

# Consolidated Results of Operations The Second Quarter, Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2022

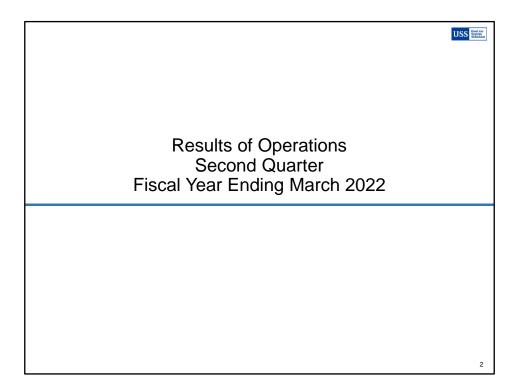
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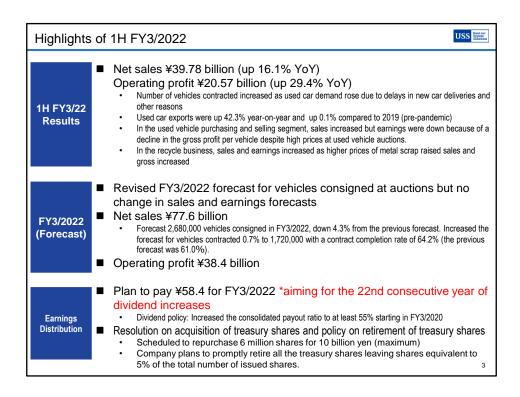
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Thank you for taking the time to attend today's presentation about our results of operations for the first half of the fiscal year ending in March 2022. I am Yukihiro Ando, the Chairman and CEO of USS. Dai Seta, the President of USS, and Masafumi Yamanaka, the Executive Vice President of USS, are also here today.

I will begin with a presentation about our results of operations. This will be followed time for your questions. We will answer as many questions as time allows.

First is slide three of the presentation materials, which shows highlights of the first half.





My presentation about our performance has three main subjects.

First is our first half sales and earnings. As you know, new car registrations in Japan are down because of the semiconductor shortage. As a result, the number of used vehicles traded in or sold has declined, which has reduced the supply of used vehicles.

In addition, delays in new car deliveries are making people shift their purchases to used vehicles. Due to this situation, used car prices have steadily increasing at auctions. During the first half of this fiscal year, the number of vehicles consigned at all used car auctions in Japan was 2% higher than one year earlier. The number of vehicles sold at auctions was 10% higher and the percentage of vehicles consigned that were sold was high at 68.1%.

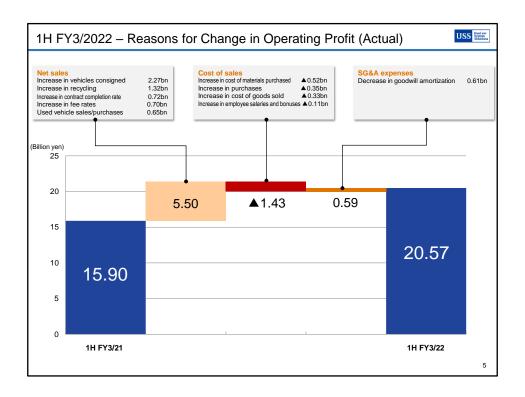
At USS, vehicles consigned were 10% higher than one year earlier, vehicles contracted increased 14% and the percentage of consigned vehicles contracted was 64.4%. Our sales and earnings at all levels rose to all-time highs.

Second is our forecast for the fiscal year ending in March 2022. We posted record-high sales and earnings in the first half. However, the drop in new vehicle registrations in September and October indicates that we can expect a short downturn in the number of vehicles consigned. We are therefore making no changes to the forecast announced in May.

The third subject is shareholder distributions. We plan to pay a fiscal year dividend of 58.40 yen as originally forecast, which is a payout ratio of more than 55%. This will be the 22nd consecutive annual dividend increase, which is every year since our stock was listed. In addition, we have started to repurchase our stock with an authorization of 10 billion yen and 6 million shares. We have decided to retire this stock, which is a point I will discuss later. Please turn to page 4.

ł FY3/2022 – Sum	mary of Co	nsolidated F	Results of C	perations	USS			
Sales was up 16.1% profit attributable to o Record-high first half parent	wners of parer	nt up 30.0% to	¥14.22 billion.					
(Million yen)								
	1H FY3/21	1H FY3/22	Year on year	1H FY3/22 Initial plan (May 11, 2021)	VS. plan			
Net sales	34,277	39,784	116.1%	38,260	104.0%			
Cost of sales (Per sales)	13,311 (38.8%)	14,746 (37.1%)	110.8%	15,254 (39.9%)	96.7%			
Gross profit (Per sales)	20,966 (61.2%)	25,038 (62.9%)	119.4%	23,005 (60.1%)	108.8%			
Selling, general and administrative expenses (Per sales)	5,064 (14.8%)	4,467 (11.2%)	88.2%	4,545 (11.9%)	98.3%			
Operating profit (Per sales)	15,901 (46.4%)	20,570 (51.7%)	129.4%	18,460 (48.2%)	111.4%			
Ordinary profit (Per sales)	16,314 (47.6%)	20,945 (52.6%)	128.4%	18,800 (49.1%)	111.4%			
Profit attributable to owners of parent (Per sales)	10,945 (31.9%)	14,223 (35.8%)	130.0%	12,700 (33.2%)	112.0%			

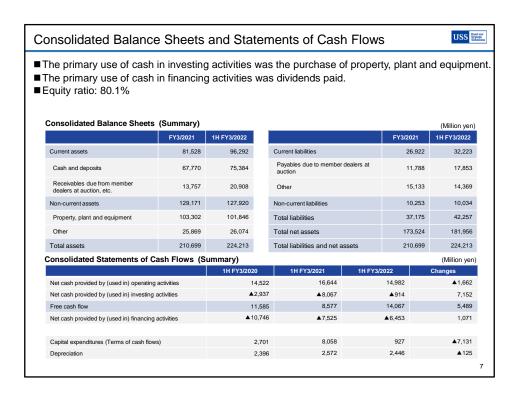
This slide is a summary of our first half sales and earnings. Sales increased 16% to 39.7 billion yen, which is 4% higher than our plan. Operating profit increased 29% to 20.5 billion yen, 11% higher than our plan. Ordinary profit increased 28% to 20.9 billion yen, 11% higher than our plan. Profit attributable to owners of parent increased 30% to 14.2 billion yen, 12% higher than our plan.



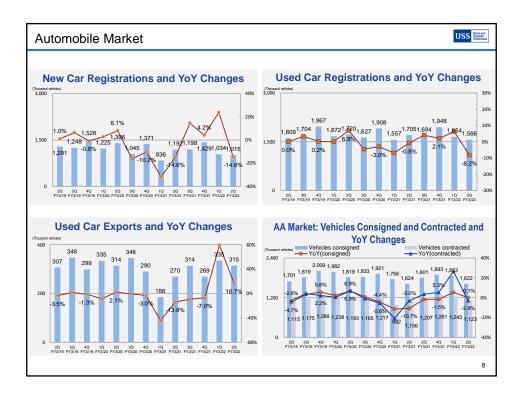
Slide 5 is an analysis of the change in operating profit. As you can see, increases in the number of vehicles consigned and higher recycling sales raised operating profit by 4.6 billion yen.

et Sales and Operating Profit by Business Segment						
				(Million yen		
Net sales	1H FY3/20	1H FY3/21	1H FY3/22	Year on year		
Auto auction	31,773	28,246	31,929	113.0%		
Used vehicle purchasing and selling	4,313	3,571	4,229	118.4%		
Other	2,705	2,459	3,625	147.4%		
Total	38,792	34,277	39,784	116.1%		
Operating profit (operating margin)	1H FY3/20	1H FY3/21	1H FY3/22	Year on year		
Auto auction	17,524 (54.8%)	15,698 (55.2%)	19,852 (61.9%)	126.5%		
Used vehicle purchasing and selling	103 (2.4%)	98 (2.8%)	85 (2.0%)	86.8%		
Other	228 (8.4%)	54 (2.2%)	622 (17.2%)	1,138.7%		
Elimination of inter-segment transactions	50	50	9	19.4%		
Total	17,907 (46.2%)	15,901 (46.4%)	20,570 (51.7%)	129.4%		

Business segment sales and earnings are in slide 6.



The balance sheet shows that we are maintaining a high level of financial soundness, including an equity ratio of 80%.



This slide has data about Japan's automobile market.

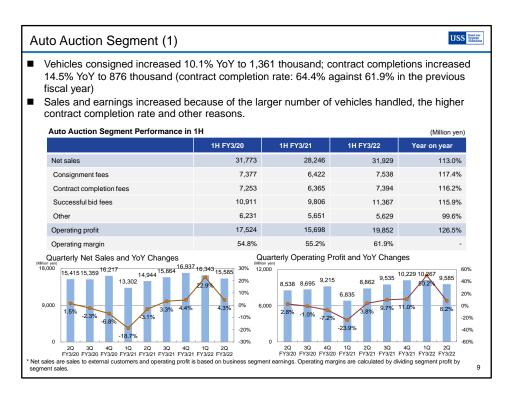
Figures in the graphs are for three-month intervals, but I will compare figures for the April to September periods of 2021 and 2020.

New car registrations were impacted by lower automobile production caused by the semiconductor shortage and other reasons. However, there were 2.05 million registrations, which is 1% higher than one year earlier when car sales fell sharply because of the pandemic.

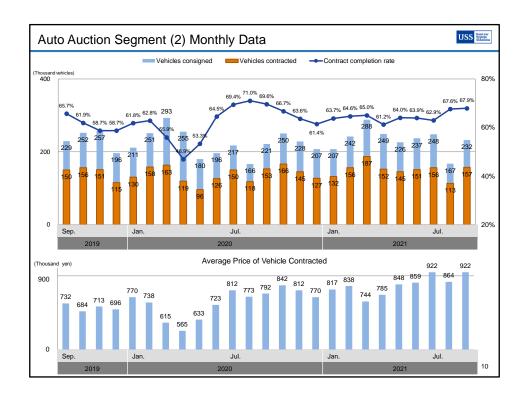
Used car registrations decreased 2% to 3.22 million because lower automobile production reduced the number of trade-ins and other sources of used vehicles for sale declined.

Exports of used cars are a major factor that determines the demand for these vehicles. These exports are recovering following the pandemic downturn. Between April and September 2021, exports were up 42% from one year earlier to about 650,000 vehicles. However, this was only 0.1% higher than in the same period of 2019 when this market was not affected by the pandemic. The business climate for used car exports will probably remain uncertain because of the high prices paid for used cars at auctions, the rising cost of transporting used cars and other reasons.

In Japan's auto auction market, vehicles consigned increased 2% to 3.47 million and vehicles sold increased 10% to 2.36 million, which was 68.1% of vehicles consigned.



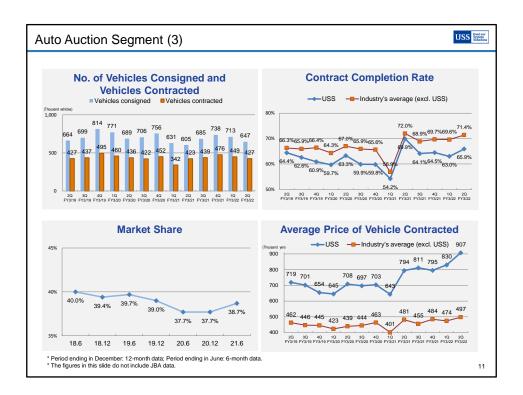
This slide is a summary of the auto auction segment.



The top graph shows the monthly number of vehicles consigned at USS auctions between September 2019 and September 2021. The lower graph is the average price of vehicles contracted.

The pandemic impacted our auctions starting in March 2020, but the downturn ended in May 2020.

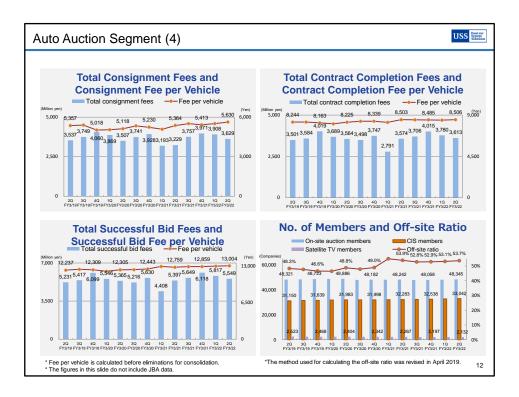
The average price of vehicles contracted stopped falling in April 2020 and started to recover. This price has been higher than one year earlier for 16 consecutive months as of September 2021. Prices paid for used cars remains high because of the smaller number of used cars for sale, partly due to fewer cars traded in as the semiconductor shortage holds down the number of new cars, and to the recovery in used car exports.



Slide 11 shows performance indicators of the auto auction segment.

Since the second quarter of the previous fiscal year, our average price per vehicle contracted has been higher than the industry average. Our price per used vehicle has been well above the industry average and this gap has increased in the past few quarters as used car prices continued to climb.

I believe that the higher prices of cars at our auctions demonstrate our ability to attract more high-quality used cars than our competitors can as retail demand for these vehicles remains strong in Japan.



Slide 12 shows data about our fees. Again, my explanation will cover the period from April to September.

The consignment fee per vehicle increased 344 yen to 5,565 yen. One reason for the increase is the smaller percentage of vehicles auctioned using a category with lower fees at the Tokyo and other auction sites.

The contract completion fee per vehicle increased 110 yen to 8,483 yen. The primary reasons are the smaller percentage of vehicles auctioned using a low-fee category and a revision in fees for some categories.

The successful bid fee increased 164 yen to 12,981 yen. The primary reasons are revisions in fees for some categories at several auction sites and an increase in the percentage of vehicles sold at categories with high fees. The off-site successful bid ratio has been consistently high since the start of the pandemic. Please turn to slide 15.

## Auto Auction Segment (5)

USS Used car System Solutions

From April 1, 2021 to September 30, 2021

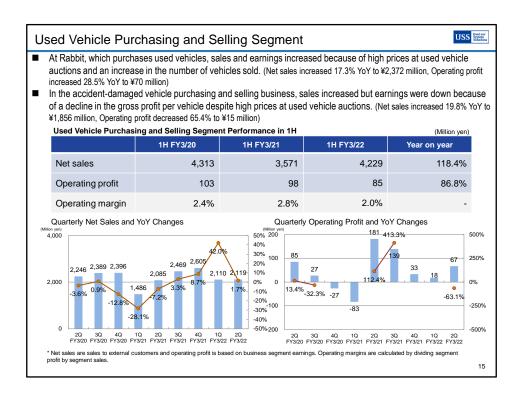
(Number of auctions held, Vehicles)

	Number of auctions		Number of consigned vehicles		Number of contract completions		Contract completion rate			
	1H FY3/22	1H FY3/21	1H FY3/22	1H FY3/21	YoY change	1H FY3/22	1H FY3/21	YoY change	1H FY3/22	1H FY3/21
Tokyo	25	24	332,389	280,366	118.6%	226,495	187,040	121.1%	68.1%	66.7%
Nagoya	24	24	227,874	204,095	111.7%	130,801	114,381	114.4%	57.4%	56.0%
Osaka	24	24	102,062	92,896	109.9%	56,853	49,290	115.3%	55.7%	53.1%
Kyushu	24	24	94,295	82,361	114.5%	60,160	48,962	122.9%	63.8%	59.4%
Yokohama	24	24	87,824	82,365	106.6%	59,282	52,778	112.3%	67.5%	64.1%
Sapporo	24	25	68,064	65,010	104.7%	47,407	44,433	106.7%	69.7%	68.3%
Shizuoka	24	24	51,844	45,401	114.2%	32,650	28,201	115.8%	63.0%	62.1%
R-Nagoya	24	24	50,850	58,412	87.1%	43,479	46,793	92.9%	85.5%	80.1%
Kobe	24	25	40,903	33,844	120.9%	23,974	19,333	124.0%	58.6%	57.1%
Okayama	24	24	32,224	30,600	105.3%	25,007	21,220	117.8%	77.6%	69.3%
Niigata	24	25	27,112	24,272	111.7%	15,507	12,250	126.6%	57.2%	50.5%
Tohoku	24	25	25,687	23,967	107.2%	20,548	17,207	119.4%	80.0%	71.8%
Gunma	24	24	25,008	24,781	100.9%	17,678	16,088	109.9%	70.7%	64.9%
Saitama	24	23	22,942	21,491	106.8%	13,444	11,781	114.1%	58.6%	54.8%
Fukuoka	24	25	18,590	20,297	91.6%	12,168	12,527	97.1%	65.5%	61.7%
Hokuriku	24	24	9,393	8,609	109.1%	6,671	5,732	116.4%	71.0%	66.6%
JAA	24	25	36,474	36,747	99.3%	20,351	20,092	101.3%	55.8%	54.7%
HAA Kobe	24	24	108,007	101,609	106.3%	64,124	57,232	112.0%	59.4%	56.3%
Total	433	437	1,361,542	1,237,123	110.1%	876,599	765,340	114.5%	64.4%	61.9%

<sup>\*</sup> In the previous fiscal term, one auction was canceled as the Saitama Auction Site due to a lightning strike in August 2020.
\* The figures in this slide do not include JBA data.

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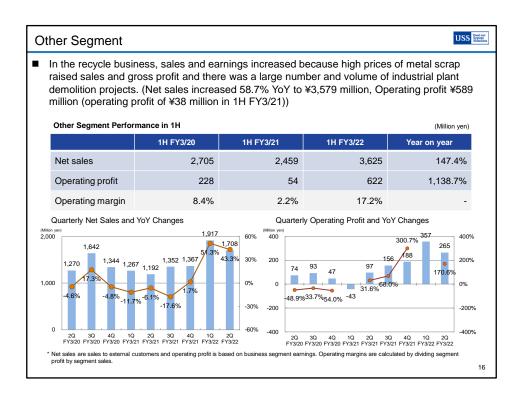




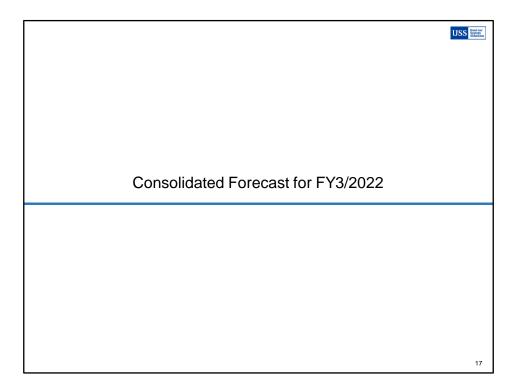
This slide is a summary of the used vehicle purchasing and selling segment.

At Rabbit, sales increased 17% to 2.3 billion yen and operating profit was up 28% to 70 million yen. High prices at used car auctions and an increase in the number of vehicles sold were the main reasons for the growth in sales and earnings.

In the accident-damaged vehicle purchasing and selling business, the gross profit per vehicle decreased even though prices at auto auctions were high. Overall, segment sales increased 19% to 1.8 billion yen and operating profit was down 66% to 10 million yen.



In the other segment, sales and gross profit increased in the recycle business because of the high prices of metal scrap. In the demolition business, the volume of industrial plant projects increased. As a result, there were big increases in sales and earnings, with segment sales up 58% to 3.5 billion yen and operating profit up from 38 million yen to 0.5 billion yen.

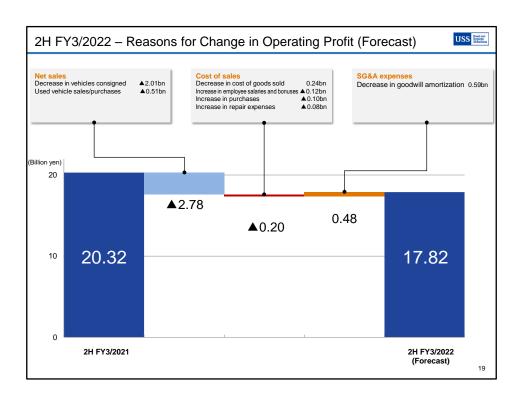


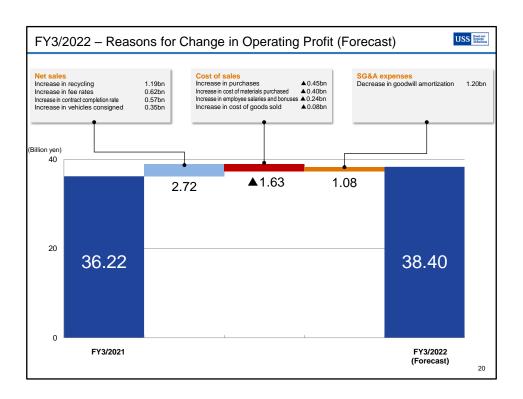
Y3/2022 forecast for ve or vehicles contracted ra o change in the current onsistently high and fee	aised 0.7% to 1 sales and ear	1,720,000 nings forecas	ts because t	he contract c	ompletion ra
	FY3/21 (Actual)	FY3/22 Initial plan (May 11, 2021)	Change	FY3/22 Revised plan (Nov. 8, 2021)	(Million yen) Revised plan vs FY3/21
Net sales	74,874	77,600	-	77,600	103.6%
Gross profit (Per sales)	46,533 (62.1%)	47,620 (61.4%)	-	47,620 (61.4%)	102.3%
Operating profit (Per sales)	36,227 (48.4%)	38,400 (49.5%)	-	38,400 (49.5%)	106.0%
Ordinary profit (Per sales)	36,996 (49.4%)	39,100 (50.4%)	-	39,100 (50.4%)	105.7%
Profit attributable to owners of parent (Per sales)	4,022 (5.4%)	26,500 (34.1%)	-	26,500 (34.1%)	658.8%
Profit per share (Yen)	16.13	106.29	▲0.03	106.26	658.8%
Capital expenditures (Terms of cash flows)	8,985	4,400	100	4,500	50.1%
Depreciation	5,334	4,909	54	4,963	93.0%
Profit per share is restated to reflect the	changes in treasury share	es up to the end of Septe	ember 2021.		
Auto Auction Business (excl. JBA)	FY3/21 (Actual)	FY3/22 Initial plan (May 11, 2021)	Change	FY3/22 Revised plan (Nov. 8, 2021)	Revised plan vs FY3/21
No. of vehicles consigned (Thousands)	2,661	2,800	▲120	2,680	100.7%
No. of vehicles contracted (Thousands)	1,680	1,708	12	1,720	102.3%
No. of vehicles contracted (Thousands)  Contract completion rate	1,680 63.2%	1,708 61.0%	12	1,720 64.2%	10

In our forecast for the current fiscal year, we have reduced the outlook for the number of vehicles consigned that was announced last May. We believe that the low level of new car sales caused by the global semiconductor shortage and other reasons will hold down the number of vehicles at auctions.

We have reduced the forecast for vehicles consigned but expect demand for used cars to remain firm and forecast a consistently high contract completion rate. Based on this outlook, we have not revised the current fiscal year forecast.

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# FY3/2022 - Forecast by Business Segment

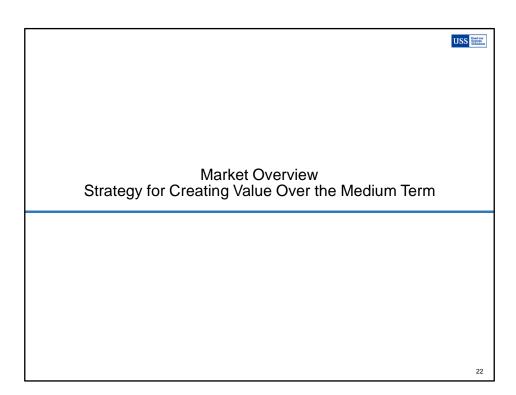


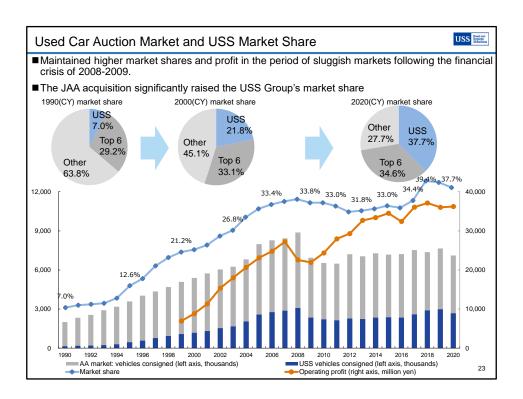
■ Due a revision of the FY3/2022 plan, the outlook for the composition of sales based on business segments has changed but there is no change in the sales forecast.

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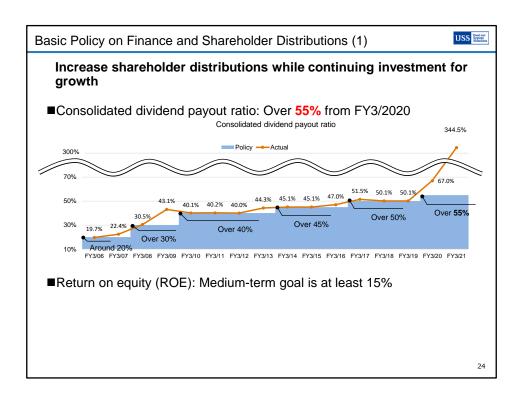
	FY3/20 (Actual)	FY3/21 (Actual)	FY3/22 (Forecast)	VS. previous year
Net sales				
Auto auction	63,350	61,048	62,699	102.7%
Used vehicle purchasing and selling	9,099	8,646	8,790	101.7%
Other	5,692	5,180	6,109	117.9%
Total	78,143	74,874	77,600	103.6%
Operating profit (Per sales)	36,009 (46.1%)	36,227 (48.4%)	38,400 (49.5%)	106.0%

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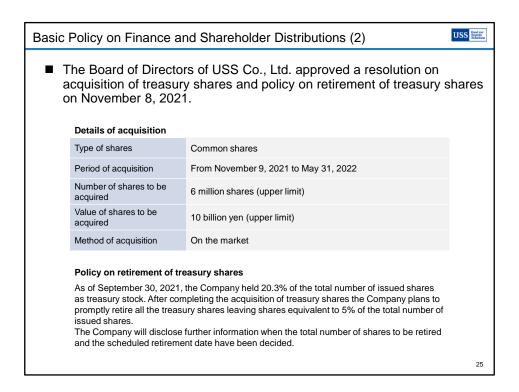




This slide covers the business climate and some of our major actions. First, this graph shows that our market share has been increasing steadily for about 30 years. The automobile industry is now undergoing changes of a magnitude that occur only once every century. Examples include electric cars, self-driving cars and car sharing services. My goal is to continue this steady growth as we adapt to these shifts in market conditions.

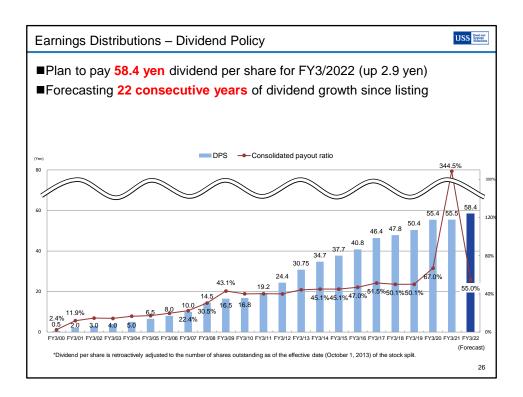


Our policy for dividends was to raise our consolidated payout ratio gradually starting from about 20% in 2006 and 2007. Our policy now is to maintain a payout ratio of at least 55%, which is the level we reached in the fiscal year that ended in March 2020.



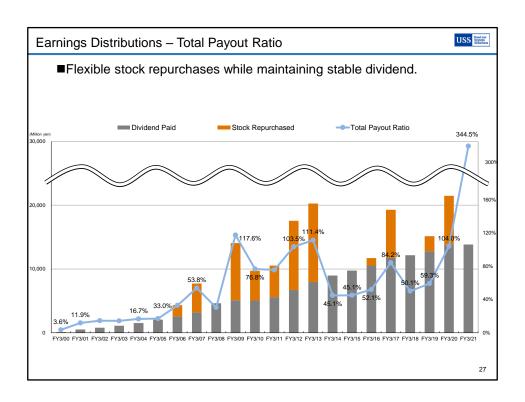
On November 8, we announced the beginning of the purchase of treasury stock with an authorization of 10 billion yen and 6 million shares.

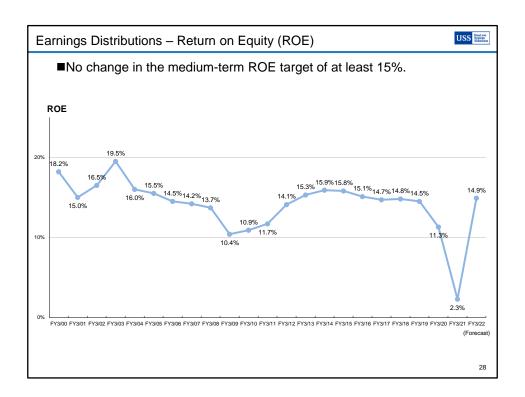
When we have finished repurchasing our stock, we will retire a sufficient amount of treasury stock to lower the remaining treasury stock to 5% (about 15 million shares) of all shares issued. If we repurchase 6 million shares, we will retire about 54 million shares of treasury stock.

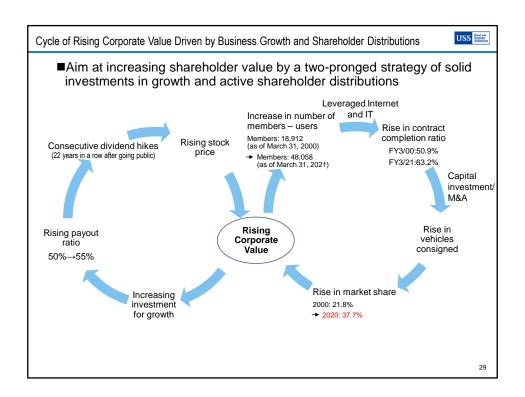


As was announced in May, we plan to pay a dividend per share of 58.40 yen for the current fiscal year. As a result, we forecast 22 consecutive years of dividend growth since our listing.

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## Activities to Combat Climate Change



- Announced Scope 1 and 2 emissions and currently working on Scope 3 emissions \* Scope 1: Greenhouse gases emitted directly by a business (resulting from fuel and industrial processes); Scope 2: Greenhouse gases emitted indirectly in association with electricity, steam and other sources of energy supplied by other companies; Scope 3: Indirect greenhouse gas emissions other than Scope 1 and 2 emissions (emissions of other companies involving the activities of a business)
- Plan to disclose information in accordance with the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) that will be required in the corporate governance report that will be submitted in June 2022
- Activities
  - Aim to Eliminate the use of paper by switching auction consignment forms for more than 3 million vehicles every year to a digital format
  - Started many activities, such as measures to reduce electricity and gas use at auction sites and to increase the use of renewable energy

Information about the USS policies and activities concerning ESG is in the Integrated Report that was issued in 2021.

Integrated Report 2021 https://www.ussnet.co.jp/en/ir/library/annual/

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We have many ESG and SDG activities and this information is in our Integrated Report that we issued early this year.

As part of our measures to combat change, we started announcing Scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gas emissions and are currently calculating our Scope 3 emissions. In addition, we are making preparations to disclose information in accordance with the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures and plan to announce this information in June 2022.

In a step to lower our greenhouse gas emissions, we are switching from paper to a digital format for auction consignment forms. We plan to take even more actions to further reduce the use of paper. At auction sites, we have started to take actions aimed at consuming less energy and using energy from renewable sources. Regarding the revised corporate governance code and other matters involving ESG, we will continue to take actions promptly as needed.



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Reference materials

Japan Automobile Dealers Association, Japan Light Motor Vehicle and Motorcycle Association, USEDCAR Co., Ltd., Trade Statistics of Japan Ministry of Finance

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Questions about this presentation about our results of operations can be submitted by e-mail or telephone as shown here.

This completes my presentation. Thank you again for attending this meeting.

