



Consolidated Financial Results
for the First Nine Months of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2022 [J-GAAP]

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1. Consolidated financial results for the first nine months ended December 31, 2021
(April 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021)

(1) Consolidated financial results

(Percentages show change from corresponding year-ago period.)

	Net Sales		Operating Income		Ordinary Income		Net Income Attributable to Parent Company Shareholders	
	Million yen	%	Million yen	%	Million yen	%	Million yen	%
Nine months ended December 31, 2021	1,001,660	1.4	49,258	54.1	58,962	48.9	69,551	188.5
Nine months ended December 31, 2020	987,689	(5.7)	31,959	(22.7)	39,598	(17.3)	24,109	(72.3)

Note: Comprehensive income: For the first nine months ended December 31, 2021: ¥109,884 million (35.3%)
 For the first nine months ended December 31, 2020: ¥81,199 million (7.3%)

	Net Income per Share	Diluted Net Income per Share
	Yen	Yen
Nine months ended December 31, 2021	253.54	253.50
Nine months ended December 31, 2020	85.84	85.80

(2) Consolidated financial position

	Total Assets	Net Assets	Equity Ratio
	Million yen	Million yen	%
As of December 31, 2021	1,906,032	1,155,107	57.7
As of March 31, 2021	1,825,019	1,098,613	57.2

Note: Stockholders' equity as of December 31, 2021: ¥1,100,048 million As of March 31, 2021: ¥1,043,977 million

2. Dividends

	Annual Dividends (Yen)				
	First Quarter-end	Second Quarter-end	Third Quarter-end	Year-end	Total
Year ended March 31, 2021	–	32.00	–	32.00	64.00
Year ending March 31, 2022	–	32.00	–		
Year ending March 31, 2022 (Forecasts)				32.00	64.00

Note: Revisions to the most recently announced dividend forecasts during the third quarter: No

3. Consolidated earnings forecasts for the year ending March 31, 2022 (April 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022)

(Percentages show change from corresponding year-ago period.)

	Net Sales		Operating Income		Ordinary Income		Net Income Attributable to Parent Company Shareholders		Net Income per Share
	Million yen	%	Million yen	%	Million yen	%	Million yen	%	Yen
Full year	1,350,000	1.1	63,000	27.2	73,000	21.9	70,000	179.0	256.31

Note: Revisions to the most recently announced earnings forecasts during the third quarter: Yes

Other information

(1) Changes in significant subsidiaries during the third quarter (changes in specified subsidiaries resulting in change of scope of consolidation): No

(2) Application of accounting procedures peculiar to quarterly consolidated financial statement preparation: No

(3) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates, and restatement of revisions

- 1) Changes in accounting policies with revision of accounting standards: Yes
- 2) Changes in accounting policies other than the 1) above: No
- 3) Changes in accounting estimates: No
- 4) Restatement of revisions: No

Note: For more information, see the section titled, "2. Quarterly consolidated financial statements and key notes (3) Notes regarding quarterly consolidated financial statements [Changes in accounting policies]," on page 9.

(4) Number of common shares issued and outstanding

1) Number of common shares outstanding at end of each period (including treasury shares)	As of December 31, 2021	317,240,346 shares	As of March 31, 2021	324,240,346 shares
2) Number of treasury shares at end of each period	As of December 31, 2021	48,173,707 shares	As of March 31, 2021	43,363,670 shares
3) Average number of shares outstanding during the period (cumulative from the start of the fiscal year)	Nine months ended December 31, 2021	274,316,961 shares	Nine months ended December 31, 2020	280,879,755 shares

* These financial results are exempt from auditing by a certified public accountant or an auditing company.

* Explanation regarding appropriate use of earnings forecasts and other special notes

Forward-looking statements in this report, including earnings forecasts, are based on assumptions about economic conditions, market trends, and other factors at the time the report was published. Actual results may differ significantly due to a variety of factors.

For information about earnings forecasts, see the section titled, "1. Qualitative information on the consolidated results for the third quarter (3) Explanation of the consolidated earnings forecasts," on page 4.

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1. Qualitative information on the consolidated results for the third quarter

(1) Explanation of the consolidated financial results

Conditions surrounding the DNP Group during the first nine months of the fiscal year ending March 2022 were affected by the global spread of variants of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), with individuals' lives, society, and the economy remaining subject to various restrictions. As working styles and lifestyles have changed at an accelerated pace, demand has increased within Japan for network-based distance learning and online medical consultations, as well as for 5th-generation mobile communications (5G) and higher-performance digital devices, etc. In addition, as people around the world are becoming more aware of the need to prevent global warming and reduce the burdens that humans place on the global environment, demand for eco-friendly products and services has expanded.

Amid these conditions, the DNP Group worked to create the kind of innovative value that people expect of it, as well as to resolve social issues in order to realize a better, more sustainable society and more comfortable lifestyles. As it always has, the DNP Group continues to aspire to contribute to society and enrich people's lives. Today we express that desire through our brand statement, "Today's Innovation is Tomorrow's Basic." By combining our unique strengths in printing and information (P&I), forming deeper alliances with our many partners, and by providing value that is indispensable to individuals and society, we have worked to develop people's awareness of DNP as a presence that people cannot do without. In particular, we designated "focus business" areas where we anticipate strong market growth and profitability: the Internet of Things (IoT) and next-generation communications, data distribution, mobility, and the environment. We are working to expand our business by prioritizing and optimizing management resources in these areas. We have also taken on structural reforms aimed at boosting competitiveness as we work to build a strong business portfolio.

As a result of these efforts, consolidated net sales for the first nine months grew 1.4% year on year to ¥1,001.6 billion, consolidated operating income grew 54.1% to ¥49.2 billion, consolidated ordinary income grew 48.9% to ¥58.9 billion, and net income attributable to parent company shareholders grew 188.5% to ¥69.5 billion, helped by the recording of extraordinary gains associated with revision of our retirement benefit plans and the sale of some investment securities.

Business segment results are presented below.

[PRINTING]

Information Communication

In the Information Innovation business, recovery in areas such as promotional direct mail was offset by decline in large Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) projects and a slowdown in growth of demand for smart cards related to Japan's social ID ("My Number") cards. As a result, overall sales in the Information Innovation business declined.

In Imaging Communications, sales increased due to a recovery in demand for photo shooting, photo printing materials and services, mainly in the US, which is the core market of this business.

In Publishing, e-book sales remained firm, and sales increased in the "honto" hybrid bookstore network that handles both printed and electronic books. Sales of digital library services and library management operations were also solid, but sluggish sales of magazine printing contributed to a decline in overall Publishing sales.

As a result of the above, especially due to the decline in large BPO projects related to government policies, overall segment sales fell 2.0% year on year to ¥518.6 billion. Nevertheless, largely thanks to effective cost structure reforms, operating income grew 67.7% to ¥17.8 billion.

Lifestyle and Industrial Supplies

In the Packaging business, overall sales increased. Although the COVID-19 pandemic led to declines in sales of commercial packaging materials for souvenirs sold at tourist destinations and for use by restaurants, we worked hard to develop and sell eco-friendly packaging products, and were also helped by increased sales of aseptic filling systems.

In the Living Spaces business, sales increased in decorative films for automobile interiors and decorative materials for residential interiors and exteriors, thanks to recovery trends in the housing and automobile markets. In addition, demand for antibacterial and antiviral products that are effective in preventing infections also increased, contributing to an increase in overall Living Spaces sales.

The High-Performance Industrial Supplies business was affected by a temporary drop in production in its customers and suppliers caused by a global shortage of semiconductors. However, demand for battery pouches for lithium-ion batteries rose due to worldwide growth in demand for electric vehicles as well as increased demand for products like tablets and smartphones driven mainly by the spread of teleworking. Overall sales of High-Performance Industrial Supplies increased.

As a result of the above, overall segment sales grew 5.4% year on year to ¥290.5 billion. Operating income grew 31.3% to ¥11.6 billion due to growth in the High-Performance Industrial Supplies business, cost reductions resulting from optimization of manufacturing systems, and progress in passing on higher materials costs to customers.

Electronics

In the Display Components business, sales of optical films used for televisions decreased due to the winding down of “nesting consumption” (greater demand for home-use products as people spent more time at home). However, sales of films for laptop and desktop computer monitors remained steady due to the spread of teleworking and online learning. Overall optical film sales increased. Sales of metal masks used in the production of organic light-emitting diode (OLED) displays also increased, due to continued strong demand for OLED displays for smartphones. Overall, Display Components sales increased.

In the Electronic Devices business, the accelerated digital transformation of companies and local governments revved up demand for semiconductors, which in turn sparked greater sales of semiconductor photomasks used for communications, vehicular components, and data centers. In addition, we enjoyed strong sales of lead frames, a component of semiconductor packages, resulting in an overall increase in sales of Electronic Devices.

As a result of the above, overall segment sales grew 7.6% year on year to ¥156.9 billion, and operating income grew 29.3% to ¥35.4 billion due to growth in sales.

[BEVERAGES]

Beverages

We focused on the in-store and online sale of beverages in PET plastic bottles free of labels, including product name labels, in order to reduce the burden on the environment and in response to lifestyle changes, including increased online shopping, caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. In alcoholic beverages, we worked on expanding our lineup of “Lemondo” products and expanding sales of our new “Nomel’s Hard Lemonade.”

Overall segment sales declined by 3.5% year on year to ¥37.4 billion due to sluggish sales at restaurants and bars as a result of the government’s stay-at-home request and activity restrictions. Operating income was ¥0.8 billion (up 6.2% year on year) thanks to a thorough cost reduction campaign.

(2) Explanation of the consolidated financial position

Total assets at the end of the third quarter increased by ¥81.0 billion from the end of the previous fiscal year to ¥1,906.0 billion, due mainly to an increase in investment securities.

Total liabilities increased by ¥24.5 billion from the end of the previous fiscal year to ¥750.9 billion, due mainly to an increase in deferred tax liabilities.

Net assets increased by ¥56.4 billion from the end of the previous fiscal year to ¥1,155.1 billion, due mainly to an increase in valuation difference on available-for-sale securities.

(3) Explanation of the consolidated earnings forecasts

We have revised the consolidated earnings forecast for the fiscal year ending March 2022 that was originally published on May 13, 2021. For details, please refer to the “Announcement Regarding Recording of Extraordinary Gains and Revision of Consolidated Earnings Forecasts” dated February 10, 2022.

2. Quarterly consolidated financial statements and key notes
(1) Quarterly consolidated balance sheets

(Million yen)

	As of March 31, 2021	As of December 31, 2021
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and time deposits	301,162	260,095
Notes and trade receivables	324,625	-
Notes, trade receivables, and contract assets	-	336,854
Marketable securities	19,000	18,500
Merchandise and finished products	75,540	79,056
Work in progress	27,810	32,057
Raw materials and supplies	23,420	28,860
Other	34,975	27,174
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(716)	(699)
Total current assets	805,817	781,899
Fixed assets		
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings and structures, net	164,049	162,007
Machinery and equipment, net	73,710	72,862
Land	141,808	141,806
Construction in progress	13,238	24,387
Other, net	27,221	26,480
Total property, plant and equipment	420,029	427,544
Intangible fixed assets		
Other	25,207	28,255
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Investments and other assets		
Investment securities	422,799	475,154
Other	153,905	196,164
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(2,741)	(2,987)
Total investments and other assets	573,964	668,332
Total fixed assets	1,019,201	1,124,132
TOTAL ASSETS	1,825,019	1,906,032

(Million yen)

	As of March 31, 2021	As of December 31, 2021
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Notes and trade payables	226,606	233,893
Short-term bank loans	37,321	28,001
Reserve for bonuses	19,284	7,681
Repair reserve	17,688	18,351
Other	107,224	105,835
Total current liabilities	408,125	393,763
Long-term liabilities		
Bonds	103,550	102,500
Long-term debt	11,569	15,375
Repair reserve	49,491	43,145
Net defined benefit liability	35,174	56,194
Deferred tax liabilities	95,997	119,393
Other	22,496	20,552
Total long-term liabilities	318,279	357,161
TOTAL LIABILITIES	726,405	750,925
NET ASSETS		
Stockholders' equity		
Common stock	114,464	114,464
Capital surplus	145,024	145,048
Retained earnings	683,784	712,552
Treasury stock	(122,920)	(133,119)
Total stockholders' equity	820,352	838,945
Accumulated other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	202,017	237,904
Net deferred gains on hedges	11	17
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(5,082)	1,118
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	26,678	22,062
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	223,624	261,102
Non-controlling interests	54,636	55,058
TOTAL NET ASSETS	1,098,613	1,155,107
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	1,825,019	1,906,032

(2) Quarterly consolidated statements of income and quarterly consolidated statements of comprehensive income

Quarterly consolidated statements of income
First nine months of the fiscal years

(Million yen)

	Nine months ended December 31, 2020	Nine months ended December 31, 2021
Net sales	987,689	1,001,660
Cost of sales	785,013	783,112
Gross profit	202,676	218,548
Selling, general and administrative expenses	170,716	169,289
Operating income	31,959	49,258
Non-operating income		
Interest and dividend income	3,948	3,727
Equity in earnings of affiliates	5,583	6,642
Other	3,053	3,337
Total non-operating income	12,585	13,707
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expense	1,065	548
Contributions	1,458	829
Other	2,422	2,624
Total non-operating expenses	4,947	4,003
Ordinary income	39,598	58,962
Extraordinary gains		
Gain on sale of fixed assets	453	5,962
Gain on sale of investment securities	165	11,284
Retirement benefit plan revision gains	–	18,534
Compensation received	365	–
Other	–	1,876
Total extraordinary gains	984	37,658
Extraordinary losses		
Loss on sale or disposal of fixed assets	1,087	1,074
Loss on devaluation of investment securities	755	461
Other	1,117	305
Total extraordinary losses	2,960	1,841
Income before income taxes and non-controlling interests	37,621	94,779
Current income taxes	8,454	11,056
Deferred income taxes	3,157	12,512
Total income taxes	11,612	23,569
Net income	26,009	71,209
Net income attributable to non-controlling shareholders	1,899	1,658
Net income attributable to parent company shareholders	24,109	69,551

Quarterly consolidated statements of comprehensive income
First nine months of the fiscal years

(Million yen)

	Nine months ended December 31, 2020	Nine months ended December 31, 2021
Net income	26,009	71,209
Other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	57,980	35,859
Net deferred gains (losses) on hedges	(25)	10
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(2,625)	5,034
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	855	(4,546)
Share of other comprehensive income of affiliates accounted for using equity method	(993)	2,317
Total other comprehensive income	55,190	38,675
Comprehensive income	81,199	109,884
Attributable to:		
Parent company shareholders	79,902	107,792
Non-controlling shareholders	1,297	2,092

(3) Notes regarding quarterly consolidated financial statements

[Notes on premise of a going concern]

None

[Significant changes in shareholders' equity]

Treasury stock increased by ¥30,008 million during the first nine months of the fiscal year ending March 2022, due mainly to share repurchases based on a resolution passed by the Board of Directors on May 13, 2021.

Additionally, retained earnings decreased by ¥19,809 million and treasury stock decreased by ¥19,809 million during the first nine months of the fiscal year ending March 2022, due to the cancellation of treasury stock on May 24, 2021 based on a resolution passed by the Board of Directors on May 13, 2021.

[Changes in accounting policies]

(Adoption of revenue recognition standard)

The DNP Group applied the Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition (Accounting Standards Board of Japan Statement No. 29, March 31, 2020; hereafter “the revenue recognition standard”) from the beginning of the first quarter of the fiscal year ending March 2022. From the time that control over promised goods or services is transferred to a customer, the amount of money expected to be received in exchange for those goods or services will be recognized as revenue. The main changes resulting from the adoption of the revenue recognition standard are as follows:

(1) Recognition of revenue related to paid transactions

The Company and some of its consolidated subsidiaries purchase raw materials, etc. from customers, process those materials, etc., and sell them back to the same customer. DNP previously recognized revenue from these types of transactions (with some exceptions) as the entire amount received for such products, including the amount paid for the purchase of raw materials and other inputs. Now, however, we have changed to a method whereby we recognize net revenue excluding the purchase price of raw materials and other inputs.

(2) Recognition of revenue from transactions in which DNP acts as agent

DNP previously recognized as revenue the entire amount received as payment from customers who purchased books sold by some of its consolidated subsidiaries. However, regarding transactions in which DNP acts as an agent when providing goods or services to customers, it now recognizes as revenue the net amount obtained after subtracting payments to suppliers from amounts received from customers.

In its application of the revenue recognition standard, DNP complies with the transitional measures stipulated in the notes to Section 84 of the standard. It retroactively applied the new standard to the period prior to the first quarter of the fiscal year ending March 2022, and adjusted the first quarter's initial retained earnings by the cumulative impact of that retroactive application, then began applying the new standard starting with the adjusted balance at the beginning of the period. However, using the approach stipulated in Section 86 of the revenue recognition standard, we did not retroactively apply the new standard to contracts where virtually all revenue had been recognized prior to the beginning of the first quarter. In addition, the Company used the approach laid out in Section 86 (1) of the revenue recognition standard regarding contracts that were changed before the beginning of the first quarter: accounting for such contracts was based on contract terms after all contract changes had been reflected, and the amount of cumulative impact was added to or subtracted from retained earnings at the beginning of the first quarter.

As a result, net sales for the first nine months declined by ¥21,768 million, cost of sales by ¥18,185 million, selling, general and administrative expenses by ¥3,202 million, and operating income by ¥380 million, while ordinary income and income before income taxes and non-controlling interests each decreased by ¥229 million. The balance of retained earnings at the beginning of the quarter increased by ¥25 million.

Due to the introduction of the revenue recognition standard, “current assets” amounts that were displayed as “notes and trade receivables” in the consolidated balance sheet for the fiscal year ended March 2021 are now included with “notes, trade receivables, and contract assets” as of the first quarter of the fiscal term ending March 2022. In line with the transitional approach stipulated in Section 89-2 of the revenue recognition standard, the DNP Group has not reclassified figures from the previous fiscal year (through March 2021) according to the new presentation method. Furthermore, in accordance with the transitional approach stipulated in Section 28-15 of the Accounting Standard for Quarterly Financial Reporting (ASBJ Statement No. 12, March 31, 2020), the DNP Group’s income statement does not break down revenue generated by contracts with customers during the first nine months of the previous fiscal year as a separate item.

(Adoption of accounting standard for fair value measurement)

The DNP Group began applying the Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement (ASBJ Statement No. 30, July 4, 2019; hereafter, “fair value measurement standard”) etc. as of the beginning of the first quarter of the fiscal year ending March 2022. Going forward, we intend to apply the new accounting policy defined by the standard in line with the transitional approach stipulated in Section 19 of said standard and Section 44-2 of the Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments (ASBJ Statement No. 10, July 4, 2019). The impact of this change on the DNP Group’s quarterly consolidated financial statements will be minimal.

[Additional information]

(Transition of retirement benefit plans)

Since October 1, 2021, the Company and some of its consolidated subsidiaries have transitioned a portion of their retirement benefit plans to defined contribution pension plans.

Regarding accounting treatment associated with this change, we applied the Accounting Treatment for Transition between Retirement Benefit Plans (ASBJ Implementation Guidance No. 1, December 16, 2016) and Practical Solution on Accounting for Transfer between Retirement Benefit Plans (Practical Issues Task Force No. 2, February 7, 2007). As a result of this transition, we have recorded ¥18,534 million in retirement benefit plan revision gains as extraordinary gains for the first nine months of the fiscal year ending March 2022.

[Segment information, etc.]

I. First nine months of previous fiscal year (April 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020)

Information on sales and income/loss by reporting segment

(Million yen)

	Reporting segment					Adjustment Note 1	Amounts reported on quarterly consolidated statements of income Note 2
	Information Communication	Lifestyle and Industrial Supplies	Electronics	Beverages	Total		
Net sales							
Outside customers	527,462	275,441	145,969	38,815	987,689	–	987,689
Inter-segment	1,699	272	–	13	1,985	(1,985)	–
Total	529,162	275,713	145,969	38,829	989,674	(1,985)	987,689
Segment income	10,632	8,867	27,411	784	47,695	(15,736)	31,959

- Notes: 1. Segment income is adjusted for costs related to basic research not assignable to a reporting segment or costs of research shared by different segments.
2. Segment income is adjusted to reflect operating income as reported on the quarterly consolidated statements of income.

II. First nine months of current fiscal year (April 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021)

1. Information on sales and income/loss by reporting segment and breakdown of revenue

(Million yen)

	Reporting segment					Adjustment Note 1	Amounts reported on quarterly consolidated statements of income Note 2
	Information Communication	Lifestyle and Industrial Supplies	Electronics	Beverages	Total		
Net sales ^{Note 3}							
Outside customers	516,979	290,238	156,991	37,450	1,001,660	–	1,001,660
Inter-segment	1,629	354	–	5	1,989	(1,989)	–
Total	518,609	290,593	156,991	37,455	1,003,650	(1,989)	1,001,660
Segment income	17,828	11,639	35,446	833	65,748	(16,489)	49,258

- Notes: 1. Segment income is adjusted for costs related to basic research not assignable to a reporting segment or costs of research shared by different segments.
2. Segment income is adjusted to reflect operating income as reported on the quarterly consolidated statements of income.
3. Net sales include both revenue from contracts with customers and other revenue; these are not displayed as separate categories because the former accounts for almost the entirety of sales and the latter is not significant.

2. Notes concerning changes in reporting segments, etc.

As noted under “Changes in accounting policies,” the DNP Group began applying the revenue recognition accounting standard as of the beginning of the first quarter of the fiscal year ending March 2022 and changed its accounting methodology for recognizing revenue. This resulted in similar changes to its approach to measuring business segment profits and losses.

Compared with the previous standard, this change reduced Information Communication segment sales for the first nine months of the fiscal year ending March 2022 by ¥10,431 million and income by ¥292 million, Lifestyle and Industrial Supplies segment sales by ¥3,945 million and segment income by ¥72 million, Electronics segment sales by ¥5,621 million and income by ¥15 million, and Beverages segment sales by ¥1,768 million.