

Summary of Business Results for the 118th Fiscal Year Ending Dec 2023

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NITTOSEIKO CO., LTD.

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March 2023:
Selected as a
Health
Management
Brand for the
third consecutive
year.

March 2022:
Selected as a
Nadeshiko
Brand for the
first time.

Financial Highlights for FY2023 (Consolidated)



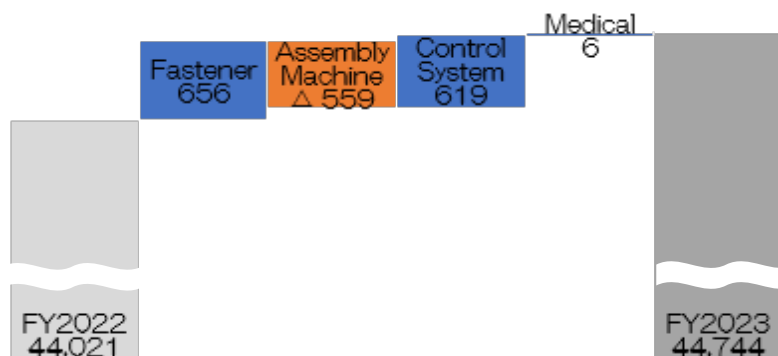
Unit: Million yen / %	2022/12 Full Year		2023/12 Full Year		YoY		2023/12 Results Compared to forecast (as of Nov. 14, 2023)		
	Amount	Ratio (%)	Amount	Ratio (%)	Amount change	% Change	Forecast amount	Amount change	% Change
Net sales	44,021	100.0	44,744	100.0	722	1.6	45,000	△ 255	△ 0.6
Gross profit	10,377	23.6	10,183	22.8	△ 194	△ 1.9			
Selling, general and administrative expenses	7,445	16.9	7,568	16.9	123	1.7			
Operating income	2,931	6.7	2,614	5.8	△ 317	△ 10.8	2,600	14	0.5
Ordinary income	3,235	7.3	2,835	6.3	△ 399	△ 12.4	2,800	35	1.3
Net income for current period before income taxes	3,194	7.3	2,830	6.3	△ 363	△ 11.4			
Net income attributed to shareholders of the parent company	1,828	4.2	1,734	3.9	△ 94	△ 5.1	1,700	34	2.0
Net income per share (yen)	49.5		46.95				46.01		

- K.M. Seiko Co., Ltd. and Pinning Co., Ltd., which became consolidated subsidiaries in April 2022, and Nittoseiko Analytech Europe GmbH, established in Germany in April 2023, contributed to business performance. In addition, sales of fastener products for the automobile, housing, and construction industries, and control products such as analytical instruments for the chemical and pharmaceutical industries showed growth, resulting in a 1.6% YoY sales increase.
- Operating income declined 10.8% YoY due to the significant impact of sluggish orders caused by the slowdown of the U.S. and Chinese economies, despite sales price revisions and cost reductions in both production and sales operations in response to soaring resource and raw material prices.
- Overseas, sales declined slightly due to the slowdown of the U.S. and Chinese economies as well as prolonged inventory adjustments by customers in Southeast Asia.

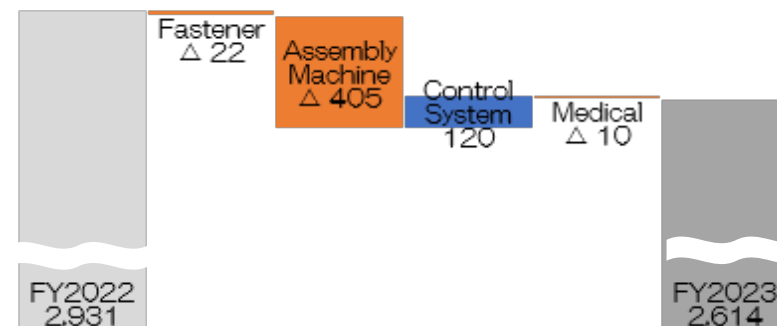
Net Sales and Operating Income by Segment (Consolidated)

Unit: Million yen / %		2022/12 Full Year	2023/12 Full Year	YoY	
				Amount change	% Change
Fastener	Net sales	32,199	32,855	656	2.0
	Operating income	1,648	1,625	△ 22	△ 1.4
	Profit ratio	5.1	4.9		
Assembly Machine	Net sales	6,515	5,955	△ 559	△ 8.6
	Operating income	1,227	822	△ 405	△ 33.0
	Profit ratio	18.8	13.8		
Control System	Net sales	5,296	5,915	619	11.7
	Operating income	157	278	120	76.4
	Profit ratio	3.0	4.7		
Medical	Net sales	10	17	6	64.1
	Operating income	△ 102	△ 112	△ 10	—
	Profit ratio	△ 976.2	△ 654.4		

(Million Yen) Change in net sales by segment



(Million Yen) Change in operating income by segment



Overview of Results by Segment - Fastener Division



Unit: Mil yen/ %	2022/12	2023/12	YOY	
	Full Year	Full Year	Amount	% Change
	Amount	Amount		
Net sales	32,199	32,855	656	2.0
Automobile	11,417	12,955	1,538	13.5
Housing and construction	6,926	7,466	540	7.8
Electrical and electronic parts	5,191	4,588	△ 602	△ 11.6
Household goods	2,775	2,140	△ 635	△ 22.9
IT and digital equipment	1,603	1,254	△ 348	△ 21.7
Precision equipment	1,142	1,098	△ 44	△ 3.9
Medical	323	289	△ 34	△ 10.6
Others	2,817	3,061	244	8.7
Operating Income	1,648	1,625	△ 22	△ 1.4

- Net sales increased due to strong demand from the housing and construction sectors in North America, in addition to the mainstay automotive sector.
- Operating income decreased due to difficult negotiations to pass on higher prices for energy and subsidiary materials, despite efforts to improve efficiency and reduce costs by consolidating manufacturing plants.

◆ Automobile

- Despite the aftermath of customers' inventory adjustments due to the coronavirus pandemic, sales recovered for "GIZATITE", "ALUMITITE", and "Screws with Captive Washers" for EVs, ECUs, batteries, sensors, and electrification. Demand for "CP GRIP", "Precision Pressed Products" and the new product "JOISTUD," which contributes to weight reduction and thinner sheets, remained strong.

◆ Housing and construction

- Demand for fastening parts for construction, such as "Self-Drilling Screws" and "Nuts," showed growth. In addition, future growth is expected with the launch of the new product "SHARECROSS" in the market.

◆ Electrical and electronic parts

- Sales remained weak due to sluggish consumption in Europe and China.

◆ Household goods

- The game machine market, which had been boosted by a stay-at-home demand during the coronavirus pandemic, calmed down, and orders for precision screws declined.

◆ IT and digital equipment

- Sluggish consumption of IT equipment in Europe, the U.S., and China has led to slowdown of production in the main production centers, such as China and Southeast Asia.

◆ Others

- Orders increased due to digitalization in Amusement machine industry.

Overview of Results by Segment - Assembly Machine Division **NITTOSEIKO**

Unit: Mil yen/ %	2022/12	2023/12	YOY	
	Full Year	Full Year		
	Amount	Amount	Amount	% Change
Net sales	6,515	5,955	△ 559	△ 8.6
Automobile	3,889	3,410	△ 479	△ 12.3
Electrical and electronic parts	789	1,026	237	30.0
Amusement machine	64	212	148	230.3
Energy sector	327	199	△ 127	△ 38.8
Housing and construction	134	180	45	33.4
IT and digital equipment	147	178	30	20.4
Others	1,163	748	△ 415	△ 35.7
Operating income	1,227	822	△ 405	△ 33.0

- Net sales decreased due to sluggish orders, especially in the U.S. and China, with increasing uncertainty in the global economy pushing down the appetite for capital investment, despite growing momentum for automation against a backdrop of demand for electrification and labor shortages.
- Operating income decreased due to lower orders for special machines and low orders in the U.S., despite efforts to pass on selling prices of standard machines.

- ◆ Automobile
 - Sales remained sluggish amid a decline in capital investment appetite in the U.S. and China, despite strong orders for EV-related screw fastening machines in Japan and CASE-related equipments overseas.
- ◆ Electrical and electronic parts
 - Substantial YoY increase due to acquisition of large projects such as substrate surface treatment equipment.
- ◆ Amusement machine
 - Sales increased significantly due to large orders for “Assembly Lines” and “Screw Driving Robots” associated with the production of new models.
- ◆ Energy sector
 - Despite orders for equipment related to gas stoves and gas meters, sales remained sluggish overall.
- ◆ Housing and construction
 - Sales remained steady due to orders received for new and extension of housing-related assembly lines.
- ◆ IT and digital equipment
 - Sales remained steady due to special demand related to smartphones.
- ◆ Others
 - Sales declined due to a downward trend in exports in the industrial robot market and a backlash of related equipment from strong sales in the previous year.

Overview of Results by Segment – Control System Division **NITTOSEIKO**

Unit: Mil yen/ %	2022/12	2023/12	YOY	
	Full Year	Full Year	Amount	% Change
	Amount	Amount		
Net sales	5,296	5,915	619	11.7
Chemical and pharmaceuticals	1,183	1,412	229	19.4
Energy sector	853	900	47	5.6
Housing and construction	548	438	△ 109	△ 20.0
Electrical and electronic parts	304	414	110	36.2
Automobile	367	411	44	12.0
Ship building	284	306	22	7.8
Environment	272	268	△ 4	△ 1.6
Medical	133	181	47	35.7
Others	1,349	1,580	231	17.2
Operating income	157	278	120	76.4

- Both net sales and operating income increased due to strong demand for flowmeters, and increased sales of analyzers at new branches in Europe.
- The Company will continue to drive sales price revisions and cost reductions, such as in-house production of machined parts.

- ◆ Chemical and pharmaceuticals
 - Sales of flowmeters related to semiconductor manufacturing facilities remained strong. In addition, sales of analyzers increased due to a recovery in demand and the resolution of parts shortages after the corona pandemic.
- ◆ Energy sector
 - Sales of analyzers increased due to a recovery in demand and the resolution of parts shortages after the corona pandemic.
- ◆ Housing and construction
 - Sales of the ground investigation equipment “GEOKARTE IV” remained sluggish due to a weak growth in the number of detached housing starts.
- ◆ Electrical and electronic parts
 - Demand for analytical and measuring instruments remained strong.
- ◆ Automobile
 - Demand for inspection equipment was sluggish until 3Q but turned around in 4Q. Higher demand for resistivity meters, such as for battery materials, also contributed to the increase in sales.
- ◆ Ship building
 - Due to the transition to the international scheme for CO₂ emission control, demand for replacement of mass flowmeters, etc., remained steady both in Japan and overseas.
- ◆ Medical
 - Demand for analytical and measuring instruments remained steady.

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◆ Medical

- The “FREELED” medical illuminator did not achieve full adoption despite efforts to collect market needs and engage in promotional activities while reducing costs, a high customer demand after the coronavirus pandemic. The Company will continue to focus on strengthening PR activities through sales companies to achieve full adoption.
- The Company received a patent in Japan for “High purity bio-soluble magnesium for medical use” in June 2023. Efforts to launch a new product are ongoing, including the development of integrated manufacturing facilities, the preparation of samples for clinical trials, and performance testing, as well as preparations for obtaining permits and approvals for the marketing of medical products and the establishment of a quality control system. At the same time, the Company will also collect information on parts to which this material can be applied.
- New projects utilizing the Company’s existing technologies have been initiated and are ongoing. The Company will expand its medical device business.

Balance Sheet (Consolidated)



Unit : Million yen/%	Year ending Dec 2022		Year ending Dec 2023		YoY	
	Amount	Ratio (%)	Amount	Ratio (%)	Amount change	% Change
Assets						
Total current assets	34,342	64.3	33,822	63.4	△ 519	△ 1.5
Cash and deposits	9,098	17.0	8,849	16.6	△ 248	△ 2.7
Notes and accounts receivable - trade Electronically recorded monetary claims - operating	13,986	26.2	12,794	24.0	△ 1,192	△ 8.5
inventory	10,081	18.9	11,023	20.7	942	9.3
Total non-current assets	19,065	35.7	19,521	36.6	455	2.4
Non-current assets	14,085	26.4	14,129	26.5	44	0.3
Intangible assets	1,146	2.1	999	1.9	△ 146	△ 12.8
Investments and other assets	3,833	7.2	4,391	8.2	558	14.6
Total assets	53,408	100.0	53,344	100.0	△ 63	△ 0.1
Liabilities						
Total current liabilities	14,601	27.3	12,901	24.2	△ 1,700	△ 11.6
Notes and accounts payable - trade Electronically recorded obligations - operating	9,015	16.9	8,615	16.2	△ 399	△ 4.4
Short-term borrowings	2,436	5.6	1,574	3.0	△ 862	△ 35.4
Total non-current liabilities	4,304	8.1	4,040	7.6	△ 264	△ 6.1
Total liabilities	18,906	35.4	16,941	31.8	△ 1,964	△ 10.4
Net assets						
Share capital	3,522	6.6	3,522	6.6	—	—
Capital surplus/Retained earnings	28,208	52.8	29,400	55.1	1,191	4.2
Treasury shares	△ 1,246	△ 2.3	△ 1,562	△ 2.9	△ 315	—
Total net assets	34,501	64.6	36,402	68.2	1,900	5.5

Cash Flow Statement (Consolidated)

Unit: Million yen / %	Year ending Dec 2022	Year ending Dec 2023		
	Amount	Amount	Amount change	% Change
CF from operating activities ※①	999	3,151	2,152	215.4
CF from investing activities ※②	△ 1,987	△ 1,187	799	△ 40.2
(Free CF) ※①+②	△ 987	1,963	2,951	△ 298.8
CF from financing activities	△ 1,301	△ 2,074	△ 773	59.4
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	△ 2,129	△ 278	1,850	△ 86.9
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	10,435	8,305	△ 2,129	△ 20.4
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	8,305	8,027	△ 278	△ 3.4

Forecast for the 119th Fiscal Year Ending Dec 2024

The future projections in this document, including earnings forecasts, are based on information currently available to the company and certain assumptions that the company considers reasonable and actual results may differ from these forecasts due to a variety of factors.

Forecast for FY2024 (Consolidated)

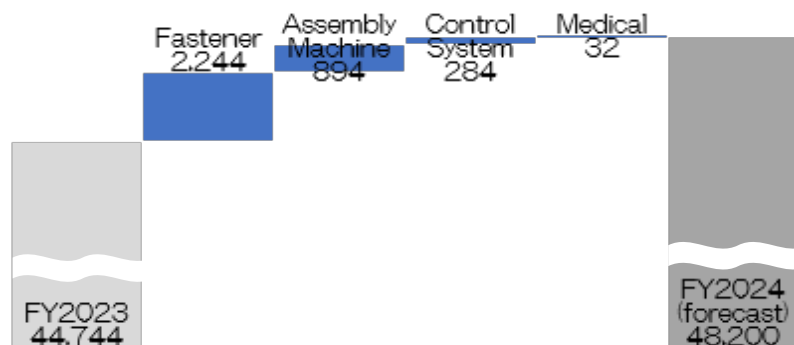
Unit : Million yen/%	2023/12 Full Year		2023/12 Full Year (Forecast)		YoY	
	Amount	Ratio (%)	Amount	Ratio (%)	Amount Change	% Change
Net sales	44,744	100.0	48,200	100.0	3,455	7.7
Operating profit	2,614	5.8	3,300	6.8	685	26.2
Ordinary profit	2,835	6.3	3,500	7.3	664	23.4
Net income attributed to shareholders of the parent company	1,734	3.9	2,100	4.4	365	21.1
Net income per share (yen)	46.95		57.46			

- While the first half of this fiscal year is expected to remain weak due to inventory adjustments and the slowdown in economic growth in major countries, an overall group recovery is expected from the second half of this fiscal year as the excess inventory is being resolved and capital investment appetite is gradually increasing.
- **The fastener business** continues to be sluggish, especially in the automotive sector, but a gradual recovery is expected toward the second half of the year. The Company will ensure that it meets the trend of expanding areas in overseas markets and increasing demand for high-value-added products based its own technologies, such as AKROSE. In addition, the Company will work on reducing manufacturing costs innovatively, as well as passing on sales prices to improve margins from soaring raw material costs.
- In **the assembly machine business**, although the recovery of capital investment is expected to be slow both in Japan and overseas, the Company will respond to projects for the CASE business in the automotive industry, where the appetite for capital investment is high. For its mainstay screw fastening machines, the Company will introduce new products that can respond to environmental concerns and increasingly complex shapes to differentiate itself from competitors, and expand not only in the automotive industry but also in a wider range of industries and overseas markets.
- In **the control system business**, demand for flow meters is expected to continue to increase driven by a renewal demand from capital investment in the chemical/pharmaceutical and shipbuilding industries. Demand for analyzer-related products is also expected to increase in the automotive industry against the backdrop of the shift to EVs. The Company will strive to develop new products related to inspection equipment and meet the needs for labor saving and automation.
- In **the medical business**, the Company will work to develop manufacturing facilities and conduct non-clinical and clinical trials of "High purity bio-soluble magnesium for medical use." The Company will also expand sales of medical device products and develop new products.

Net Sales and Operating Income Forecast by Segment (Consolidated) **NITTOSEIKO**

Unit: Million yen / %		2023/12 Full Year	2024/12 Full Year (forecast)	YoY	
				Amount change	% Change
Fastener	Net sales	32,855	35,100	2,244	6.8
	Operating income	1,625	1,900	274	16.9
	Profit ratio	4.9	5.4		
Assembly Machine	Net sales	5,955	6,850	894	15.0
	Operating income	822	1,150	327	39.9
	Profit ratio	13.8	16.8		
Control System	Net sales	5,915	6,200	284	4.8
	Operating income	278	400	121	43.7
	Profit ratio	4.7	6.5		
Medical	Net sales	17	50	32	191.4
	Operating income	△ 112	△ 150	△ 37	—
	Profit ratio	△ 654.4	△ 300.0		

(Million Yen) Change in net sales by segment



(Million Yen) Change in operating income by segment

