## Financial Results of Q2 / Dec. 2024

(YTD 6 months - January to June)

August 14, 2024

#### **Pigeon Corporation**

Norimasa Kitazawa President and CEO



### Suspected Improper Transactions by Former Employees of a Group Subsidiary

#### 1. Background and Results of Investigation

In early July of this year, we discovered an incident at our sales subsidiary in China in which a former employee placed and paid for orders for fixed assets and goods that were suspected of being improper transactions, including fictitious orders and resale (hereinafter referred to as the "Allegation"). The Company has been conducting an investigation lead by outside experts. As a result of the investigation, no parties other than the employee in question were found to be involved, and it was determined that the alleged fraud was committed solely by an individual, and the calculation of the impact of the alleged fraud has been completed.

The impact of the Allegations is as follows, and each amount has been booked in the second quarter of the current fiscal year.

- Loss on retirement of fixed assets: 392 million JPY

- Tax impact: 164 million JPY

There is no change in the consolidated earnings forecast and dividend forecast for the FY2024 full-year. We also confirmed that there is no need to retroactively revise the financial statements, as the impact on the financial results of past fiscal years is negligible.

#### 2. Future Actions

We will further analyze the cause of the Allegation and take appropriate recurrence prevention measures.

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# Q2 Financial Results

## FY2024 Q2 - Business Highlights (1)

China: 618 saw growth in both UV and GMV. Growth investments were successful.

618 Brand Ranking #1 in multiple platforms

Tmall (Bottles) **D** (Bottle and Skincare combined) Tmall Super (Baby products) TikTok (Bottles)

+12% **GMV +15%** 



Lansinoh: "Discreet Duo" the new wearable breast pump had a great start!

Sales for the first half of 2024

More than  $\frac{3}{}$  times than plan 🦯





- Sales of the new wearable breast pumps launched for the DME\* channel in the U.S. in 2024 are strong.
- With strong sales, we are looking for another sales opportunity through retail channels in the U.S. and in Europe.

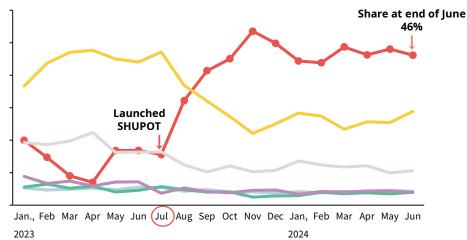
<sup>\*</sup>A portion or all of the cost of the purchase of Durable Medical Equipment is covered by the programs assisted by health insurance providers

## FY2024 Q2 - Business Highlights (2)

Japan: Electric nasal aspirator has over 40% market share in 12 months on the market.



#### Nasal Aspirator (Electric Type) Market Share by Brand (Value)



\*From our own research (Intage POS National BS and DRG combined expanded estimates)

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## Malaysia: First in the Group to establish a cooperative system with dentists.



- Conducted dental checkups, which are not mandatory in Malaysia, in cooperation with dental clinics. Raising awareness of the importance of babies' oral care.
- Leveraging brand and product strength, expand activities such as collaboration with oral academy and top university dental schools in Malaysia.
- Currently, more than 200 dental clinics sell Pigeon oral care products and it is now third biggest category followed by Bottles and Skincare.

## FY2024 Q2 Results - Consolidated P&L (YTD 6 months)

Sales in the first half increased 6.9% YoY due to the favorable impact of FX rates. Income decreased due to aggressive growth investment for sales recovery in mainland China, while gross profit increased driven by higher sales.

Unit: Million JPY	Q2 / Dec.	2023 YTD	Q2 / Dec. 2024 YTD		
	Actual	% of Total	Actual	% of Total	YoY Change
Net Sales	48,002	100.0%	51,313	100.0%	106.9%
Cost of Sales	24,700	51.5%	26,291	51.2%	106.4%
Gross Profit	23,301	48.5%	25,021	48.8%	107.4%
SG&A Expenses	16,789	35.0%	19,198	37.4%	114.3%
Operating Income	6,511	13.6%	5,822	11.3%	89.4%
Ordinary Income	7,117	14.8%	6,431	12.5%	90.4%
Net Income Attributable to Owners of Parent	4,566	9.5%	3,574	7.0%	78.3%

[Currency Rates] 2024 Q2 Results: US\$1 = IPY 152.14 2023 Q2 Results: US\$1 = JPY 134.95

CNY 1 = IPY 21.08CNY 1 = IPY 19.46

## FY2024 Q2 Results - By Business Segment (YTD 6 months)

Japan business lower sales and profit but Baby care sales were strong. China business higher sales and lower income partly due to aggressive investment for growth. Singapore and Lansinoh business achieved higher revenues and profits.

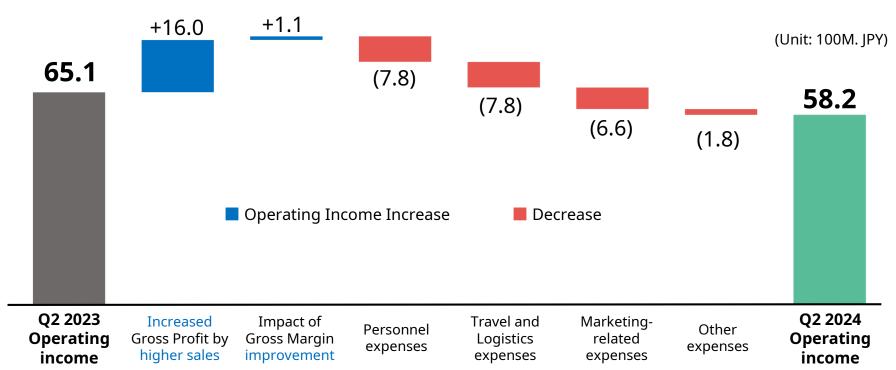
	Q2 / Dec. 2023 YTD				Q2 / Dec. 2024 YTD					
Unit: Million JPY	Net Sales	% of Total	Gross Margin	Segment Profit	Net Sales	% of Total	YoY Change	Gross Margin	Segment Profit	
Consolidated Net Sales	48,002	100.0%	48.5%	6,511	51,313	100.0%	106.9%	48.8%	5,822	
Japan Business	18,408	38.3%	34.4%	1,182	18,002	35.1%	97.8%	33.0%	1,040	
China Business	18,061	37.6%	54.2%	5,497	19,629	38.3%	108.7%	55.2%	5,149	
Singapore Business	6,607	13.8%	38.5%	840	7,094	13.8%	107.4%	40.7%	954	
Lansinoh Business	8,728	18.2%	52.2%	345	10,092	19.7%	115.6%	54.4%	462	
Elimination of inter- segment transactions	(3,803)	(7.9%)	_	_	(3,505)	(6.8%)	_	_	_	

#### ▼[Reference] Breakdown of Japan Business

	Q2 / Dec. 2023 YTD				Q2 / Dec. 2024 YTD				
Unit: Million JPY	Net Sales	% of Total	Gross Margin	Segment Profit	Net Sales	% of Total	YoY Change	Gross Margin	Segment Profit
Baby Care	12,937	_	39.8%	1,342	13,093	_	101.2%	36.8%	1,008
Childcare Services	1,741	_	16.8%	122	1,727	_	99.2%	15.0%	87
Health & Elder Care	2,394	_	31.1%	202	2,248	_	93.9%	33.7%	219

## FY2024 Q2 Results - Change in Operating Income (YoY)

While gross profit increased due to higher revenues, operating income decreased by 680 million yen YoY mainly due to aggressive investment to recover sales and market share in mainland China.



## FY2024 Q2 - Consolidated Balance Sheet (Highlight)

Inventories actually decreased from the end of the previous fiscal year due to company-wide efforts. (The increase was due to the effect of FX rates)

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Unit: Million JPY	Actual	Actual	YoY Change (Amount)	YoY Change (%)	YoY Change (Amount) w/o impacts of FX rates			
Cash and Deposits	34,357	35,335	+977	102.8%	(1,448)			
Notes and Accounts Receivable - Trade	14,412	21,346	+6,934	148.1%	+5,183			
Inventories	13,535	14,457	+921	106.8%	(251)			
Notes and Accounts Payable - Trade	3,643	5,463	+1,820	150.0%	+1,546			
Electronically Recorded Obligations - Operating	1,365	602	(763)	44.1%	(763)			
Borrowings	76	_	(76)	_	_			
Net Assets	81,087	84,953	+3,866	104.8%	(576)			
Total Assets	100,440	108,392	+7,952	107.9%	+637			
Equity Ratio	77.2%	75.4%	_	_	_			

\*Sales: Sell-in on a local currency basis

## Japan business

## Sales and profit down due to weak overseas demand and increasing COGS, despite continued strong domestic demand for baby products

- Baby care sales ended at +1.2% YoY. Overseas demand such as exports and cross-border EC remained weak from Q1.
- Sales of nursing bottles and nipples increased YoY. Domestic demand for baby skincare was strong, but weak overseas demand made skincare sales below the previous year's level.
- Sales of "SHUPOT" electric nasal aspirator are strong. The product has grown to become the No. 1 product within one year of its launch.
- Gross margin for Baby care deteriorated by 3.0pt YoY mainly due to the impact of higher COGS reflecting the weaker Japanese Yen.
- Health & Elder care transferred all shares of Pigeon Manaka Corporation, which operates elder care service business, to Marumitsu Corporation on April 1, and excluded it from the Group company (Annual sales of Pigeon Manaka is about 900 million yen).
- Inbound demand remains weak despite an upward trend in the number of foreign visitors to Japan.

#### Strengthening of existing areas

The concept of Moisture mist lotion is "time-saving".

Distributed to 15,000 retailers within one month

after launch





#### New area: Babycare appliances

Electric nasal aspirator, Bottle sterilizer/dryer, etc. Demand for high unit price products is growing





#### **Brand: Communication**

Co-creating value with many partners by leveraging the strong brand power





\*Sales: Sell-in on a local currency basis

# China business

## Increased sales and decreased profit. Accelerated recovery trend of sales in mainland China due to aggressive growth investment

- Accumulated sales\* (RMB) in mainland China ended at +2% YoY. Strong growth of +13% YoY in Q2 alone.
- Sales of bottles and nipples increased +16% YoY. Market share of bottles and nipples continued to recover from Q1.
- Baby skincare, which was affected by ALPS treated water recovered to the level of last year by launching new product in Q2.
- Launched new products such as Disney bottles, "Momo-no-ha Cooling Cream", and many other products exclusive to mainland China.
- Natural Weaning bottles captured the demand for a step-up from bottles to straw, and sales were strong both online and offline.
- UV and GMV achieved double-digit growth in the "618" period compared to the previous year. Achieved No. 1 brand ranking in a major e-commerce channel.
- Accumulated sell-out was +5% YTD YoY. EC +12%, offline -13%. Strong sales through EC including our own flagship stores, due to the thorough strengthening of brand exposure and communication. Current EC sales ratio is 77%.
- Gross margin of the China business (in JPY) improved by 1.0pt YoY due to an increase in the sales composition of high-margin bottle and nipple products.

#### Strengthening of existing areas

Launched new products in bottles and skincare





## New area: Age-Up products Strengthening sales in both offline and online





## **Brand: Communication**Continue to strengthen activities at hospital



\*Sales: Sell-in on a local currency basis

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#### Sales and profit increased due to the favorable FX rates, although sales recovery in key countries are still mild

- Accumulated sales\* in India +22% YoY, Malaysia +20%, Indonesia -13%, Middle East -3%.
- Accumulated sell-out increased YoY in Australia, Vietnam, and Thailand. Sell-out in India were on a par with the previous year, while the Middle East were on a recovery trend.

## Singapore business

- Distribution inventory normalization in key markets is complete.
- Continued to strengthen sales of core products (bottles and nipples, bay skincare). Strengthened our communication activities to expand sales of wide-neck bottles, and launch of two new items in Natural Botanical skincare series.
- Began selling Pigeon products in the Kenya market in May. Currently building a sales model tailored to the local consumer behavior.
- Gross margin (in JPY) of Singapore Business improved by 2.2 pt YoY, partly due to sales growth of factories and the impact of foreign exchange rates.

## Strengthening core products: wide-neck bottles

Strengthening sales in both offline and online



#### Strengthening core products: Baby skincare

Increase exposure and sales promotion of Natural Botanical skincare series





#### New market: Africa

Kenya customers already like Pigeon bottles

My newborn baby didn't accept my breast and was having a real trouble. He finally took it by a Pigeon bottle. Unbelievable. I was moved!

I've used lots of bottles in the past. But Pigeon one was the best! I'm now a big fan of Pigeon.



\*Sales: Sell-in on a local currency basis

#### Lansinoh Business

## Overall Lansinoh continues to perform well as in Q1. Both sales and profit increased due to favorable FX rates and lower ocean freight costs

- Accumulative sales of Lansinoh Group (US\$) ended +3% YoY.
- In North America, special demand for "Milk storage bags" disappeared, but new products for breast pumps drove sales up +6%. In Europe, sales increased mainly due to nipple creams and other key products, but sales in China were weak due to intensive competition in consumables.
- Strong sales of Discreet Duo, a hands-free breast pump for the DME channel, launched in the U.S. in February.
- Sales of postpartum and recovery care grew by more than 50% YoY. Besides double-digit growth in North America due to continuous introduction of new products, UK and Germany contributed to the category's growth driver.
- Gross Margin (JPY) improved by 2.2 pt YoY, partly due to lower ocean freight rates (COGS factor), while sales and distribution costs (SG&A factor) remained high in the U.S. and Europe.

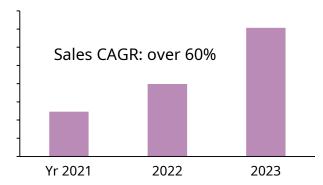
#### Strengthen existing areas and grow new areas

Focus on both breastfeeding-related products (existing) and



#### New area: Sales transition of postpartum and recovery care

Launched in US in 2021 and continued high growth through expansion into the European market and additional SKUs



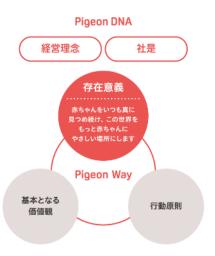
## FY2024 Q2 Results - ESG and Sustainability

### ESG

#### Working to co-create value with society to realize a "Vision of a Baby-Friendly Future"

- Established Pigeon Group Human Rights Policy (May)
- Completed expansion of the Nihonbashi Human Milk Bank (1st floor of our headquarters) (May)
- Selected for all six ESG index constituent used by the GPIF
   (Newly selected as a constituent of the MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index

#### **Purpose of the Pigeon Group**



#### Nihonbashi Human Milk Bank doubled the size of the facility





## Major external evaluations (As of May 31, 2024)



## Full-Year Forecast for FY Dec. 2024

## FY2024 Full-Year Forecast - <u>Unchanged</u>

No change in full-year forecasts. Continue efforts to strengthen existing areas and expand into new areas globally, aim to increase group sales and profits by thoroughly investing in growth to recover sales in China business in the second half of FY2024.

Unit: Million JPY	Dec.	2023	Dec. 2024			
Offic. Million JF 1	Actual	% of Total	Forecast	% of Total	YoY Change	
Net Sales	94,461	100.0%	101,000	100.0%	106.9%	
Cost of Sales	49,008	51.9%	50,200	49.7%	102.4%	
Gross Profit	45,452	48.1%	50,800	50.3%	111.8%	
SG&A Expenses	34,726	36.8%	39,400	39.0%	113.5%	
Operating income	10,726	11.4%	11,400	11.3%	106.3%	
Ordinary income	11,522	12.2%	11,400 <sup>*</sup>	11.3%	98.9%	
Net Income Attributable to Owners of Parent	7,423	7.9%	7,600	7.5%	102.4%	

<sup>\*</sup> Subsidy income not included

[Currency Rates]

2024 Forecast: US\$1 = JPY 135.00

CNY 1 = IPY 19.50CNY 1 = JPY 19.83

2023 Results: US\$1 = IPY 140.58

## FY2024 - New Products and Topics for the Second Half

#### New products

Japan Baby electric nail files, New baby food series, and Lansinoh products in Japan.

China Age-Up products, Renewal of major baby skincare series.

Singapore Maternity line in Natural botanical skincare.

Lansinoh Silverette Nursing Cups (Breastfeeding Accs.), expansion of Discreet Duo, and addition of new categories for mothers.





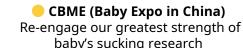
Baby Electric Nail File New items added to the successful babycare appliances



Natural Botanical Maternity Launched stretch mark cream for maternity



Silverette Nursing Cups Silver nipple cups were launched, focusing on the antibacterial properties of silver









Other key topics

### FY2024 Shareholder Returns and Investment

Dividends	Dec. 2022		Dec.	2023	Dec. 2024		
	<b>Interim</b> (Actual)	Year-end (Actual)	<b>Interim</b> (Actual)	Year-end (Actual)	Interim (Scheduled)	<b>Year-end</b> (Forecast)	
Dividend per Share (yen)	38	38	38	38	38	38	
Dividend payout ratio	106.1%		122	.6%	119.8% (Full-year Forecast / Year-end)		

Investment-related	Dec. 2022		Dec.	2023	Dec. 2024		
Indicators (Consolidated) Unit: Million JPY	Interim (Actual)	Year-end (Actual)	Interim (Actual)	Year-end (Actual)	<b>interim</b> (Actual)	<b>Full-year</b> (Forecast)	
Capex (*1)	2,814	7,259	3,775	6,320	1,408	3,950	
Depreciation (*2)	2,381	4,947	2,518	5,080	2,448	4,600	
R&D Expenses (*3)	1,802	3,792	2,000	4,210	2,200	4,600	

<sup>\*1:</sup> Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets (including long-term prepaid expense)

<sup>\*2 :</sup> Depreciation (including amortization of goodwill)

<sup>\*3 :</sup> Total expenses of R&D activities, including personnel costs

<sup>\*4:</sup> Monozukuri expense for FY Dec. 2023

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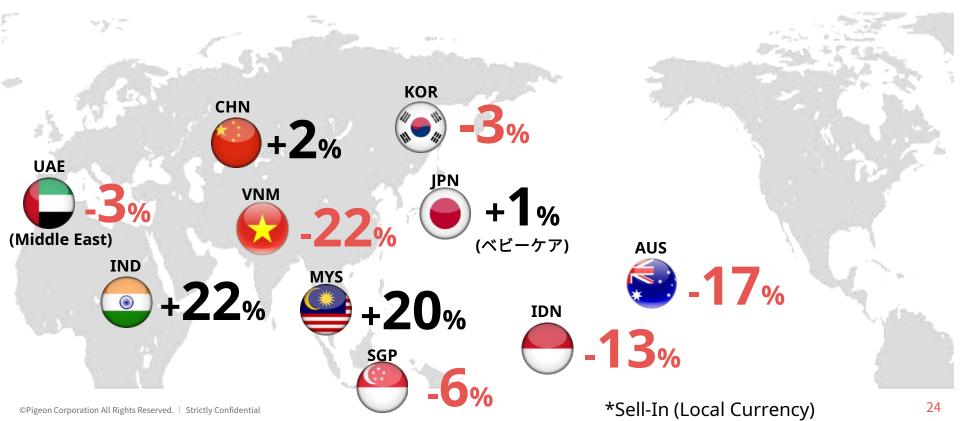
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Net Assets	83,056	_	84,953	_	102.3%	
<b>Total Assets</b>	105,091	_	108,392	_	103.1%	
EPS (yen)	38.17	_	29.89	_	78.3%	
BPS (yen)	665.23	_	683.03	_	102.7%	
ROE *	11.2%	_	9.0%	_	_	
ROIC *	11.2%	_	9.8%	_	_	

<sup>\*</sup>Denominators are averages of the beginning and end of the period

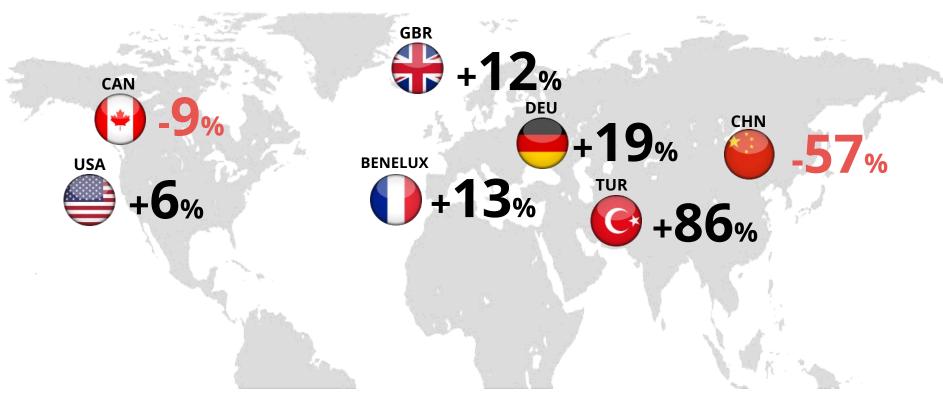
## FY2024 Q2 Results - Pigeon Sales\* by Region (YoY)

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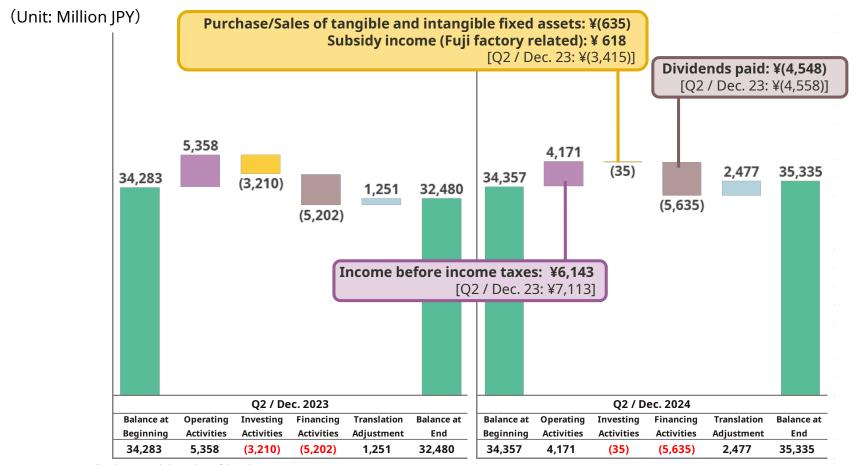


## FY2024 Q2 Results - Lansinoh Sales\* by Region (YoY)

Lansinoh.



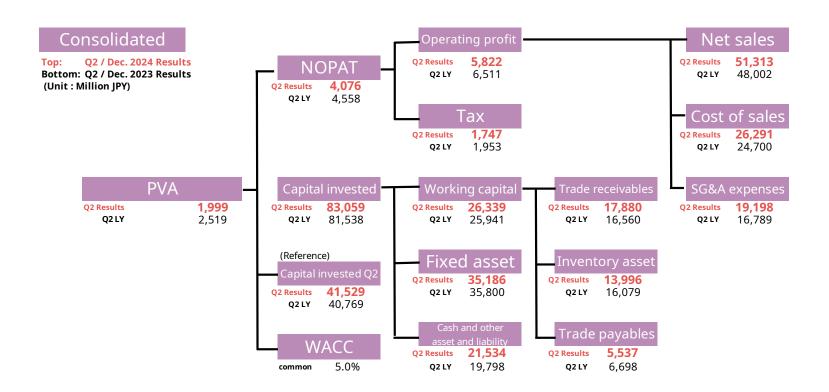
## FY2024 Q2 Results - Consolidated Cash Flow Comparison



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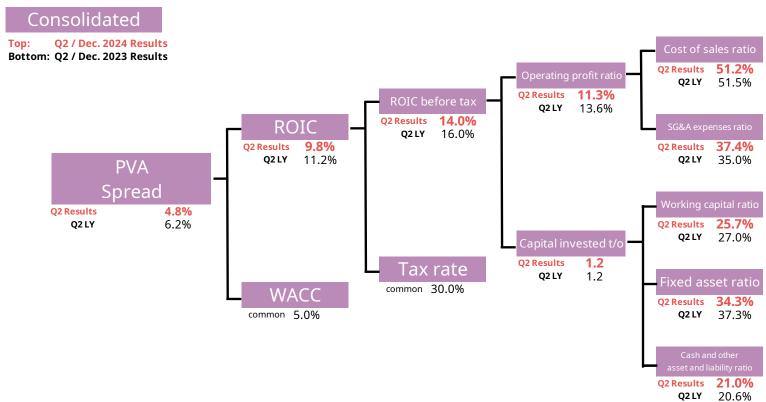
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## FY2024 Q2 - Consolidated PVA Tree (Breakdown of PVA)



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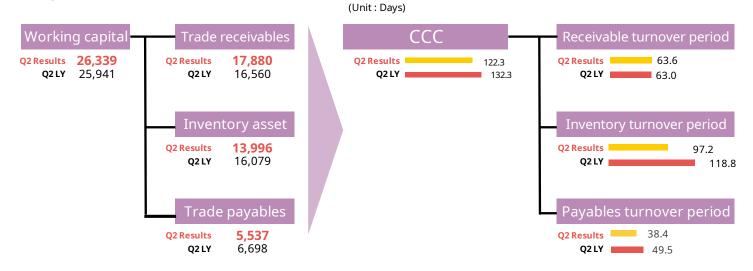
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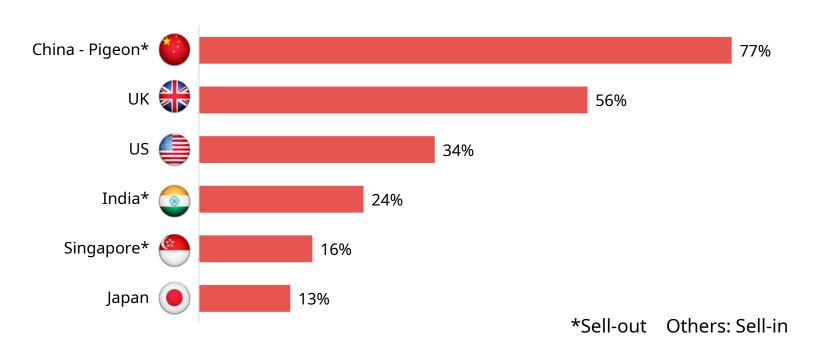
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(Unit: Million JPY)



## FY2024 Q2 Results - EC Sales Ratio in Key Markets

#### [E-commerce sales ratio of Pigeon Lansinoh products]





## Key Issues for Pigeon over the Mid and Long-term (Materiality)



#### Enhancing Business Competitiveness and Resilience

Becoming essential to society by expanding our corporate value over the medium to long term

Supporting nursing babies

Supporting healthy baby skin development

Creating new businesses

Releasing products that exceed customer expectations

Building resilient distribution systems



## Reducing our Environmental Impact

Practicing eco-friendly monozukuri and leaving a rich earth for the future of babies born tomorrow

Reducing greenhouse gas emissions (Scope 1, 2 & 3)

Circular manufacturing

Using sustainable resources (paper & palm oil)



#### Contributing to the Resolution of Social Issues

Helping to resolve the social issues that affect babies and families

New products and services for babies needing support

Expanding use of products designed for maternity hospitals

Promoting responsible procurement

Participating in and supporting communities



#### Managing talent and Cultivating the Right Culture for our Purpose

Cultivating an organizational culture in which all employees can shine as they embrace new challenges

Working environments that achieve self-fulfillment and growth

Ambitious organizational culture

Enriched investment in human resource development

Promoting Diversity & inclusion



## Establishing solid management foundations

Securing a structural basis for bold and ambitious endeavors that will improve medium- to long-term corporate value

Reinforcing group governance

Reinforcing compliance

Reinforcing risk management

Dialogue with stakeholders

## 8th MTP Themes and Key Strategy

## For Sustainable Growth

Restructuring of business structure in response to global economic, political, and environmental changes

#### **Key Strategy (deepening the ones of the 7th MTP)**

**Brand Strategy** 

Centered on "Purpose" for our business activities and strengthening brand power through products

**Product Strategy** 

Strengthen "Monozukuri", focus on core categories (Nursing bottles and Skincares), and explore the "New areas"

Regional Strategy

- Strengthen autonomous business operation by each SBU.
- Implement the drastic structural reform to establish production and sales systems tailored to market characteristics, improve efficiency and profitability, stabilize the supply chain, and prepare for the expansion of the new markets.

Vision of a Baby-Friendly Future



#### Six specific faces of society



Babies are part of everyone's everyday life



Loose, friendly ties facilitating easy cooperation around raising children



Creativity from babies brings excitement to society



No barriers to raising children



All babies are helped to develop and grow, regardless of the conditions of their birth



A comfortable world where babies are not troubled by environmental risks

We formulated Vision of a Baby-Friendly Future by describing, in terms of six specific faces of society, the "baby-friendly" world envisaged in that Purpose. In order to realize its Vision of a Baby-Friendly Future, Pigeon will move forward step by step, seeking to increase the number of people in society who empathize with the vision and co-creating and taking action with a diverse range of stakeholders.

Vision of a Baby-Friendly Future website: <a href="https://www.pigeon.com/vision-of-a-baby-friendly-future/">https://www.pigeon.com/vision-of-a-baby-friendly-future/</a>

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