,405	-	-	-
Net change in the year	-	-	-	-	(90,108)	(0)
BALANCE, MARCH 31, 2019	\$334,883	\$272,847	\$1,831,522	\$(32,901)	\$157,622	\$(0)

Thousands of U.S. Dollars (Note 1)

	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income					Total Equity
	Land Revaluation Surplus	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Defined Retirement Benefit Plans	Total	Noncontrolling Interests	
BALANCE, MARCH 31, 2018	\$16,261	\$15,820	\$ 15,423	\$2,562,477	\$288,063	\$2,850,540
Net income attributable to owners of the parent	-	-	-	190,829	-	190,829
Cash dividends, \$1.13 per share	-	-	-	(48,018)	-	(48,018)
Purchase of treasury stock	-	-	-	(72)	-	(72)
Disposal of treasury stock	-	-	-	0	-	0
Adjustment of retained earnings for changes in the scope of consolidation	-	-	-	(5,577)	-	(5,577)
Change in the parent's ownership interest due to transactions with noncontrolling interests	-	-	-	(459)	-	(459)
Reversal of land revaluation surplus	-	-	-	2,405	-	2,405
Net change in the year	(2,405)	(6,955)	(29,973)	(129,441)	5,919	(123,522)
BALANCE, MARCH 31, 2019	\$13,856	\$ 8,865	\$(14,550)	\$2,572,144	\$293,982	\$2,866,126

* Shares have been restated, as appropriate, to reflect a one-for-ten reverse stock split effected October 1, 2017. See notes to consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

DAIDO STEEL CO., LTD. AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2019

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars (Note 1)
	2019	2018	2019
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Income before income taxes	¥ 33,111	¥ 36,831	\$ 298,297
Adjustments for:			
Income taxes paid	(12,629)	(8,263)	(113,775)
Depreciation and amortization	23,171	20,741	208,748
Loss on sales and disposals of property, plant, equipment, and other—net	999	270	9,000
Loss on sales of investment securities	10	1	90
Write-down of investment securities	6	1	54
Equity in earnings of associated companies	(1,134)	(978)	(10,216)
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
Decrease (increase) in notes and accounts receivable	1,258	(20,750)	11,333
Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts	58	(132)	523
Increase in inventories	(17,206)	(16,346)	(155,009)
(Decrease) increase in notes and accounts payable	(3,163)	15,146	(28,495)
Increase (decrease) in provision for environmental measures	476	(91)	4,288
(Increase) decrease in asset for retirement benefits	(180)	1,039	(1,622)
Increase in liability for employees' retirement benefits	432	422	3,892
Other—net	2,905	3,152	26,171
Total adjustments	(4,997)	(5,788)	(45,018)
Net cash provided by operating activities	28,114	31,044	253,279
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Payment for time deposits	(269)	(1,057)	(2,423)
Repayment from time deposits	1,128	464	10,162
Purchases of property, plant, and equipment	(34,355)	(30,254)	(309,505)
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment	144	1,353	1,297
Purchases of investment securities and investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	(519)	(19)	(4,676)
Proceeds from sales of investment securities and investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	86	6	775
Disbursements for originating loans	(276)	(123)	(2,486)
Proceeds from collection of loans	249	124	2,243
Other—net	104	(710)	937
Net cash used in investing activities	(33,708)	(30,216)	(303,676)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Net increase in short-term bank loans	15,603	17,419	140,568
Proceeds from long-term debt	27,422	10,654	247,045
Repayments of long-term debt	(30,677)	(15,894)	(276,369)
Acquisition of treasury stock	(8)	(31)	(72)
Acquisition of treasury stock by a subsidiary	(1)	(588)	(9)
Dividends paid, including payments to noncontrolling shareholders of subsidiaries	(6,017)	(5,750)	(54,207)
Payments for transactions with noncontrolling interests	(359)	—	(3,234)
Other—net	(374)	(332)	(3,369)
Net cash provided by financing activities	5,589	5,478	50,351
FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION ADJUSTMENTS			
ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(11)	(173)	(99)
NET (DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(16)	6,132	(144)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS OF NEWLY CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARY, BEGINNING OF YEAR	485	442	4,369
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	40,260	33,685	362,703
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	¥ 40,729	¥ 40,259	\$ 366,928

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DAIDO STEEL CO., LTD. AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2019

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Japanese Financial Instruments and Exchange Act and its related accounting regulations and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan (“Japanese GAAP”), which are different in certain respects as to the application and disclosure requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards.

In preparing these consolidated financial statements, certain reclassifications and rearrangements have been made to the consolidated financial statements issued domestically in order to present them in a form which is more familiar to readers outside Japan. In addition, certain reclassifications have been made in the 2018 consolidated financial statements to conform to the classifications used in 2019.

The consolidated financial statements are stated in Japanese yen, the currency of the country in which DAIDO STEEL CO., LTD. (the “Company”) is incorporated and operates. The translations of Japanese yen amounts into U.S. dollar amounts are included solely for the convenience of readers outside Japan and have been made at the rate of ¥111 to \$1, the approximate rate of exchange at March 31, 2019. Such translations should not be construed as representations that the Japanese yen amounts could be converted into U.S. dollars at that or any other rate.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Consolidation

The Company had 69 (67 in 2018) subsidiaries and 9 (13 in 2018) associated companies at March 31, 2019. The consolidated financial statements as of March 31, 2019, include the accounts of the Company and 38 (36 in 2018) significant subsidiaries (together, the “Group”).

Under the control and influence concepts, those companies in which the Company, directly or indirectly, is able to exercise control over operations are fully consolidated and those companies over which the Group has the ability to exercise significant influence are accounted for by the equity method.

Investments in six associated companies were accounted for by the equity method for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018. Investments in other unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies are stated at cost. If the equity method of accounting had been applied to the investments in these companies, the effect on the accompanying consolidated financial statements would not have been material.

Effective April 1, 2018, FUJI OOZX MEXICO, S.A. DE C.V. and PT. FUJI OOZX INDONESIA are newly consolidated due to increased materiality.

The fiscal years of the consolidated subsidiaries are not necessarily the same as that of the Company. Accounts of those subsidiaries which have different fiscal years have been adjusted for significant transactions to properly reflect their financial position at March 31 of each year and the results of operations for the year then ended.

All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. All material unrealized profit included in assets resulting from transactions within the Group is also eliminated.

(b) Unification of Accounting Policies Applied to Foreign Subsidiaries for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Under the Accounting Standards Board of Japan (ASBJ) Practical Issues Task Force (PITF) No. 18, “Practical Solution on Unification of Accounting Policies Applied to Foreign Subsidiaries for the Consolidated Financial Statements,” the accounting policies and procedures applied to a parent company and its subsidiaries for similar transactions and events under similar circumstances should in principle be unified for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements. However, financial statements prepared by foreign subsidiaries in accordance with either International Financial Reporting Standards or the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification – “FASB ASC”) tentatively may be used for the consolidation process, except for the following items which should be adjusted in the consolidation process so that net income is accounted for in accordance with Japanese GAAP, unless they are not material: a) amortization of goodwill; b) scheduled amortization of actuarial gain or loss of pensions that has been recorded in equity through other comprehensive income; c) expensing capitalized development costs of research and development; and d) cancellation of the fair value model accounting for property, plant, and equipment and investment properties and incorporation of cost model accounting.

(c) Business Combinations

Business combinations are accounted for using the purchase method. Acquisition-related costs, such as advisory fees or professional fees, are accounted for as expenses in the periods in which the costs are incurred. If the initial accounting for a business combination is incomplete by the end of the reporting period in which the business combination occurs, an acquirer shall report in its financial statements provisional amounts for the items for which the accounting is incomplete. During the measurement period, which shall not exceed one year from acquisition, the acquirer shall retrospectively adjust the provisional amounts recognized at the acquisition date to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date and that would have affected the measurement of the amounts recognized as of that date. Such adjustments shall be recognized as if the accounting for the business combination had been completed at the acquisition date. A parent's ownership interest in a subsidiary might change if the parent purchases or sells ownership interests in its subsidiary. The carrying amount of noncontrolling interest is adjusted to reflect the change in the parent's ownership interest in its subsidiary while the parent retains its controlling interest in its subsidiary. Any difference between the fair value of the consideration received or paid and the amount by which the noncontrolling interest is adjusted is accounted for as capital surplus as long as the parent retains control over its subsidiary.

(d) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents are short-term investments that are readily convertible into cash and that are exposed to insignificant risk of changes in value. Cash equivalents include time deposits and short-term investments which mature or become due within three months of the date of acquisition.

(e) Investment Securities

Investment securities are classified and accounted for, depending on management's intent, as follows:

Available-for-sale securities are reported at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses, net of applicable taxes, reported as a separate component of equity.

Non-marketable securities are stated at cost, determined by the moving-average method. For other-than-temporary declines in fair value, investment securities are reduced to net realizable value by a charge to income.

(f) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost, mainly determined by the weighted-average method or net selling value. Write downs of inventory of ¥133 million (\$1,198 thousand) and ¥69 million for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively, were included in cost of sales.

(g) Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

To provide for loss from doubtful accounts, an allowance for doubtful accounts is made using the historical rate of actual losses for normal receivables and the estimated irrecoverable amount for specific doubtful receivables after considering the recoverability of each account.

(h) Property, Plant, and Equipment

Property, plant, and equipment are stated at cost, less gains on grant receipts, etc. Under certain conditions, such as government grant receipts, exchanges of fixed assets of similar kinds, and sales and purchases resulting from expropriation, Japanese tax laws permit companies to defer the profit arising from such transactions by reducing the cost of the assets acquired or by providing a special reserve in the equity section. The acquisition costs of property, plant, and equipment were reduced by ¥4,763 million (\$42,910 thousand) and ¥4,611 million at March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Depreciation of leased assets is computed by the straight-line method over the lease period.

The range of useful lives is from 5 to 75 years for buildings and structures and from 4 to 17 years for machinery and equipment.

(i) Land Revaluation

Under the "Law of Land Revaluation," Nippon Drop Forge Co., Ltd., a consolidated subsidiary, elected a one-time revaluation of its own-use land to a value based on real estate appraisal information at March 31, 1999. The resulting land revaluation surplus represented unrealized appreciation of land and was stated, net of income taxes, as a component of equity. Continuous readjustment is not permitted, unless the land value subsequently declines significantly such that the amount of the decline in value should be removed from the land revaluation surplus account and related deferred tax liabilities. At March 31, 2019 and 2018, the carrying amount of the land after the above one-time revaluation exceeded the market value by ¥953 million (\$8,586 thousand) and ¥953 million, respectively.

(j) Bond Issuance Cost

Bond issuance cost is charged to income as incurred.

(k) Other Assets

Intangible assets are amortized by the straight-line method. Software costs are amortized over five years.

(l) Retirement and Pension Plans

The Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries have defined retirement benefit plans and unfunded pension plans. Certain consolidated subsidiaries have defined contribution pension plans, multiemployer contributory funded pension plans, and smaller enterprise retirement allowance mutual aid plans.

The Group accounts for the liability for retirement benefits based on the projected benefit obligations and plan assets at the balance sheet date. The projected benefit obligations are attributed to periods on a benefit formula basis. Actuarial gains and losses and past service costs that are yet to be recognized in profit or loss are recognized within equity (accumulated other comprehensive income), after adjusting for tax effects and are recognized in profit or loss over 10 years, no longer than the expected average remaining service period of the employees.

Retirement benefits to directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members of certain subsidiaries are provided at the amount that would be required if all directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members retired at the consolidated balance sheet date.

(m) Provision for Environmental Measures

A provision for environmental measures is provided to accrue the estimated costs of PCB (Poly Chlorinated Biphenyl) waste disposals and the estimated costs of removal of steel slag products sold in reserve for future expenses. The estimated costs of removal of steel slag products used in construction projects by Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Gunma Prefecture, and municipalities in Gunma were accrued and included in the provision for environmental measures in the consolidated statement of income.

(n) Research and Development Costs

Research and development costs are charged to income as incurred.

(o) Provision for Loss on Business of Unconsolidated Subsidiaries and Associated Companies

A provision for loss on business of unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies is provided, taking into account their financial results and operations.

(p) Construction Contracts

Construction revenue and construction costs should be recognized by the percentage-of-completion method if the outcome of a construction contract can be estimated reliably. When total construction revenue, total construction costs, and the stage of completion of the contract at the balance sheet date can be reliably measured, the outcome of a construction contract can be estimated reliably. If the outcome of a construction contract cannot be reliably estimated, the completed-contract method should be applied. When it is probable that the total construction costs will exceed total construction revenue, an estimated loss on the contract should be immediately recognized by providing for a loss on construction contracts.

(q) Income Taxes

The provision for income taxes is computed based on the pretax income included in the consolidated statement of income. The asset and liability approach is used to recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the carrying amounts and the tax bases of assets and liabilities. Deferred taxes are measured by applying currently enacted tax laws to the temporary differences.

(r) Foreign Currency Transactions

All short-term and long-term monetary receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Japanese yen at the exchange rates at the consolidated balance sheet date. The foreign exchange gains and losses from translation are recognized in the consolidated statement of income to the extent that they are not hedged by forward exchange contracts.

(s) Foreign Currency Financial Statements

The consolidated balance sheet accounts, and revenue and expense accounts of the consolidated foreign subsidiaries are translated into Japanese yen at the current exchange rate as of the consolidated balance sheet date except for equity, which is translated at the historical rate. Differences arising from such translation are shown as “Foreign currency translation adjustments” under accumulated other comprehensive income in a separate component of equity.

(t) Derivatives and Hedging Activities

The Group uses derivative financial instruments to manage its exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange and interest rates. Foreign currency forward contracts, currency swaps, and interest rate swaps are utilized by the Group to reduce foreign currency exchange and interest rate risks. The Group does not enter into derivatives for trading or speculative purposes.

Derivative financial instruments and foreign currency transactions are classified and accounted for as follows: a) all derivatives are recognized as either assets or liabilities and measured at fair value, and, except for those derivatives which qualify for hedge accounting, gains or losses are recognized in the consolidated statement of income and b) for derivatives used for hedging purposes, if such derivatives qualify for hedge accounting because of high correlation and effectiveness between the hedging instruments and the hedged items, gains or losses are deferred until maturity of the hedged transactions.

Foreign currency forward contracts are measured at fair value, and the unrealized gains (losses) are recognized in the consolidated statement of income. Forward contracts used to hedge forecasted (or committed) transactions are also measured at fair value, but the unrealized gains (losses) are deferred until the underlying transactions are completed. Trade receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the contracted rates if the forward contracts qualify for hedge accounting.

Long-term debt and interests denominated in foreign currencies for which currency swaps are used to hedge the foreign currency fluctuations are translated at the contracted rate if the swaps qualify for hedge accounting.

Interest rate swaps which qualify for hedge accounting and meet specific matching criteria are not remeasured at market value but the differential paid or received under the swap agreements is recognized and included in interest expense.

(u) Per Share Information

Net income per share is computed by dividing net income attributable to common shareholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the period.

Diluted net income per share is not disclosed because the Group had no dilutive shares at March 31, 2019 and 2018.

Cash dividends per share presented in the accompanying consolidated statement of income are dividends applicable to the respective years, including dividends to be paid after the end of year.

On October 1, 2017, the Company effected a one-for-ten reverse stock split based on the resolution of the Shareholders meeting held on June 28, 2017. All shares and per share figures for the year ended March 31, 2018 have been adjusted to reflect the impact of the reverse stock split and to provide data as if the reverse stock split were effected on April 1, 2017. Such restatements included calculations regarding the Company’s weighted-average number of common shares, basic net income per share, and cash dividends per share.

(v) New Accounting Pronouncements

On March 30, 2018, the ASBJ issued ASBJ Statement No. 29, “Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition,” and ASBJ Guidance No. 30, “Implementation Guidance on Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition.” The core principle of the standard and guidance is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. An entity should recognize revenue in accordance with that core principle by applying the following steps:

- Step 1: Identify the contract(s) with a customer
- Step 2: Identify the performance obligations in the contract
- Step 3: Determine the transaction price
- Step 4: Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract
- Step 5: Recognize revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation

The accounting standard and guidance are effective for annual periods beginning on or after April 1, 2021. Earlier application is permitted for annual periods beginning on or after April 1, 2018.

The Group expects to apply the accounting standard and guidance for annual periods beginning on or after April 1, 2021, and is in the process of measuring the effects of applying the accounting standard and guidance in future applicable periods.

(w) Changes in Presentation

(Application of Partial Amendments to Accounting Standard for Tax Effect Accounting)

On February 16, 2018, the ASBJ issued ASBJ Statement No. 28, "Partial Amendments to Accounting Standard for Tax Effect Accounting," which requires deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities to be classified as investments and other assets and long-term liabilities, respectively. Deferred tax assets were previously classified as current assets and investments and other assets, and deferred tax liabilities were previously classified as current liabilities and long-term liabilities under the previous accounting standard. The revised accounting standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after April 1, 2018. The Group retrospectively applied the revised accounting standard effective April 1, 2018, and deferred tax assets of ¥4,588 million which were previously classified as current assets as of March 31, 2018, have been reclassified as investments and other assets (¥2,397 million at March 31, 2018) in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. Deferred tax assets were net against deferred tax liabilities recorded by the same taxpayer. As a result, total assets and total liabilities decreased by ¥3,019 million at March 31, 2018. In accordance with transitional treatment allowed for the adoption of the revised accounting standard, a note giving information on valuation allowances for tax loss carryforwards and for temporary differences for the year ended March 31, 2018, was not separately disclosed.

(Consolidated Statement of Income)

"Investment rents received" was separately disclosed under other income (expense) of the consolidated statement of income for the year ended March 31, 2018. Since the amount decreased during the year ended March 31, 2019, investment rents received for the year ended March 31, 2018, are included in "other—net" under other income (expense). As a result, ¥75 million of "investment rents received" and ¥311 million of "other—net" for the year ended March 31, 2018, was reclassified to "other—net" of ¥386 million.

3. INVESTMENT SECURITIES

Investment securities at March 31, 2019 and 2018, consisted of the following:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Noncurrent:			
Equity securities	¥70,955	¥85,154	\$639,234
Total	¥70,955	¥85,154	\$639,234

The costs and aggregate fair values of investment securities at March 31, 2019 and 2018, were as follows:

	Millions of Yen			
	Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
March 31, 2019				
Available-for-sale:				
Equity securities	¥44,043	¥28,121	¥3,188	¥68,976
	Millions of Yen			
March 31, 2018	Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
Available-for-sale:				
Equity securities	¥44,818	¥39,661	¥1,297	¥83,182
	Thousands of U.S. Dollars			
March 31, 2019	Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
Available-for-sale:				
Equity securities	\$396,784	\$253,342	\$28,721	\$621,405

Information for available-for-sale securities that were sold during the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, was as follows:

	Millions of Yen			Thousands of U.S. Dollars		
	Proceeds	Realized Gains	Realized Losses	Proceeds	Realized Gains	Realized Losses
March 31, 2019						
Available-for-sale:						
Equity securities	¥51	¥0	¥39	\$459	\$0	\$351

	Millions of Yen		
	Proceeds	Realized Gains	Realized Losses
March 31, 2018			
Available-for-sale:			
Equity securities	¥6	–	¥1

Impairment losses on equity securities and investments in associated companies for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, were ¥7 million (\$63 thousand) and nil, respectively.

4. INVENTORIES

Inventories held by the Group at March 31, 2019 and 2018, consisted of the following:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Merchandise	¥ 24,836	¥ 19,426	\$ 223,748
Finished products	15,088	12,637	135,928
Semifinished products	25,071	21,792	225,865
Work in process	29,458	26,180	265,387
Raw materials	22,491	22,322	202,622
Supplies	15,603	12,707	140,567
Total	¥132,547	¥115,064	\$1,194,117

5. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

The Company and certain consolidated subsidiaries hold some rental properties, such as office buildings and land in Aichi and other areas. The net amounts of rental income and operating expenses for those rental properties were ¥1,427 million (\$12,856 thousand) and ¥1,355 million for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

The carrying amounts, changes in such balances, and market prices of such properties at March 31, 2019 and 2018, were as follows:

Millions of Yen				Thousands of U.S. Dollars			
Carrying Amount		Fair Value		Carrying Amount		Fair Value	
March 31, 2018	Decrease, net	March 31, 2019	March 31, 2019	March 31, 2018	Decrease, net	March 31, 2019	March 31, 2019
¥9,514	¥(680)	¥8,834	¥38,377	\$85,712	\$(6,126)	\$79,586	\$345,739

Millions of Yen			
Carrying Amount		Fair Value	
March 31, 2017	Increase, net	March 31, 2018	March 31, 2018
¥5,422	¥4,092	¥9,514	¥38,646

- Notes: 1. The carrying amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheet was net of accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any.
2. The decreases during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2019, primarily represent depreciation of ¥484 million (\$4,361 thousand). The increase during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2018, primarily represents the effect of the newly consolidated subsidiaries of ¥4,513 million.
3. The fair value of properties was primarily measured by the Group in accordance with its Real-Estate Appraisal Standard.

6. SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS AND LONG-TERM DEBT

Short-term borrowings consisted of notes to banks and bank overdrafts. Commercial papers were included in the short-term borrowings in the amount of ¥8,000 million (\$72,072 thousand) at March 31, 2019. The weighted-average rates of annual interest applicable to short-term bank loans at March 31, 2019 and 2018, were 0.49% and 0.50%, respectively.

Long-term debt at March 31, 2019 and 2018, consisted of the following:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Loans from banks and other financial institutions due serially to 2026 with weighted-average interest rates of 0.49% and 0.58% in 2019 and 2018, respectively	¥ 77,601	¥ 89,339	\$ 699,108
0.335% unsecured bonds due May 27, 2019	10,000	10,000	90,090
0.150% unsecured bonds due March 7, 2022	10,000	10,000	90,090
0.410% unsecured bonds due December 12, 2028	10,000	–	90,090
Obligations under finance leases	514	551	4,631
Total	108,115	109,890	974,009
Less: Portion due within one year	(26,493)	(30,909)	(238,676)
Total long-term debt	¥ 81,622	¥ 78,981	\$ 735,333

Annual maturities of long-term debt at March 31, 2019, were as follows:

Year Ending March 31	Millions of Yen	Thousands of U.S. Dollars
2020	¥ 26,493	\$238,676
2021	17,740	159,820
2022	19,779	178,189
2023	17,923	161,468
2024	18,979	170,982
2025 and thereafter	7,201	64,874
Total	¥108,115	\$974,009

The Company and a consolidated subsidiary entered into line-on-credit agreements with six banks. The details of the agreement were as follows:

	Millions of Yen	Thousands of U.S. Dollars
Line of credit amount	¥19,500	\$175,676
Balance used at March 31, 2019	–	–

7. PLEDGED ASSETS

The carrying amounts of assets pledged as collateral for notes and accounts payable of ¥17 million (\$153 thousand), current portion of long-term debt of ¥250 million (\$2,252 thousand), other current liabilities of ¥8 million (\$72 thousand), and long-term debt of ¥3,750 million (\$33,784 thousand) at March 31, 2019, were as follows:

	Millions of Yen	Thousands of U.S. Dollars
Time deposits	¥ 739	\$ 6,657
Land	5,061	45,595
Buildings and structures	5,982	53,892
Machinery and equipment	888	8,000
Investment securities	39	351
Total	¥12,709	\$114,495

8. RETIREMENT AND PENSION PLANS

The Company and its consolidated subsidiaries have defined retirement benefit plans and unfunded pension plans. Certain consolidated subsidiaries have defined contribution pension plans, multi-employer contributory funded pension plans, and smaller enterprise retirement allowance mutual aid plans.

The Group has employee retirement benefit trusts.

Furthermore, additional severance payments, which are not included in liability for employees' retirement benefits, are paid in certain cases.

Certain small consolidated subsidiaries apply the simplified method to state the liability based on the amount which would be paid if employees retired at the consolidated balance sheet date.

Some subsidiaries participate in multiemployer contributory funded plans, and the plans are accounted for as if the plans were defined contribution plans if the plan assets attributable to the contributions by the subsidiaries cannot be reliably determined.

1. The changes in defined benefit obligation for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, were as follows:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Balance at beginning of year	¥53,240	¥53,246	\$479,640
Current service cost	2,379	2,218	21,432
Interest cost	166	168	1,496
Actuarial losses	363	708	3,270
Benefits paid	(3,111)	(3,214)	(28,027)
Past service cost	-	101	-
Others	(7)	13	(63)
Balance at end of year	¥53,030	¥53,240	\$477,748

2. The changes in plan assets for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, were as follows:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Balance at beginning of year	¥65,025	¥67,357	\$585,811
Expected return on plan assets	1,316	1,278	11,856
Actuarial losses	(4,315)	(1,884)	(38,874)
Contributions from the employer	880	819	7,928
Benefits paid	(2,785)	(2,549)	(25,090)
Others	(5)	4	(45)
Balance at end of year	¥60,116	¥65,025	\$541,586

3. The changes in liability for employees' retirement benefits for which the simplified method was applied to record the liability for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, were as follows:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Balance at beginning of year	¥2,289	¥2,240	\$20,622
Pension costs	858	598	7,730
Benefits paid	(245)	(252)	(2,207)
Contributions to pension funds	(288)	(308)	(2,595)
Others	0	11	0
Balance at end of year	¥2,614	¥2,289	\$23,550

4. A reconciliation between the liability recorded in the consolidated balance sheet and the balances of defined benefit obligation and plan assets as of March 31, 2019 and 2018, is as follows:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Funded defined benefit obligation	¥ 53,132	¥ 53,225	\$ 478,667
Plan assets	(63,607)	(68,414)	(573,036)
Total	(10,475)	(15,189)	(94,369)
Unfunded defined benefit obligation	6,004	5,692	54,090
Net asset arising from defined benefit obligation	¥ (4,471)	¥ (9,497)	\$ (40,279)

5. The components of net periodic benefit costs for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, were as follows:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Service cost	¥ 2,379	¥ 2,218	\$ 21,433
Interest cost	166	169	1,495
Expected return on plan assets	(1,316)	(1,278)	(11,856)
Amortization of prior service cost	21	1,858	189
Recognized actuarial gains	(118)	(70)	(1,063)
Retirement benefits for which simplified method was applied	858	598	7,730
Additional severance payments	198	181	1,784
Net periodic benefit costs	¥ 2,188	¥ 3,676	\$ 19,712

6. Amounts recognized in other comprehensive income (before income tax effect) in respect of defined retirement benefit plans for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, are as follows:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Prior service cost	¥ (118)	¥(171)	\$ (1,063)
Actuarial losses	(4,656)	(734)	(41,946)
Total	¥(4,774)	¥(905)	\$(43,009)

7. Amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income (before income tax effect) in respect of defined retirement benefit plans as of March 31, 2019 and 2018, are as follows:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Unrecognized prior service cost	¥ (64)	¥ 54	\$ (577)
Unrecognized actuarial (gains) losses	(2,575)	2,081	(23,198)
Total	¥(2,639)	¥2,135	\$(23,775)

8. Plan assets

(1) Components of plan assets

Plan assets consisted of the following:

	2019	2018
Debt investments	17%	14%
Equity investments	57	62
Assets in an insurer's general account	24	22
Others	2	2
Total	100%	100%

(2) Method of determining the expected rate of return on plan assets

The expected rate of return on plan assets is determined considering the long-term rates of return which are expected currently and in the future from the various components of the plan assets.

9. Assumptions used for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, are set forth as follows:

	2019	2018
Discount rate	0.3%	0.3%
Expected rate of return on plan assets	2.0	2.0

Some consolidated subsidiaries participate in a multi-employer plan for which the Company cannot reasonably calculate the amount of plan assets corresponding to the contributions made by the subsidiaries. Therefore, it is accounted for using the same methods as used to account for a defined contribution plan.

The contributions to such multi-employer plan, which are accounted for using the same method as a defined contribution plan, were ¥426 million (\$3,838 thousand) and ¥317 million for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

(1) The funded status of the multi-employer plan as of March 31, 2019 and 2018, was as follows:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Plan assets	¥64,841	¥178,928	\$584,153
Sum of actuarial liabilities of pension plan and minimum actuarial reserve	54,687	178,704	492,676
Net balance	¥10,154	¥ 224	\$ 91,477

(2) The contribution ratio of the Group in the multi-employer plan for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, was as follows:

	2019	2018
The contribution ratio of the Group in the multi-employer plan	2.83%	2.75%

9. EQUITY

Japanese companies are subject to the Companies Act of Japan (the "Companies Act"). The significant provisions in the Companies Act that affect financial and accounting matters are summarized below:

(a) Dividends

Under the Companies Act, companies can pay dividends at any time during the fiscal year in addition to the year-end dividend upon resolution at the shareholders' meeting. Additionally, for companies that meet certain criteria such as (1) having a Board of Directors, (2) having independent auditors, (3) having an Audit & Supervisory Board, and (4) the term of service of the directors being prescribed as one year rather than the normal two-year term by its articles of incorporation, the Board of Directors may declare dividends (except for dividends-in-kind) at any time during the fiscal year if the company has prescribed so in its articles of incorporation. However, the Company cannot do so because it does not meet all the above criteria.

The Companies Act permits companies to distribute dividends-in-kind (non-cash assets) to shareholders subject to certain limitations and additional requirements.

Semiannual interim dividends may also be paid once a year upon resolution by the Board of Directors if the articles of incorporation of the company so stipulate. The Companies Act provides certain limitations on the amounts available for dividends or the purchase of treasury stock. The limitation is defined as the amount available for distribution to the shareholders, but the amount of net assets after dividends must be maintained at no less than ¥3 million.

(b) Increases/Decreases and Transfer of Common Stock, Reserve, and Surplus

The Companies Act requires that an amount equal to 10% of dividends must be appropriated as a legal reserve (a component of retained earnings) or as additional paid-in capital (a component of capital surplus) depending on the equity account charged upon the payment of such dividends until the total of the aggregate amount of the legal reserve and additional paid-in capital equals 25% of common stock. Under the Companies Act, the total amount of additional paid-in capital and legal reserve may be reversed without limitation. The Companies Act also provides that common stock, legal reserve, additional paid-in capital, other capital surplus, and retained earnings can be transferred among the accounts within equity under certain conditions upon resolution of the shareholders.

(c) Treasury Stock and Treasury Stock Acquisition Rights

The Companies Act also provides for companies to purchase treasury stock and dispose of such treasury stock by resolution of the Board of Directors. The amount of treasury stock purchased cannot exceed the amount available for distribution to the shareholders, which is determined by a specific formula. Under the Companies Act, stock acquisition rights are presented as a separate component of equity. The Companies Act also provides that companies can purchase both treasury stock acquisition rights and treasury stock. Such treasury stock acquisition rights are presented as a separate component of equity or deducted directly from stock acquisition rights.

On October 1, 2017, the Company effected a one-for-ten reverse stock split based on the resolution of the shareholders' meeting held on June 28, 2017.

10. INCOME TAXES

The Company and its domestic subsidiaries are subject to Japanese national and local income taxes which, in the aggregate, resulted in normal effective statutory tax rates of approximately 30% and 31% for each of the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

The tax effects of significant temporary differences and loss carryforwards, which resulted in deferred tax assets and liabilities at March 31, 2019 and 2018, were as follows:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Deferred tax assets:			
Accrued bonuses	¥ 2,430	¥ 2,371	\$ 21,892
Liability for employees' retirement benefits	3,246	2,981	29,243
Allowance for doubtful accounts	44	22	396
Write-down of securities and other assets	2,844	2,732	25,622
Tax loss carryforwards	3,483	3,154	31,378
Elimination of unrealized gain on inventories	1,020	939	9,189
Provision for environmental measures	1,306	1,121	11,766
Enterprise tax	402	467	3,631
Other	3,635	3,665	32,748
Total of tax loss carryforwards and temporary differences	18,411	17,452	165,865
Less valuation allowance for tax loss carryforwards	(3,454)	–	(31,117)
Less valuation allowance for temporary differences	(5,537)	–	(49,883)
Total valuation allowance	(8,991)	(8,375)	(81,000)
Total deferred tax assets	9,420	9,077	84,865
Deferred tax liabilities:			
Deferred gain on property, plant, and equipment	1,655	1,700	14,910
Land revaluation surplus	659	1,219	5,937
Unrealized gain on securities	7,468	11,494	67,279
Asset for employees' retirement benefits	3,118	4,323	28,090
Unrealized gain on land resulting from consolidation of a subsidiary	1,745	1,079	15,721
Transfer of investment securities from retirement benefit trust	3,454	3,342	31,117
Other	1,574	1,796	14,180
Total deferred tax liabilities	19,673	24,953	177,234
Net deferred tax liabilities	¥10,253	¥15,876	\$ 92,369

The expiration of tax loss carryforwards, the related valuation allowance and the resulting net deferred tax assets at March 31, 2019, were as follows:

	Millions of Yen						
	Due in One Year or Less	Due after One Year through Two Years	Due after Two Years through Three Years	Due after Three Years through Four Years	Due after Four Years through Five Years	Due after Five Years	Total
March 31, 2019							
Deferred tax assets relating to tax loss carryforwards	–	–	¥ 178	¥ 697	¥ 671	¥ 1,937	¥ 3,483
Less valuation allowance for tax loss carryforwards	–	–	(178)	(697)	(647)	(1,932)	(3,454)
Net deferred tax assets relating to tax loss carryforwards	–	–	–	–	24	5	29

	Thousands of U.S. Dollars						
	Due in One Year or Less	Due after One Year through Two Years	Due after Two Years through Three Years	Due after Three Years through Four Years	Due after Four Years through Five Years	Due after Five Years	Total
March 31, 2019							
Deferred tax assets relating to tax loss carryforwards	–	–	\$ 1,604	\$ 6,279	\$ 6,045	\$ 17,450	\$ 31,378
Less valuation allowance for tax loss carryforwards	–	–	(1,604)	(6,279)	(5,829)	(17,405)	(31,117)
Net deferred tax assets relating to tax loss carryforwards	–	–	–	–	216	45	261

A reconciliation between the normal effective statutory tax rates and the actual effective tax rates reflected in the accompanying consolidated statement of income for the year ended March 31, 2019, with the corresponding figures for 2018 is as follows:

	2019	2018
Normal effective statutory tax rates	30.0 %	31.0 %
Expenses not deductible for income tax purposes	1.1	0.7
Revenues not recognized for income tax purposes	(5.0)	(4.2)
Per capita tax	0.3	0.3
Net change in valuation allowance	1.3	(1.6)
Effects of elimination of dividends for consolidation purposes	4.6	4.1
Effect of accounting by the equity method	(1.0)	(0.8)
Higher (lower) income tax rates applicable to income in certain foreign countries	0.1	(1.0)
Tax credit	(1.6)	(1.2)
Investments in subsidiaries	0.4	0.5
Other—net	0.7	(0.3)
Actual effective tax rates	30.9 %	27.5 %

11. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COSTS

Research and development costs charged to income were ¥5,638 million (\$50,793 thousand) and ¥5,419 million for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

12. SELLING, GENERAL, AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Selling, general, and administrative expenses for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, consisted of the following:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Freight expenses	¥15,877	¥14,771	\$143,036
Salaries and welfare expenses	23,442	22,936	211,189
Provision for bonuses to employees	2,780	2,772	25,045
Provision for bonuses to directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members	227	279	2,045
Net periodic retirement benefit costs	999	1,660	9,000
Depreciation	1,359	1,256	12,243
Other	13,001	12,614	117,126
Total	¥57,685	¥56,288	\$519,684

13. OTHER EXPENSES

Business structure improvement expenses for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018 consisted of the following:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment of technological center in Kawasaki	¥687	–	\$6,189
Other	67	–	604
Total	¥754	–	\$6,793

14. LEASES

(As lessor)

Expected revenues from noncancelable operating leases at March 31, 2019 and 2018, were as follows:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Due within one year	¥ 508	¥ 508	\$ 4,577
Due after one year	1,624	2,132	14,630
Total	¥2,132	¥2,640	\$19,207

15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RELATED DISCLOSURES

(1) Group Policy for Financial Instruments

The Group uses financial instruments, mainly short-term and long-term debt including bank loans and bonds, based on its capital financing plan. Cash surpluses, if any, are invested in low-risk financial assets. Derivatives are used, not for speculative purposes, but only for the purpose of reducing exposure to financial risks as described in (2) below.

(2) Nature and Extent of Risks Arising from Financial Instruments

Receivables—trade, such as trade notes and accounts, and electronically recorded monetary claims, are exposed to customer credit risk. Although receivables in foreign currencies are exposed to the market risk of fluctuation in foreign currency exchange rates, those risks are netted against the balance of payables denominated in the same currency, of which positions are almost equal. In addition, foreign currency receivables of certain consolidated subsidiaries are hedged by using forward foreign currency contracts. Investment securities, mainly equity instruments of customers and suppliers of the Group and for alliance purposes, are exposed to the risk of market price fluctuations.

Payment terms of payables—trade, such as trade notes and accounts, and electronically recorded obligations, are less than one year. Although payables in foreign currencies are exposed to the risk of fluctuation in foreign currency exchange rates, those risks are netted against the balance of receivables denominated in the same foreign currency, of which positions are almost equal, as noted above. In addition, foreign currency trade payables in certain consolidated subsidiaries are exposed to risk resulting from fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. The risk is hedged by using forward foreign currency contracts.

Short-term borrowings and commercial paper are mainly used for general operating purposes, and long-term bank loans and bonds are mainly used for investment and strategy. Although a portion of such bank loans and commercial paper, excluding bonds, is exposed to risk of changes in variable interest rates, that risk is mitigated by using interest rate swaps. Bonds are not exposed to risk of changes in interest rates as interest rates are fixed.

Derivatives include forward foreign currency contracts and currency swaps, which are used to manage future cash flows, and interest rate swaps, which are used to manage risks from changes in interest rates of bank loans. Please see Note 16 for more details about derivatives.

(3) Risk Management for Financial Instruments

Credit Risk Management

Credit risk is the risk of economic loss arising from a counterparty's failure to repay or service debt according to the contractual terms. The Group manages its credit risk from receivables on the basis of internal guidelines, which include monitoring of payment terms and balances of major customers by each business administration department to identify the default risk of customers at an early stage. To reduce counterparty risk, the Group enters into derivative transactions only with highly rated financial institutions. Please see Note 16 for detail about derivatives.

The maximum credit risk exposure of financial assets is limited to their carrying amounts as of March 31, 2019.

Market Risk Management (Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk and Interest Rate Risk)

Foreign currency trade receivables and payables are exposed to market risk resulting from fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. Such risk is netted against the balance of receivables and payables, of which positions are almost equal. In addition, certain consolidated subsidiaries hedge such risk principally by using forward foreign currency contracts.

Interest rate swaps and currency swaps are used to manage exposure to risks of changes in interest rates of loan payables.

Investment securities are managed by monitoring market values and the financial position of issuers on a regular basis.

Derivative transactions of the Company are undertaken by the finance and accounting department and the procurement center and reported to directors or the Board of Directors based on internal policies that prescribe the authority and maximum amount for each transaction. Derivative transactions of consolidated subsidiaries are undertaken by the finance and accounting department based on internal policies.

Liquidity Risk Management

The Group manages its liquidity risk by establishing a cash management plan according to reports from each department.

(4) Fair Values of Financial Instruments

Fair values of financial instruments are based on quoted prices in active markets. If quoted prices are not available, other rational valuation techniques are used instead. Please see Note 16 for details of the fair value of derivatives.

(a) Fair value of financial instruments

March 31, 2019	Millions of Yen			Thousands of U.S. Dollars		
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Unrealized Gain (Loss)	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Unrealized Gain (Loss)
Cash and cash equivalents	¥ 40,729	¥ 40,729	–	\$ 366,928	\$ 366,928	–
Time deposits	1,006	1,006	–	9,063	9,063	–
Receivables—trade	132,800	132,800	–	1,196,397	1,196,397	–
Investment securities	68,976	68,976	–	621,405	621,405	–
Investment in an associated company	5,327	3,569	¥(1,758)	47,992	32,154	\$(15,838)
Total	¥248,838	¥247,080	¥(1,758)	\$2,241,785	\$2,225,947	\$(15,838)
Short-term borrowings	¥ 66,673	¥ 66,673	–	\$ 600,658	\$ 600,658	–
Current portion of long-term debt	26,493	26,493	–	238,676	238,676	–
Payables—trade	87,361	87,361	–	787,036	787,036	–
Income taxes payable	5,372	5,372	–	48,396	48,396	–
Long-term debt	81,622	82,098	¥ (476)	735,333	739,621	\$ (4,288)
Total	¥267,521	¥267,997	¥ (476)	\$2,410,099	\$2,414,387	\$ (4,288)

March 31, 2018	Millions of Yen		
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Unrealized Gain (Loss)
Cash and cash equivalents	¥ 40,259	¥ 40,259	–
Time deposits	1,909	1,909	–
Receivables—trade	134,153	134,153	–
Investment securities	83,182	83,182	–
Investment in an associated company	5,038	5,080	¥ 42
Total	¥264,541	¥264,583	¥ 42
Short-term borrowings	¥ 50,156	¥ 50,156	–
Current portion of long-term debt	30,909	30,909	–
Payables—trade	90,381	90,381	–
Income taxes payable	7,447	7,447	–
Long-term debt	78,981	78,782	¥199
Total	¥257,874	¥257,675	¥199

Cash and Cash Equivalents, Time Deposits, Receivables—Trade, Short-Term Borrowings, Current Portion of Long-Term Loans with Variable Interest Rates, Payables—Trade, and Income Taxes Payable

The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, time deposits, receivables—trade, short-term borrowings, current portion of long-term loans with variable interest rates, payables—trade, and income taxes payable, approximate fair value because of their short maturities. Carrying amount and fair values of receivables—trade include those hedged by foreign currency forward contracts and translated at the contracted rates. Carrying amount and fair values of short-term borrowings include those hedged by interest rate swaps which are not remeasured at market value but the differential paid or received under the swap agreement is recognized and included in interest expense.

Investment Securities

The fair values of investment securities are measured at the quoted market price of the stock exchange for equity instruments and at the quoted price obtained from the financial institution for certain debt instruments. Fair value information for investment securities by classification is included in Note 3.

Long-Term Debt

The fair values of long-term loans with fixed interest rates are determined by discounting the cash flows related to the debt* at the risk-free rate plus credit spread or at the Group's assumed corporate borrowing rate. The fair values of bonds are measured at the quoted market prices.

* For long-term borrowings hedged by interest rate swaps, principal and interest is determined by the interest rate swap contracts.

* For long-term borrowings hedged by foreign currency forward contracts, principal and interest are assumed to be fixed in Japanese yen.

Derivatives

Fair value information for derivatives is included in Note 16.

(b) Carrying amount of financial instruments whose fair value cannot be reliably determined

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2018
Securities that do not have a quoted market price in an active market:			
Investment securities	¥ 1,978	¥ 1,972	\$ 17,820
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	12,818	16,070	115,477

(5) Maturity Analysis for Financial Assets and Securities with Contractual Maturities

	Millions of Yen			
	Due in One Year or Less	Due after One Year through Five Years	Due after Five Years through Ten Years	Due after Ten Years
March 31, 2019				
Cash and cash equivalents	¥ 40,729	–	–	–
Time deposits	1,006	–	–	–
Receivables—trade	132,800	–	–	–
Total	¥174,535	–	–	–

	Thousands of U.S. Dollars			
	Due in One Year or Less	Due after One Year through Five Years	Due after Five Years through Ten Years	Due after Ten Years
March 31, 2019				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 366,928	–	–	–
Time deposits	9,063	–	–	–
Receivables—trade	1,196,397	–	–	–
Total	\$1,572,388	–	–	–

Please see Note 6 for annual maturities of long-term debt and the current portion of long-term debt.

16. DERIVATIVES

The Group enters into foreign currency forward contracts, interest rate swaps, and currency swaps. The Group does not hold or issue derivatives for trading or speculative purposes. Derivative transactions entered into by the Group have been made in accordance with internal policies, which regulate hedging policy, authorization, credit limit, and reporting to management. Each derivative transaction is periodically reported to management, which evaluates and analyzes the derivatives. To reduce the counterparty risk, the Group enters into the derivative transactions only with highly rated financial institutions. The contract amounts of derivatives shown in the table on the following page do not measure the Group's exposure to market risk.

(a) Derivative transactions to which hedge accounting is not applied at March 31, 2019 and 2018

	Millions of Yen			
At March 31, 2019	Contract Amount	Contract Amount Due after One Year	Fair Value	Unrealized Gain (Loss)
Foreign currency forward contracts:				
Buying:				
U.S. dollar	¥ 288	-	¥ 1	¥ 1
Euro	543	-	(9)	(9)
Yen	590	-	5	5
Thai baht	75	-	(0)	(0)
Chinese yuan	140	-	2	2
HK dollar	1	-	(0)	(0)
Selling:				
U.S. dollar	8,247	-	(13)	(13)
Euro	521	-	8	8
Thai baht	286	-	(4)	(4)
Chinese yuan	164	-	(2)	(2)
Indian rupiah	165	-	(9)	(9)
British pound	19	-	0	0

	Millions of Yen			
At March 31, 2018	Contract Amount	Contract Amount Due after One Year	Fair Value	Unrealized Gain (Loss)
Foreign currency forward contracts:				
Buying:				
U.S. dollar	¥ 470	-	¥ (7)	¥ (7)
Euro	71	-	(1)	(1)
Yen	588	-	(6)	(6)
Chinese yuan	101	-	(1)	(1)
Thai baht	0	-	0	0
HK dollar	0	-	0	0
Selling:				
U.S. dollar	5,949	-	23	23
Euro	292	-	6	6
Thai baht	176	-	(1)	(1)
Chinese yuan	262	-	(1)	(1)
Indian rupiah	201	-	4	4

At March 31, 2019	Thousands of U.S. Dollars			
	Contract Amount	Contract Amount Due after One Year	Fair Value	Unrealized Gain (Loss)
Foreign currency forward contracts:				
Buying:				
U.S. dollar	\$ 2,595	–	\$ 9	\$ 9
Euro	4,892	–	(81)	(81)
Yen	5,315	–	45	45
Thai baht	676	–	(0)	(0)
Chinese yuan	1,261	–	18	18
HK dollar	9	–	(0)	(0)
Selling:				
U.S. dollar	74,297	–	(117)	(117)
Euro	4,694	–	72	72
Thai baht	2,577	–	(36)	(36)
Chinese yuan	1,477	–	(18)	(18)
Indian rupiah	1,486	–	(81)	(81)
British pound	171	–	0	0

(b) Derivative transactions to which hedge accounting is applied at March 31, 2019 and 2018

At March 31, 2019	Hedged Item	Millions of Yen		
		Contract Amount	Contract Amount Due after One Year	Fair Value
Foreign currency forward contracts:				
Hedge accounting:				
Selling:				
Euro	Receivables—trade	¥ 25	–	¥(0)
Chinese yuan	Receivables—trade	32	–	(1)
Qualified for hedge accounting not remeasured at market value:				
Selling:				
U.S. dollar	Receivables—trade	9	–	See Note on the following page
Currency swaps:	Short-term bank loans and long-term debt	4,500	¥4,500	
Yen payment, U.S. dollar receipt		10,900	200	
Interest rate swaps:				
Fixed rate payment, floating rate receipt				

		Millions of Yen		
At March 31, 2018	Hedged Item	Contract Amount	Contract Amount Due after One Year	Fair Value
Foreign currency forward contracts:				
Hedge accounting:				
Selling:				
U.S. dollar	Receivables—trade	¥ 156	—	¥ 2
Euro	Receivables—trade	40	—	0
Chinese yuan	Receivables—trade	73	—	(1)
Qualified for hedge accounting not remeasured at market value:				
Selling:				
U.S. dollar	Receivables—trade	88	—	See Note below
Chinese yuan	Receivables—trade	59	—	
Currency swaps:				
Yen payment, U.S. dollar receipt	Short-term bank loans and long-term debt	5,500	¥ 4,500	See Note below
Interest rate swaps:				
Fixed rate payment, floating rate receipt		24,400	10,900	

		Thousands of U.S. Dollars		
At March 31, 2019	Hedged Item	Contract Amount	Contract Amount Due after One Year	Fair Value
Foreign currency forward contracts:				
Hedge accounting:				
Selling:				
Euro	Receivables—trade	\$ 225	—	\$(0)
Chinese yuan	Receivables—trade	288	—	(9)
Qualified for hedge accounting not remeasured at market value:				
Selling:				
U.S. dollar	Receivables—trade	81	—	See Note below
Currency swaps:				
Yen payment, U.S. dollar receipt	Short-term bank loans and long-term debt	40,541	\$40,541	See Note below
Interest rate swaps:				
Fixed rate payment, floating rate receipt		98,198	1,802	

Note: Fair values of derivatives qualified for hedge accounting, which are not remeasured at market value, are included in the fair values of hedged items in Note 15.

17. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At March 31, 2019, the Group was contingently liable for ¥1,735 million (\$15,631 thousand) for guarantees of loans and payables of unconsolidated subsidiaries, associated and other companies, and employees.

18. OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME

The components of other comprehensive (loss) income for the years ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, were as follows:

	Millions of Yen		Thousands of U.S. Dollars
	2019	2018	2019
Unrealized (loss) gain on available-for-sale securities:			
(Losses) gains arising during the year	¥(13,391)	¥ 8,810	\$(120,640)
Reclassification adjustments to profit or loss	40	(0)	360
Amount before income tax effect	(13,351)	8,810	(120,280)
Income tax effect	3,621	(2,622)	32,622
Total	(9,730)	6,188	(87,658)
Deferred loss on derivatives under hedge accounting:			
Losses arising during the year	(2)	(2)	(18)
Amount before income tax effect	(2)	(2)	(18)
Income tax effect	1	1	9
Total	(1)	(1)	(9)
Foreign currency translation adjustments:			
Adjustments arising during the year	(896)	621	(8,072)
Total	(896)	621	(8,072)
Defined retirement benefit plans:			
Adjustments arising during the year	(4,678)	(2,693)	(42,144)
Reclassification adjustments to profit or loss	(96)	1,788	(864)
Amount before income tax effect	(4,774)	(905)	(43,008)
Income tax effect	1,453	277	13,090
Total	(3,321)	(628)	(29,918)
Share of other comprehensive (loss) income in associates:			
(Losses) gains arising during the year	(68)	86	(613)
Reclassification adjustments to profit or loss	1	(7)	9
Total	(67)	79	(604)
Total other comprehensive (loss) income	¥(14,015)	¥ 6,259	\$(126,261)

19. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

Appropriations of Retained Earnings

The following appropriation of retained earnings at March 31, 2019, was approved at the Company's shareholders' meeting held on June 26, 2019:

	Millions of Yen	Thousands of U.S. Dollars
Year-end cash dividends, ¥65 (\$0.59) per share	¥2,772	\$24,973

20. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Under ASBJ Statement No. 17, "Accounting Standard for Segment Information Disclosures," and ASBJ Guidance No. 20, "Guidance on Accounting Standard for Segment Information Disclosures," an entity is required to report financial and descriptive information about its reportable segments. Reportable segments are operating segments or aggregations of operating segments that meet specified criteria. Operating segments are components of an entity about which separate financial information is available and such information is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision-maker in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. Generally, segment information is required to be reported on the same basis as is used internally for evaluating operating segment performance and deciding how to allocate resources to operating segments.

1. Description of reportable segments

The Group's reportable segments are those for which separate financial information is available and regular evaluation by the Company's management is performed in order to decide how resources are allocated among the Group.

The Group has business divisions based on the nature of its products and services industries. Each division draws up strategies and operates its own business.

The Group consists of five industries: "Specialty Steel," "High Performance Materials and Magnetic Materials," "Parts for Automobile and Industrial Equipment," "Engineering," and "Trading and Service." The "Specialty Steel" industry consists of manufacturing of specialty steel for automotive and industrial machinery parts.

The "High Performance Materials and Magnetic Materials" industry consists of manufacturing of stainless steel, high alloy and magnetic materials, titanium products, powder metals for automotive and industrial machinery, and electrical and electronic parts.

The "Parts for Automobile and Industrial Equipment" industry consists of manufacturing of die-forged parts, forging products, and other products for automotive and industrial machinery parts.

The "Engineering" industry consists of manufacturing and maintenance of steelmaking and environmental equipment, industrial furnaces, and associated equipment.

The "Trading and Service" industry consists of real estate-related services and welfare and other services.

2. Methods of measurement for the amounts of sales, profit, assets, and other items for each reportable segment

The accounting policies of each reportable segment are consistent with those disclosed in Note 2, "SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES."

Reportable segment profit represents operating income.

As stated in Note 2 (w) to the consolidated financial statements, effective April 1, 2018, the Group retrospectively applied the revised accounting standards for tax effect accounting. Segment assets at March 31, 2018 were reclassified in accordance with the revised accounting standard.

3. Information about sales, profit, assets, and other items is as follows:

	Millions of Yen								
	Reportable Segment						Total	Reconciliations	Consolidated
	Specialty Steel	High Performance Materials and Magnetic Materials	Parts for Automobile and Industrial Equipment	Engineering	Trading and Service				
2019									
Sales:									
Sales to external customers	¥207,744	¥184,554	¥109,929	¥27,529	¥13,499	¥543,255	–	¥543,255	
Intersegment sales or transfers	71,180	17,804	27,910	1,812	12,463	131,169	¥(131,169)	–	
Total	¥278,924	¥202,358	¥137,839	¥29,341	¥25,962	¥674,424	¥(131,169)	¥543,255	
Segment profit	¥ 5,998	¥ 20,694	¥ 2,309	¥ 2,292	¥ 2,527	¥ 33,820	¥ (5)	¥ 33,815	
Segment assets	222,992	214,351	143,885	19,622	20,666	621,516	29,181	650,697	
Other:									
Depreciation and amortization	7,375	7,191	7,072	222	1,311	23,171	–	23,171	
Investments in associated companies accounted for by the equity method	5,631	5,959	503	148	–	12,241	610	12,851	
Increase in property, plant, and equipment and intangible assets	11,011	12,777	9,704	269	652	34,413	–	34,413	

	Millions of Yen								
	Reportable Segment						Total	Reconciliations	Consolidated
	Specialty Steel	High Performance Materials and Magnetic Materials	Parts for Automobile and Industrial Equipment	Engineering	Trading and Service				
2018									
Sales:									
Sales to external customers	¥186,835	¥170,788	¥106,288	¥24,865	¥16,443	¥505,219	–	¥505,219	
Intersegment sales or transfers	67,973	16,022	24,519	2,110	11,430	122,054	¥(122,054)	–	
Total	¥254,808	¥186,810	¥130,807	¥26,975	¥27,873	¥627,273	¥(122,054)	¥505,219	
Segment profit	¥ 6,478	¥ 22,196	¥ 3,070	¥ 1,836	¥ 2,686	¥ 36,266	¥ (48)	¥ 36,218	
Segment assets	211,113	205,035	142,551	19,463	21,309	599,471	42,550	642,021	
Other:									
Depreciation and amortization	7,238	6,307	5,564	271	1,361	20,741	–	20,741	
Investments in associated companies accounted for by the equity method	5,273	5,607	462	138	–	11,480	523	12,003	
Increase in property, plant, and equipment and intangible assets	8,207	12,087	14,139	254	919	35,606	–	35,606	

	Thousands of U.S. Dollars								
	Reportable Segment						Total	Reconciliations	Consolidated
	Specialty Steel	High Performance Materials and Magnetic Materials	Parts for Automobile and Industrial Equipment	Engineering	Trading and Service				
2019									
Sales:									
Sales to external customers	\$1,871,568	\$1,662,648	\$ 990,351	\$248,009	\$121,613	\$4,894,189	-	\$4,894,189	
Intersegment sales or transfers	641,261	160,397	251,442	16,324	112,279	1,181,703	\$(1,181,703)	-	
Total	\$2,512,829	\$1,823,045	\$1,241,793	\$264,333	\$233,892	\$6,075,892	\$(1,181,703)	\$4,894,189	
Segment profit	\$ 54,036	\$ 186,432	\$ 20,802	\$ 20,649	\$ 22,766	\$ 304,685	\$ (45)	\$ 304,640	
Segment assets	2,008,937	1,931,090	1,296,261	176,775	186,180	5,599,243	262,892	5,862,135	
Other:									
Depreciation and amortization	66,441	64,784	63,712	2,000	11,811	208,748	-	208,748	
Investments in associated companies accounted for by the equity method	50,730	53,685	4,532	1,333	-	110,280	5,495	115,775	
Increase in property, plant, and equipment and intangible assets	99,198	115,108	87,424	2,423	5,874	310,027	-	310,027	

- Notes: 1. Reconciliations of segment profit consisted of elimination of intersegment transactions.
2. Reconciliations of segment assets and investments in associated companies consisted of corporate assets that were not allocated to any reportable segments.
3. Segment profit was reconciled to operating income in the consolidated statement of income.

4. Associated information

(1) Information about geographical areas

Sales

2019	Millions of Yen				
	Japan	North America	Asia	Other	Total
	¥413,686	¥20,385	¥99,063	¥10,121	¥543,255

2018	Millions of Yen				
	Japan	North America	Asia	Other	Total
	¥390,792	¥19,998	¥86,551	¥7,878	¥505,219

2019	Thousands of U.S. Dollars				
	Japan	North America	Asia	Other	Total
	\$3,726,901	\$183,649	\$892,459	\$91,180	\$4,894,189

(2) Information about goodwill

2018	Millions of Yen					
	Specialty Steel	High Performance Materials and Magnetic Materials	Parts for Automobile and Industrial Equipment	Engineering	Trading and Service	Total
Amortization of goodwill	¥11	-	-	-	-	¥11
Balance of goodwill	-	-	-	-	-	-



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Daido Steel Co., Ltd.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Daido Steel Co., Ltd. and its consolidated subsidiaries as of March 31, 2019, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in equity, and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, all expressed in Japanese yen.

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Daido Steel Co., Ltd. and its consolidated subsidiaries as of March 31, 2019, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan.

Convenience Translation

Our audit also comprehended the translation of Japanese yen amounts into U.S. dollar amounts and, in our opinion, such translation has been made in accordance with the basis stated in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements. Such U.S. dollar amounts are presented solely for the convenience of readers outside Japan.

June 26, 2019

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Chita Plant	39, Motohama-machi, Tokai, Aichi 477-0035, Japan	81-562-33-3101 (81-562-33-1570)
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Chita Steel Strip Plant		81-562-33-7465 (81-562-33-1019)
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Shibukawa Plant	500, Ishihara, Shibukawa, Gunma 377-0007, Japan	81-279-25-2000 (81-279-25-2040)
Kawasaki Techno Center	4-1, Yako 2-chome, Kawasaki-ku, Kawasaki, Kanagawa 210-0863, Japan	81-44-266-3760 (81-44-266-3768)
Tsukiji Techno Center	10, Ryugu-cho, Minato-ku, Nagoya, Aichi 455-0022, Japan	81-52-691-5181 (81-52-691-5212)
Metal Powder Plant		81-52-691-5186 (81-52-691-5195)
Oji Plant	9-3, Kamiya 3-chome, Kita-ku, Tokyo 115-0043, Japan	81-3-3901-4161 (81-3-3901-8211)
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Specialty Steel

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Daido Die & Mold Solutions Co., Ltd.
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DAIDO DMS MALAYSIA SDN. BHD.
DAIDO DMS SINGAPORE PTE. LTD.
Daido Shizai Service Co., Ltd.
Daido Technica Co., Ltd.
Daido EcoMet Co., Ltd.
Riken Seiko Co., Ltd.
Tohoku Steel Co., Ltd.
Maruta Transport Co., Ltd.
Sakurai Kosan Co., Ltd.
Izumi Denki Kogyo Co., Ltd.
Kawaichi Sangyo Co., Ltd.

High Performance Materials and Magnetic Materials

Nippon Seisen Co., Ltd.
THAI SEISEN Co., Ltd.
Daido Electronics Co., Ltd.
Daido Electronics (Suzhou) Co., Ltd.
Daido Electronics (Thailand) Co., Ltd.
Shimomura Tokushu Seiko Co., Ltd.
Nissei Seiko Co., Ltd.

Parts for Automobile and Industrial Equipment

Daido Castings Co., Ltd.
Daido Steel (Thailand) Co., Ltd.
FUJI OOZX Inc.
PT. FUJI OOZX INDONESIA
FUJI OOZX MEXICO, S.A. DE C.V.
FUJI VALVE (GUANGDONG) CORPORATION
Japan Drop Forge Co., Ltd.
Toyo Sangyo Co., Ltd.
Daido Star Techno Co., Ltd
Daido Precision Industries Ltd.
OHIO STAR FORGE CO.

Engineering

Daido Machinery Co., Ltd.
Daido Environment Engineering Co., Ltd.
Daido Plant Industries Co., Ltd.

Trading and Service

Daido Kogyo Co., Ltd.
The silent partnership which makes TAKAKURA FUNDING CORPORATION LTD. a business operator
Daido Life Service Co., Ltd.
Daido Steel (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.
Daido Bunseki Research Inc.
Star Info Tech Co., Ltd.
Life Support Co., Ltd.
Kisokoma Heights Co., Ltd.
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(As of March 31, 2019)

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Number of Employees (Non-Consolidated):	3,425
Common Stock:	¥37,172 million
Number of Authorized Shares:	116,000,000
Number of Issued Shares:	43,448,769
Number of Shareholders:	17,952
Independent Auditor:	Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC
Stock Exchange Listings:	Tokyo, Nagoya
Transfer Agent of Common Stock:	The Chuo Mitsui Trust and Banking Company, Limited
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