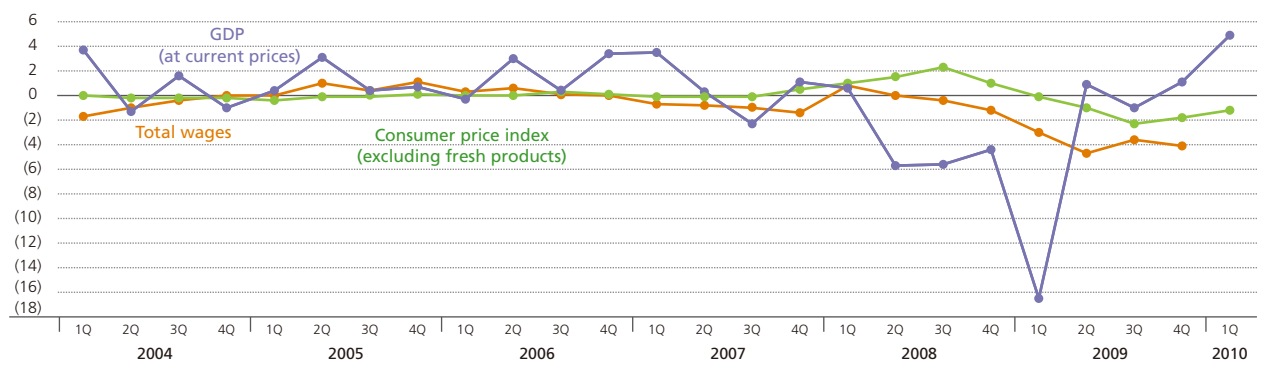


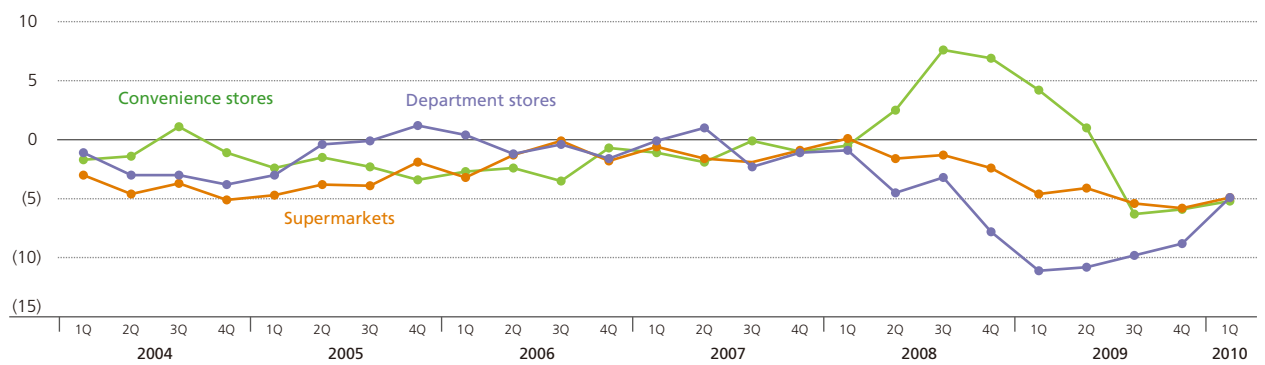
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YEAR-ON-YEAR COMPARISON OF ECONOMIC INDICES OVER FOUR QUARTERS (%)



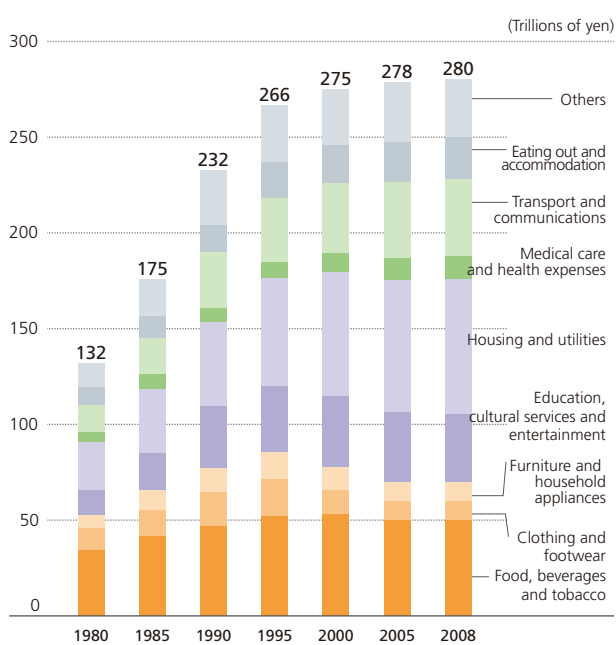
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YEAR-ON-YEAR COMPARISON OF MAJOR STORE FORMATS OVER FOUR QUARTERS (%)



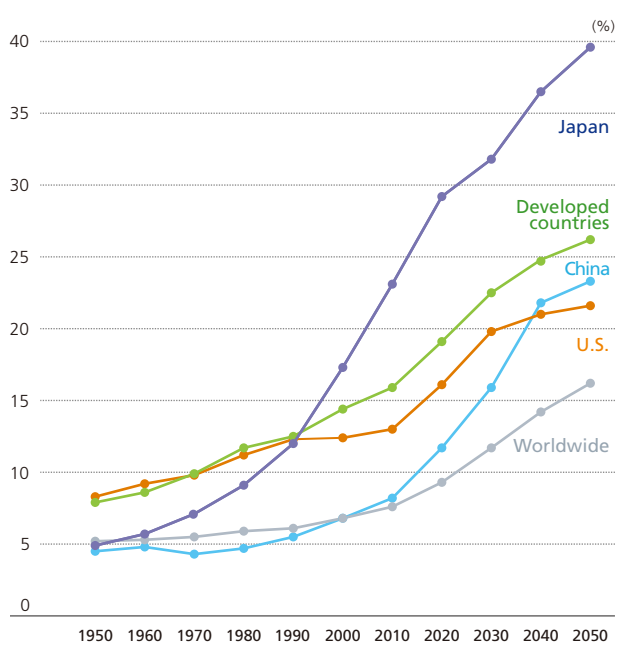
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DOMESTIC FINAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE OF HOUSEHOLD



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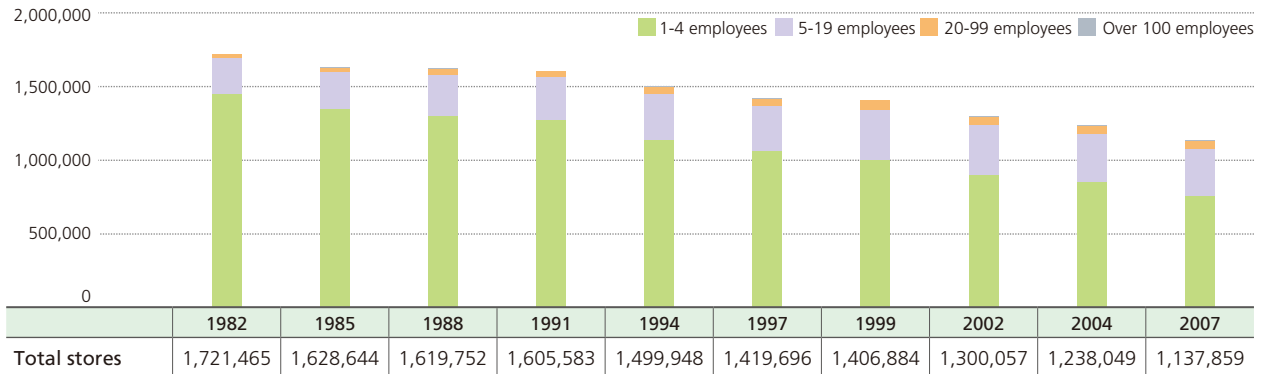


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# Environment of Retail Industry

Profile

TREND IN NUMBER OF STORES BY STRATUM OF NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

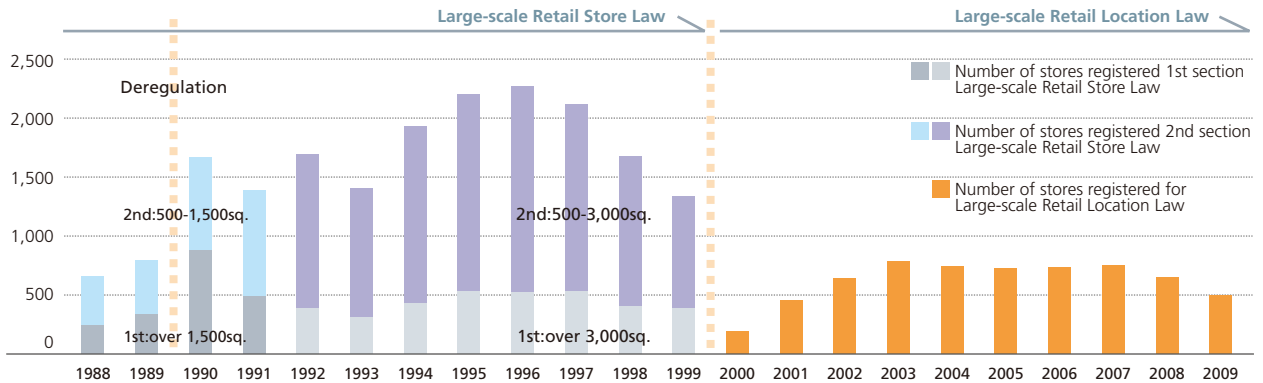


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Performance Overview

Retailers in the World

TREND IN NUMBER OF REGISTERED LARGE-SCALE RETAIL STORES

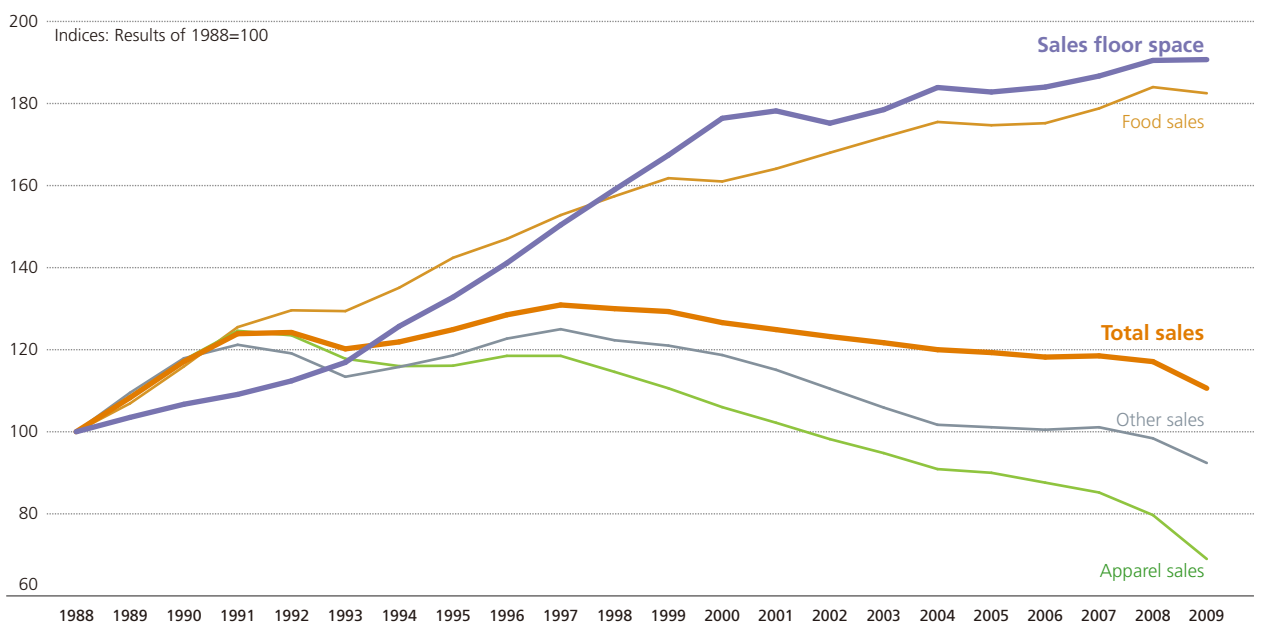


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Domestic Retail Environment

Group Business Strategy

TREND IN SALES AND SALES FLOOR SPACE OF LARGE-SCALE RETAIL STORES



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Major Group Companies' Data

Domestic Market Share

Corporate Data