

WORKMAN CO., LTD.

Company Briefing Materials

JASDAQ (7564)



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1. Company Information

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Management Philosophy and Business Activities workman Plus

Management Philosophy-

For the Customers

Greater convenience, better quality and lower prices for working people

Business Activities

Leveraging WORKMAN's franchise system,

we operate a chain of specialty retail stores offering workwear, athleisure attire and work-related products.

Group Companies



- WORKMAN is the core company of the Beisia Group.
- Approx. 1,900 Group stores generating annual sales of approx. ¥900 billion
- We aim to achieve annual sales of ¥1 trillion on a Group-wide basis.



Company Information



Establishment	August 1982		
Securities code	7564, JASDAQ of TSE	(Listed in September 1997)	
Share capital	¥1,622 million		
Net sales	¥122,044 million (Net sales at all chain stores)	(Fiscal year ended March 31, 2020)	
Ordinary profit	¥20,666 million	(Fiscal year ended March 31, 2020)	
Profit	¥13,369 million	(Fiscal year ended March 31, 2020)	
Number of employees	305	(As of March 31, 2020)	

Franchise System





Store Information (Status of Store Openings)





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Store Information (Business Format)



Location	• Roadside (859 stores)		• Shopping centers (9 stores)		
Business hours	7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.		Business hours of shopping center in which store is located		
Standard store (1 <i>tsubo</i> ≈ 3.3 m ²)	100 <i>tsubo</i> building on a 300 <i>tsubo</i> site		Sales floor area of approx. 50 to 80 <i>tsubo</i>		
Current status of stores (As of March 31, 2020)	 Avg. number of customers per day Avg. spend per customer Avg. annual sales per store 	145 ¥2,801 ¥139.75 million			



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Store Information (WORKMAN Plus)



Concept: Offering something for everyone at unexpectedly high performance combined with affordable pricing

We offer high-quality, high-performance merchandise capable of withstanding the severe conditions of professional use, at reliably low prices for people to wear in their everyday lives.

Trigger: The number of skilled construction workers and other tradesmen has been decreasing.

Upon seeking new business formats in order to reach a wider customer base, we find that our products appeal to sports and outdoor enthusiasts and those seeking training wear for a particular endeavor. Furthermore, we find that there is an untapped market for low-priced, performance apparel.

Lineup: Private brand products



Stores: Shopping center locations (catering to the general public) and roadside locations (catering to the general public and professionals)





The same merchandise in every store, only the exteriors, fixtures and layout differ.

EC (Online Shopping)



E-commerce operations helps member stores



- The aim is to get customers into physical stores
 - 1. Shoppers can make purchases 24 hours a day
 - 2. Free in-store pickup available regardless

price/quantity

(HQ covers expense because items are shipped in conjunction with normal deliveries)

3. Net sales amount passed on to member stores

Distribution Network







2. Domestic Market Share

- Workwear Market
- Athleisure Market

Workwear Market

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Top share

of Japan's retail market for workwear Japan's entire workwear market is valued at ¥476.7 billion (Direct sales to public agencies and large corporations amount to ¥333.7 billion)

Retail market for workwear (Retail sales to sole proprietors and the general public amount to ± 143.0 billion)

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(WORKMAN's sales of workwear amount to ¥38.4 billion for a 26.8% share of the retail market)

Notes:

- 1. Figures calculated on the basis of retail value
- Source: Calculations and preparation by WORKMAN based on "Uniform Market 2019," published by Yano Research Institute Ltd.

We operate a chain of retail stores across Japan nationwide, using our

franchise system.

Note: The numbers of store locations of the respective companies are based on estimated values, prepared based on sources such as websites and company brochures of the respective companies as of March31, 2020. Numbers of stores operated by the top five workwear specialty retail chains



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Athleisure Market

Perceptual map of the apparel market (athleisure market: ¥855.8 billion)

According to survey by Yano Research Institute Ltd.

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Athleisure:

A combination of the words "athletic" and "leisure," the term "athleisure" refers to a style of clothing where performance apparel is also worn as part of people's everyday wardrobes.





3. Growth Strategy

- Store Openings
- WORKMAN Plus
- Private Brand Products
- Marketing
- Data-driven Management

Growth Strategy



Expansion of WORKMAN Plus (extension of customer base)

- Acceleration of new store openings and promotion of store renovation in order to sustain a ripple effect with respect to the existing stores
- Development of private brand products
- Engagement in continuous marketing initiatives

 Enhancement of products for corporations (attracting professional and corporate customers)

- Products created in further pursuit of better quality, performance and pricing
 - Upgrade and expand the EDLP (everyday low prices) product category
 - Enhance the G-NEXT series of low-priced workwear for corporations

Data-driven management

- Seamless application of data from production to sales
 - Promote use of a replenishment system for placing orders based on demand forecasts of distribution centers and retail stores

Store Openings





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Shopping centers



- New stores being opened in prominent shopping centers where they will act as advertising pillars
- Task of store management outsourced to sales professionals
- Investment: approx. ¥15–20 million per store

Roadside



- Heighten market dominance by opening stores in populated communities
- Renovate and convert neighboring WORKMAN stores in conjunction with new store openings
- Investment: approx. ¥60 million per store



Full renovation (Existing WORKMAN stores)



- Convert to WORKMAN Plus format which involves fully renovating exteriors, interiors and fixtures of existing WORKMAN stores
- Aim to increase sales by expanding the customer base mainly with respect to stores with growth potential
- Investment: approx. ¥15 million per store

Partial renovation (Existing WORKMAN stores)



- Revamp image of stores by partitioning sales floors into separate general and professional sections and upgrading store interiors to WORKMAN Plus specifications
- Because partial renovation makes it possible to upgrade more rapidly, the ripple effect of having more WORKMAN Plus stores will translate to more actual sales
- Investment: approx. ¥3–5 million per store



Redouble efforts to develop private brand products, expand customer base and achieve differentiation from competitors

Fixed pricin	• No discount sales	STEP (1) Test market 50,000 to 100,000 new products over the initial fiscal year STEP (2)
Continuity	Continuous sales while making minor changes	Engage in full-scale production based on demand forecasts with an accuracy of ±10% to 15% <u>Objective</u> Develop products that are so much
Undifferentiat merchandis		better than other products that it would take competitors several years to catch up.





Promotion of three mainstay brands: **FieldCore** Find-Out AEEE

• Target the general public and female segments by promoting quality, performance and pricing



Sales growth across three brands of products = Expansion of customer base



Promotion of unisex and performance apparel for women

Redouble efforts to target increasing number of female customers (Increase SS- and S-size items)



Merchandise (EDLP Products)



- Procure merchandise leveraging economies of scale with respect to 868 store locations
 ⇒ Achieve unparalleled low pricing
- Offer products that meet quality and performance levels acceptable to professionals
- Ensure that customers are able to purchase products from the same lineup at the same prices anytime and anywhere nationwide

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Merchandise (Private Brand Products: Workwear)

Enhancement of the G-NEXT series of low-priced workwear for corporations

- Develop merchandise at prices unbeatable even on the online market
- Merchandise that boosts corporate sales (possible to strike deals based on price and quality simply by providing samples)





High-performance summer workwear offering a 3°C cooling effect



THE-WASHADIE COID WEALTER JACKEL TOT \$2,900

Growth Strategy



Best-cost-performance cold weather jacket for ¥1,900



Marketing (1)

New product launch events for the mass media and influencers

- Events held twice per year for spring-summer and fall-winter to convey new product information that leads to sales
- "Harsh Fashion Show" and other events



- Sneak preview of WORKMAN Plus and commercials announcing store openings
 - Aggressive promotion in locations of new store openings and locations that are home to competing chain stores

General-public- and women-targeted promotions of stores

- Raise awareness of our stores particularly in western Japan where store openings were more recent
- Revamp image of WORKMAN as a store solely for professionals in regions such as the Kanto and Tohoku areas whose markets WORKMAN entered early on

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Marketing (2)



Ambassador marketing (goal of 50 brand ambassadors)

- Products being developed in collaboration with prominent influencers
- Steer traffic to brand ambassador product information website by rolling out POP equipped with QR codes



- Digital marketing (300,000 followers)
 - Official WORKMAN SNS accounts
 - Raise brand awareness by communicating with the youth demographic through social networking services



Data-driven Management



Seamless application of data from production to sales

We are streamlining management, standardizing operations and balancing out our franchise services by engaging in data-driven management.



- Progress made in adopting the replenishment system for placing orders based on demand forecasts (currently operating in 403 stores)
 - Reduce number of lost sales opportunities by forecasting future demand and accordingly optimizing inventories
 - Achieve labor savings in store operations through "one-touch" ordering
 - Comparing stores with and without the system
 - Net sales increased by 7.0 percentage points YoY in the third quarter
 - The rate of lost sales opportunities was 6.5% at stores with the system and 9.7% at stores without the system



4. Business Performance, Shareholder Return and Other Information

- Performance Data
- Shareholder Return
- History



(Millions of yen)

	Fiscal year ended March 31, 2019		Fiscal year ending March 31, 2020 (Forecast)		Fiscal year ending March 2020	
	Amount	YoY Change	Amount	YoY Change	Amount	YoY Change
Net sales at all chain stores	93,039	+16.7	120,000	+29.0	122,501	+31.2
(Net sales at existing stores)	_	+14.0	_	-	_	-
Gross operating revenue	66,969	+19.4	90,500	+35.1	92,307	+37.8
Selling, general and administrative expenses	11,672	+18.3	14,500	+24.2	15,214	+30.3
Operating profit	13,526	+27.6	18,900	+39.7	19,170	+41.7
Ordinary profit	14,755	+24.5	20,300	+37.6	20,666	+40.1
Profit	9,809	+25.1	13,400	+36.6	13,369	+36.3
Earnings per share	¥120.20		¥164.19		¥163.82	





• Net sales at all chain stores: $\frac{122,044}{4}$ million



33,058 128.8% Work gloves, tools, protective gear, rainwear

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Performance Data (Balance Sheet)



(Millions of yen)

		Item	As of March 31, 2019	As of March 31, 2020	Change
	Current assets		61,596	73,764	12,167
		Cash and deposits	44,220	45,240	1,020
	Accounts receivable - due from franchised stores Merchandise		8,989	13,674	4,685
Assets			7,198	13,660	6,461
Ass	Non-current assets		21,586	23,757	2,171
		Property, plant and equipment	15,192	16,968	1,776
		Intangible assets	266	455	188
	Other investments		6,127	6,333	205
То	Total assets		83,183	97,522	14,338
	Current liabilities		13,281	16,905	3,624
Liabilities		Accounts payable - trade	4,972	5,397	425
iabil		Accounts payable - other	2,324	3,746	1,422
	Non-current liabilities		2,975	3,113	138
То	Total liabilities		16,256	20,019	3,762
Total net assets		et assets	66,927	77,503	10,576
Total liabilities and net assets		abilities and net assets	83,183	97,522	14,338

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Shareholder Return



Basic policy

We regard the maintaining of an appropriate distribution of profits to our shareholders as an important managerial issue. As such, we accordingly distribute our profits to our shareholders based on our financial performance while striving to enhance internal reserves as necessary to achieve sustainable growth.

We target a dividend payout ratio of 30%

Dividends per share

• Fiscal year ended March 31, 2020

¥**50.0**

Changes in earnings and dividends per share



Note: The dividend amounts as stated factor in a share split conducted by WORKMAN on April 1, 2019 (two-for-one split of common share).

History



- 1980 Opened "WORKMAN, a store for professionals" store No. 1
- 1982 Established WORKMAN CO., LTD.
- 1986 Established new headquarters and relocated headquarters operations to the Shibamachi district of Isesaki City, Gunma Prefecture
- 1988 Opened WORKMAN's 100th store
- 1989 Installed point of sale (POS) system
- 1991 Completed Tokyo headquarters building (currently acts as WORKMAN's Product Development Center)
- 1997 Shares registered on over-the-counter market of the Japan Securities Dealers Association
- 2013 Listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange JASDAQ Standard market Opened Ryuo Distribution Center
- 2016 Three brand strategy: FieldCore Find-Out AEGIS
- 2017 Newly established Isesaki Distribution Center and opened WORKMAN's 800th store
- 2018 Relocated headquarters to Tokyo and opened WORKMAN Plus + store No. 1
- 2019 Achieved total 12-month sales at all chain stores of ¥100 billion



WORKMAN Plus at a shopping center



WORKMAN Plus at the roadside



WORKMAN store No. 1



Until 1990



Until 2013



From 2014 onward





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