

# SEVEN & HOLDINGS Seven & i Holdings CO., Ltd. "IR Day 2023"

# Domestic CVS Operations Strategy

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# Growth Strategy of Domestic CVS (SEJ)



# Existing Business : Strengthen "Food"

- Continue to strengthen the "food" area by leveraging know-how from the SST operations across the Group
- Promote local production and local consumption by strengthening cooperation with local communities





### Existing Business: Store Opening Strategy

- Community development through the execution of meticulous store opening strategies and plans
- Store opening plan in accordance with location



### Digital: Productivity Improvement at Franchisees and 7NOW Delivery

- Innovate store operations with IT
- Strengthen original merchandise and enhance customer experience value by improving convenience



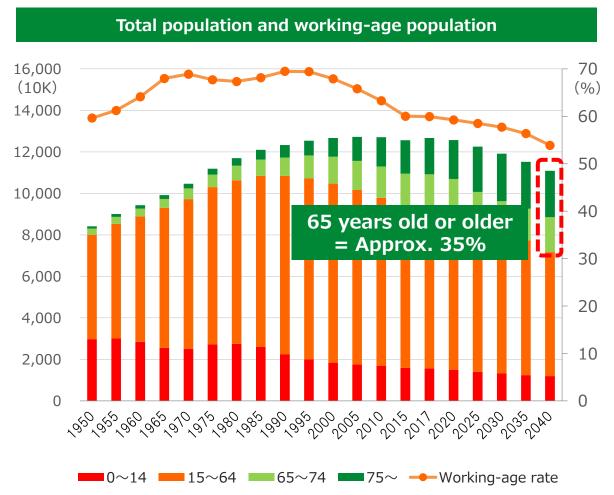


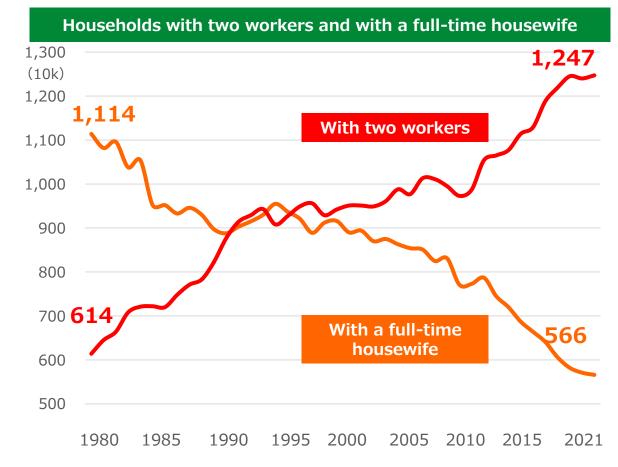
History of 7-Eleven = History of response to changes and challenges

### Changes in the Domestic Environment - Aging Population, increase in dualearner households



- ✓In 2040, the total population will decrease to approx. 110 million (with 35% of over 65 years old)
- √The number of dual-earner households continues to rise, reaching 12.47 million in 2021





Source: National Institute of Population and Social Security Research, "Future Projections for the Number of Households in Japan (National Estimates)" (2018 (Heisei 30) estimates)
Percentages are calculated based on the number of households with a member aged 65 or older from the White Paper on Aging, Cabinet Office, Government of Japan.

Source: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, "2021 Edition: New Coronavirus Infections and Social Security"

\*For the period 1980-2001, "Special Labor Force Survey," Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications
Since 2002, "Labor Force Survey (Detailed Tabulation) (Annual Average)," Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications
\*Results for 2010 and 2011 are for all prefectures except Iwate, Miyaqi, and Fukushima

### What We Aim to Become as a Convenient Store in the Future



# Changes in the social environment (aging population, dual income)

#### **Aging population**

1 in 3 of the total population

are 65 years old or over

# Women's social participation

4 in 5 of early 30s females

Free from handmade obligations

Cooking retirement

Changing work styles
Increase in the number
of dual-earners
Diversification of
lifestyles

Time performance

The Role of 7-Eleven

### **Challenges of consumers**

Left over of ingredients because of small number of people...

No time to prepare...

# Offer a rich dining experience and support for diet and health



Seven Premium



ready-made meal

Source: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare "Annual Health, Labour and Welfare Report 2020"

## 7-Eleven plays a major role in the changing environment

# Existing Business: Leverage Knowledge Accumulated through SST Operation (Strengthen Food Area)



#### Frozen foods (EASE UP)

#### **Brands growon by IY**

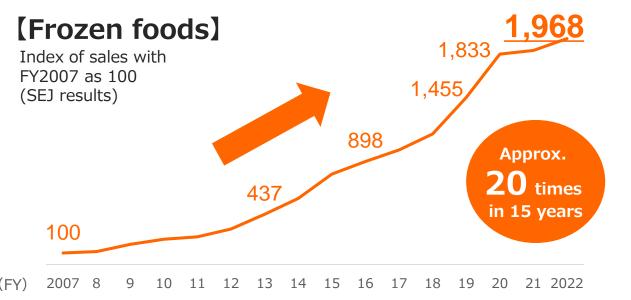
Utilize the SST's wide assortment











#### **◆Joint development with strength of SEJ and IY**



### **♦** Background to grow frozen foods

Changes in the social environment (e.g., women entering the workforce)

Reduction of food loss

Offering more choices to customers and enrich their dining experience.

New products to be released in the future

Strengthen product lineup by leveraging the knowledge and network of suppliers in SST

# Existing Business: Leverage Knowledge Accumulated through SST Operation (Frozen Foods)



#### **Enhance frozen foods by stores**



Install new refrigeration equipment

\*island frozen utensil (test)

**Standard stores** 

Review lineup with expansion of recommended items









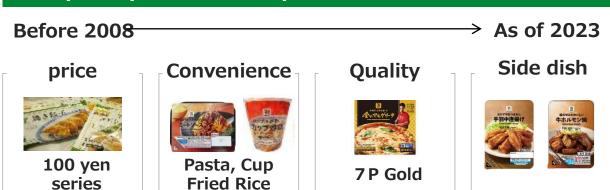
#### **Small stores**

Review lineup with expansion of sales space



Efforts to improve display efficiency to meet each store

#### **Expand product lineup to meet customer needs**



#### Categories we will challenge in the future

Dessert Meal kit

Sashimi Seasoned meat (raw sliced fish)

Seasoned meat and pickled fish

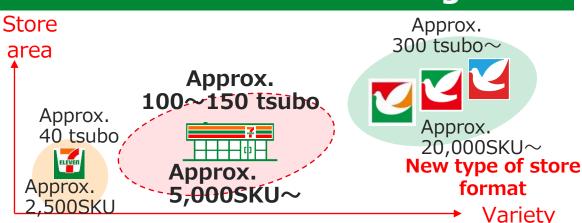
Challenging vegetables, fruits, meat and fish materials as well

Pursuing the possibilities of frozen foods in response to changes of customers usage

# Existing Business: Leverage Knowledge Accumulated through SST Operation (Product Assortment at SIP Store)



### **SIP Store Positioning**













Traceable Vegetables.

Frozen Food (EASE UP) Seven
Premium
Products

New Brand
"SEVEN&i
THE PRICE"

- **♦**Sales floor expansion
  - Frozen food sales expansion
  - FF sales expansion
  - Counter expansion and additional self-checkout
  - •Goods supply from Group PC/CK\*

Eat-in/powder room/toilets/nursing facilities, etc. to be installed

\*PC: Process Center CK: Central Kitchen

Scheduled to open in FY2023

Challenge Towards a New Store Concept utilizing SST's knowledge to respond to further "food" needs

### Existing Business: Strengthen Cooperation with Local Communities



Main fair
[Customer attraction and quality improvement]

Fresh food: Create a sense of event, acquire skills under the supervision of a renowned restaurant

Counter goods: Create a sense of freshness and

Daily sales effect\*

+1.3%

Secondary fair [Category enhancement]

Seven Premium · dessert · frozen food :
Quality improvement and differentiation
Snack · ice cream : Strengthen lineups and provide convenience



+0.4%

Regional fair [Community revitalization]

MD
Dept.

×
OP
Dept.

Solve local issues

promote higher gross margins

•Regional development through local production and local consumption

·Collaboration with producers

No. of fairs held through 1H of FY2023 (Aug.): 36



+0.7%

Actively launch "regional fairs" in FY2023

Strengthen cooperation with "local communities", and promote local production and local consumption

<sup>\*</sup> Sales at existing stores in 1H of FY2023

Existing Business: Promote local production and local consumption by strengthening cooperation with local communities



### **Example of Regional Fair**



- ·Support Fukushima products at SEJ and YB stores in **Fukushima Prefecture**
- ·Selling a menu of locally familiar dishes using ingredients produced in the prefecture
- Planned to support producers and recovery

### **Administrative** issues

Public pledge and policy **Community concerns** 

### **Area issues**

Weaknesses and threats in the region **Brand value** 

Improve social value and meaning of existence

**Franchisees** and Customers

**Brand value Loyalty Improvement** 

### **Partners**

production efficiency Job creation

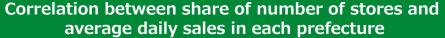
\*Fukushima Prefecture only, Oct 17-30

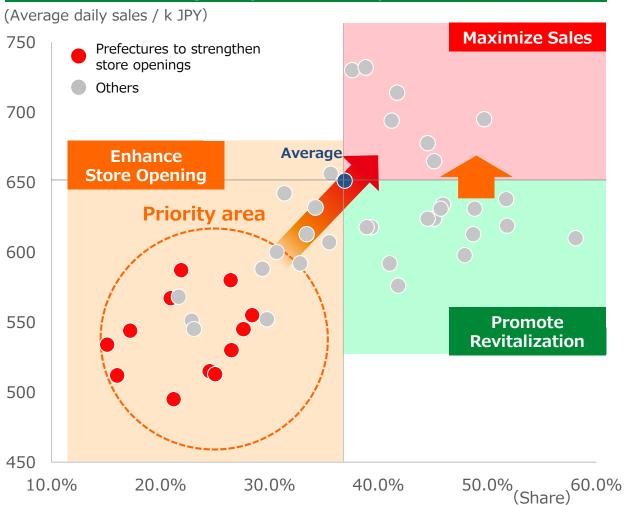
Group joint efforts through regional fairs, and strengthen cooperation with government and local communities

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# Existing Business: Town Planning through Execution of Detailed Store Opening Strategies and Plans







- ✓ Execute optimal store openings according to the characteristics of each area
- Expand top share prefectures to white space
- Store openings with linking to products and sales promotions



Strategy	Area definitions/measures
Maximize Sales	Areas with high market share and high daily sales Promote new net increase and revitalization, including S&B*
Promote Revitalization	Areas with high market share and low daily sales Improve daily sales through revitalization including
Enhance Store Opening	Areas with low market share Reinforcement of net increase of stores and improve market share and average daily sales

<sup>\*</sup>Scrap and build

As there is room to open more stores in Japan, we will execute detailed store opening strategies and plans depending on the situation in the area

## Existing Business: Store Opening Plan according to Location



# Example of store opening strategy by area

Revision of investment criteria for store openings

- Stricter standards for S&B deals
- ⇒Promote net new store openings (net new stores)
- ⇒Elimination of stores with poor sales
- •Strengthen sales promotion when store openings ⇒Focus on raising awareness

#### Review of staffing

Increase in the number of store opening development staff

Strengthen recruiting activities after COVID-19

•Increase headcount in areas to be strengthened in line with our store opening strategy

Strengthen store openings focusing on investment efficiency

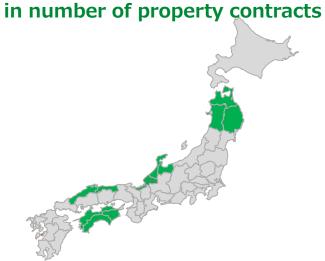
# Area of Store Opening Enhancement

#### **♦**12 priority prefectures

Aomori, Akita, Iwate, Toyama, Ishikawa, Fukui, Shimane, Tottori, Kagawa, Ehime, Kochi, Tokushima

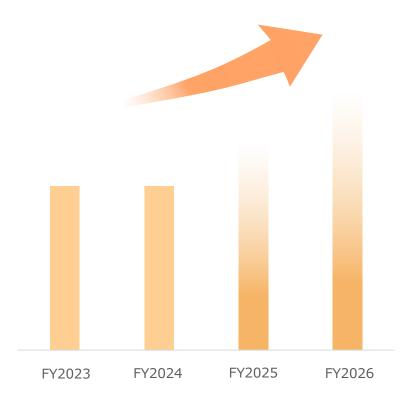
1H of 2023

Significant growth



Continue to work on toward increased store openings in 2024 and beyond

#### **Store Opening Plan**



Plans to re-accelerate store openings from FY2025

Establish a path to re-accelerate store openings, expand the number of stores and maximize the effects of investment in store openings

Digital: Support for the use of IT and implementation of DX at franchisees (productivity improvement)



Shift support system

Work assignment system

AI-based ordering

Complete self-checkout

Smart phone checkout

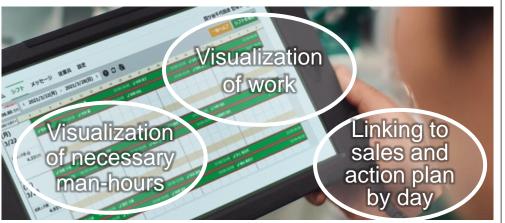
Support system utilizing tablets

Nationwide launch (End of March-) Currently carrying out test (at some stores)

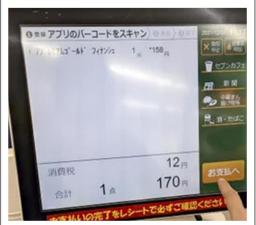
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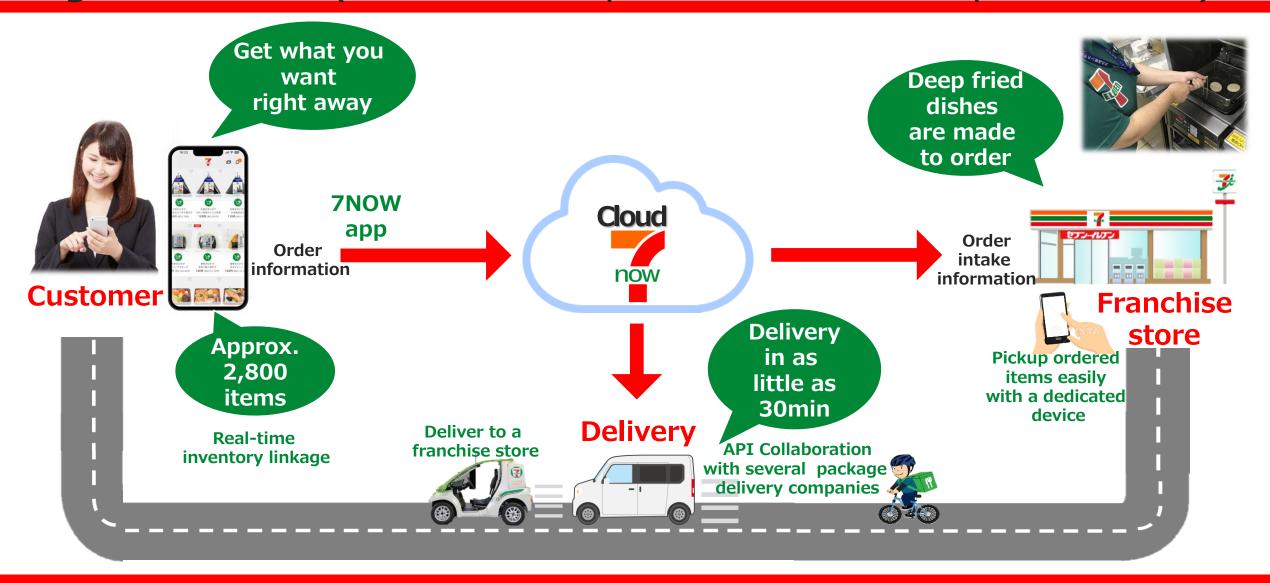




Improve sales and productivity by promoting innovation in store operations through the use of IT

# Digital: 7NOW(customer experience value improvement)





Real-time matching of store inventory with a delivery vehicle to be delivered in 30min

# Digital: 7NOW (Reasons to Use - Occasions)





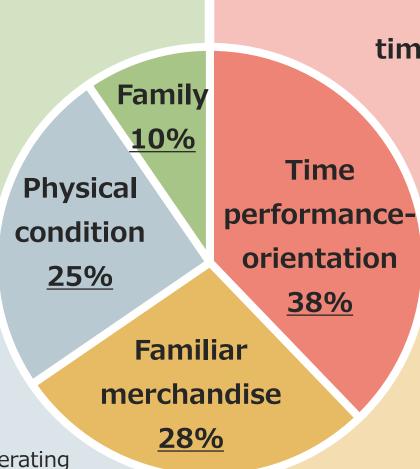
Unable to deliver to family living far apart.

Difficult to shop with children.

# Difficulty in shopping due to physical condition or injury

Unable to go shopping due to cold or sudden fever.

Difficult to leave home due to recuperating from injuries.



# Convenience focus and time performance-orientation

Do not want to leave house.

Do not want to change clothes or
put on makeup after taking shower.

Unable to go shopping
after drinking.

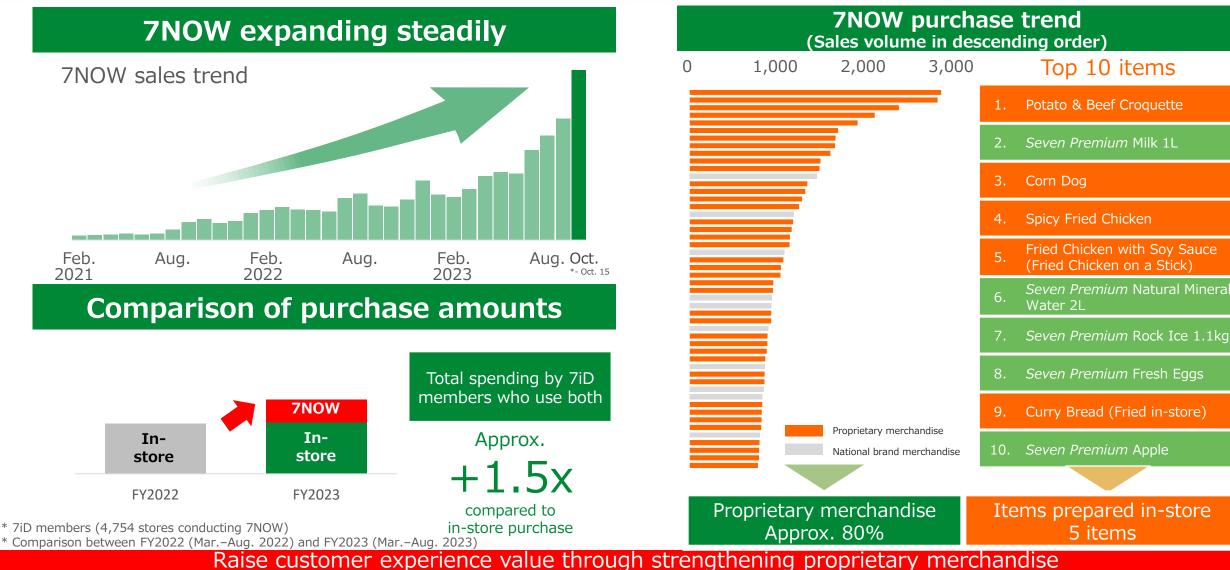
# Peace of mind about 7-Eleven's merchandise

Purchase with peace of mind because of familiar merchandise. Able to buy merchandise you saw on TV or commercials.

7NOW plays a major role in the changing environment and customer needs

# Digital: 7NOW (Purchase Trend)





Raise customer experience value through strengthening proprietary merchandise as well as enhancing convenience, and plan to recommend nationwide

# Digital: 7NOW (Enhancement measures and store openings)



#### **Strengthen customer contact points**





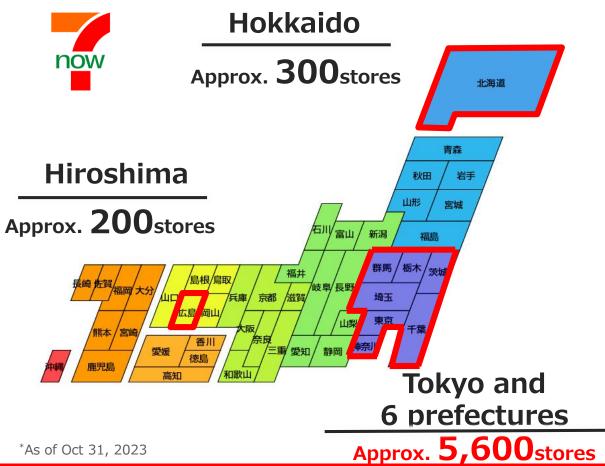
- ·7NOW App
- ·Sales promotion measures
- •Expansion of merchandise offerings

#### Reinforce delivery system



- Improved matching rate
- Nationwide delivery network
- Delivery quality improvement

### 7NOW installed-stores by prefecture



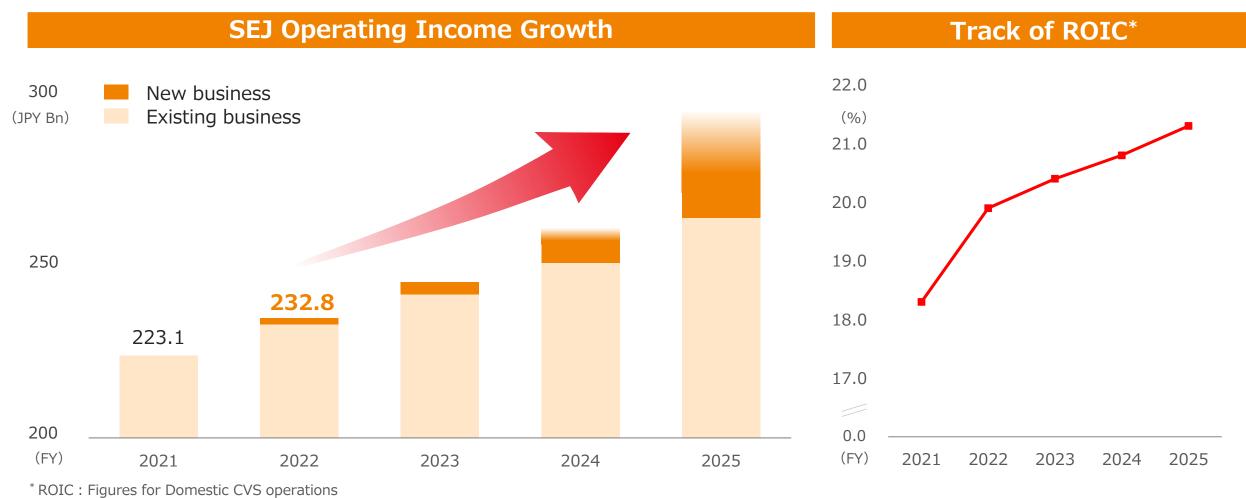
Expanded to 6,100 stores mainly in Tokyo and 6 prefectures

by promoting "strengthening customer contact points" and "reinforcing delivery system"

# Profit Growth Plan for Domestic CVS (SEJ)



Promote growth strategies in existing and new businesses, while improving ROIC



### Expand Business Scale While Maintaining Capital Efficiency



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