

Ajinomoto Co., Inc.

Consolidated Results

Third Quarter Ended December 31, 2011

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SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Consolidated)

Third quarter results for the year ending March 31, 2012

Ajinomoto Co., Inc. **January 31, 2012**

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1. Consolidated Financial Results for the Nine Months Ended December 31, 2011

1) Consolidated Operating Results Millions of yen, rounded down

	Nine mon	ths ended	Nine months ended			
	December	r 31, 2011	December 31, 2010			
		Change %		Change %		
Net sales	913,936	(1.7)	929,778	4.2		
Operating income	66,865	1.8	65,706	11.1		
Ordinary income	69,951	4.6	66,875	6.2		
Net income	41,995	,995 28.7 32,623		(12.4)		
Net income per share (¥)	¥61.50		¥46.75			
Fully diluted earnings per share (¥)						

Notes: "Change %" indicates the percentage change compared to the previous fiscal year.

Notes: Comprehensive income:

Nine months ended December 31, 2011: ¥6,756 million (33.4%) Nine months ended December 31, 2010: ¥10,145 million (-%)

2) Financial Position

Millions of ven. rounded down

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	As of December 31, 2011	As of March 31, 2011
Total assets	1,050,321	1,077,418
Net assets	623,703	650,291
Shareholders' equity ratio (%)	55.5%	56.4%

Note: Shareholders' equity As of December 31, 2011: ¥582,953 million As of March 31, 2011: ¥608,191 million

2. Dividends

	FY ended	FY ending	FY ending March 31, 2012 (forecast)	
	March 31, 2011	March 31, 2012		
Dividend per share				
(Record date)				
End of first quarter				
End of second quarter	¥8.00	¥8.00		
End of third quarter				
End of fourth quarter	¥8.00		¥8.00	
Annual	¥16.00		¥16.00	

Note: Revisions to dividend forecasts in the period under review: No



3. Forecast for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2012

Millions of yen, rounded down

	FY Ending March 31, 2012				
Net sales Operating income	1,220,000 71,000	Change % 1.0 2.3			
Net income per share	38,000	2.1 25.0			

Note: "Change %" indicates the percentage change compared to the previous fiscal year.

Revisions to consolidated earnings forecasts in the period under review: No

4. Other

- Transfer of important subsidiaries during the period (transfer of specified subsidiaries resulting in changes in the scope of consolidation): No
- 2) Adoption of special accounting methods for preparation of quarterly financial statements: Yes For more information, see page 8, "2. SUMMARY INFORMATION (OTHER) (2) Adoption of special accounting methods for preparation of quarterly financial statements."
- 3) Changes in accounting policy, changes in accounting estimates, and retrospective restatements
 - (1) Changes in line with revision to accounting standards: No
 - (2) Other changes: No
 - (3) Changes in accounting estimates: No
 - (4) Retrospective restatements: No
- 4) Number of shares outstanding (ordinary shares)
 - (1) Number of shares outstanding at end of period (including treasury shares):

December 31, 2011: 678,980,654 March 31, 2011: 700,032,654 shares

(2) Number of treasury shares at end of period

December 31, 2011: 2,286,092 March 31, 2011: 2,255,060 shares

(3) Average number of shares during period

April 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011: 682,842,915 April 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010: 697,847,345 shares

*Status of implementation of quarterly review procedures

This quarterly *kessan tanshin* document is outside the scope of quarterly review procedures based on the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act. As of the time of its disclosure, quarterly review procedures with respect to the quarterly financial statements were in the process of being implemented.

*Forward-looking statements, such as business forecasts, made in these financial statements are based on management's estimates, assumptions and projections at the time of publication. A number of factors could cause actual results to differ materially from expectations. For more information regarding our business forecasts, see page 8, "1. QUALITATIVE INFORMATION ON NINE-MONTH PERIOD CONSOLIDATED RESULTS, (3) Qualitative information about consolidated earnings forecasts".

*Method of obtaining supplementary results materials

Supplementary results materials will be published on the Company's website on January 31, 2012.



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1. QUALITATIVE INFORMATION ON NINE-MONTH PERIOD CONSOLIDATED RESULTS

(1) Qualitative information about consolidated operating results

Note: All comparisons are with same nine-month period of the previous fiscal year, unless stated otherwise.

In the nine-month period under review (April 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011), the recovery trend in the overall global economy weakened, despite moderate expansion in emerging markets, partly reflecting instability in financial markets due to the European debt crisis, as well as rising food and raw materials prices.

The Japanese economy gradually picked up after the declines in production and downturn in consumption due to the Great East Japan Earthquake, but uncertainties remain about the economy's full-scale future recovery, partly reflecting the impact of the nuclear power plant accident and ensuing electricity shortages, as well as the sharp appreciation of the yen and other factors

The environment in the Japanese food industry remained severe, with rising prices of raw materials for foods amid moderate deflation.

Within this environment, consolidated sales for the nine-month period decreased 1.7% (¥15.8 billion) to ¥913.9 billion, operating income increased 1.8% (¥1.1 billion) to ¥66.8 billion, ordinary income increased 4.6% (¥3.0 billion) to ¥69.9 billion, and net income increased 28.7% (¥9.3 billion) to ¥41.9 billion.

Consolidated operating results by segment

Consolidated operating results by business segment are as follows:

Note: All comparisons are with same nine-month period of the previous fiscal year, unless stated otherwise.

Billions of yen, rounded down

	Net sales	YoY change -amount	YoY change - percent	Operating income	YoY change -amount	YoY change - percent
Domestic food products	339.6	(1.9)	(0.6%)	31.2	4.6	17.5%
Overseas food products	172.6	(2.8)	(1.6%)	18.0	(4.8)	(21.3%)
Bioscience products and fine chemicals	145.8	(2.3)	(1.6%)	9.3	0.9	11.8%
Pharmaceuticals	61.0	(2.3)	(3.8%)	6.9	(8.0)	(10.7%)
Business tie-ups	141.0	(3.4)	(2.4%)	1.2	0.0	3.9%
Other business	53.6	(2.9)	(5.2%)	(0.0)	1.1	
Total	913.9	(15.8)	(1.7%)	66.8	1.1	1.8%

- Notes 1. Effective the first-quarter period of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012, adjustment amounts have been allocated to each segment, and figures for the previous nine-month period have also been restated.
 - 2. Effective the first-quarter period of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012, domestic sales of amino acid supplement *amino VITAL*® are included in other business and domestic sales of low-calorie sweetener for home use and the restaurant market are included in bioscience products and fine chemicals.
 - 3. Domestic and overseas sales of ACTIVA® products to food processing companies and savory seasonings are included in domestic food products.
 - 4. Frozen food products of the Amoy Food Group are classified in domestic food products.

Domestic food products

Domestic food product sales decreased 0.6% (¥1.9 billion) to ¥339.6 billion, and operating income increased 17.5% (¥4.6 billion) to ¥31.2 billion. The slight decrease in sales was partly attributable to the impact of the earthquake. The substantial increase in operating income reflected a reduction in selling expenses and other factors.



Seasonings and processed foods: In seasonings and processed foods for the retail market, sales of Chinese dashi products and consommé increased favorably and *HON-DASHI*[®] and the *Cook Do*[®] line increased steadily, while sales of soup products increased. Sales of umami seasoning *AJI-NO-MOTO*[®] were at the same level as the previous period, but sales of mayonnaise and mayonnaise-type dressings decreased slightly and *Kellogg's*[®] products decreased.

Sales of products for the commercial market increased steadily, with a recovery trend evident in consumer spending at restaurants since the earthquake. Sales of $ACTIVA^{\$}$, an enzyme (transglutaminase) used to enhance food texture and quality, to food processing companies declined in Japan and decreased slightly overseas due to increased competition with competitors. Sales of savory seasoning products decreased, as sales volumes declined, reflecting product shortages following the earthquake.

Delicatessen and bakery products: Sales of lunchboxes and prepared dish delicatessen products grew steadily, while sales of bakery products increased favorably.

Frozen foods: Sales of products for the retail market increased steadily, due to steady increases in sales of core products *Gyoza and Puripuri-no-Ebi Shumai*, favorable increases in *Yawaraka Wakadori Kara-Age* and rice products such as *Fried rice with various ingredients*, and sales of naturally defrosted lunchbox products such as *Ebi-yose Fry* becoming firmly established. Sales of products for restaurant and institutional use were at the same level as the previous nine-month period, with a recovery trend evident following a slump in the restaurant and catering market after the earthquake.

Beverages: Beverage sales decreased slightly.

Overseas food products

Overseas food product sales decreased 1.6% (¥2.8 billion) to ¥172.6 billion, reflecting the impact of foreign exchange rates and other factors. Operating income decreased 21.3% (¥4.8 billion) to ¥18.0 billion, which was partly attributable the impact of foreign exchange rates and higher raw material prices.

Seasonings: In Asia, sales of *AJI-NO-MOTO*[®] were at the same level as the previous nine-month period, while flavor seasonings for home use trended favorably. In the Americas, sales of flavor seasonings for home use in South America grew favorably. In Europe and Africa, sales of *AJI-NO-MOTO*[®] for home use in West African countries increased substantially.

Processed foods: In Asia, sales of powdered drink *Birdy*[®] 3 *in* 1 grew strongly, while instant noodles also increased favorably. Sales of beverages such as *Birdy*[®] canned coffee were in line with the previous period.

Umami seasonings for processed food manufacturers: In Japan, sales volumes and sales of both *AJI-NO-MOTO*[®] for the food processing industry and nucleotides decreased due to the impact of the earthquake. Overseas, sales of *AJI-NO-MOTO*[®] for the food processing industry decreased. Sales of nucleotides decreased considerably due to a decline in sales prices.

Bioscience products and fine chemicals

Bioscience products and fine chemicals sales decreased 1.6% (¥2.3 billion) to ¥145.8 billion. Operating income increased 11.8% (¥0.9 billion) to ¥9.3 billion.

Feed-use amino acids: Sales of Threonine decreased, while Tryptophan decreased substantially, reflecting the impact of foreign exchange rates and other factors. However, sales volumes of Lysine grew favorably, leading to a substantial increase in sales, and as a result sales increased overall.



Amino acids for pharmaceuticals and foods: Sales decreased overall, despite a strong increase in sales in Europe, reflecting a decrease in sales in North America due to the impact of foreign exchange rates and a substantial decline in sales in Japan.

Sweeteners: Sales of low-calorie sweeteners for home use and the restaurant market increased slightly from the previous period. Sales of powdered juice *Refresco MID*[®], which contains aspartame, in South America decreased, impacted by foreign exchange rates, and sales of aspartame, a sweetener, for the processing industry decreased, impacted by a decline in sales volumes as well as foreign exchange rates, and as a result sales decreased overall.

Pharmaceutical fine chemicals: Sales decreased compared to the nine-month period of the previous fiscal year.

Specialty chemicals: Sales of cosmetic ingredients increased slightly in Japan and also grew favorably overseas. However, sales of the amino acid-based cosmetics brand *Jino*[®] decreased, while sales of insulation film for build-up printed wiring board decreased significantly on a decline in sales volumes, and sales decreased as a result.

Pharmaceuticals

Pharmaceutical sales decreased 3.8% (¥2.3 billion) to ¥61.0 billion, and operating income decreased 10.7% (¥0.8 billion) to ¥6.9 billion. Royalty income increased substantially, while self-distributed product sales decreased due to sluggish sales of core products, and sales of products sold through business tie-ups also decreased, resulting in a slight decline in overall sales. The decrease in overall operating income was partly attributable to a decline in sales and an increase in selling expenses, despite an increase in royalty income, cost-cutting initiatives and other factors.

For self-distributed products, sales of $ELENTAL^{\$}$, an elemental diet, were at the same level as the previous period, but sales of $LIVACT^{\$}$, a branched-chain amino acids formula for the treatment of liver cirrhosis, declined, and sales of infusions such as $SOLITA^{\$}-T$, an electrolyte solution, decreased.

For products sold through business tie-ups, sales of risedronate such as $ACTONEL^{®}$, a preparation used in the treatment of osteoporosis, and $ATELEC^{®}$, an antihypertensive calcium channel blocker, were at the same level as the previous period, and sales of natiglinide such as non-insulin-dependent diabetes treatment $FASTIC^{®}$ declined substantially.

Business tie-ups

Business tie-up sales decreased 2.4% (¥3.4 billion) to ¥141.0 billion. Operating income increased 3.9% (¥45 million) to ¥1.2 billion.

Edible oils: Sales decreased on a decline in sales volumes.

Coffee products: Coffee product sales increased slightly.

Other business

Other business sales decreased 5.2% (¥2.9 billion) to ¥53.6 billion. Operating loss decreased ¥1.1 billion to ¥27 million.

(2) Qualitative information about consolidated financial position

Total assets as of December 31, 2011 were ¥1,050.3 billion, ¥27.0 billion less than the ¥1,077.4 billion



recorded at the end of the previous fiscal year. The key factor contributing to this decrease was a decline in the yen values of the balance sheets of overseas subsidiaries after translation.

Total interest-bearing debt decreased ¥2.6 billion compared to the end of the previous fiscal year to ¥130.7 billion.

Net assets decreased ¥26.5 billion compared to the end of the previous fiscal year, despite an increase in retained earnings, influenced by factors such as a change in foreign exchange translation adjustments and a decrease in capital surplus on the retirement of treasury stock. Shareholders' equity, which is net assets minus minority interests, was ¥582.9 billion, and the shareholders' equity ratio was 55.5%.

(3) Qualitative information about consolidated earnings forecasts

No changes have been made to the full-year forecasts that the Company announced on November 4, 2011.

2. SUMMARY INFORMATION (OTHER)

(1) Transfer of important subsidiaries in the period under review:

No applicable items.

(2) Adoption of special accounting methods for preparation of financial statements:

Method of estimating tax expenses

The Company and its consolidated subsidiaries estimate tax expenses by making a reasonable estimation of the effective tax rate on net income before income taxes after the application of tax effect accounting for the fiscal year, including the nine-month period under review, and applying this rate to net income before income taxes for the nine-month period under review. However, for subsidiaries for which calculating tax expenses using an estimation of the effective tax rate would significantly lack rationality, tax expenses are estimated by using the statutory effective tax rate and factoring in material additions or deductions.

(3) Changes in accounting policy, changes in accounting estimates, and retrospective restatements: No applicable items.



3. CONSOLIDATED NINE MONTH-PERIOD FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(1) Consolidated balance sheet

Millions of yen, rounded down

	As of end of third quarter (December 31, 2011)	As of end of previous fiscal year (March 31, 2011)
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash on hand and in banks	123,301	141,801
Notes and accounts receivable	217,186	195,465
Marketable securities	460	511
Goods and products	90,180	87,445
Goods in process	8,420	7,370
Raw materials and supplies	39,410	40,495
Deferred tax assets	12,579	11,204
Other	31,260	33,376
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(1,075)	(1,238)
Total current assets	521,724	516,432
Fixed assets		
Tangible fixed assets		
Buildings and structures	339,747	350,654
Accumulated depreciation and	(207,110)	(209,127)
accumulated impairment losses	(===,)	
Net buildings and structures	132,636	141,527
Machinery and vehicles	488,672	508,083
Accumulated depreciation and	(381,932)	(391,574)
accumulated impairment losses		
Net machinery and vehicles	106,740	116,509
Land	95,968	98,167
Construction in progress	19,959	19,013
Other	69,828	69,345
Accumulated depreciation and	(57,982)	(56,513)
accumulated impairment losses	44.040	40.000
Net other	11,846	12,832
Total tangible fixed assets	367,150	388,050
Intangible fixed assets		
Goodwill	26,202	29,586
Other	33,632	35,901
Total intangible fixed assets	59,835	65,488
Investments and other assets		
Investment in securities	81,272	83,105
Long-term loans receivable	1,038	1,060
Deferred tax assets	7,784	10,090
Other	12,581	14,443
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(814)	(988)
Allowance for investment losses	(251)	(264)
Total investment and other assets	101,610	107,447
Total fixed assets	528,597	560,986
Total Assets	1,050,321	1,077,418



	Millions of yen, ro		
	As of end of third quarter (December 31, 2011)	As of end of previous fiscal year (March 31, 2011)	
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Notes and accounts payable	114,429	103,420	
Short-term debt	17,881	16,209	
Current portion of long-term debt	4,682	5,316	
Accrued income taxes	12,741	7,900	
Bonus reserve	3,477	6,784	
Bonus reserve for directors and others	232	360	
Asset retirement obligations		64	
Other	69,726	78,286	
Total current liabilities	223,171	218,341	
Long-term liabilities			
Bonds	69,990	69,989	
Long-term debt	35,746	39,282	
Deferred tax liabilities	12,461	15,591	
Accrued employees' retirement benefits	61,132	58,554	
Accrued officers' severance benefits	1,000	1,331	
Allowance for environmental measures.	572	574	
Allowance for loss on guarantees	183		
Asset retirement obligations	579	540	
Other	21,779	22,920	
Total long-term liabilities	203,446	208,786	
Total liabilities	426,618	427,127	
NET ASSETS			
Shareholders' equity			
Common stock	79,863	79,863	
Capital surplus	162,381	182,716	
Retained earnings	444,915	414,189	
Treasury stock	(2,207)	(2,514)	
Total shareholders' equity	684,953	674,255	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)			
Unrealized holding gain on securities	234	1,339	
Unrealized gain from hedging instruments	3	(31)	
Translation adjustments	(101,964)	(67,045)	
Adjustment in pension liabilities of overseas subsidiaries	(273)	(327)	
Total accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(102,000)	(66,064)	
Minority interests	40,749	42,099	
Total net assets	623,703	650,291	
	020,100	333,201	

1,050,321

Total Liabilities and Net Assets

1,077,418



(2) Consolidated statement of income

Millions of yen, rounded down

	Nine-month period (April 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011)	Nine-month period (April 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010)
Net sales	913,936	929,778
Cost of sales	601,307	614,805
Gross profit	312,629	314,972
Selling, general and administrative expenses	245,763	249,266
Operating income	66,865	65,706
Non-operating income		
Interest received	1,354	874
Dividend income	942	872
Equity in earnings of non-consolidated subsidiaries and affiliates	2,042	2,514
Other	2,408	2,245
Total non-operating income	6,748	6,506
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expense	1,658	1,911
Exchange losses		977
Other	2,003	2,449
Total non-operating expenses	3,662	5,337
Ordinary income	69,951	66,875
Extraordinary gains		
Gain on sale of investment in securities	332	913
Insurance income	3,083	1
Other	659	1,015
Total extraordinary income	4,075	1,930
Extraordinary losses		
Loss on devaluation of securities	758	6,458
Loss from natural disaster	3,337	
Other	3,008	3,553
Total extraordinary losses	7,103	10,011
Net income before income taxes	66,923	58,794
Income taxes	20,437	21,610
Net income before minority interests	46,486	37,183
Minority interests	4,490	4,560
Net income	41,995	32,623



Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

	Millions of yen, rounded down			
	Nine-month period	Nine-month period		
	(April 1, 2011 to	(April 1, 2010 to		
	December 31, 2011)	December 31, 2010)		
Net income before minority interests	46,486	37,183		
Other comprehensive income				
Unrealized holding gain on securities	(1,084)	1,559		
Unrealized gain from hedging instruments	4	23		
Translation adjustments	(37,449)	(27,691)		
Adjustment in pension liabilities of overseas subsidiaries	54	64		
Share of other comprehensive income of equity-method				
affiliates	(1,254)	(995)		
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	(39, 729)	(27,038)		
Comprehensive income	6,756	10,145		
(Breakdown)				
Comprehensive income attributable to parent company	6,060	8,067		
Comprehensive income attributable to minority interests	696	2,077		



(3) Notes regarding premise of a going concern

No applicable items

(4) Segment information

- I. Nine-month period of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012 (April 1, 2011 December 31, 2011)
- 1. Information on sales and income or loss by reporting segment

Millions o	f yen, round	ded down
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	Reporting segment							
	Domestic Food Products	Overseas Food Products	Bioscience Products and Fine Chemicals	Pharma- ceuticals	Business Tie-ups	Other Business*1	Adjustment amount	Consolidated
Sales								
(1) Sales to third parties(2) Intra-group sales and	339,654	172,667	145,848	61,043	141,049	53,673		913,936
transfers	3,862	5,307	4,195	77	251	49,247	(62,943)	
Total sales	343,517	177,974	150,044	61,121	141,300	102,920	(62,943)	913,936
Segment income (loss) (Operating income (loss))	31,287	18,012	9,369	6,986	1,237	(27)		66,865

Notes 1. Other Business includes the wellness business, the packaging business, the logistics business and other service businesses.

2. Changes to reporting segments

In response to changes to internal administrative systems at the Company, effective the first-quarter period of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012 changes have been made to the method used to calculate income or loss by reporting segment.

main the discontinuation points change are: of the system of quasi-royalties/quasi-commissions were borne by each reporting segment in accordance with its sales; the change in the reporting segment for recording the amount allocated to inventory with respect to cost variances under the standard cost accounting system adopted by the Company and the adjustment amount with respect to reporting segments recording adjustments to valuation of inventory at the Company; the allocation to each reporting segment, proportionally to sales, total assets and number of employees, of shared company-wide expenses including expenses associated with the Company's administrative divisions and expenses associated with some research facilities.

A restatement of the figures for last year based on the new calculation method is presented in "II. Nine-month period of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011 (April 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010), 1. Information on sales and income or loss by reporting segment."

3. Information by region

Millions of ven. rounded down

	"Japan"	"Asia"	"Americas"	"Europe"	Total
Sales	613,619	149,338	87,285	63,693	913,936
Percentage of total consolidated sales	67.1%	16.3%	9.6%	7.0%	100.0%

Notes 1. Sales are based on the location of customers, and are classified by country or region.

4. Information on fixed assets, impairment losses and goodwill by reporting segment

No material occurrences or changes in the nine-month period under review.



II. Nine-month period of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011 (April 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010)

1. Information on sales and income or loss by reporting segment

Millions of yen, rounded down

	Reporting segment							
	Domestic Food Products	Overseas Food Products	Bioscience Products and Fine Chemicals	Pharma- ceuticals	Business Tie-ups	Other Business*1	Adjustment amount	Consolidated
Sales								
(1) Sales to third parties	341,581	175,476	148,224	63,431	144,452	56,612		929,778
(2) Intra-group sales and								
transfers	4,724	5,205	4,500	94	168	45,566	(60,259)	
Total sales	346,305	180,682	152,724	63,525	144,620	102,178	(60,259)	929,778
Segment income (loss) (Operating income (loss))	26,633	22,883	8,379	7,827	1,191	(1,209)		65,706

Notes

- 1. Other Business includes the wellness business, the packaging business, the logistics business and other service businesses.
 - 2. Segment income is restated based on the new calculation method. For details on the changes in the calculation method, please see "I. Nine-month period of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012 (April 1, 2011 December 31, 2011), 2. Changes to reporting segments".

2. Information by region

Millions of yen, rounded down

	"Japan"	"Asia"	"Americas"	"Europe"	Total
Sales	629,258	147,786	88,026	64,706	929,778
Percentage of total consolidated sales	67.7%	15.9%	9.5%	6.9%	100.0%

Notes 1. Sales are based on the location of customers, and are classified by country or region.

3. Information on fixed assets, impairment losses and goodwill by reporting segment

No material occurrences or changes in the previous nine-month period.



(Reference)

Segment information by geographical area

Nine-month period of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012 (April 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011)

Millions of yen, rounded down

	"Japan"	"Asia"	"Americas"	"Europe"	Consolidated
Sales to third parties	630,404	133,124	86,059	64,348	913,936
Operating income	37,588	17,672	6,900	4,704	66,865

Nine-month period of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011 (April 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010)

Millions of yen, rounded down

	"Japan"	"Asia"	"Americas"	"Europe"	Consolidated
Sales to third parties	647,647	132,491	84,785	64,853	929,778
Operating income	34,526	18,223	6,252	6,703	65,706

Notes

- 1. Geographical area segments are categorized on the basis of geographic proximity and indicated in inverted commas.
- 2. Main countries and regions in segments other than "Japan":
 - "Asia": Countries of East and Southeast Asia
 - "Americas": Countries of North and South America
 - "Europe": Countries of Europe and Africa
- 3. In response to changes to internal administrative systems at the Company, changes have been made to the method used to calculate profit and loss by geographical area segment. The "adjustment amount" is allocated to each geographical area segment by calculating the ratio of net income, total assets and the number of employees.

(5) Notes regarding marked changes in amount of shareholders' equity

The Company resolved at a meeting of the Board of Directors on May 9, 2011 on matters pertaining to a share repurchase based on Article 156 of the Companies Act as applied pursuant to Article 165-3 of the same act. Subsequently, in the period from May 10 until July 15, 2011 the Company repurchased, in the market through a trust bank, 21,052,000 shares of common stock for ¥19,999 million.

The Company resolved at a meeting of the Board of Directors on August 30, 2011 on matters pertaining to the retirement of shares based on Article 178 of the Companies Act. Subsequently, on September 16, 2011, the Company retired 21,052,000 shares of common stock. As a result, capital surplus and treasury shares each decreased by ¥20,334 million.

The total number of outstanding shares became 678,980,654.

(6) Other

The extensive flooding in Thailand had impacts including the suspension of operations of some production plants producing beverages, frozen foods and other products, but as a result of the prompt shift of production to alternative plants and other measures, the impact on operating income was limited. While an extraordinary loss of approximately ¥2.0 billion was recorded in respect of resulting damage, the Company had damage insurance covering assets including inventory, fixed assets and others.