# GAMBARE!! JAPANESE MONODZUKURI



#### Integrated Report (this document)

This report describes the process behind providing value (value creation) to society through our business.

#### Annual Securities Report

This report is prepared in accordance with Article 24 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act and is required to be submitted to the Kanto Local Finance Bureau.

#### **Corporate Governance Report**

This report provides information about TRUSCO's approaches and systems related to corporate governance.





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# **TRUSCO**™ 「解体新書」2021 Integrated Report

**Our Policy** 

# **Business must serve people and society**

**Corporate Message** 

# **GAMBARE!! JAPANESE MONODZUKURI**

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# **Common Sense Might Change Our Principle Remain Unchanged** - To become a company needed by both our customers and society -

We have built a unique system for the supply of professional tools since our founding with the aim of supporting Japanese manufacturing, "Monodzukuri," through a business supplying PRO TOOL. As one of the last wholesalers in the industry, we believe that the principle of business is to "deliver the products that our customers need faster and more reliably than anywhere else," and we have focused on improving the convenience of our customers.

In 2020, common sense has been turned upside down by the Covid-19 pandemic, and we learned it became absurdity. However, our business principles have not changed due to the pandemic. We believe that "unchanging principles" are "high convenience," "prompt and reliable delivery," "abundant selection and inventory," "reasonable prices," "kindness, politeness, security," and "digital power." We believe that these are the demands of the market that will never change, even if the times change.

We are at a time when our digital and mechanical technologies are being transformed as a result of Covid-19. This will lead to another industrial revolution. We will continue to aim to be a company that is needed by our customers and society, keeping in mind that "common sense sometimes completely change, but the principles remain unchanged".





President 中山哲也

Tetsuya Nakayama

Locations where stock center construction is planned

## **TRUSCO Integrated Report**

# **Integrated Report 2021**

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#### **Editorial Policy**

We have published our first Integrated Report in the hope that our investors, shareholders, and other stakeholders will better understand our business and the process of value creation. "GAMBARE !! JAPANESE MONOD-ZUKURI" is our corporate message. In the Integrated Report, we emphasize and express the story behind our vision, which is to be a company that will continue to be of service to the manufacturing industry in Japan that always provides the highest level of convenience. The source of competitiveness for an organization is its originality. Therefore, we are building an original business model that makes full use of products, logistics, and digital technologies. We hope that this report will give you some insight into our business and our approach to gaining a competitive advantage.

#### Period Covered by the Report

This Integrated Report cover TRUSCO's business operations from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

#### **Cautionary Information Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This Integrated Report contains forward-looking statements regarding our future plans, strategies, and performance. These statements are based on our assumptions and plans based on current information. It contains risks and uncertainties related to economic trends and market demand. Therefore, please be aware that planned and actual results may differ, and that strategies may change.

#### **Reference Guidelines**

· "Guidance on Integrated Disclosure and Dialog for Co-Creation" (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry) · "International Integrated Reporting Framework" (International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC))

# **Origin of the Corporate Name TRUSCO**

Our company was founded as Nakayama Kiko Shokai in 1959 before it was incorporated as Nakayama Kiko Co., Ltd. in 1964.

The company then changed its name to TRUSCO NAKAYAMA Corporation in 1994.

TRUSCO was coined from the words "Trust" and "Company" to convey our commitment to building a company that earns trust.

This name demonstrates our corporate approach to earn the trust of everyone we associate with in order to become a company that continues to grow in the future.

## Spirit of Management

Shushazentaku	whether it is right or wrong, choose what is right rather t it is profitable. Making a dec
	1 0

Creativity in Management

Choosing majority solutions result in ordinary results. This is because the will of the majority is not always right.

# Emphasis on Regular Employment

# A Company With Assets

# Decisive Management

We have a responsibility to provide workplaces where staff members can work with stability and peace of mind. We should not take away the goodness from people's lives even if doing so increases profits. TRUSCO has no temporary employees. Parttime employees are limited to housewives, students, and the elderly, while heads of households are hired as full-time employees.

We must be able to secure company buildings, information systems, vehicles, and other important assets without relying on others. Owning assets means that they remain after depreciation, so money is not wasted. Instead of aiming for short-term profits, we stick to being "a company with assets" in order to have a longterm perspective of improving corporate value and to improve convenience for our customers. (See p.59)

It is also important to make a "quit" decision with pursuing our mission and value to society even in the growth of sales increase. Making a "quit" decision such as the abolition of delivery receipts and draft has charged things drastic. We will continue pursuing the core value by always deeply looking at the essence of things.

Product Strategy

OPEN



# TRUST + COMPANY



When you make a decision, you should ask yourself good or bad, and always than focusing on whether cision based on whether it will be profitable often results in a bad decision.



From the Top Message in FY2003



Building a distribution system by strength ening our wholesale operations



Even the chefs at our recreational facilities an regular employees at our company TRUSCO Resort and Spa Hakone/Karuizawa (From left to right: Sous-chef Toshiro Sato, Head Chef Taro Kinoshita, and Sous-chef Kan lizuka)



Owning our own buildings allows us to strengthen functionality (Planet Saitama Distribution Center)



Top photo: Final note payable (August 2003) Bottom photo: Final note receivable (December 2005)

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# \*1 Board Brain At TRUSCO Nakayama, we call outside directors "Board Brains." This term alludes to our hope

#### As of July 1, 2021



# Advisor

We have established the position of Advisor. Advisors serve the purpose of advising executive level managers based on their knowledge and experience. Although the mandatory retirement age for our executives is 65, they can remain employed until the age of 70 if they so desire.



executive Officer & Head of the Corporate Planning Division ivision Head. Distribution Dept. ecutive Director & Division Head

2017: Senior Executive Director & General Manager of the Business Manage- 
 Takashi Nakai
 Malager of the Department

 2019: Senior Executive Director & Assis tant to the President

2020; Advisor (present)

Director

Trusco

General Manager of the Business

Vanagement Department and

General Manager of the Digital

Atsushi Kazumi

) years old; 28 years and 3 months

Service Strategy Department

n September 10, 1970

\*1 Board Brain



and contribute to the Company's development.

Outside Director Board Brain(BB)\*1 ForeSight & Company, Ltd. President

Kenichi Saito



that they will provide advice and support based on their abundant experience and knowledge.

1993: Joined the Company 2001: Branch Office Manager, Tsuchiura Sales Office

2002: Branch Office Manager, Kanazawa Sales Office 2006: Branch Office Manager, Kanazawa Sales Office 2010: Section Manager of Catalog Media Section and DOTKUL Section

General Manager, e-commerce Sales Division
 General Manager, e-commerce Sales Division
 General Manager, e-Business Sales Division
 Te Executive Officer and Head e-commerce manager, e-Business Sales Division
 Executive Officer as Menade - and provide manager (E-Business Sales Division)
 Executive Officer as Menade - and provide manager (E-Business Sales Division)

019: Director & General Manager, Information Systems Department 020: Director, General Manager of the Business Management Department and General Manager o

the Digital Service Strategy Department & General Manager of the Digital Promotion Divisio 2021: Director, General Manager of the Business Management Department and General Manager o

19: Executive Officer & General Manager, Information Systems Department

(88 employees in total)\*2

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Outside Director Board Brain(BB)\*1 Hagihara Industries Inc. Chairman

Kuniaki Hagihara



(present)

'6: Joined Hagihara Industries Industries 84: President of Hagihara Industries In 10: President & CEO of Hagihara Indus tries Inc. President & Executive Officer

Chairman (present) Outside Director of the Company (present) President of Tovo Heisei Polymer. Co., Ltd. (present) O: Representative Director of DyDo GROUP HOLDINGS INC. Outside Director of the Company

Outside Director

59 years old areer Summary 84: Joined Nissan Motor Co., Ltd. 001: Joined LVJ Group K.K. (currently Louis Vuitton Japan K.K.)

Born March 5, 1962

(present)

: Representative Director, Shalda Co., Ltd. Joined S.T.CORPORATION B: Director, Representative Executive Officer and President, S.T.CORPO RATION (present) Director, Shaldan Co., Ltd. (present) 20: Outside Director of the Company

Board Brain(BB)\*1 Director, Representative Executive Officer and President, S.T.CORPORATION Takako Suzuki

> Senior Executive Officer General Manager of the Product Department

Tatsuya Nakayama Born August 4, 1985 35 years old; 8 years and 3 months



Corporate Planning Division

General Manager of the Corporate Plannina Division

#### Atsushi Shimozu

Born December 25, 1978 42 years old; 19 years and 3 months at Trusco

- 2002: Joined the Company 2011 Branch Office Manager Edogawa Branc
- 2013: Deputy Manager, Management Planning Section 2014: Section Manager, Osaka management Section
- 2011: Manager of the Corporate Planning/R Dept. 2021: General Manager of the Corporate Planning/ vision and Manager of the Corporate Planning/
- IR Dept. 2021: General Manager of the Corporate Planning Division (present)

Corporate Planning/IR Dept. Secretarial Section. Human Resources Development Section Recruitment Section. CSR Section (19 employees)



**Business Management Dept** 

General Manager of the Administration Div sion and Manager of the Property Section

## Mikio Adachi

Born September 20, 1969 51 years old: 27 years and 3 months at Trusco

Career Summarv 2002: Branch Office Manager, HC Nagoya Sales Office 2004: Branch Office Manager, HC Nagoya Sales Office 2007: Branch Office Manager, HC Tokyo Branch 2008: Branch Office Manager, Kobe Sales Office 2011: Planet South Kanto Logistic Center Manager 2013: Planet North Kanto Logistic Center Manager 2016: General Manager, Factory Sales Division (Central Japan) 2018: General Manager, Factory Sales Division (Shinshu, Hokuriku, and Tokai) 2019: General Manager of the Administration Div 2021: Manager of the Property Section Manager of the General Affairs Division and Manager of the Property Section (present)

Tokyo Management Section, Osaka Management Section Personnel Section, Health care Section, Property Section TRUSCO Resort and Spa Hakone Kyoto Kaguraoka Rengetsuso TRUSCO Resort and Spa Karuizawa (33 full-time employees; 15 part-time staff)

Trusco Nakavama Health Insurance Association



Accounting Division

the Digital Service Strategy Department (present)



#### Tetsuhiro Mori

Accounting Section. Finance Section. (18 full-time employees; 1part-time staff

General Manager of the Information Systems Division

## Takayuki Kimura

Born June 26, 1973 47 years old: 23 years and 3 months at Trusco Career Summarv 11: Branch Office Manager, Yamaguchi Branch 12: Branch Office Manager, Ube Branch 013: Section Manager, Human Resources Devel-opment Section, Section Manager, Secretary Section, and Section Manager, Environmental

Management Section 2019: General Manager, Information Systems Division (present)

IT Planning Section.

System Management Section.

Data Management Section.

Digital Promotion Section. UX Platform Development Section. (13 employees)

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#### **Product Dept.**

Section

Career Summary

Tokyo Product Division



General Manager, Tokyo Product Division

## Yutaka Yoneda

Born November 6, 1975 45 years old: 22 years and 3 months at Trusco Career Summarv 99: Joined the Company 15: Branch Office Manager, Shiga Sales Office 10: Section Manager, Recruitment Section 2013: Section Manager, Management Planning Sec-2017: General Manager, Tokyo Product Division (present)

Tokyo NB Product Section Tokyo PB Product Section PB Product Design Section. Tokyo Supplier Development Section. Overseas Purchase Section. Representative Office Germany (Düsseldorf) (78 employees)

#### Representative Office Germany (Düsseldorf)



Representative Office Manager Norihiro Higashi Born October 16, 1978 42 years old; 17 years and 3 month

The number of employees in parentheses is current as of January 1, 2021.

5 **TRUSCO**. Integrated Report 2021 \*2 includes staff on loan in each figure provided.

General Manager of the Accounting

Born March 27, 1966 55 years old: 2 years and 6 months at TRUSCO Career Summarv 2019: Joined the Company 2019: Manager of the Financial Management Sectio 2021: General Manager of the Accounting Division (present)

Information Systems Division

Division

Atsuhiro Yamanaka Born September 21, 1974 46 years old: 23 years and 3 months at Trusco

Career Summarv 998: Joined the Company 008: Branch Office Manager, Tsuchiura Branch 012: Branch Office Manager, Minamiosaka Branch 2018: Section Manager, Sales Planning Section 2021: General Manager, Digital Promotion Division



Digital Service Strategy Department (46 employees in total)

#### Digital Promotion Division



General Manager, Digital Promotion



Career Summary 2013: Joined the Company 2018: Branch Office Manager, Internet Sales Tokyo Branch Division 1 2019: General Manager of Corporate Planning Division and

Accounting Division 2021: Senior Executive Officer & General Manager of the Product Department (present

(169 employees in total

Osaka Product Division



General Manager of the Osaka Product Division and Manager of the Orange Book

# Koshiro Aoyama

Born February 23, 1976 Born August 17, 1976 45 years old: 23 years and 3 months at Trusco 44 years old: 21 years and 3 months at Trusco Career Summarv

998: Joined the Company 2008: Branch Office Manager, Kumagaya Branch 2012: Branch Office Manager, Yoyama Branch 2016: Manager of the Tokyo PB Product Dept. and Manager of the PB Product Design Section : Deputy General Manager of the Osaka Product Division 2021: General Manager of the Osaka Product Division and Manager of the Orange Book Section (present)

Osaka NB Product Section., Osaka PB Product Section. PB Quality Assurance Section., and Stock Management Section Osaka Supplier Development Section. Product DB Platform Development Section. Orange Book Section. Orange Book.com Section. ustomer Consulting Section. (91 employees)

#### Distribution Reorganization Division

100: Joined the Company 108: Section Manager, Recruitment Section 110: Branch Office Manager, Itabashi Branch

2015: Planet Tohoku Logistic Center Manager 2016: Planet Saitama Preparation Room Mana

Division (present)

Logistics Planning Section.

Preparation Section.

(11 employees)

8: Planet Saitama Logistic Center Manage

21: General Manager, Distribution Reorganization

Delivery Management Section. Logistics Platform Development Section and P Aichi

Masaya Okada

tion Division

General Manager, Distribution Reorganiza



# Kiyonori Unto

Born February 9, 1962 59 years old; 34 years and 7 months at TRUSCO Career Summarv Career Summary 1986: Joined the Company 1996: Branch Office Manager, Fukui Sales Office 2004: Branch Office Manager, Chiba Sales Office 2008: Branch Office Manager, Okayama Branch 2011: General Manager, Factory Sales Division (East trense)

2013: General Manager, Overseas Division 2019: General Manager of Factory Sales Division and East Japan Distribution Division (present)

12 branches and 3 distribution centers

East Block Sannoro Hachinohe Sendai Akita Koriyama, Mito, Utsunomiya, Isezaki Niigata, Niigata-kita, Okaya, and Ueda (142 full-time employees; 24 part-time staff)

P Hokkaido, P Tohoku, and P North Kanto (66 full-time employees; 131 part-time staff)



Executive Officer and General Manager, Factory Sales Division General Manager of the Tokyo Metropolitan Area Distrihution Division

## Hiroaki Imagawa

Born January 22, 1963 58 years old: 35 years and 3 months at Trusco Career Summarv

1986: Joined the Company 1996: Branch Office Manager, Maebashi Sales Office 1997: Branch Office Manager, Ota Sales Office 1998: Branch Office Manager, Tokyo Branch 1998: Executive Officer & General Manager, NB Product Division 2007: Director & General Manager of Sales Department

2013: Executive Officer & General Manager, Factory Sales 2013: Declare Unice a deletal manager, radary Sales Division (East Japan) 2016: Executive Officer & General Manager, Account-ing Division 2019: Executive Officer & General Manager, Corpo-

rate Planning Division General Manager, Accounting Division

2019: Executive Officer & General Manager of both the Factory Sales Division and Tokyo Metropolitan Area Distribution Division (present)

11 branches and 7 distribution centers Tokyo Metropolitan Area Block Kashima, Omiya, Satte, Chiba, Matsudo, Tokyo, Jonan, Kawasaki, Atsugi, Shizuoka, and Fuji (159 full-time employees: 32 part-time staf

P Saitama, P East Tokyo, P Tokyo, P South Kanto, and Toyohashi STC Utsunomiya STC, Oyama STC, and Omiya STC (178 full-time employees; 305 part-time staff)

P (Planet) and STC (Stock Center) are abbreviations for our distribution centers.

# T-m Man Hideki Naoyoshi

General Manager of the Distribution Department

Born December 7, 1971 49 years old; 27 years and 3 months

Masato Otani

Healthcare Section

53 years old: 30 years and 3 months at Trusco

2018: General Manager, Factory Sales Division (Kinki

Area) 2019: General Manager of Factory Sales Division and

2021: General Manager of both the Factory Sales Divisio

and Distribution Division (Chubu, Kinki) (present)

Kinki Area

Ryuo, Kyoto, Osaka,

(117 employees.

10 part-time workers)

P Shiga, P Osaka, P Kobe,

and East-Osaka STC Nara STC

234 part-time workers)

(145 employees

8 branches and 5 distribution center

Higashi-Osaka, Minami-Osaka,

Kobe, Akashi, and Wakayama

Distribution Division (Kinki)

Born October 24, 1967

Career Summarv

branches and 3 distribution centers

Toyama, Kanazawa, Fukui

Komaki, and Yokkaichi

28 part-time workers)

(122 employees.

P Tokai, P Nagoya,

(54 employees.

150 part-time workers)

Hamamatsu, Nagoya, Okazaki,

- 2007: Branch Office Manager, Kokura Sales Office
- 0: Head, Corporate Auditor's Office 1: Section Manager, Management Planning Section
- 3: General Manager, Information Systems Dep 7: Executive Officer & General Manager, Info
- mation Systems Dept. 2017: Executive Officer & General Manager, Distri-
- bution Department 2019: Director & General Manager, Distribution
- Department 2021: Director, General Manager of the Product Department and General Manager of Distri
- bution Department 2021: General Manager, Distribution Department (present)

General Manager of Factory Sales Division and West Japan Distribution Division

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# Yoshihiro Fujimoto

- Born September 10, 1971 49 years old: 26 years and 3 months at Trusco
- Career Summarv
- 1991: Joined the Company 2008: Branch Office Manager, Kagoshima Sales 2012: Branch Office Manager. Chiba Branch 2014: Section Manager for the Personnel Section and
- Career Summary 1995: Joined the Company 2012: Branch Office Manager, Kagoshima Branch 2015: Branch Office Manager, Fukuoka Branch 2018: General Manager, Factory Sales Division (Chu-goku/Shikoku/Kyushu) 2019: General Manager of Factory Sales Division and Wordt Long Dictibution Division Crescent West Japan Distribution Division (present)

#### 17 branches and 6 distribution centers

West Block Yonago, Okayama, Hiroshima, Fukuyama, Ube, Shunan, Takamatsu, Tokushima, Matsuvama, Fukuoka, Kokura, Tosu, Nagasaki, Kumamoto, Oita, Kagoshima, and Okinawa (141 full-time employees; 30 part-time staff)

P Sanyo, P Kyushu, Okayama STC, Hakata STC Takamatsu STC, and Kurume STC (41 full-time employees; 75 part-time staff)

Central Block

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- - Born July 7, 1969 Career Summarv
  - 2008: Section Manager, Personnel Section 2008: Section Manager for the Personnel Section and Healthcare Section 2013: General Manager, Corporate Planning Division 1.7: Executive Officer & General Manager. Corporate Planning Divisio 2019: Executive Officer & General Manager, Business Management Department 2019: Director & General Manager, Business Management Department
  - 2020: Director & General Manager, Sales Department Executive in charge of TRUSCO NAKAYAMA CORPORATION (IHALAND) LIMITED (present) Executive in charge of PT. TRUSCO NAKAYAMA INDONESIA (present) 2021: Director, General Manager of the Sales Department General Manager of the Home Center Sales Division, and General Manager of the Distribution Division (present)

5 branches and 3 distribution centers HC Tokyo, Okazaki, Fukuoka, HC Osaka, and Okinawa Holds positions at three locations, including the

Factory Sales Division. (35 full-time employees: 2 part-time staff) HC East Japan Distribution Center HC Kyushu Distribution Center

**Distribution Department/Sales Department** Factory Sales Division and Distribution Division



#### Auditor



Full-time Auditor

#### Born March 13, 1962

9 years old; 37 years and 3 months at Trusc eer Summar

984: Joined the Company

998: Branch Office Manager, Fujisawa Sales Office 1000: Branch Office Manager, Kanagawa Branch 03: Executive Officer & Jonan Branch Office Manager

4: Executive Officer & General Mana 7: Director & General Manager, Busi

ness Management Dena

Business Management I Executive in charge of PT. TRUSCO NAKAYAMA INDONESIA

Executive Director & General Man ager. Sales Department ecutive in charge of TRUSCO NAKAYA

MA CORPORATION (THAILAND) LIMITED Tadahisa Yabuno 2020: Executive Director & General Business Director 2021: Full-time Auditor of the Company (prese



Part-time Auditor Hiroho Kamakura

Born January 27, 1947 4 years old

#### reer Summary

71: Joined Tohmatsu Aoki & Co. (currently Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

- 3: Registered as Certified Public Ac-
- 2: Part-time Auditor. Trusco Nakavama Corporation (present) Part-time Auditor, Trusco Nakayama

Corporation (present) Part-time Auditor, Yushin Precision Equipment Co., Ltd. (present) Part-time Auditor, Fuiio Food System

Part-time auditor Yushin Precisio Equipment Co., Ltd. (present) 2018: Part-time Auditor, SymEnergy Inc.



General Manager of the Sales Depart-ment, General Manager of the Home 2004: Branch Office Manager, HC Niigata Sales Office 2004: Branch Office Manager, Osaka Branch Center Sales Dept., and General 2008: Section Manager, Prisonnel Section Manager of the Distribution Division 2013: General Manager, Corporate Planning Division

## Kazuo Nakai

orn July 7, 1969 1 years old; 28 years and 3 months Trusco

Sales Dept. (51 employees in tota

**Overseas Division** 

- 2017: Executive Officer & General Manager, Corporate Planning Division
- 2019: Executive Officer & General Manager, Business Management Department 2019: Director & General Manager, Business Management Department
- 2020: Director & General Manager, Sales Department
- 20201: Director & General Manager, Sales Degatiment Executive in charge of TRUSCO NAKAYAMA CORPORATION (THAILAND) LIMITED. (present) Executive in charge of PT. TRUSCO NAKAYAMA INDONESIA (present) 2021: Director, General Manager of the Sales Department General Manager of the Home Center
- Sales Division, and General Manager of the Distribution Division (present

#### Home Center Sales Division and Distribution Division



Director, General Manager of the Sales Department General Manager of the Home Center Sales Division and General Manager of the Distribution Division

## Kazuo Nakai

51 years old: 28 years and 3 months at Trusco

- 993: Joined the Company 002: Branch Office Manager, HC Niigata Sales Office 004: Branch Office Manager, Osaka Branch
- HC West Japan Distribution Center (37 full-time employees; 164 part-time staff

# (2,513 employees in total)



General Manager of the e-Business Sales

## Masashi Yamamoto

Born May 27, 1973

#### 48 years old: 25 years and 3 months at Trusco Career Summary

- 1996: Joined the Company 2004: Branch Office Manager, Numazu Sales Office 2010: Head, Corporate Auditor's Office 2010: Section Manager, General Affairs Section
- 2014: Planet Tohoku Logistic Center Manager 2018: General Manager, Tokyo Metropolitan Area
- Distribution Division
- 2019: General Manager of Overseas Division and Marketing
- 2020: General Manager, e-Business Sales Division (present)

#### 3 branches, 1 section

Internet Sales Tokyo, Internet Sales Osaka MRO Supply Tokyo, Sales Planning Sectio (60 full-time employees; 4 part-time staff)

# -

General Manager of the Overseas Division and

Section Manager of the Overseas Sales Section

## Naotsugu Kamijo

- Born November 29, 1977
- 43 years old: 18 years and 3 months at Trusco Career Summarv
- 2003: Joined the Company 2014: Branch Office Manager, Kashima Branch 2017: Section Manager, Overseas Sales Section 2020: General Manager of the Overseas Division and Sec-
- tion Manager of the Overseas Sales Section (present

Overseas Sales Section (overseas subsidiary service center) (6 employees)

#### Overseas Subsidiaries

Officer in charge at TRUSCO NAKAYAMA Corporation: Kazuo Nakai TRUSCO NAKAYAMA CORPORATION PT. TRUSCO NAKAYAMA INDONESIA



Kazuaki Harada Yohei Takuno

Born November 8, 1980 Born May 16, 1986 40 years old; 18 years and 35 years old; 11 years and 3 months at Trusco Employees: 24 3 employees on loan and 21 local staff) (3 employees on loan and 17 local s Naotsugu Kamijo, Director Naotsugu Kamijo, Audito

3 months at Trusco Employees: 20

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# Company Overview Information current as of December 31, 2020

Т	Company Name	TRUSCO NAKAYAMA Corporation				
1	Head Store	4-28-1,	Shimbashi, Minato-ku, Tokyo			
1	Head Offices	Tokyo Head Office: Trusco Fiorito Bldg., 4-28-1, Shimbashi, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105-0004 (registered as compoany head office) Osaka Head Office: Trusco Glen Check Bldg., 1-34-15, Shinmachi, Nishi-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka 550-0013				
I	Branches	Japan: 89 (2 head offices, 61 sales branches, and 26 distribution centers) Overseas: 3: (TRUSCO NAKAYAMA CORPORATION (THAILAND) LIMITED, PT.TRUSCO NAKAYAMA INDONESIA, and Germany Representative Office (Düsseldorf)) (as of January 1, 2021)				
1	Capital	\$46 milli	on; Listed on the First Section of the Tokyo S	tock Exchange (S	Securities code: 9830)	
8	Shareholders' equity ratio	63.7% (a	as of December 31, 2020)			
1	Employees	Consolic	dated: 2,786 (12 officers, 1,674 full-time empl	oyees; 1,100 par	t-time staff)	
1	Founded	May 15,	1959			
1	Established	March 2	, 1964			
	Closing date for fiscal year	Decemb	er 31			
I	Sales		lated: \$1,994 million (for Fiscal Year Ending D Income of \$2,126 million planned for Fiscal N		*	
I	Ordinary Income				,	
1	Bank	Mizuho B	ank, Resona Bank, Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ	J, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking, Sumitomo Trust & Banking		
1	Accounting Auditor	Deloitte	Touche Tohmatsu LLC			
1	Rating	A (Rating	g and Investment Information, Inc.)			
1	Suppliers	2,652 (2	,440 in Japan, 212 overseas)			
I	Customers	Dealers of machine tools, construction materials, electrical materials, tubing materials, online and home centers etc.; about 5,515 customers			ubing materials, online shops,	
ľ	Business Details		le of machine tools, distribution equipment, e ong with the planning and development of the			
1	Officers	As of Ju	ly 1, 2021			
		President	Tetsuya Nakayama	Full-time Auditor	Masaki Matsuda	
		Director	Kazuo Nakai (General Manager of the	Full-time Auditor	Akira Takada	
			Sales Department)	Full-time Auditor	Tadahisa Yabuno	
		Director	Atsushi Kazumi (General Manager of the Business Management Department and General Manager of the Digital Service Strategy Department)	Outside Director	Kenichi Saito   ForeSight & Company, Ltd.   President	
		Director	Hideki Naoyoshi (General Manager of the Distribution Department)	Outside Director	Kuniaki Hagihara (Chairman, Hagihara Industries Inc.)	
ľ	Senior Executive Officer	Tatsuya Nakayama (General Manager of the Product Department)		Outside Director	Takako Suzuki (President, S.T.CORPORATION)	
I	Executive OfficerHiroaki Imagawa (General Manager of both the Factory Sales Division and Tokyo Metropolitan Area Distribution Division)		Part-time Auditor	Hiroho Kamakura		

# **Our Policy**

# **"Business must serve people and society"**

# **To Achieve "Our Ambitions"**

(Value Creation)

Founded as a latecomer to the industry, thinking outside the box has been our core approach from the start. We have provided a variety of unique services to meet the needs of our customers and the manufacturing industry of the times. In the future, we will continue to aim to be a company that always provides the highest level of convenience in order to continue to be of service to the manufacturing industry in Japan, based on our belief that business must serve people and society.

**Business Flow** 

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# **Business Flow**

**Suppliers** 

[Manufacturers]

2,652 companies

(year on year +115 companies)

TRUSCO NAKAYAMA is a specialized trading company that procures PRO TOOL from suppliers and sells them to machinery tool dealers, online shops, home centers, and other customers. We ensure prompt, smooth and reliable delivery to manufacturing sites all over Japan. As a wholesaler, we have developed a unique business model to improve the convenience of our customers, suppliers, and users.

## Plugging into TRUSCO to start doing business with us

When customers and suppliers start doing business with us, services. Not only centrally procuring products from apthey can easily access our management resources and use proximately 2,700 suppliers, but also customers utilize our them for their businesses in a way that suits their characterservices such as same-day delivery and user-direct delivery istics and business type. In addition suppliers can sell their to expand their own businesses. We will continue to pursue products to approximately 5,500 customers, and they can further convenience for our customers and suppliers by optialso receive a wide range of sales support services such as mizing the distribution of PRO TOOL. product data linkage, inventory holding, and catalog listing



#### **Factory Route**

We deliver PRO TOOL to factories. construction sites and other manufacturing sites through machinery tool dealers, etc. Sales: \$1.465 million

**Machinery Tool Dealers** These customers deal in equipment and secondary materials that are used by factories in the manufacturing industry.

Constitution ratio: 73.4% No. of Companies: 4,951

Welding Material Dealers These customers deal in welding materials, welding machines, and high-pressure gas products.

#### e-Business Route (e-commerce/electronic purchases)

We deliver PRO TOOL to factories and general consumers through online shops.

Sales: \$359 million

Constitution ratio: 18.0% No. of Companies: 171

**Online Shops** 

**Home Centers** 

#### **Home Center Route**

We sell products to general consumers through home centers and pro shops.

Sales: \$158 million Constitution ratio: 8.0% No. of Companies: 105

**Pro Shops** These retailers focus on sales of PRO TOOLs products for outdoor use

## Overseas Route > P.42

Delivering products to manufacturing sites around the world

Sales: \$11 million Constitution ratio: 0.6% No. of Companies: 288

**Overseas Dealers** Japanese and non-Japanese customers that deal in machinery

tools outside of Japan

As of December 31, 2020

**Suppliers in Japan** 2,440 companies (year on year +108 companies) •• ••` **Overseas Suppliers 22** countries **212** companies (year on year +7 companies) America, United Kingdom, One-stop Ordering Italy, Israel, India, Austria, Netherlands, Greece, Switzerland, Spain, Thailand, Denmark, Germany, New Zealand, France, Vietnam. Belgium, Poland, Malaysia,

As of December 31, 2020

Korea, Taiwan, and China



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found in the industry

**Digital Service** 

•Real Time Data Linkage (Products and Sales)

 Big Data Utilization Sales: Approx. 120,000 daily Estimates: 30,000 daily

As of December 31, 2020 \*As of January, 2021



Corporate Mission

# **Helping People and Society** - Value Creation Model -

As a Pro Tools supplier, we aim to be an indispensable company for Japanese "monodzukuri" sites by heightening our ability to supply PRO TOOLs and providing convenience for our customers.

**Stock** (Product capital/Social capital)

**Deliver** (Distribution capital)

**Connect** (Digital capital)

•Number of items in inventory: 440,000 products

•Inventory Value: \$387 million •Total number of items in inventory: 45.17 million items

• Total Number of Suppliers: 2,652 companies (Overseas: 212 companies)

Number of total delivery runs: 270 (TRUSCO delivery runs included in above: 110, 40.7%)

•Logistic Centers in Japan: 26 •Branches with inventory: 30

• Digital Expenditures (most recent three periods): \$73 million

•Number of system connected companies: 8,604 companies

•Number of systems: 60 •Product Data Number: 2.5 million items

## **GAMBARE!! JAPANESE MONODZUKURI**

## Becoming the Company We Want to Be

•TRUSCO Orange Book: 190,000 (2021 edition, total number published)

(Officers: 12 / Full-time staff: 1,674 / Part-time Staff: 1,100)

•Available TRUSCO Orange Book Items: 2,330 thousand items

Support (Product capital/Nature capital/Social capital)

•Trusco Power Generation Installations: **19** •Number of shareholders: **16.336** 

Ability to store 500,000 items in inventory Completion of user direct delivery system

**Communicate** (Intellectual capital)

Respond (Human capital/Social capital)

•Number of Customer Companies: 5.515 companies

•Shareholders' equity ratio: 63.7% •Rating: A (R&I)

•Employees: Consolidated 2,786

"Anything"

"Anywhere"

As of December 31, 2020

Aim for sustainable growth

TRUSCO strives to be a company that always plays a role in supporting Japanese monodzukuri. To this end, we aim to be a company that always provides the highest level of convenience.

#### Capability Targets to be Achieved by 2023

Ability to receive and ship orders 365 days a years **P.16** 

"Anytime"

Financial Results (Financial capital) •Sales (consolidated): \$1,994 million •Ordinary Income (consolidated): \$108 million •Dividends: \$0.28

#### **Improving Convenience**

(Distribution capital, Intellectual capital, and Digital capital)

•Inventory Hit Rate: 91.0% (year on year +0.5%) •System order intake ratio: 83.9% (year on year +0.8%) Automated Estimate Ratio: 8.1% Number of orders processed by system: 150,000

#### through a cycle

Who We Are P2

Top Message

# our principles remain unchange.

#### Never Changing Our Principles (Unchanging demands of the market)

High-level of convenience	Rapid, reliable delivery	Abundant line-up and inventory
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Society/Local Environment

# siness Activities

resources

Managemen

# Product Strategy P.22

Improve inventory management efficiency by strengthening the integrated system from purchasing to sales planning

## Distribution Strategy P.32

Pursuing the highest standard in distribution through general mobilization of our distribution network, inventory, and IT

#### Sales Strategy P.38

Optimal response to the diversified needs of customers

# Digital Service Strategy P.44

Moving faster toward the company that we want to be through the utilization of cutting-edge digital technology

#### **Human Resources/** Financial Strategy

business value Creating an improvement in continuously by taking on challenges and implementing reforms in a flexible, speedy manner

#### **Corporate Governance** P.61 and Social Contributions Being a trusted company through our unique governance system, environmental initiatives, and highly transparent information dissemination

## Contributing to solving social problems through business

#### Promoting the optimal digital transformation of the entire supply chain

 Improving efficiency of PRO TOOLs procure-ment through procurement incentives and reduction of distribution costs Minimizing lead time through our immediate delivery system

(Distribution system/MRO Stocker vision) Conserving resources through centralized procurement and IT utilization

(In-house distribution/Shift to paperless system)

#### **Business support for** our partners

 Improving business efficiency with partners in order to increase convenience •Develop business with customers by expanding the number of products and services that we offer Stable supply of products and services without the risk of stoppage due to emergencies (Seismic isolation of distribution centers, nationwide distribution network, and disaster-protected warehouses

# **Common sense might change but**

Although common sense sometimes changes, our principles remain unchanged.

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Convincing prices | Courteous, Polite, and Reliable | Digital capabilities



(Nakayama visually impaired welfare foundatio project promotion)

# Becoming the Company We Want to Be - Capability Target -

Corporate Message

# **GAMBARE!! JAPANESE MONODZUKURI**

We want to be of service to the manufacturing industry in Japan that always provides the highest level of convenience regardless of the times.



Product Strategy	Distribution Strategy	Sales Strategy	Digital Service Strategy	Human Resources/ Financial Strategy
PB Products expansion	Strengthening immediate delivery capabilities	Strengthening connections with customers	Strengthening of our digital and mechanical technologies	Business style reform
Advanced product data promotion	Optimal strengthening of our delivery capabilities	Support of diversifying sales channels	Promoting the digital transformation of the entire supply chain	Promotion of various work styles
P.22	P.32	P.38	P.44	P.50

# **Target management indicators**

We believe that in order to constantly provide the highest level of convenience as a unique company, our priority should not be numerical targets but rather capability targets. Rather than always giving priority to numbers, we also place importance on the types of capabilities that we want to possess as a company. In order to become a company that is needed by our customers and society, we have set the following three capability targets to be achieved by 2023 and will continue to work on achieving them.

# Capability Target 1: Ability to store 500,000 items in inventory

We believe that **"immediate delivery is the greatest service"** and have been working to expand the number of items in our inventory and strengthen our logistics system. We have been expanding our inventory of various domestic and international professional tools. As of the end of December 2020, we held 440,000 items in inventory. Our inventory hit rate (ratio of products delivered from our company stock divided by our total number of orders) rose to 91.0%. Expanding the number of items in our inventory will lead to greater convenience for our customers and the development of new markets for our company. We aim to have 500,000 items in stock by 2023 and are actively promoting the stocking of professional tools required by "monodzukuri" sites.

#### Capability Target 2: Completion of user direct delivery system

Requests for direct deliveries to users are increasing due to the sales expansion of online shopping companies and the chronic shortage of delivery personnel in the industry. In addition, requests for this service have increased rapidly as a measure to reduce exposure to Covid-19 since 2020, and our I-Pack<sup>®</sup> (high-speed automated packaging and shipping line) has become a key solution to this issue. In the future, we intend to strengthen our user-direct shipping function using I-Pack<sup>®</sup> to establish a business that can solve various problems for our customers. (See p.36)

I-Pack<sup>®</sup> (high-speed automated packaging and shipping line) Performance: 720 packages per hour per line Number of direct deliveries to users: 2,658,000 deliveries/year (in 2020)

# Capability Target 3: Ability to receive and ship orders 365 days a years

With an eye on improving convenience for our customers and increasing the number of product shipments in the future, we will establish a system that enables us to receive and ship orders 365 days a year. Planet South Kanto, which was rebuilt and put into operation in August 2020, is equipped with an underground parking lot with a high ceiling that allows delivery trucks to enter. The facility is designed to operate 24 hours a day, with facilities that allow loading and unloading even at night. We are also working to enhance digital tools and improve the efficiency of warehouse operations. We are aiming to realize a new logistics system to improve convenience at "monodzukuri" sites.



Ability to offer a variety of PRO TOOLs both in Japan and overseas



 $\text{I-Pack}^{\circledast}$  (high-speed automated packaging and shipping line) required for direct deliveries to users



Planet South Kanto (Isehara City, Kanagawa Prefecture) is designed to operate 24 hours a day



# Thinking Outside the Box - A History of Value Creation -

#### Needs of the times and proving value

Sales

(Unit: million USD)

1959

1959

1964

I	1959	1960 - 1969	1970 - 1989	1990 - 1999
	Founded as a latecomer to the industry	Catalog Strategy and Develop- ment of PB Products	Expansion of our business and the areas we serve	Strengthening distribution capa- bilities and going public
	Tetsuya Nakayama was born with a damaged optic nerve and loss of vision as a result of forceps delivery. Chuji Nakayama (founder) decided to start the company with complete re- solve for the future of his child. As a latecomer to the industry, Nakayama earned the trust of his customers by aiming for a product lineup that was not bound by the industry limitations.	We aimed to streamline the distribu- tion of pro-tools by publishing Na- kayama Shohou, which listed multiple manufacturers, something that did not exist in the industry at that time. In addition, we began to develop our own products (private brands), which no other company could offer, to re- solving customers' issues.	In order to contribute to manufactur- ing sites across the country, we ex- panded our offices to all prefectures. We also entered the home improve- ment industry and expanded our sales network. Later, we also went public, aiming to become a company that contributes to society.	Tetsuya Nakayama was appointed as President. In the same year, the company's first distribution center, Planet Kyushu, was launched into operation to strengthen distribution capabilities in earnest. We also changed our company name, established a corporate philosophy, and created a better working environment which led to our list- ing on the first sections of the Tokyo Stock Exchange and Osaka Securities Exchange.
	1959, the year of the company's founding President Tetsuya Nakayama appears in	Launched a comprehensive cata- log titled Nakayama Shohou (1964)	Store registration/Public offering of stocks (Tokyo and Osaka exchanges) (1989)	トラスコ中山株式会社 社長就任披露 Tetsuya Nakayama assumes position of Presiden (1994)
	the center of the photo			
	Origin of TRUSCO NAL Chuji Nakayama, the founder of o created the "Five Articles", which can company credo (image right). Since the company has had a culture of taki challenges without being bound by lir of these was the first private brand "Komyotan (red lead)", which was drums and then divided into small ca response to user requests. Although	ur company, be called the its inception, ing on various nitations. One (PB) product purchased in ns for sale in	五 ヵ茶 - 自己手形を発行せず 回り手形で決済する 二手形は絶対割引 1ない 三.借入に-年以内に 遠済で35範囲い留 め、ムリな信金はし ない、 四まれに語れない、	









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creat com the o challe of th "Kon drum respo time and effort, this was the starting point for

wholesalers to purchase in large quantities and sell in small lots. This philosophy of "doing what others won't do," "selling what others won't sell," and "doing things before others do them" has been handed down as the DNA of our company to this day.



# **Major Award History**

TRUSCO has received various awards for efforts behind its unique business model. (some award winners as well as honorifics have been omitted)

#### 2017

#### "Best IR Award for Encouragement" recipient

(Sponsor: Japan Investor Relations Association)

The openness of TRUSCO's top management was reflected in the company's level of disclosure, and TRUSCO was recognized for its efforts to disclose information in an early and fair manner, including proactive dissemination of useful information to investors, as well as for its enhancement of ESG information and activities for individual investors.

Companies receiving the award in 2017 "Best IR Award for Encouragement" recipients



Details can be

TRUSCO NAKAYAMA Corporation Recruit Holdings Co., Ltd. "IR Special Award" recipients Kirin Holdings Company, Limited Sony Corporation

"Porter Prize" recipient

Companies receiving the award in 2018

TRUSCO NAKAYAMA Corporation,

Hoken No Madoguchi Group Inc.,

MonotaRO Co., Ltd., and RIZAP, Inc.

Fuji Oil Co., Ltd.

2018

highly evaluated.

found by scanning "Best IR Award" recipients the QR code above DAIKIN INDUSTRIES, LTD. Daiwa House Industry Co., Ltd. Nabtesco Corporation, etc. (total of seven "Best IR Award" recipients)



#### About the "IR Award"

The objective behind this award is to select and award companies that have a deep understanding of the purpose of IR, have been proactive in IR related efforts, and have achieved outstanding results such as gaining strong support of market participants.



#### About the "Porter Prize"

The Porter Prize was established to enhance the competitiveness of Japanese companies. The name of the award is derived from Harvard University professor Michael E. Porter. The prize is awarded to companies that achieve high profitability using unique, outstanding strategies.



#### 2020

#### Selected as a "DX Stocks 2020" company "DX Grand Prix 2020" recipient

(Sponsor: Hitotsubashi University Graduate School of International Corporate Strategy (ICS))

The company's unique inventory expansion strategy and logistics system have

earned the trust of customers, who say "TRUSCO has it in stock." The company's

unique efforts to improve convenience without appealing to sales price were

(Sponsors: Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) and the Tokyo Stock Exchange)

"Intuition and assumptions can sometimes lead to fatal mistakes. We want to use the data analysis and utilization as a foundation for moving forward to the next stage." In addition to this awareness by top management, the company was highly evaluated for converting data analysis into creative services by utilizing AI and other technologies.

#### "DX Grand Prix 2020" recipients

TRUSCO NAKAYAMA Corporation and Komatsu Ltd.

Companies selected as a "DX Stocks 2020" companies 35 companies in total, including Kajima Corporation and Fujitsu Limited

Details can be found by scanning the QR code above

#### 2020

#### Information Technology Award "IT Grand Prize" Recipient (Digital Transformation category)

(Sponsor: Japan Institute of Information Technology)

2020 "IT Grand Prize" Recipients

TRUSCO was recognized for the high level of results it has achieved by improving the efficiency of the entire industry through the development of IT systems and for improving operational efficiency and business innovation throughout the supply chain through the establishment of various mechanisms, including the automation of guotations using AI.

(Digital Transformation category): Trusco Nakayama Corporation Customer/Business Functions category: All Nippon Airways Co., Ltd. Social Problem Solving category: Kochi Prefecture (prefectural government)



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#### About "DX Stocks" and the "DX Grand Prix"

Listed companies that have established internal systems to promote digital transformation (DX), which will lead to increased corporate value, and that have demonstrated outstanding achievements in the use of digital technology are selected as "DX Stocks" companies. Among those selected, companies that are leading the way in the digital age are awarded the "DX Grand Prix"



#### About the "Information Technology Award"

This award is given to companies and organizations that are recognized as having made outstanding efforts and achieved outstanding results in "management innovation using IT." The awards have been held for 38 years



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# Product Strategy

Product Inventory Number of items in inventory 442.436 items

Total number of items in inventory

45.17 million **Inventory Value** 

\$387 million

**Total Number of Suppliers** 

2,652 (2,440 suppliers in Japan, 212 overseas)

Number of items listed in **TRUSCO Orange Book.com** 2.33 million items (Information current as of December 31, 2020)



# Improve inventory management efficiency by strengthening the integrated system from purchasing to sales planning

Senior Executive Officer General Manager of the Product Division

# Tatsuya Nakayama

The wide range of products we have accumulated is the "dam" of an industry that can keep up with changes in social conditions. We will focus on strengthening the task of creating a series of flow from purchasing to sales planning.

# Promoting expansion plan PB Products

By steadily implementing our five-year PB products expansion plan, we will strengthen our lineup of private brand (PB) products, which are the mainstay of our earnings. At the same time, we will proactively promote the shift to environmentally-friendly packaging and packing materials with a focus on non-plastic materials. We will also begin inhouse manufacturing of items that should be produced in-house in view of the current social situation.

## Advanced product data promotion

Our company has 2,652 sales agents, the largest number in the industry, giving us the ability to supply millions of items. The number of requests of data from EC customers, whose demand is growing remarkably, continues to increase, and the contents of such requests are becoming more sophisticated with each passing day. In cooperation with our suppliers, we will focus on data maintenance maximally, as the quality of the data will determine the future of our performance.







TRUSCO product database "Sterra" user interface

# **Inventory Strategy**

#### Full Line-up of PRO TOOL

PRO TOOL in general refer to tools, operational supplies, consumables, and machinery required by professionals (workers/craftspersons) in manufacturing sites such as factories and construction sites. We carry a wide array of PRO TOOL products and as many as possible. By stocking not only the best-selling products but also all products with the same or similar functions, we are able to respond accurately to our customers' needs. We will continue to offer an abundant product lineup and inventory to help customers expand their businesses.

#### Increasing the number of items in inventory contributes to improving customer convenience

We are continually expanding our inventory items with focus on long tail products and strengthening prompt delivery systems to customers. Expansion of the number of items in inventory has resulted in a product inventory offering that is 3.6 times the size it was 10 years ago an inventory hit rate that has risen by approximately 11.4 points over the last 10 years. This contributes to customer convenience.



\*Ratio of products delivered from our company stock divided by our total number of orders.

## Sales Constitution Ratio of Available Products

shows the distribution ratio of Sales by category. Sales data current as of December 31, 2020. Figures in brackets are from the previous year provided for comparison.

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1 Cutting Tools 3.1%	2 Production Processing Tools 7.6%	3 Construction Supplies
Sales \$61 million (-13.9%)	Sales \$151 million (-9.9%)	Sales <b>\$229 million</b> (-1.3%)
Cutting Tools	<ul> <li>Measurement equipment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pneumatic tools</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Drilling tools</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mechatronics</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Welding equipment</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Threading cutting tools</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tools for machine tool, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Civil engineering equips</li> </ul>
Cutting Tools	Ball bearing	Engine p 8 Laboratory Supplies
6 Safety Supplies 18.0%	Storage Supplies 10.7%	
Sales \$359 million (+6.1%)	Sales \$213 million (-13.0%)	Sales \$87 million (-1.9%)
Protective equipment     Safety goods	<ul> <li>Loading goods</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tool wagons</li> </ul>
•Environmental improvement goods	<ul> <li>Transportation goods</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Storage and management</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Air conditioning goods, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Containers and vessels</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Work benches, etc.</li> </ul>







isted in TRUSCO Orange Book.Com: 2,337,220	
isted in TRUSCO Orange Book: <b>171,000</b>	
n inventory: 1 <b>42,436</b>	
rivate Brand Products: 57,700	

Information current as of December 31, 2020

Expansion of the number of items in inventory has resulted in an inventory hit rate that has risen by approximately 10 points over the last 10 years.

Number of Inventory Items/Inventory Hit Rate





#### Enhancing inventory by the NAKAYAMA Original Inventory Logic

Based on the belief that inventory is necessary for the convenience of our customers and for improving sales, we have developed our own approach to inventory - the NAKAYAMA Original Inventory Logic. With this thought, we are expanding our inventory using creative methods to ensure that our customers know that TRUSCO has what they need.



#### Stocking "Difficult-to-Deliver" products Inventory of Manufacturer Catalogs

We refer to large and long products that are diffi-We keep catalogs of manufacturers so that we can cult to manage and ship as "Difficult-to-Deliver" provide information immediately when detailed inproducts. We are able to meet all orders by actively formation about a product is needed. As with products, our catalog inventory is managed using bar codes, which allows for more customer business opportunities



We carry catalogs from around 600 manufacturers

#### Inventory of seasonal products year-round

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It is common for seasonal products to be stocked only in quantities that can be sold out during the season. However, in order to meet the demand for the last units, we keep more inventory than the seasonal demand and respond to orders throughout the vear



Ability to supply even the last unit of a product in seasonal demand

# **Private Brand Products**

#### Developing our own brand with creative approach

The TRUSCO brand was born out of the desire to respond to professional skills with professional quality. It covers the widest range of auxiliary materials for factory use among all brands. At present, we are developing at a speed of about 10,000 additional items every year and are working to further strengthen the brand.



#### **Start of Development Private Brand Products in 1964**

We launched "Komyotan", our first private brand product, in 1964. This began by bulk breaking products that were only sold as eighteen liter drums at the time, which was the first step in the history of our private brand products.



Komvotan powder for rust. corrosion and seizure prevention

#### **Received Multiple Good Design Awards**

The Japan Institute of Design Promotion presents awards to products and services with superior design every year. TRUSCO has received Good Design Awards 13 times for many of its products including carts, air dusters, and hip roof tool boxes.





Products.

Waterproof Tarpaulin Boot Case

We also have 7m ladders in stock

stocking these products.





PB Product - Approaching 70,000 items Shift in PB Goods Sales and Number of PB Products **67,700**...,<sub>79 ∩00</sub> PB Products 56 500 PB Goods Sales (Million USD) 2012 2013 2014/3 2014/12 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 (vear)

## **Products Based on Ideas** from Employees

The PB Idea Box is a system for employees to propose ideas for new products. Approximately 100 new ideas are presented each month, some which lead to the creation of various unique PB



Adhesive Tape Measure with Vertical Scale

#### **Deeply focus on quality** control

We established the PB (Private Brand) Quality Control Section to manage the quality of PB products. We are striving to enhance quality through measures that include the plans to prevent recurrence when a deficiency occurs as well as product improvements.



Employees work remotely to check product quality

	Value Creation
	Corporate Mission
	Products
_	Distribution
	Sales
=	Digital Service
-	Human Resources/ Financial
	Corporate Governance and Social Contributions
_	Corporate Governance
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# **National Brand (NB) Products**

#### Providing a Broad Selection of PRO TOOL in Japan

We are able to provide items (National Brand Products) from around 2,440 companies procured from suppliers in Japan. The number of suppliers we work with grows by 100 or so annually so that we can provide a broad selection of products to everyone involved with manufacturing.



We are always looking for products with professional specifications to provide total support to manufacturing sites nationwide.

#### Yattemasen List

We have a list of suppliers that we have rejected because they do not do what we are looking for. Product request advertisements are managed through the Sagashitemasu BOX made available on tisements. our intranet and employees in the sales field write in the box daily to cultivate suppliers.







2016

2017

2018

2019

Change in Number of Suppliers

Increasing our suppliers by around 100 more annually

Total Number of Suppliers

2,652

2020

2,750

250

2021

Sales and composition ratio by product category in the Trusco Orange Book (fiscal year ended December 31, 2020)

	Category	Sales	Number of Items	Sales Consti- tution Ratio		Category	Sales	Number of Items	Sales Consti- tution Ratio		Category	Sales	Number of Items	Sales Consti tution Ratio
01	Cutting Tools	\$65 million (-13.0%)	342,417	3.3%	08	Chemical Products	\$122 million (+1.8%)	10,872	6.1%	15	Loading goods	\$71 million (-8.2%)	21,312	3.6%
02	Tools for machine tool	\$21 million (-22.1%)	38,527	1.1%	09	Hand Tools	\$150 million (-7.4%)	101,003	7.5%	16	Logistics/Stor- age Supplies	\$110 million (-11.7%)	69,839	5.5%
03	Measurement equipment	\$83 million (-7.2%)	85,409	4.2%	10	Electric, hydraulic, and pneumatic tools	\$190 million (-6.1%)	104,681	9.5%	17	Conveyance equipment	\$77 million (-18.1%)	99,357	3.9%
)4	Mechatronics parts	\$26 million (-2.7%)	226,031	1.3%	11	Protective equipment	\$205 million (+15.8%)	180,420	10.3%	18	Cleaning and sanitation goods	\$112 million (+6.8%)	32,592	5.6%
)5	Hardware and building	\$71 million (-0.3%)	121,551	3.6%	12	Safety goods	\$45 million (-4.1%)	53,382	2.3%	19	Environmental improvement goods	\$82 million (-1.3%)	19,661	4.1%
)6	materials Pneumatic	\$40 million	347.870	2.0%	13	Packaging goods	\$137 million (+0.9%)	35,902	6.9%	20	Gardening equipment	\$18 million (+17.9%)	20,713	0.9%
)7	accessories Electronic	(-9.3%) \$34 million	183,340	1.7%	14	Construction and Lighting	\$188 million (-4.4%)	127,569	9.5%	21	Office Sup- plies/Storages	\$88 million (-6.2%)	160,547	4.4%
	Devices es by category	(-1.8%) in TRUSCO Or				Equipment	(-4.4%)			22	Research equipment	\$47 million (-1.0%)	118,384	2.4%

# **Overseas National Brand Products**

#### Launching the World's PRO TOOL into Japan

In October 2015, we established our Representative Office Germany in Düsseldorf to serve as a site for procuring professional tools from around the world, mainly from Europe, where there are many high-quality tool manufacturers with long histories. We import quality PRO TOOL from various countries to invigorate the "monodzukuri" industry in Japan.



#### **TRUSCO** also carries products that are difficult to obtain in Japan

At present, TRUSCO handles the products of approximately 212 overseas suppliers from 22 countries and stock them as Japanese products in distribution centers across Japan. With a wide-ranging lineup of overseas pro tool not readily available in Japan, we 

offer users increased convenience and options. We also have a website "Sekai no PRO TOOL" where we provide promotional information based on a wealth of information.



TOOL" website.

Major Overseas Suppliers (honorifics omitted) Germany (Düsseldorf) Ansell GEDORE GEDORE Ansell Denmark (Belgium) (Germany) ships in Europe. The Netherlands [gloves and fwork tools, tool carts, protective clothing] and torque wrenches] Belaium Poland UK – uvex France Austria Switzerland Greece China Rubbermaid Uvex (USA) (Germany) India containers, platform trucks, [safety glasses, glove and cleaning supplies] and ear plugs] Wera Comau Wera (Germany) (Italv) [screwdrivers, bits, and [power-assisted suits torque wrenches

Sales are growing in proportion to the increase in overseas suppliers. Overseas Suppliers and Overseas Product Sales





TRUSCO imports PRO TOOLs from 22 countries around the world

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# 2,652 manufacturers

Only some manufacturers are listed (295 companies).

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A&D Co., Ltd.	ta
ABC TRADING Co., L ACHILLES CORPORA	
ALINCO INCORPORA	
AM PRODUCTS, Inc. AMANO CORPORATI	
ANEST IWATA Corpo	
AQUASYSTEM Co., L	
AS ONE CORPORATI	
ASADA CORPORATIO	
ASAHI KASEI ADVAN	
ASAHI METAL INDUS	
ASAHI SANGYO	
Asahipen Corp.	
ASICS Corporation	
ASOH Co., Ltd.	
ATOM CORPORATIO	Ν
BELLSTAR ABRASIV	
BIG DAISHOWA Co.,	
BLASTON	
Bosch	
BURRTEC Co., Ltd.	
CAR-BOY CORPORA	ATION
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# **Customer Support Tool**

#### Aiming to provide customers the most convenient tool in procurement Pro Tool

The tools needed for use at manufacturing sites vary greatly according to the times. There are also different situations that make procurement challenging, such as work sites that are offline and performing product searches without knowing product serial numbers. TRUSCO aims to provide the highest level of convenience in tool procurement in order to respond to any situation.



#### Providing tools suitabale for "Monodzukuri" sites

Name of catalog is changed "Nakayama

book version (small size version)

Shoho" to "Orange Book" in 2000.

of the Orange Book.

Note: Photo above shows the hand-

We launched our first product catalog "Nakayama Shoho" ("Nakayama Business Bulletin") in 1964. At that time, there were no catalogs that combined products from multiple manufacturers, and it was the first product catalog in the industry that provided users with real convenience. Currently,

we are developing not only catalog functions and web product search functions but also AI-based product search services. We provide tools suitable for a variety of manufacturing sites, most of which are linked to our inventory, to improve the convenience of PRO TOOL searches and procurement.



The catalog was born from the concept that it would be more convenient for users if the catalogs of each manufacturer were consolidated and prices as well as part numbers were integrated.

#### Providing products monodzukuri sites need



#### TRUSCO Orange Book

#### **Orange Book**

#### TRUSCO Orange Book - "Great Dictionary of Monodzukuri" used at various manufacturing sites

Our catalog lists every sort of PRO TOOL that is required on the "monodzukuri" production floor. This is a professional tool catalog that supports efficient product search and procurement with a magazine-like composition that allows you to obtain delivery date information and find out about popular products at a glance. From 2020, the catalog page size was changed to A4, allowing more information to be provided

on a single page so that you can see more at a glance. We also offer the "TRUSCO Digital Orange Book\*," which combines the reading ease of a printed catalog with the portability and searchability of the web. \*English version available



## TRUSCO Orange Book.Com

#### TRUSCO Orange Book.Com

#### Product search site listed all the information users need to acquire Pro Tool

This comprehensive site supports product searches and the purchase of PRO TOOL. Information on the products we handle is available, as are SDS forms (Safety Data Sheets),

schematics, and more. In addition, site members can request product estimates, place orders, and even check inventory in real time. It is a system that we are continuing to build in order to support smooth business transactions and assist our customers in their sales activities.



## TRUSCO Al Orange Rescue



#### AI Chatbot (automatic chat program) responds instantly even voice searches

Al Chatbot is a product search service that uses artificial intelligence (Al). It is capable of instantly finding the most suitable product from over 2.3 million items. Even if you do not know the

specific industry name for the tool, manufacturer name, product name, or model number, you can easily narrow down the products you want using the voice search function and guided chat function. The AI "learns" the search results to improve accuracy day by day, helping to improve the efficiency of operations.



#### Catalogs that fit diversifying sales channels

#### **TRUSCO** Orange Book Jr.

This catalog gathers representative excerpts from every product category into one book. Pages: 1,488 (A4 size) Number of items listed: About 42,000 Number of manufacturers listed: 1,140 Price: \$20 (price includes tax)

Note: A Thai version as well as a version for the Indonesia market (2020-2021 version) have also been published.



#### **TRUSCO** Construction Tool Book (Registered Trademark)

This catalog features a lineup of PRO TOOL required for construction and other work sites. The cover is UV laminated for improved water and weather resistance. This means that you can even use it at work sites without worrying about it getting damaged. Pages: 708 (A4 size)

Number of items listed: About 24,000 Number of manufacturers listed: 695 Price: \$10 (price includes tax)











The Orange Book Rack (single-piece book holder) has been registered as a design







Also accessible via tablet or smartphone







Desired products are easily found also by fuzzy search

#### TRUSCO PRO TOOL **MAGAZINE ICHIOSHI**

This catalog magazine features upto-date information on items recommended by manufacturers.

- Pages: 290 (A4 size)
- Number of items listed: 376 Number of manufacturers listed: 328
- Price: \$5 (price includes tax)
- Front Cover: 2018: Mansai Nomura
  - 2019: Mari Watanabe
  - 2020: Rie Tanaka
  - 2021: An artisan working at manufacturing site





## COCOMITE

A guidebook for PRO TOOLs, COCOM-ITE features basic product knowledge, simple explanations of points for selecting products, and more. This publication makes selecting products more efficient Pages: About 860 (B5 size) Price: \$30 (price includes tax)

Note: An English version of this publication titled COCOMITE UNIVERSAL is also







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**Inventory Hit Rate** 91.0% Number of Distribution Centers

26

(includes 9 Stock Centers)

Number of delivery runs

270 (TRUSCO delivery runs included in above: 110, 40.7%)

Number of direct deliveries to users 2.65 million per year

(As of December 31, 2020)

**Planet South Kanto** AutoStore (high-precision storage system sehara City, Kanagawa) -Pack® Butler® (Automated conveyance robots) high-speed automated packaging and shipping line)

# Pursuing the highest standard in distribution through general mobilization of our distribution network, inventory, and IT

Director General Manager of the Distribution Department Hideki Naoyoshi

We offer the largest selection of PRO TOOL in the world, not just the largest selection in Japan, and deliver them to our customers nationwide using our immediate delivery system in various delivery formats such as standard delivery and direct delivery. In order to fulfill our mission as a wholesaler, we will thoroughly pursue the highest level of logistics services, both online and real, by combining automated facilities with a high degree of structure and know-how.

## Improving convenience by strengthening our immediate delivery capabilities

We maintain an uncompromising inventory, the source of our competitiveness, and use our nationwide distribution network to deliver products to our customers with the shortest delivery time. Customers can always find the professional tools they are looking for and have them delivered immediately. Whether online or real, we will implement every possible measure to forge our logistics capabilities to give the concept "Trusco has it" at a high standard

## Optimal strengthening of our delivery capabilities

We will thoroughly pursue automation and labor saving by highly coordinating IT (digital) and the latest logistics equipment (mechanical). In addition, we will improve both convenience and operational efficiency by improving and strengthening the system to control the operation of our distribution centers. We are determined to fulfill our mission as a wholesaler by establishing a system that will allow us to respond to our customers' needs completely.





# **Distribution system**

#### "To run distribution is to win the business"

only in the quantity needed."

# Building an immediate delivery system

By locating distribution centers throughout Japan, we are able to achieve same-day delivery with the minimum lot. We have introduced the world's most advanced logistics equipment to cope with the ever-increasing number of shipments and to improve the speed, accuracy, and quality of delivery. Our company is reinforcing its immediate delivery system so that our customers can always be assured that "TRUSCO will deliver."

We have created a unique logistics system that establishes fixed freight costs. In contrast with variable-cost based distribution where costs are incurred for each individual delivery as with express home delivery services, etc., "fixed-cost based distribution" involves using fixed delivery routes so that delivery expenses are fixed regardless of the quantity of items delivered. As a result, we are able to provide better services to our customers, such as free deliveries (two deliveries per day) and the ability to return items in stock.



# **Logistics Wonderland**

#### Introduction of a cutting-edge distribution system

Our distribution centers, which house the world's most advanced logistics equipment, are exactly a "logistics wonderland." We have introduced a variety of logistics equipment and facilities to promote labor saving and automation. We continue to expand the number of items in stock and strengthen our immediate delivery system by realizing high-density storage in logistics equipment according to the size of the product and frequency of shipment, as well as high-speed receiving/shipping through automated sorting and packaging.

Logistics Wonderland Planet Saitama



Labor saving capability 

Distribution Center where the technology was introduced



Automatic Guided Vehicles automatically transport products along magnetic tape laid out on the floor of the Distribution Center. It improves transport efficiency through labor saving.



in the warehouse. This reduces workers' time walking and raises the efficiency of picking work.



AutoStore (high-precision robot-based storage

AutoStore maximizes space efficiency by stacking bins (plastic contain-

ers) from the floor to near the ceiling. The use of robots to transport con-

tainers to improve efficiency and reduce the amount of labor for loading/

Shipping Capacity 120 shipments/h (1 station)

2x to 3x more storage capacity

South Kanto

Work Performed by approx. 3 Workers/h (1 station)

Automated conveyance robots lift shelves and transport them to workers

\*Independent estimate based on TRUSCO inventory items.

system)

unloading work.

#### 34567 Storing/Picking 2 Inspecting/Sorting 1 Receiving/Transporting



This equipment for sorting products eliminates sorting mistakes by people, improving precision and speed. This is because the lid of the container where a product is to be placed will open (or a light will shine to indicate which container), prompting the worker to simply place products inside.

Sorting (	Capacity 20	0 product typ	es/h	
Work Performed by approx. 3 Workers/h (1 station)				
Tohoku	Saitama	East Kanto	South Kanto	
Tokai	Osaka K	obe		1215-29524

Utilizing a variety of logistics equipment according to product size and shipping frequency



Butler<sup>®</sup> (Automated conveyance robots) 3

utomated bucket warehouse

We offer high-density storage of buckets (containers) of small- and medium-sized products that are characterized by many varieties and relatively low inventory volume for each product. Cranes are used to transport the buckets. This allows for many products to be efficiently managed by a small number of workers.

Shipping Capacity 110 shipments/h (1 station)	
Work Performed by approx. 3 Workers/h	1000051
2.5x more storage capacity Tohoku Saitama	
East Kanto South Kanto Tokai Shiga Osaka Kobe	间沿船



This space can store large and heavy goods efficiently. Large-size cranes are used to automatically transport products to increase work efficiency.

Shipping Capacity 35 shipments/h (1 station)	
Work Performed by approx. 1.5 Workers/h (1 station)	
3x more storage capacity	A STATE
Saitama North Kanto East Kanto	<b>DRAW</b>

#### 8 Load Assorting 2 Sorting/Inspection



Movable pallet trucks reduce the area of passageways and expand storage space within warehouses. It increases the storage efficiency of large and heavy goods.

2x more stora	2x more storage capacity					anto	; [ ] ] ]
South Kanto	Tokai	Shi	ga	Kobe	Sanyo		Ħ





This high-speed load assorting equipment for automated warehouses can simultaneously perform load assorting and sorting of products. This reduces effort and time for sorting and transport.

Sorting capacity of 1,800 containers/h	间和公司
Tohoku Saitama East Kanto South Kanto Tokai Osaka Kobe	
USaka KUDE	ELCOPERST!



This machine reads the three side dimensions of large and irregularshaped items, which are difficult to pack, and creates a box to fit its size. This improves efficiency and offers same packing quality for customers.

Packaging Capacity 10 Workers/h	120 packages/h	国際語目
Tohoku North Kanto Saitama	East Kanto	1.20
Tokai Osaka Kobe		国动物名

# **9 10** Packaging/Shipping



I-Pack places delivery slips inside packages and handles packaging as well as labeling all at high speeds. Automation leads to shorter packing time and better quality and is the key to improve direct deliveries (see p.36)





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# Strengthening of the direct delivery system (2.65 million deliveries per year)

By improving direct delivery performance, we realize not only shorten delivery time but also reducing the cost of the entire supply chain by eliminating the process of delivering products to client warehouses. In addition, due to chronic manpower shortages, the burden delivering products from customers to users becomes heavy. Therefore, by increasing the ratio of direct deliveries from our company, customers can focus more on their sales activities. We believe that solving logistics issues in the industry is also our mission, so we have installed systems such as I-Pack<sup>®</sup>, a fully automated packaging system, in our major distribution centers and are continuing to strengthen direct delivery performance. (Freight costs are paid for by the customer.)



#### Direct delivery requests are increasing year by year

Number of packages shipped directly to users (by year)



304



I-Pack® has not been installed at Planet Hokkaido or Planet Kyushu.

## I-Pack<sup>®</sup> (high-speed automated packaging and shipping line)

We are introducing this system in our major distribution centers to strengthen direct shipments to users.



Performance: High-speed shipping preparation After the delivery s performance of 720 packages per hour per line ed to fit the produc

After the delivery slip is sealed, the box size is adjusted to fit the product which is then packed inside.

Fixed Location

After packing, the two-dimensional code on the box is

Non-Fixed Location

read and the corresponding invoice is affixed.



TRUSCO is introducing inventory management systems that replace the fixed location method that assigns one location to one product, with a free location method that fills the space opened by inventory depletion with a separate in-shipped product. This is a system where product size, shipping frequency, and storage equipment capacity data are registered in advance. When products arrive, they are guided to the best available location in the warehouse. There is no need to set up storage locations as found in a fixed location based system. With capacity control, the system does not leave wasted space as it is, realize high-density storage.

(Centers with system installed: Planet Saitama, Planet Tohoku, and Planet South Kanto)



#### Our delivery drivers (full-time employees) quickly respond to customer requests (110 delivery vehicles (40.7%))

Delivery drivers are responsible for delivering products to customers. As they visit the customers on time every day, they are able to listen to the problems of the customers on the spot and respond to them quickly.

#### Increasing our number of delivery vehicles annually

Changes in percentage of TRUSCO delivery vehicles and changes in





# System-based product expiration date management

We put quality control labels to products with quality assurance expiration dates, and manage these to avoid shipping expired products. We have established an expiration date management system that enables accurate and efficient confirmation even when the number of product items increases.



Quality control labels affixed to products with expiration dates

# Distribution centers with seismic isolation equipment (3 distribution centers)

When the Great East Japan Earthquake occurred in March 2011, Planet Tohoku was unable to ship products due to them falling from the shelves, even though many PRO TOOL were needed for disaster recovery. Based on this experience, the distribution centers built since then are equipped with seismic isolation equipment as standard equipment so that we can fulfill our responsibility to supply customers even in times of disaster. (Centers with seismic isolation equipment installed: Planet Osaka, Planet Saitama, and Planet South Kanto)



Seismic isolation equipment in Planet Saitama

Through T-Rate, GPS is used to acquire the location information of delivery trucks and provide real-time delivery status information to our customers. This makes it possible to check the location of the delivery trucks, the estimated time of arrival, and the list of products to be delivered, leading to greater convenience and operational efficiency for our customers.



List of products for delivery



This function reduces the delivery status inquiries

# Hazardous material warehouses set up to enhance safety

Due to stocking a large number of chemical products that pose a risk of ignition or explosion, we have added hazardous material warehouses at our distribution centers. These warehouses are equipped with carbon dioxide gas jets to extinguish fires for increased safety.



Hazardous material warehouse at Planet Saitama (approx. 284 m)

#### A distribution system where products are continuously delivered even during disasters

Distribution sites are located throughout Japan to reduce risk. We have built a system that automatically supports other distribution sites even when a distribution line is cut, such as when disaster strikes a supply route. We also stockpile at least a six-month supply of products such as generators, which are needed even in times of disaster, so that we can be of use to the community in times of emergency.





We have stock such as generators and blue tarp sheets required for use during disasters which should serve as a six-month supply at a minimum.



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Director, General Manager of the Sales Department

Kazuo Nakai

By utilizing our management resources, including the products we handle and our logistics and IT systems, we are able to add value to your business.

#### Increasing convenience through the merging of human resources and digital technology Strengthening connections with customers

We will enhance customer convenience and strengthen our connections with them by promoting the use of the AI-based quotation system to improve the operational efficiency of our customers, Face Phone to enable face-to-face online conversations with our customers anytime, anywhere, and T-Rate to enable easier and more casual communication than conventional communication methods (e-mail, telephone, or fax).

## Support of diversifying sales channels

With the changing times, our sales channels continue to diversify. We will continue to establish sales methods that suited for each market.

Implementing market-responsive measures for each business route Factory Route: Introduction of new products and new manufacturers that meet market needs Cultivate new sales destinations that are not confined to a specific industry e-business Route: Recommend electronic purchasing systems to users (manufacturers) Propose a variety of products to online shopping companies to create sales opportunities.

Home Center Route: Provide services that integrate real stores and the Internet. **Overseas Route:** Realize a competitive product lineup through direct purchasing by local subsidiaries



T-Rate screen images

T-Rate allows users to chat with distributors and check delivery status



Briefing session for users (manufacturers) on our electronic purchasing system Note: In 2020, we mainly conducted web-based seminars to prevent the spread of Covid-19.

# **Route specific strategies**

#### One-stop purchasing that integrates products, logistics, and digital services

We are grasping the latent needs of our customers that are not quantified and are working to solve their problems by utilizing our product, logistics, and digital services. By providing services suited to the characteristics of each route and realizing one-stop purchasing from customers to users, we will continue to contribute to improving productivity and sales in the entire industry.

## **Factory Route**

#### n Material Dealers, 4,951 Manufacturing Industry O Material Dealers, etc. 4,951

Toward a sales style that further utilizes digital technology

Our route is to do business with customers in a wide range of industries, such as with machine tool dealers who mainly handle equipment and factory auxiliary materials, and welding material dealers who mainly handle high-pressure gas. By having sales offices throughout Japan, we are able to respond quickly to any problems and strengthen the cooperative system of each region. In recent years, we have introduced "MRO Stocker" (see p.41), which is a system of "Use First, Pay Later" that has been around for many years in Japan for medicine, but for tools. It allows us to provide high-quality product, logistics, and digital services.

## e-Business Route



Providing high quality services required for e-business We are developing business for mail-order companies that sell products via the Internet and business that links the purchasing systems utilized by users (manufacturers) with our electronic purchasing system (Orange Commerce (see p.40)). By linking data in real time and visualization of the procurement process, we are helping our customers to improve their procurement and sales efficiency.

## Home Center Route

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Supporting businesses that integrate physical and online businesses The home center route involves doing business with home centers that have large stores nationwide and professional stores that serve craftsmen as customers. In recent years, we have been working to integrate physical and online businesses by promoting services that allow users to pick up products in stores in response to the growing demand for omni-channel services that link stores and mail-order sites.

#### **Overseas Route**



#### Overseas business based on our unique strengths

This is the route we take to do business with overseas subsidiaries of domestic customers and customers who handle local machinery tools. We have local subsidiaries in Thailand and Indonesia, where we provide the same quality of service as in Japan. We are contributing to the development of manufacturing in those regions by utilizing our unique strengths such as providing catalogs and inventory for those local markets.



(As of December 31, 2020)

#### Manufacturing Industry General Consumers etc



Overseas Manufacturina Industry, etc.



Promoting "MRO Stocker," which is like "Okigusuri," a business model that has been around for many years in Japan, but for tools.



We provide support for user procurement efficiency



Private Brand (PB) section at a home center



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# **Repair Workshops "Naojiro"**



#### A service that combines the reuse of PRO TOOLs and efficiency for our clients

Naojiro are a unique TRUSCO service that conducts repairs and maintenance that includes the repair and regrinding of PRO TOOL as well as calibration of measurement instruments. In general, each category of products to be repaired has a different contact person. However, by using the Naojiro, customers can make a batch repair request. A "repair box" is set up at the customer's location, and the delivery

driver or sales representative collects the repaired items at any time, basically eliminating the need for the customer to pack items and pay for shipping. This is a service that can be realized only through fixed-cost based distribution (see p.33), which not only allows for the reuse of PRO TOOLs but also contributes to the improvement of the operational efficiency of customers.

#### The Eight Services Available Through Naojiro



Re-grinding of band saw and Installation Torque wrench click calibration

# **Orange Commerce**

## オレンジコマース **ORANGE COMMERCE**

#### A purchasing support system for users that streamlines the procurement process

Orange Commerce is a purchasing support system that links with users' purchasing systems to provide webbased catalogs and product data for transactions among three parties: our company, the customer, and the user. By introducing this system, we are able to solve the problems of the work normally involved with large orders, organizing product information, and building a database all at once,



thereby visualizing the procurement process and reducing costs. We support users in optimizing their professional tool procurement by enhancing reciprocal digital and analog functions and combining the strengths of systems, logistics, and products. This service has a proven track record of being integrated with many purchasing systems and can meet the demands of a wide range of users.



# **MRO Stocker**

#### **MRO Stocker**

MRO Stocker is a system of "Use First, Pay Later" that has been around for many years in Japan for medicine, but for tools. This services allows for rapid delivery of needed items to manufacturing sites so that they are instantly available for use. MRO Stocker is stocked with consumables that users utilize on a daily basis in the manufacturing process, and in addition to responding to requests for the immediate delivery of goods, users are billed only for what they use. Users can use MRO Stocker without any inventory risk by simply providing the location, and they can purchase the products



#### Main inventory items

Consumable supplies (gloves. work shoes, water sampling bottles for testing purposes)

always have an item ready in stock. MRO Stocker is truly a system that enriches people's lives. We hope to add more items to inventory in the future as space permits



etc

Nihon wa ko naru?!

**MRO STOCKER** by TRUSCO

Corporate Mission

# **Overseas Business**

#### Responding to MRO demand in countries around the world

In order to contribute to manufacturing around the world, we are accelerating our exports to various countries as well as business with local subsidiaries. In terms of domestic exports, we are currently doing business with 96 companies in 19 countries around the world (two of which are TRUSCO local subsidiaries), and we are developing unique businesses that can be realized by combining our management resources. Our local subsidiaries are located in Thailand and Indonesia, where we are contributing to local manufacturing by utilizing our strengths, such as providing local catalogs, our abundant inventory, and immediate delivery system. We will continue to expand our trading area and aim to become a company that can meet the demand for MRO from all over the world.

#### **Overseas Sales Dept.** -

#### Unique business created by combining management resources

In overseas sales, we are mainly exporting our Private Brand (PB) products to countries around the world. In general, importing and exporting takes time and effort, but thanks to our inventory strategy and strong logistics capabilities, we have been able to build an immediate delivery system for exports, enabling us to meet the demands of each country.

#### **Overseas Subsidiary** -**TRUSCO** THAILAND TRUSCO NAKAYAMA CORPORATION (THAILAND) LIMITED

This subsidiary has continued to expand its sales to Japanese dealers and to major local dealers. By holding inventory and strengthening our immediate delivery system, we are contributing to the efficiency of the PRO TOOLs supply chain in Thailand by collaborating with local customers. In recent years, we have also been promoting our own initiatives, such as direct trade with Japanese manufacturers, to reduce purchasing costs and increase our share of local sales.

#### Company Overview As of December 31, 2020

- Trade name: TRUSCO NAKAYAMA CORPORATION (THAILAND) LIMITED
- President: Kazuaki Harada Director: Naotsugu Kamijyou
- Officer in charge at TRUSCO NAKAYAMA Corporation: Kazuo Nakai
- Business areas: Wholesale of PRO TOOLs (secondary materials used in factories)
- Capital: 390 million baht (about \$12.1 million)
- Employees: 24 (3 employees on loan and 21 local staff)
- Established: September 2010 Equity: 99.9%
- Area of grounds: approx. 10,942 m Floor area: approx. 4,730 m
- Number of items in inventory: 69,000
- Inventory value: \$6.4 million
- Total number of items in inventory: 491,000
- Value of investment Land: \$2.3 million,
- Buildings: \$1.9 million
- Location: Bangplee, Samutprakarn (13km south of Suvarnabhumi International Airport TIP7 789/8 Moo9, Bangpla Bangplee Samutprakarn 10540 THAII AND

## History

2010.9 Established under name PRO TOOL NAKAYAMA CORPORATION (THAILAND) LIMITED

Suvarnabhumi

• TRUSCO THAILAND

Amata Nakorn

- Capital: 50 million baht
- 2011.2 Start of sales
- 2011.12 Capital increase of 30 million baht, raising capital to 80 million baht
- 2014. 11 Change of name to TRUSCO NAKAYAMA CORPORATION (THAILAND) LIMITED
- 2015. 4 Capital increase of 30 million baht, Capital increase to 110 million baht
- 2015. 6 Capital increase of 180 million baht, Capital increase to 290 million baht 2015. 12 Relocation of office building (company-owned building)
- 2016.9 Capital increase of 100 million baht, raising capital to 390 million baht

TRUSCO NAKAYAMA CORPORATION (THAILAND) LIMITED

Team Members

Changes in sales and number of items in inventory at TRUSCO NAKAYAMA CORPORATION (THAILAND) LIMITED



Note: Sales in USD for each term are calculated using the exchange rate at the end of the period.

#### Achieving smooth commercial transactions through system adoption

In Thailand, we adopted an order system for local customers. The system facilitates order placement, inventory checks, price checks, delivery date responses, and more. It reduces labor and boosts speed in customers' ordering work, supporting smooth commercial transactions.

Professional Tools For Factory And Worksnop

FR PRO TOOL

Promoting customers' use of the Web



- Bekasi, Jawa Barat (about 40km east of the capital city, Jakarta) JI. Kenari Raya No. 36 Delta Silicon VI, Jayamukti, Cikarang Pusat, Kab. Bekasi 17815.



#### History

- 2014. 12 Established under name PT. TRUSCO NAKAYAMA INDONESIA Capital: About 54.2 billion rupiah
- 2016.1 Start of sales
- 2017. 2 Capital increase of 261.3 billion rupiah, raising capital to 315.6 billion rupiah
- 2018.11 Capital increase of 63.1 billion rupiah, raising capital to 378.8 billion rupiah
- 2019.3 Relocation of office building (company-owned building)

end of the period.

#### Convenience of company-based lock boxes

To address the problem of package pickups due to chronic traffic congestion in Indonesia, we have installed lock boxes at our company that can be accessed at any time regardless of business hours. In addition to customers, end users can also pick up packages using these lock boxes.



Lock boxes allow customers, etc. to pick up packages at any time (Adi Nurul Hikmah, PT. TRUSCO NAKAYAMA INDONESIA)

# Digital Service Strategy

**Digital Expenditures (most recent** three periods) \$73 million

Number of Orders and Estimates 150,000 /day

Number of Product Data

2.5 million items

System order intake ratio\* 83.9%

\*Percentage of order receipts processed through our digital system among total order receipts (As of December 31, 2020)



# Moving faster toward the company that we want to be through the utilization of cutting-edge digital technology

Director, General Manager of the Business Management Department and General Manager of the Digital Service Strategy Department

Atsushi Kazumi

By successfully combining our management resources with digital technology, we hope to provide the industry's highest level of convenience and become a company that is useful to Japan's manufacturing sites in any era.

TRUSCO Data Center Solemare

## Improving the convenience of manufacturing sites by fully utilizing digital and mechanical resources

Automation and manpower saving through the integration of digital and mechanical technologies that will enable continued operations 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Employees will focus on high level automation and sophistication of customer contact that only humans can provide.



## Efforts toward the digital transformation of the entire supply chain

We will continue to use digital technology to create a system that will help our business partners solve their problems



# **TRUSCO's Digital Transformation (DX)**

## Digital solutions improve convenience throughout the entire supply chain

In addition to internal business reforms, our company, which is and for our suppliers, we provide smooth business collaboration in the middle of the distribution chain as a wholesaler, is promottools such as product databases. We also provide our users ing the reform of business practices throughout the supply chain with services that help improve productivity, such as electronic by utilizing digital technology aiming at digital transformation. For purchasing and MRO Stocker, and we are creating an environour customers, we use a variety of digital tools to help streamment where our functions (inventory, logistics, systems, and line operations from search to quotation and order placement, data) can be used as a platform throughout the supply chain.

#### **TRUSCO DX Measures**





Paradise is our core system that stores data associated with processes from receipt of orders to accounting management. Our total investr related to automation, mainly in core systems, amounts to approxima \$40 million, and we will implement smooth business transactions strengthening digital collaboration with our customers and suppliers pursuing usability for both parties. We will continue to enhance our periority by promoting management focusing on digital solutions.

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MRO Stocker, T-Rate, etc.

Optimal provisioning for direct deliveries.

automated inventory management, etc.

automatic stocking of hot-selling products,

Forecast management of selling, general,

and administrative expenses, improve

# **Digital** × Sales

#### Promoting a changeover to a sales style that utilizes digital technology

The most time-consuming (costly) part of our sales activities is visiting our clients, so we are determined to break away from this style. To solve this problem, we are changing our sales style to one that utilizes various digital tools. We will contribute to the improvement of our customers' business performance while promoting productivity improvement for both our company and our customers.

## Online Order Intake Ratio (83.9%)

#### Improvement of work efficiency through improvement of system order receipt ratio

We have been developing highly convenient digital tools and expanding our inventory. As a result, our online order receipt rate (percentage of order receipts processed through our digital system among total order receipts) has improved. This has improved our work efficiency, allowing us to achieve greater sales per person without increasing overtime work.

#### Use of digital tools and expansion of inventory contributes to a higher online order intake ratio

Changes in online order receipt ratio and number of inventory items



#### **Communication Tool T-Rate**



#### Realizing real-time communication with customers T-Rate is a new tool for communicating with customers. This tool provides real-time communications through the following functions: 1 Chat function which allows the customer to chat with a TRUSCO representative, 2 A delivery status confirmation function that shows the scheduled arrival time of the delivery service, products being delivered, etc., and 3 A timeline function that delivers messages about our activities and PR products.



#### Al-based quotation system

#### Estimations are submitted automatically by utilizing Al.

One of the challenges we face is how to respond quickly to an average of 30,000 quotation requests received from our customers each day. To address this issue, we have introduced the AI-based quotation system and have been promoting the automation of estimates through special price optimization where appropriate prices are automatically calculated for products on a regular basis based on actual orders and estimates. This has led to an improvement in the time it takes to reply to customers (minimum reply time: 5 seconds).

(17.5% of quotation are provided automatically (information current as of the end of January 2021))







#### Promoting a new sales style

Allowing for communication with TRUSCO at any time, Face Phone is an online-based video telephone app using in conjunction with T-Rate using a PC or smartphone which allows face-to-face communications between customers and TRUSCO representatives, as if they were meeting in person. Most of the time used during sales activities is spent traveling to customer locations. However, we are now promoting a new sales style which utilizes that time to solve problems for our clients instead.



customers and TRUSCO representatives at any time, anywhere.

#### Sales Support System "Self.I 2"



#### Visualization of sales data to support accurate proposals

"Self.I 2" is a tool for visualizing sales data, such as customer estimate history, sales history, etc. This tool helps us to identify latent demand and make appropriate proposals, thereby contributing to the improvement of customers' sales.

#### Main functions

- 1) Planning Function: Used before visiting customers
- 2) Performance Function: Used to check sales performance in real time.
- 3) Business Efficiency Function: Used to respond quickly to inguiries from customers.
- 4) Analysis Function: Used to analyze transaction status from various perspectives.



Main screen showing Self.I 2 functions

Customer sales performance screen

#### "MRO Stocker." is a business model that has been around for many years

in Japan, but for tools

# MRO STOCKER by TRUSCO

#### Provides a digital experience with no lead time

"MRO Stocker" (see p.41), which we are currently promoting a business model that has been around for many years in Japan, but for tools, uses the latest digital technology and advanced data analysis. By analyzing data such as the user's purchase history to stocking PRO TOOLs that will be needed by users before they need them, it is possible for users to use products only when needed and in the amounts required. The app-based payment system also streamlines the payment process. This provides users a digital experience with no lead time.

#### **TOPICS** First generation Fax machine-assisted automatic order system "DOTKUL"

In 2000, we launched DOTKUL, Fax machine-assisted automatic order entry system using FAX-OCR (Optical Character Recognition). The system automatically receives fax orders from customers from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and automatically responds with shipping information within 30 minutes. This has led to improved customer service and operational efficiency. In this way, we have been working to improve our business operations through digitalization for about 20 years and have evolved as a company through such digitalization to the present.

(We plan to completely shift to the TRUSCO Orange Book.Com by the end of May 2021)

#### TRUSCO Al Orange Rescue



#### Using AI for product searches to instantly suggest the optimal products to customers

"TRUSCO AI Orange Rescue" (see p.31) uses artificial intelligence (AI) to search for products using fuzzy searches to instantly suggest the most suitable products for customers. Continuing to actively promote AI utilization will improve customer convenience.



Receiving feedback from customers (using the "Good" and "Bad" buttons provided) regarding search results will allow us to continuously make improvements



Digital technology is used to anticipate demand and deliver products before they are needed by users





# **Combination of Digital Technologies and Distribution Capabilities**

#### Accelerating automation through the use of digital resources as logistics equipment

We aim to significantly reduce the amount of labor and manpower required for human work at distribution centers by using robots and systems. By using digital technology, we are working to improve the efficiency of all processes, from automatic product stocking to warehouse management and receiving/shipping goods using logistics equipment. We will continue to further automate and optimize our distribution centers to strengthen our ability to deliver products immediately to our customers.

#### **Automatic Product** Stocking System

#### Automatic stocking of popular products

Products to be stocked based on sales results are automatically ordered to suppliers and stocked. By automatically stocking popular products, we improve the efficiency of our operations in addition to improving the level of service for our customers.



#### TRULOGIS 3 ZAICON 3 **Inventory Management System**

**Drastically decreasing time** spent on inventory management ZAICON 3 is a inventory management system that provides forecast calculations of required stock quantities based on sales performance records. The system reduces the time and effort required for registering products by automatically calculating the optimal and maximum ordering points for products, leading to increased efficiency.

#### **Distribution system TRULOGIS 3** Improving the efficiency of all

#### warehouse operations This distribution system manages the

inventory work performed at distribution centers and at branches with inventory. It is responsible for improving the overall efficiency of warehouse operations, including automation of warehouse operations with labor saving equipment and free-location inventory systems.

#### Main Distribution Systems Utilized at TRUSCO Driven by Digital Technology

ZAICON 3

# **Butler**<sup>®</sup>

(Automated conveyance robots)



The latest Butler model introduced at Planet Saitama utilizes n-deep, a system that arranges multiple dedicated storage shelves. This system has realized the world's first utilization of triple storage arrays to greatly improve storage efficiency (see p.34).

#### **AutoStore** (high-precision storage system)



The system is automatically linked to order data and the robots constantly move the containers so that high frequency products are concentrated in the upper layers. Multiple robots work together performing bin work to achieve the most efficient picking (see p.34).





Containers picked on each floor are automatically and rapidly sorted by delivery destination by a dolly and stored closely together before shipment (see p.35).

# **Digital Technologies and Products**

#### Quick and Accurate Provision of Product Data

By utilizing digital technology, we are able to quickly and accurately provide product data for suppliers. By centrally managing and utilizing data from product adoption to product registration, we are able to improve operational efficiency not only for our company but also for our suppliers. We will continue to enhance the sophistication of our data and make it available in real time.

#### Website for Business Coordination: "Polario"

#### Polario centralizes business coordination with suppliers

Polario centralizes data such as existing supplier estimate correspondence data, order processing data, and Available-To-Promise (ATP) data. In addition to improving the chances of receiving orders, the amount of supplier-directed inquiries are reduced, lessening the burden on them.

#### What Polario can achieve

- 1) Increased opportunities to obtain orders through rapid data linkage
- 2) Improve operational efficiency through paperless business processing
- 3) Centralized management reduces the need for telephone and fax inquiry related work

#### **Product database:** "Sterra"

# **Sterra**

#### Product data linkage in real time

New product database "Sterra" is a product information management system that serves as the "base" for product data. The introduction of this system has facilitated the input of information that was previously restricted in various ways and allows suppliers to easily register and edit product data. The system enables accurate and timely data linkage linking suppliers to customers and users. We are strengthening business penetration of as use of data becomes more sophisticated, such as linking product information to the e-commerce sites of online shopping businesses.

#### Analysis by Individual Product

#### Utilizing big data to display product information so that it has a fresh appearance and is easy to understand

We have built a system that allows customers to utilize the sales results of each product in real time. Using this system, for example, the sales results are disclosed on TRUSCO Orange Book.Com, and the products whose sales results have increased in the last month compared to the past are marked. We will continue to build a system to provide product analysis data that has a fresh appearance and is easy to understand.



Product sales performance screen shown on TRUSCO Orange Book.Com

# Human Resources/Financial Strategy

# **Employees** 2,786

Number of officers 12 Number of full-time staff 1.674 Part-time workers 1,100 Percentage of female employees among full-time employees

# 35.2%

**Retirement Age** Managerial Retirement Age **62** Full-time Staff Retirement Age 65 Retirement Age for Employees with Extended Employment **70** Part-time Worker Retirement Age 75 Capital ratio 63.7%

(As of December 31, 2020)



Atsushi Kazumi

# Creating an improvement in business value continuously by taking on challenges and implementing reforms in a flexible, speedy manner

Director, General Manager of the Business Management Department and General Manager of the Digital Service Strategy Department

We aim to create a company where each and every one of our employees can create social value by fostering a cheerful and energetic corporate culture and who are always fully represent the essence of TRUSCO Nakayama.

#### "Kokorozashi" means an unchanging mindset with the means that can be changed to repeatedly take on challenges.

In an uncertain and unclear environment, we are required to be more flexible and speedy in our ability to change. We will build a system that will continue to create new value without fear of challenges.



#### Support of the Promotion of Various Work Styles and Health Care

#### (1) Promotion of various work styles

• Expanding our support system which allows various human resources to flourish, including female employees · Expanded options such as working at the nearest office,

telecommuting, and staggered work hours to achieve flexible work styles and improve productivity

#### (2) Promotion of Health Management

· Aim to achieve a 100% health check secondary checkup rate and 100% smoking cessation rate.

**Continuous Value Creation** 

- · Online seminars and other methods are used to provide line care for women's diseases, mental disorders, nutritional education through nutritionists, etc.
- · Collaborative Healthcare with Trusco Nakayama Health Insurance Association

# **Human Resources Strategy**

#### System to encourage employees to demonstrate their abilities as grow

We have established unique systems to promote employee growth, such as the Open Judging System (OJS), job selection system, and job rotation system. We will be able to grow as a company by creating an environment where employees are always motivated where each can sufficiently demonstrate their abilities.

## Open Judging System (OJS) Started in 2001

#### Aiming to create a workplace free of ill feelings

The Open Judging System (OJS), an electronic-based voting system, is a personnel evaluation system for all employees where employees are evaluated by each other that was introduced for the purpose of conducting fair and highly objective evaluations. Evaluating one another helps build an environment of fair assessment with good energy in the air.

OJS Category	Start	Staff Level	Overview	Procedure	Result
Personnel Evaluation OJS	2003	All staffs	This program reflects the evaluations between staffs who work in the same office in personnel ratings. Comments are included to provide feedback to the individual.	Procedure: Determine the perfor- mance, approach, and skill of the staff in five levels	30% of this assessment is reflected in the personnel records related to achievement allowances, bonuses, financial bonds, and promotions/ demotions.
Part-time Staff 0JS	2015	Part-time Staff	The OJS program also applies to part- time staff.	(Comments with the reason for the decision are included)	30% of this assessment is reflected in the personnel ratings related to hourly wage as well as bonuses and promotions. (also utilized in employee promotion criteria)
Promotion OJS	2001	Candidates for manager or higher	This policy reflects assessments of staffs related to the work of an individual in the evaluation of employees who are candidates for a promotion of manager or higher.	Determine if the candidate should/ should not be promoted (Comments with the reason for the decision are included)	Candidates who have an 80% or higher approval rating and satisfy the minimum number of votes are promoted
Director, Auditor, Executive Committee, Division General Manager OJS	2012	Director, Auditor, Executive Committee, and Division General Manager	Evaluators (voters), who are the bosses <sup>(*1)</sup> or higher in charge of the company, eval- uate the executive's performance at work and what they say at management meet- ings, commenting on the good and bad points.	The evaluation is conducted once a year by about 150 people, including the boss and members <sup>(*2)</sup> of the Management Conference. Each of 6 evaluation items is rated on a 24-point scale. (Comments with the reason for the decision are included)	Management who add/drop below a certain standard of points two years consecutively become a candidate for promotion/demotion.
President OJS	2014	President	An OJS system implemented directly by shareholders during the General Meeting of Shareholders. We consider this as one of the important evaluation indicators for the president as a manager.	President is evaluated via voting by shareholders who have directly heard our business reports and Q&A at the General Meeting of Share- holders.	After the General Meeting of Share- holders, the results are posted on the company website.

\*1 Bosses: Included branch office managers, section managers, and distribution center managers \*2 Members of the Management Conference: Directors, Auditors, Executive Officers, and Division General Managers



Corporate Mission

Financial

Digital Promotion Section members (Tokyo members with Osaka members shown on the monitor)

Name	Position	nce	tch	N.	Evaluation Comment
Course	Qualifica- tion	Performance	Approach Ability		(More than 20 Japanese characters but no more than 100 characters)
Employee A Domestic career	Division General Manager M4	3	3	3	He was able to popularize the new system among members of his department in a short period of time, contributing to improving the productivity of the entire department.
Employee B Overseas career	Branch Office Manager S2	3	4	3	The new management approach that he has adopted has changed his staff's awareness of the need to improve sales. By focusing on employee development, he has been able to improve the branch's performance.
Employee C Domestic career	General staff member J3	5	3	3	He increased his in-store market share among our major cus- tomers and made a significant contribution to branch sales. We look forward to his continued efforts for growth in the future.

Examples of OJS Personnel Evaluations (5-point system)

Note: Standards are set according to position and qualifications.

## **Occupational Selection Program**

#### Guiding each individual to make the right career choice

This program lets our staffs choose from six different occupations; career (overseas), career (domestic), area, specialist, support, and logistics. Staffs may change their course if they earn a certain level of assessment on their personnel ratings. In addition, we regularly conduct personnel transfers and job rotations across departments to provide a variety of experiences that will help employees hone their work and personal skills to raise the level of our corporate growth.



This program lets our staffs choose an occupation (Young employees at the Tokyo Head Office)

Occupation	Content	Number of Persons			
Overseas career	Experience a variety of job types and relocate with a change of residence to quickly develop skills and assume				
Domestic career	responsibility for a future role in management. Overseas: Transfer to domestic and overseas locations Domestic: Transfer to domestic locations only	612			
Area	To acquire sufficient working knowledge of the overall business that the employee is involved with and to take on the role of business manager within a certain region only.	573			
Specialist	Serves as the core of a specific department by utilizing one's high level of job performance and expertise.	29			
Support	Engaged in an occupation other than SSL* within a certain region only.	28			
Logistics	Engaged in logistics operations such as delivery and product management.	347			
*SSL (Sales & Solutions): Involves visiting customers to solve their problems As of					

\*SSL (Sales & Solutions): Involves visiting customers to solve their problems

#### **Overseas career**

List of Occupations



Shuhei Iso, Osaka Branch

After working as SSP<sup>(\*1)</sup>, this year I am working as an SSL(\*2) to expand the business performance of our clients through both sales visits and remote (web-based) negotiations. In the future, we would like to utilize our strengths in logistics and systems for new customers development.





Specialist

Manami Endo, IT Planning Section

I am in charge of system planning, development, and operation, and I work in cooperation with various people both inside and outside the company. I would like to understand more about our business and work to develop systems that make users feel very natural using.

\*1 SSP (Sales & Support): Internal sales activities within the company \*2 SSL (Sales & Solutions): Involves visiting customers to solve their problems

#### **Regular Personnel Transfers and Job Rotations**

#### Helping employees hone their work and personal skills to raise the level of our corporate growth

Around five years after joining the company, employees are transferred across departments, such as sales, distribution, Head Office, etc., and job rotations are conducted within departments. This is a measure to avoid personalization of work and to improve work and human skills by experiencing a variety of jobs, as well as to raise awareness of work reform through organizational "metabolism," thereby raising the level of corporate growth.

#### Staff Directory Started in 1990

#### Vitalization of Communication via a Staff Registry

We create a staff registry that includes pictures, addresses, and dates of birth every year. This acts as an important tool for communication among our employees who work throughout Japan. In addition, questions like what makes a particular employee feels amazing or disappointed are also posted in order to understand that employee's values. This is used as a catalyst for improving the behavior and ideas of coworkers who read the answers. We also protect personal information by making these questions optional.





Logistics

Yasuaki Takagi, Planet South Kanto

I am a floor leader and in charge of delivery operations at the distribution center. I find it rewarding to be entrusted with floor management and other tasks while utilizing the latest logistics systems. In the future, I would like to expand my possibilities with an eye on career advancement

Employees are transferred across departments to help hone their work and personal skills





#### Various Personnel Programs

#### Unique programs to support staff

The time when the policies of a company begin is important and the "will" varies according to when a policy is put in place. We have a number of unique human resource programs that were inspired not by the trends of the world but by our concern for our employees. By respecting the opinions of our employees and supporting their work styles through various approaches, we improve their motivation to work which leads to the growth of the company.

#### Personnel Policies (some have been omitted)

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Program	Start	
Financial Bond (annual payment for severance)	2003	Trusco Nakayama does not pay severance as bond," a performance-based payment to reward
Birthday Off Time System	1996	In order to promote the use of paid vacations, within one month before or after) as "birthday o
Half-day full-time employee system	1996	This system allows staff to reduce their working their child finished sixth grade (Legally, employ child reaches three years of age). Employees c taking care of a family member, or injured/sick and 6 due to injury/sickness)
Happy Sunday Policy	2002	This is a system that allows single employees to lies at dinner on Sundays when they return how housing rent are paid separately).
Transfer Request Policy	2005	This program allows staffs to request a transfer of a sick family member. (program participants:
Lovebird Transfer Policy	2005	This policy allows staffs transfer to a certain are ny staff or not. (program participants: 22 *previ
Welcome Back Policy	2014	This program is for the re-employment of staff infertility treatments, or to accompany their sp (program participants: 26, re-employed: 3)
TRUSCO new social work grant system	2016	This program provides the money necessary fo provides this entrance allowance to new emple home after joining the company) (program parti
Maternity Bonus Program	2005	This program pays a bonus for maternity leave
Child Support Allowance	2007	We provide \$93 per month allowance for each even to staffs who are on leave to raise childrer
Childcare Leave Program (three years)	1992	TRUSCO employees can take childcare leave u sired (Japanese law allows employees of any c old). (program participants: 37)
Return-to-Work Program for Staffs on Childcare Leave	2019	This program allows employees that finished the work, or work from home until the child is three
Return-to-Work Support for Staffs on Maternity or Childcare Leave	2015	One tablet terminal is lent to each employee for space on the company internet dedicated to em er for employees to return to work, such as by s
TRUSCO Part-time System for Retirement-aged Em- ployees	2015	This system allows employees who have reach until the age of 75 if they wish to do so, and me
My Home Concierge (hous- ing consultation service)	2016	Two first-class licensed architects, who are emponent concerns regarding housing. (Consultations held
Work from home system	1) 2017 2) 2020	<ol> <li>Open: Employees can telecommute at any tir of offices, transfer of a spouse, injury, illness,</li> <li>Discretionary: With the permission of the heat</li> </ol>
In-company Sidework Program (Hybrid Work Program)	2019	This program allows employees to work in a dii gram focuses on work that any employee can d
Go Home Early System	2020	This is a system that allows employees to go awareness and habit of finishing work early. L (program participants: 223)
Additional Off Time System	2020	This system allows employees to adjust their star one hour) for very important reasons, such as visi

Note: In addition to the programs listed above, we offer a staggered workday system, free biz system, an accumulated paid leave system, and a necktie system (a system that allows employees not to wear neckties even outside the cool biz period).



Lovebird Transfer Policy Husband and wife Masataka Ishiga (Internet Sales Tokyo Branch) and Haruka Itoya (MRO Supply Tokyo Branch)

#### Overview

a lump sum upon retirement, but as an annual payment known as a "financial rd annual contributions.

, we encourage employees to take annual paid vacations on their birthdays (or off time."

ng hours down to as few as three hours per day for reasons of child raising up until yees can reduce their working hours down to as few as two hours per day until a can also use this system to shorten their working hours when they are pregnant, ck. (Program participants: 97 for childcare, 1 for taking care of a family member,

to delay coming to work on Mondays so that they can spend time with their famime on weekends (travel expenses for returning home twice a month and company

er to a desired place of business due to life events such as marriage or taking care : 57 \*previous three years)

rea following their spouse' transfer regardless of whether their spouse is a compavious three years)

aff who had to resign to raise a child, take care of a sick family member, undergo spouse overseas due to a work appointment within ten years of their resignation.

or new employees to smoothly start a career as a professional in society. TRUSCO lovees (\$1.869 for persons who live alone and \$934 to persons who still live at icipants: 43 \*employees who entered the company in 2021)

e (14 weeks) during the bonus calculation period.

child to staffs who have children under ten years old. TRUSCO started payments n from 2014.

until the end of the month during which the child becomes three years old, if decompany to take childcare leave until the day before the child becomes one year

heir childcare leave to choose the number of working days, working hours, office e years old so that they can return to work smoothly.

for information sharing, and information can be exchanged on "Tramama Port," a mployees on maternity or childcare leave. We also provide support to make it easisetting up Office Visit Days every four months.

hed the age of 70 to continue employment at the company as part-time workers eet certain criteria. (Alternate name: Senior System) (Program participants: 11)

nployees of the company, are available for consultations with employees who have eld in 2020: 10)

me when it becomes difficult to come to the office due to relocation or integration , taking care of a family member, etc.

ad of the office, employees can telecommute up to twice a week.

lifferent department on their days off and earn income on the side. Since the prodo, it is a great way for them to gain new insights. (program participants: 79)

home early even during scheduled working hours in order to instill in them the Under the system, employees can leave up to 30 minutes earlier once a week.

art and finish times in exchange for up to one additional hour of rest time (or less than siting government offices, making hospital visits, etc. (Started in September 2020)

Financial

# **Flexible Work Environment**

#### Policies to Give Staffs Long-term Job Security

We have a responsibility to provide workplaces where staff members can work with stability and peace of mind. TRUSCO hires all staff members under full-time employment so that they can work for many years with peace of mind. In addition to creating a workplace where everyone can play an active role, we are also taking various initiatives such as hiring full-time childcare workers and chefs.

#### Becoming a company where female employees flourish

With regard to the training of our female employees, we respect the female employees within the company who say, "I don't want special treatment" or "I want to compete on the same terms as men." We do not deliberately turn women into executives but rather maintain a meritocracy. In addition, we have established support programs for female employees, including a program that supports a life-long working environment and a program that supports employees who are raising children.

#### Comfortable Workplace Environment Indicators

	As of December 31, 2020
Percentage of female employees hired annually	56.8%
Percentage of female employees	35.2% (full-time employees) 75.3% (part-time employees)
Percentage of women in manage- ment roles	5.0% (7 persons)
Percentage of female senior supervisors	22.7% (58 persons)
Rate of paid days taken off	67.6% (full-time employees)
Percentage of staff that return to work	92.1% (35 persons)
Percentage of eligible males/females that took childcare leave	25.0% of eligible males (full-time employees) 100.0% of eligible females (full-time employees)
Average overtime hours per month	14.9 hours (including fixed overtime)

te: The above indicators are for the parent company only

#### Serves as both a childcare center and employee cafeteria

Planet Saitama and Planet South Kanto each have a childcare center for working full-time employees and part-time employees. The childcare center has full-time workers that are permanently assigned there. In addition, the employee cafeteria at Planet Saitama, where a full-time chef and nutritionist are permanently assigned, offers an original menu that focuses on the health of employees.



Tora Kids Saitama Childcare Center (Planet Saitama) Sachi Yamaguchi (childcare worker) and Left: Kazumi Takahashi (chef) Chiaki Kawashima (childcare worker)



Planet Saitama Cherry Blossom (Employee Cafeteria) Right: Savuri Ishikawa (nutritionist)

Miki Fujitani, Female Branch Office Manager of the Akashi Branch, seen in the center of the photo together with young employees

#### Changes in the Total Number of Female Employees and the Percentage of Female Career Course Employees (Regular Employment) Ratio of Female Career Course Employees



#### Mumber of women in charge and number of positions

		As of December 31, 2020		
Supervisors		General Managers		
Section Mangers/Branch	5	Senior Supervisors	15	
Office Managers		Acting Senior Supervisors	43	
Deputy Logistic Center Managers	2	Supervisors	82	

#### Number and Breakdown of Female Staffs As of December 31, 2020

Female staff (average age: 32.1)	589 (female staff ratio: 35.2%)
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Careers (regular positions)	178
Overseas career	54
Domestic career	124
Specialists (expert positions)	15
Area (regional positions)	273
Support (internal work positions)	25
Logistics (distribution positions)	76
Employees with Extended Employment	1
Overseas staff (including 2 staff on loan)	20
Trusco Nakayama Health Insurance Asso- ciation staff (including 1 staff on load)	1

#### An environment where employees can easily take paid vacations

To encourage employees to take paid vacations, we encourage all employees to take at least six planned vacation days a year. Also, there are also many policies established that make it easier to take paid vacations, such as birthday vacations and paid vacations that can be taken in hourly units (Average number of paid vacation day a year: 12).

#### **TRUSCO Smile Supporters**

This is a mentor system for staff who have uncertainties and concerns about their job to consult with a senior staff member. There are currently 15 senior staff members throughout Japan that provide such support.

# **Benefits and Welfare**

#### For spending valuable time with those who are dear to us

We need to build an environment where employees can engage in their work safely with both body and mind. In order to encourage our employees to spend time with their families and loved ones on holidays, we have our own recreational facilities and boats which they can use.

## Programs

#### Nakayama Pension (10% financial assistance)

This contribution-type corporate pension plan provides 10% financial assistance to a reserve fund to pay out to staffs as a 10-year fixed pension from the age of 65.

#### Congratulatory/Condolence Programs

TRUSCO has put in place five congratulatory and condolence programs for executive officers, staffs and part-time staffs.

1. Congratulatory	The company presents \$280 as congratulatory money to
gift for marriage	any staff who marries.
2. Congratulatory	The company presents a catalog gift worth about \$93 for
gift for childbirth	each child when a staff or their spouse gives birth.
3. Condolatory/ condolence gift	The company presents up to \$467 as a condolatory gif when a staff or a member of their family passes away We offer a condolence gift to families when an employee passes away (up to 93 thousand USD depending on how long the employee worked for the company).
4. Injury or Sickness	The company presents \$93 to a staff who has to take
Compensation	leave due to injury or sickness.
5. Disaster Com- pensation	The company presents up to \$934 based on the degree the house and belonging of an employee is damaged due to a disaster such as a fire or earthquake.

#### Facilities

#### **Resort Condominiums (16)**

We have 16 resort condominiums that our officers, staff, and part-time staffs can use freely.

· Chuo Ward, Sapporo City Shima City, Mie · Chuo Ward. · Kusatsu, Agatsuma District, Gunma Kobe City · Minato Ward, Tokyo etc.

Kurio Odori I a Mode (Chuo-ku, Sapporo

City, Hokkaido)

# **Recreational/Training**

Facilities (3 locations) We use these facilities for a wide range of applications such as a guest house, staff trips, and staff training. The chefs are also full-time employees of our company as we want to be in the hands of people who would make delicious food for us.



TRUSCO Resort and Spa Karuizawa (opened in May 2021)



TRUSCO Resort and Spa Hakone From left to right: Isao Iba, Manager, Souschef Kan lizuka. Sous-chef Toshiro Sato, and Head Chef Taro Kinoshita Note: Mr. Iba is scheduled to take his new post at the Fukuyama Branch from April, 2021.

Kvoto Kaguraoka Rengetsuso / Left to Right: Head Chef Yusaku Karatsu, Assistant Manager Tomoko Kubo and Manager Yoichi Yoshigoe



Kvoto Kaguraoka Rengetsuso

#### **Employee Stock Ownership Association** (10% financial assistance)

Staffs can purchase company shares by deducting it from their salary each month to receive a 10% bonus to the value of the contribution. It is recommended that employees withdraw shares once they become unit shares and own shares in their own name.

#### **Accumulation Savings**

This program allows staff to deduct money from their salary and bonuses to an accumulated savings in which the company will contribute twice each year to the staff.

#### Wine Seminar

We hold a wine seminar, a party designed exclusively for singles, once every two months at two locations, the Tokyo Head Office and the Osaka Head Office, to give single employees an opportunity to meet other singles. (Currently not held due to the Covid-19 pandemic.)

#### 60th Birthday Gift to Staffs

In celebration of a 60th birthday, the companv invites that employee and one member of their family to either "Tokyo Baycourt Club", a membership resort, or our own recreation facility, "Kyoto Kaguraoka Rengestsuso." We also arrange and cover travel to and from the location (Green Car tickets will be provided when traveling by Shinkansen and business class tickets will be provided when traveling Resort by air) and also provide a monetary gift.

#### **Singles' Dormitories** (3 locations)

We own three company dormitories (two in Tokyo and one in Osaka) for single staffs and staffs transferred to a position away from their family. TRUSCO also provides dormitories in other areas.



Tokyo Baycourt Club Hotel and



TRUSCO'S Shinbashi (Minato-ku, Tokyo)



TRUSCO'S Osaka (Higashi-Osaka City, Osaka)

#### **TRUSCO Marine Club (2 yachts)**

TRUSCO owns two yachts, one in Yokohama (Kanagawa) and one in Ashiya (Hyogo). These yachts are made available as a chance to enjoy a bit of cruising. In addition, the company will subsidize half the cost of acquiring a small vessel boating license (101 license holders in the company). (As of December 31, 2020)



TRUSCO'S I (Yokohama) Length: Approx. 41.0 ft. (12.50m) Weight: Approx. 18 tons, Capacity: 12 persons Output: 370 horsepower (2 engines)



TRUSCO'S II (Ashiya) Length: Approx. 36.0 ft. (10.98m) Weight: Approx. 12 tons, Capacity: 12 persons Output: 285 horsepower (2 engines

Corporate Mission
Products
Distribution
Sales
Digital Service
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Corporate Governance and Social Contributions
Corporate Governance
Environmental Efforts
Relationsh Stakeh

# Health Management

#### Promoting a unique type of health management

Employee health management is essential for the continuous growth of a company. We promote our own type of health management by have established a Health Care Section and an independent health insurance association. Since 2017, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) has recognized TRUSCO as a White 500 Certified Health and Productivity Management Organization for three consecutive years, and we have continued to be recognized as a Health and Productivity Management Organization ever since. We will continue to promote the health of our employees and link their health with our corporate growth.



Health Management initiative page

Mental health

We also focus on mental health initiatives.

Maintaining a 100% stress check rate

prove the workplace environment

self-care and line care training

• Using organizational diagnosis results to im-

• Providing mental health education through

• Free mental health consultations (free consul-

tations are available for individuals and their

families with outside specialized organizations)

#### **Specific Health Management initiatives**

#### Health Care Section (located at the Tokyo Head Office and Osaka Head Office)

We have established the Health Care Section for the purpose of building an environment where staffs can maintain their physical and mental health and feel secure in their work. The Tokyo Head Office, Osaka Head Office, and distribution centers each have a Nursing Office designed for employees who are not feeling well. Public health nurses working at our Tokyo and Osaka head offices serve as points of contact for employee health-related consultations.

#### **Regular Health Check Ups**

We offer full and mini health check-ups. We also subsidize the cost of physicals for dependent spouses. (Staffs over the age of 35 can undergo a full health check-up and staffs under the age of 35 can undergo a mini health check-up)

- Maintaining a 100% checkup rate (checkup performed once a year with company subsidy)
- Improving secondary checkup rate

#### **Trusco Nakayama Corporation**

# **Health Declaration**

"As a company that supports manufacturing in Japan, Trusco Nakayama Corporation aims to be of service to people and society. Through our business activities, we will continue to help reduce the environmental impact caused by manufacturing sites, workplaces, and suppliers as well as promote the health of our employees so that they can continue to work with peace of mind for many years to come."



Health Care Section (Tokyo Head Office)

Health Care Section (Osaka Head Office) Akiko Amakawa, public health nurse Kiyomi Yamada, public health nurse

#### We are a company that encourages employees to stop smoking

Efforts are being made to keep members of the companies from smoking, including making it mandatory for directors, executive officers, division general managers, managers in charge, future manager candidates, and those who wish to join the company.

- Smoking cessation support
- Non-smoking rate for the entire company: 84.4% (Non-smoking rate for managers: 100%)

#### Trusco Nakayama Health Insurance Association Established in 2019

As a company that looks after the lives of our employees, we want to take responsibility for the health of our employees and their families.Based on that desire, in April 2019, we established the Trusco Nakayama Health Insurance Association, our sole health insurance association, at the Tokyo Head Office. Its establishment will allow us to further enhance our own health services. We will promote initiatives that are suitable for our company so that employees can continue working with peace of mind for many years.



Original insurance card (sample)



Members of the Trusco Nakayama Health Insurance Association office (Left to right: Supervisor Ryoko Nakamura and Manager Akiko Tani

Note: Ms. Tani is scheduled to take her new post in April 2021.

# **Recruitment Activities**

#### We acquire human resources that possess creative ideas

The source of competitiveness for an organization is its originality. Because we are one of the last wholesalers in the industry, we have aggressively challenged and achieved things that other companies do not and cannot do. We will continue to acquire human resources that create new value through original ideas to fuel our corporate growth.

Based on the belief that "a student's duty is to study," we set a recruiting period which allows students participating in recruitment activities to concentrate on studying. We hold a variety of unique job experience events so that students participating in job hunting activities can select the companies that they are truly interested in which helps them avoid finding a job that they do not fit. By participating in company events even after an informal job offer has been made, prospects are able to further understand our corporate culture and resolve any concerns they may have before joining the company.

#### Internship

A five-day program held at the Tokyo Head Office and the Osaka Head Office designed to give participants a chance to see what sales is like. This program is separate from recruitment activities and is positioned as a social contribution activity to help people choose a company for the future.



An intern experiencing what sales is like

#### Company Information Session for Parents of Individuals Who Have Received an Informal Job Offer

This is a company information session held for parents of individuals who have received an informal job offer. We hold these sessions because we believe that by having parents of prospective employees see our company from the perspective of a senior member of society, they will be able to understand our company and give appropriate advice to their son or daughter who has been offered a job. (participation is optional)



More and more parents are participating in these sessions each year

In addition to the Recruitment Section, Employees from all over the country who work in various departments, divisions, and sections participate in company briefings held at each university. This means that the entire company is focused on finding future employees.



Explanatory meeting held at a university

#### Family-Friendly Company **Entrance Ceremonies**

ceremony to celebrate with the family in the same way as a school entrance ceremony or coming of age ceremony. As a result, we have been inviting the family members of new employees to these ceremonies each year. (Started in 2005)



ning of a new life with family members



2020 informal job offer ceremony (held online)

Changes in Number of New Graduates Hired and Employees Hired Mid Career

		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Number of New Graduates Hired	Total	97	83	118	96	79
University Craduates	Female	46	28	41	38	31
University Graduates	Male	21	23	42	35	25
Vocational School Graduates	Female	0	0	0	0	0
Vocational School Graduates	Male	0	0	0	1	0
High Cohool Craduatoo	Female	20	18	17	8	6
High School Graduates	Male	10	14	18	14	17
Number of Employees Hired	Total	13	44	17	5	5
	Female	11	14	5	3	4
Mid Career	Male	2	30	12	2	1

#### Recruiter

We regard the company entrance ceremony as a



Providing an opportunity to celebrate the begin-

#### Direct talks with management

We provide opportunities for employees to have direct conversations with the President, directors, division general managers, and other members of the management team. During a Round Table Discussion with the President, the President answers each and every question that only he can answer.



Direct talks held with the President are conducted at the Tokyo Head Office and Osaka Head Office

#### Participation in company events by candidates who have received informal iob offers

People who have received informal job offers participate in company events such as the General Meeting of Shareholders and the Nakayama Wonderful Festa (see p.73), which is co-hosted by the Nakayama visually impaired welfare foundation and our company. We provide opportunities for them to understand more about the company and learn about social contribution



Candidates who have received informal job offers sitting in on the company's General Meeting of Shareholders

# Financial

Corporate Mission



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# Human Resource Development

#### No Self-Awareness No Growth

TRUSCO Stage Trial

Training provides people with the "opportunity to notice things." No matter how much education someone has had, the problem is awareness. Corporate activities are built on the results employees achieve. We support the development of enthusiastic employees who understand the results they are expected to achieve and who are able to obtain the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve them and take action. We provide various opportunities at the company so that employees can continue to grow.



We have established our own training system to help our employees become useful to people and society. By knowing exactly the types of human resources we are looking for at each stage, we give our employees the opportunity to become aware of what we are doing and to grow as individuals. It is an opportunity for employees to understand what they need to do, the skills they need, and the purpose.

Name of Training	Staff Level	Content	Desired Abilities
New Staff Training	All new staff	Fundamental training for becoming a full-fledged member of society	Fundamental abilities required required for working adults: Business etiquette, interpersonal and practical communication skills essential for advancing in the workplace
Skill-up Course	4th Year (Employees hired as new gradu- ates/high school graduates) Distribution Course (Recommended Candidates)	Training to encourage participants to think and act independently	Ability to look at and understand the company from multiple perspectives and to take the initiative in solving organizational issues
Leader's Course	7th Year and onwards (earliest) (with entry requirements)	Business environment analysis	Ability to analyze and make proposals to improve the performance of customers and supervise the development of human resources in their own organizations
Manager Challenge Course	All Career, Specialist, and Area path employees (with entry requirements, earliest 2nd year)	Problem solving	As a manager of an organization, have the ability to plan solutions for customer problems and to solve problems involving other departments. (Only an employee who is judged to have the above abilities will become a "Boss Challenge Student*")
Boss Management Course	Bosses (Supervisors) (once every two years, with participation requirements)	Business domain expan- sion	Trainees will understand the essence of management strategy through management level communications with customers implement manage- ment that demonstrates influence through the organization by under- standing the external environment.

\*Boss Challenge Student: Candidate for managerial level position

## Other Job Training Programs

In addition to Trusco Stage Trial (our original education curriculum), we conduct a variety of other training courses as well. It is necessary for our employees to continue to learn in order to perform their work at a higher level. These training courses provide various types of support in accordance with each person's career and desire, including a level of on the job training (OJT) that goes beyond the boundaries of acquired qualifications and one's immediate organization.

Job Training Program	Staff Level	Overview
Rookie Manager Course	New Bosses (Supervisors)	Participants will learn how to use the management resources necessary to conduct management as a man- ager. The course aims to create a common purpose for all tasks that must be performed as a boss through embodying the direction of their immediate organization.
BM Training Course	Course candidates (female employees)	The BM Training Course allows one female course candidate to participate in board meetings, which are nor- mally limited to officers, each month. The purpose of this program is to create opportunities for women to freely communicate their opinions with their own unique perspectives, sensibility, and ideas in order to grow.
Area (Logistics) Training Course	Area/Support/Logistics Employees	This training deploys staffs to another business location or distribution center for roughly one week. Establish- ing opportunities where the employee can compare job sites helps them grow and enhances our operations.
Job Challenge Course	Course candidates (with participation requirements)	By allowing employees to transfer to the department of their choice, they can increase their sense of ownership and give shape to their thoughts, leading to personal growth and increased corporate value.
Overseas Business Course	Candidates	Participants learn about overseas business while working at one of our overseas subsidiaries (Thailand or Indonesia).
Global Challenge	Ganuluales	Participants will learn about exporting while working at the Overseas Sales Section of the Tokyo Head Office.
Orange Doctor Examina- tion		Orange Doctor Examination was established for the purpose of enhancing staff knowledge about our products. This examination is held twice a year. Staffs who pass the examination receive an allowance of \$93 per month for one year.
University Subsidy System	All employees	This system subsidizes \$2,803 from the cost of acquiring a degree as educational support for gaining a bachelor's degree from a University. The company also provides a \$1,401 subsidy for staffs to acquire a bachelor's degree in another field.
TRUSCO Distance Learn- ing Courses		"Becoming a human resource who has a track record founded in the skills necessary to grow a company all starts with the will of the individual." This is why the company provides 50% assistance for the course fees to staffs who complete a course.

# **Financial Strategy**

#### Achieving stable improvement in corporate value by being "Having assets on our own"

We believe that owning our own distribution centers, branch offices, data centers, and vehicles, which serve as the main arteries of corporate management, will bring the greatest benefits. This is why we are placing importance on the idea of TRUSCO being "Having assets on our own". Instead of aiming for short-term profits, we take the perspective of longterm corporate value enhancement and promote the strategic strengthening of our balance sheet (B/S), which leads to greater convenience for our customers. Since 2016, we have maintained a rating of "A" by Rating and Investment Information, Inc., and by raising funds with an eye to the future and continuing to proactively make capital investments, we are providing our customers with higher value-added services.

## Capability Targets to be Achieved by 2023

In order to enhance our corporate capabilities and improve the speed of our growth, we have set the following capability targets to be realized by 2023. We will continue to make effective use of key assets that serve as the company's main arteries from a long-term perspective and continue to make effective capital investments to enhance our corporate value. (see p.17)

Capability Target 1: Ability to store 500,000 items in inventory Capability Target 2: Completion of user direct delivery system Capability Target 3: Ability to receive and ship orders 365 days a years

## Enhancing corporate value through both tangible and intangible fixed assets

Since the opening of our first distribution center, Planet Kyushu, in 1994, we consists of land and buildings, was \$135 million in 2000 and will be \$897 million in 2020, more than six times as much as in 2000, while intangible assets, were actively building 26 new distribution centers across the country until the rebuilding of Planet South Kanto in 2020. We have also accelerated our which mainly consist of investments in information systems, were \$0.9 million investments in logistics and systems, including upgrading our core system, in 2000 and will be \$63 million in 2020. We will continue to build the world's Paradise, in 2020. As a result of our aggressive capital investment, our total most advanced logistics center using digital and mechanical resources (logistics assets have tripled in 20 years, from \$728 million in 2000 to \$1,951 million in equipment) technology, and achieve sustainable enhancement of corporate value by effectively utilizing both tangible and intangible fixed assets. 2020. Among those investments, property, plant and equipment, which mainly

**Balance Sheet Changes** 



			Creation
Liquid Assets \$958 million		Current Liabilities \$357 million	Corporate Mission
Cash and deposits \$302 million		Accounts Payable <b>\$145</b> million Short-term Debt <b>\$158</b> million etc.	Pro
Accounts Receivable \$240 million		Fixed Liabilities <b>\$352</b> million	Products
Merchandise (produc \$388 million	ts) etc.	Long-term Debt <b>\$327</b> million etc. Net Worth	Distribution
Fixed assets \$993 million		\$1,242 million	tion
Tangible fixed assets \$897 million		Capital: <b>\$46</b> million	Sales
Intangible fixed asset \$64 million		Retained Earnings \$1,153 million etc.	Digital Service
Total assets		Liabilities/Net assets	e
\$1,951 million		\$1,951 million	Human Resou Financial
:	58th term Balance Sheet		

(Shareholders' equity ratio: 63.7%)

#### **Utilization of Liquid Assets – Expanding** the number of inventory items -

We consider the inventory hit rate (91.0% as of December 2020), which is the ratio of how much of an order we are able to ship from our inventory, to be an important management indicator rather than the stock turnover ratio. We position inventory as the energy for growth, and by thoroughly strengthening our immediate delivery system, we are able to improve customer convenience. Since 2006, we have stepped up our efforts to achieve our goals of 200,000 inventory items and \$186 million in inventory value. As a result, we achieved our initial targets from 2013 to 2014, which we evaluate as the basis for sales expansion. As for inventory, we have been steadily expanding our inventory since then, and by the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020, we had 442,000 items in inventory with a value of \$387 million. We plan to expand our inventory to 500,000 items by 2023.



#### **Utilization of Fixed Assets** - Acceleration of Logistics and System Investment -

We have made proactive capital investments, including the opening of Planet Saitama in 2018 and the introduction of world-leading logistics equipment such as Butler® and AutoStore. Fixed assets\* have more than doubled from \$415 million in 2011 to \$992 million in 2020, and tangible fixed assets (hardware) from \$387 million in 2011 to \$897 million in 2020. In addition. we will accelerate investment in software systems and make effective use of intangible fixed assets to improve customer convenience over the long term. \*Fixed assets include buildings, land, machines, equipment, and software.

2011	Expansion of Fixed Assets	2020
\$415 million	Promotion of Logistics and System Investment	<b>\$992</b> million



Changes in Sales, Inventory Value, and Number of Items in Inventory

Continuing to invest in fixed assets over the long term to improve convenience for customers



## "Active Management" to Creates Continued Profits

Draft transactions for suppliers and retailers, which were a common business practice in the machinery tool industry in 2005, have been completely abolished. These and other moves reflect that we are a company that always implements active management fueled by creative ideas. In particular, the period from 2016 to 2020 was regarded as a period of anticipatory investment for us when we actively made capital investments (in logistics and systems) to strengthen our capabilities. Active management is essential to continue generating a healthy cash flow. While maintaining an appropriate capital adequacy ratio (63.7% in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020), we will promote proactive capital investment, strategically enhance assets, and effectively utilize them to increase corporate value by generating continuous profits.

Cumulative depreciation of fixed assets currently held by the company \$399 million





Ordinary Income, and Depreciation

# For the Embodiment of "TRUST COMPANY" (Corporate Governance and Social Contributions)

In order to continue to be a "TRUST COMPANY (=TRUSCO)", a company that is trusted by all of our stakeholders, we have made this concept the starting point of our daily corporate activities. We will build our own governance system, strive to provide highly transparent information, and communicate with our shareholders, the local community, and society.

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# **Corporate Governance**

#### For the Embodiment of "TRUST COMPANY"

As a "Company Gaining Your Trust," we seek to be a company where officers and staff members can engage in self-cleaning actions under a unique governance structure.

## Fundamental Approach

We have made this concept of being a trusted company (TRUSTCO = TRUST + COMPANY) the starting point of our daily corporate activities, and will fulfill its social mission by embodying this principle. TRUSCO's basic policy is to establish a "system to ensure the appropriateness of corpo-

rate business operations," and to maintain and improve the corporate governance system by promoting constant reforms regarding various management issues.



Governance Report

#### Governance Structure (As of April 1, 2021)



Note: The two full-time auditors and one part-time auditor are outside corporate auditors.

#### Basic Compliance Policy

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TRUSCO executive officers and employees make the four following declarations which together comprise the Basic Compliance Policy

- As a company that supports the Japanese manufacturing industry, we will meet the trust and expectations of the manufacturing site.
- 2. We will comply with laws and regulations, and will challenge new development based on morals and ethics.
- 3. Whenever we encounter a situation in which we must take justice or profit, we will not hesitate to take justice.
- 4. We aim to be a "better working person / better corporate person" in accordance with corporate ethics.

#### **General Meeting of Shareholders**

We value the General Meeting of Shareholders as a venue for reporting on our performance and activities to shareholders, and try to make it an opportunity where they can gain a deeper understanding about our company.

#### • Features of the General Meeting of Shareholders

- 1. Implementation of the President OJS (Open Judging System)
- 2. Held on an early schedule, avoiding days on which general meetings are concentrated
- **3.** Held concurrently in two locations, Tokyo and Osaka (execution of voting rights, Q&A are possible; Chairperson rotates yearly between the venues)
- **4.** In addition to the audio present, subtitles are projected onto a screen in real time
- **5.** Results of resolutions at the meetings, a portion of Q&A items, and the results of questionnaires are released on the website three days later

#### Changes in Number of shareholders and attendance rate for the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders



The number of shareholders exceeded 40,000 for the first time in the 57th term (as of the end of 2019).

The number of attendees at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders for the 57th term decreased due to the Covid-19 pandemic.



57th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders (Tokyo venue)

#### President OJS (Open Judging System)

We have adopted a "president open judging system," which we view as one of the indicators for evaluation of our top managers, for voting on the selection of the President by shareholders who have heard our business reports and Q&A at the General Meeting of Shareholders.

#### Reference: 57th Term President OJS

Approval rating	Number of attendees	Valid ballots	Approvals
99.7%	1,652	1,448	1,443

#### Top-Level Parties Conference (Board Meeting)

Consisting of only executives (excluding Outside Directors), our Board of Directors Meetings deliberate the directions of the company, ensuring objective and rational decision-making.

#### Composition

<ul> <li>Company President</li> </ul>	1
<ul> <li>Executive Directors</li> </ul>	3
<ul> <li>Full-time Auditors</li> </ul>	З
<ul> <li>Part-time Auditors</li> </ul>	1
(As of April 1, 2021)	

#### **Board of Directors Meeting (Management Committee)**

We conduct decision-making at Board of Directors Meetings, generally held 1 time per month. The Management Conference seeks a wide range of opinions from participants that include Executive Officers and Division General Managers, to ensure a broad perspective and transparency.

#### • Features of the Conference

- **1.** Round-table layout allowing face-to-face communication
- 2. Changes are made to seating every time with no priority given to facilitate participation from new perspectives
- **3.** Persons responsible for work sites and general staff members are selected to participate each time and are called upon to comment as required

#### Composition of the

- Board of Directors
- Company President
  Executive Directors
- Outside Directors
- Full-time Auditors
- Part-time Auditors
- 3 3 3
- Board of Directors Members 11
   Senior Executive Officers 1
   Executive Officers 1
- Division General Managers 13 (As of April 1, 2021)

Composition of Man-

agement Conference



Management Conference features round-table layout (September 2020)

#### Initiatives for Preventing Fraud and Bribery

We are working on various systems and initiatives to prevent employee fraud (some have been omitted).

#### • Electronic Auditing System

This is the industry's first electronic auditing system, which was launched in June 2001. The system is operated for the purpose of immediately detecting abnormal events using electronic data of internal transactions and taking measures to prevent recurrence.

#### • Internal/External Consultation Hot Line

We have established the Consultation Hot Line in our CSR Section as a consultation desk also for existing suppliers. It is a system for reporting from both inside and outside of the company to allow us to quickly discover, handle, and prevent compliance related issues.

#### • Compliance Manual Trusco Zentaku Book

In order to practice the code of conduct as a TRUS-CO business person on a daily basis, from the discipline of a member of society to prohibitions on bribery and other business matters, the code is distributed to all employees to ensure its popularization.



Trusco Zentaku Book

# Director, Auditor, Executive Committee, Division General Manager OJS

We have adopted an original system for the evaluation of executives and general managers. Every year, executives and division general managers are evaluated by about 150 managers, with the results used as criteria in promotion/ demotion. The results and comments are also fed back to executives, with the aim of preventing improprieties and raising our company value. (see p.51) ation Corporate Mission

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#### Officers' Compensation

#### **Basic Policy on Determination of Compensa**tion, Etc. for Directors and Auditors

The Company determines the officers' compensation paid to Directors and Auditors based on the following.

- (1) The level of remuneration should be such that the Company is able to retain the motivation to improve business performance and to secure excellent human resources from within and outside the Company.
- (2) The level should be based on changes in the business environment, objective external data, etc., and should take into account the balance between public standards, management content, and employee salaries. (3) Officer compensation should be paid within the annual remuneration

limit, including bonuses.

# Method of Determining Officers' Compensation and Rate of Payment

Remuneration for Directors and Auditors consists of fixed remuneration (monthly fixed remuneration) and bonuses for Directors and Auditors. The following remuneration ranges, designed to take into account the responsibilities of each position and the degree of influence on management, have been established and will be determined by the Board of Directors, respectively, after taking into account the management environment, business performance, achievements, management capabilities, and the degree of contribution. The determination of the specific amount of remuneration for each officer may be left to the discretion of the President by resolution of the Board of Directors.

#### **1. Fixed Renumeration**

The amount of compensation is determined at the beginning of each fiscal year within a range designed for each position, taking into account the responsibility of the representative authority, position, etc., and the degree of influence on management, and taking into account performance, achievements, management ability, level of contribution, and other factors.

2. Officers' Bonuses

As an incentive linked to profit indicators similar to the basic policy for shareholder returns, when net income attributable to shareholders of the parent company is recorded at the end of the fiscal year, up to 3% of that amount will be paid as officers' bonuses depending on business performance

Compensation System for Directors and Auditors

Fixed Renumeration

Paid in accordance with each Director's position,

Officers' Bonuses

Up to 3% of net income attributable to shareholders

of the parent company at the end of the fiscal year

Monthly fixed remuneration

depending on performance

their individual performance, etc.

In determining the total amount, the Company shall use as a reference the amount calculated by accumulating the bonus multiplier for each position as specified in the bylaws and multiplying it by the net income attributable to shareholders of the parent company. The amount to be paid individually shall be determined for each Director within the remuneration range, taking into consideration the degree of contribution to the business results for the relevant fiscal year. Individual amounts for fixed remuneration and officers' bonuses to be paid to Auditors shall be presented by Directors and finalized through discussions among Auditors.

(Unit: thousand USD)

		Range of	Range	Range of Compensation by Type*3	
	Position	Officers' Compensation	1. Fixed Renumeration	2. Officers' Bonuses	(1 + 2)
	President		\$560 to \$1,345	0 to \$747	\$560 to \$2,093
Director E	Senior Executive Director		\$252 to \$364	0 to \$224	\$252 to \$588
	Executive Director		\$196 to \$308	0 to \$186	\$196 to \$495
	Director		\$168 to \$252	0 to \$130	\$168 to \$383
	Outside Director		\$37 to \$84	0 to \$9	\$37 to \$93
Auditor —	Full-time Auditor	Up to \$934 per year*2	\$140 to \$252	0 to \$84	\$140 to \$336
	Part-time Auditor		\$37 to \$84	0 to \$9	\$37 to \$93

\*1 Decided at the 56th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 8, 2019.

\*2 Decided at the 58th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 18, 2021.

\*3 Decided at a meeting of the Board of Directors held on March 24, 2021.

#### Prerequisites for Ensuring the Effectiveness of the Board of Directors and Board of Auditors

In order to ensure diversity, the Board of Directors consists of four Directors from within the company who are familiar with the business and three independent Outside Directors. The appointment of Directors is informally decided (resolved) at a meeting of the Board of Directors with the participation of Outside Directors. After assuming office during the General Meeting of Shareholders, they will undergo a multifaceted evaluation based on the Open Judging System ((OJS), a 360-degree evaluation system), which is the Company's unique evaluation system for Officers

In the future, the Board of Directors will continue to recommend suitable candidates, regardless of gender or age, who meet the statutory requirements and have excellent character and insight. As for appointing foreign-

(excluding Outside Directors and Part-time Auditors).

ers, we believe it is not necessary as the scale of our overseas business is limited at present. However, we will consider it as our business expands. As for Auditors, we appoint those who have extensive knowledge of laws and regulations, finance, accounting, and corporate governance.

# Interview with Outside Directors



Kenichi Saito President, ForeSight & Company Ltd.

Takako Suzuki President, S.T.CORPORATION

Since they utilize their abundant experience and knowledge so as to contribute to the development of the company, TRUSCO calls Outside Directors "Board Brains." In general, the role of an Outside Director is to prevent scandals as an outside observer. However, at our company, we have formed our own highly transparent governance system, so we place emphasis on contributing to "sustainable growth and the improvement of company value." We interviewed each of these Outside Directors about the roles of Outside Directors and issues facing the company.

# **Q1**

What you think are the attractive characteristics of the company? What are some of its issues?

#### Saito

I think the company's best facet is that all the employees are cheerful and there is no sense of hierarchy. I think this is because there has always been a culture of valuing employees at TRUSCO. Also, for decades, there has been an argument that wholesaling is unnecessary, and in general, wholesaling is not profitable. In our case, however, we have a very high operating profit ratio. I think the fact that we have strong corporate strengths is also an attractive feature of the company.

In the future, I think that we must develop human resources



Kuniaki Hagihara Chairman, Hagihara Industries Inc.



Interviewer: Takashi Nakai Advisor

who are capable of quality thought as a needed improvement. It is important to understand what is out there, however, in the future, we will not be able to read the market based on our past experience. We can only make a decision with confidence when we consider it based on factbased figures and when market potential is proven. I think it is necessary to consider such points regarding future capital investment.

#### Hagihara

TRUSCO's management philosophy and code of conduct are oriented toward customers, and its approach to business has been thoroughly adopted by its employees. At the beginning of the monthly management meeting, President Nakayama describes the company's philosophy and norms as well as the right and wrong of things, citing various examples, and I feel that the company's focus on vector alignment through constant education is a feature that no other company has.

On the other hand, it is rare to find a company with such well-equipped welfare and other facilities. If we become complacent and conservative, we will not be able to achieve significant development. I think the challenge for the future will be how to foster a mindset of always taking on new challenges, especially in consideration of the Covid-19 pandemic.

#### Suzuki

I feel that we are in a very unique position in this industry. This is because the core of the company's management philosophy is based top management's unwavering belief in pursuing unique strategies. In addition, the company is constantly introducing new systems and frameworks that other companies are not and that are designed with the employees in mind. It is also flexible enough to change course when necessary. I find this facet of the company attractive. In terms of issues, I think there is future room for growth in the products we handle. We currently specialize in selling professional tools, but it may not be necessary in the future to distinguish them from general consumer products. The boundaries between products are only thought of by manufacturers and wholesalers. For users, however, those boundaries are shifting. I believe that TRUSCO's future business opportunities lie in how we can correspond to that shift.

# Q2

What do you consider to be your role as an Outside Director of TRUSCO?



"What I value is not the function of the product itself, but the benefit, the convenience that appeals to the heart in the true sense of the word."



"I consider stakeholders to be not only employees, shareholders, and investors, but also the Earth itself to be a stakeholder. For this reason, I believe that my role as an Outside Director is to take responsibility for whether decisions are being made that will lead to an increase in corporate value for the people and things that are necessary for the survival of the company."

#### Hagihara

Coming from the manufacturing business, what I value is not the function of the product itself, but the benefit, the convenience that appeals to the heart in the true sense of the word. For example, the blue sheets manufactured by HAGI-HARA INDUSTRIES, INC. can be used to provide fun places to play and can be used for preventive maintenance purposes. How do we deliver the sensitivity, ideas, and thoughts that we put into manufacturing to our customers from the function of a wholesaler? I believe that I have a role to play in providing advice from the perspective of a manufacturer.

#### Saito

I have been doing mainly consulting for many years, and my job is to improve the performance of my clients. Therefore, although I am an Outside Director, I also view TRUS-CO as a client. I am conscious of trying to do as much as I can within the limited time available to me so that we can improve TRUSCO's business performance. Specifically, I distribute a document titled "For Tomorrow" at the monthly management meeting and convey important ideas that business people should understand, using examples from my own experiences.

#### Suzuki

First of all, I consider stakeholders to be not only employees, shareholders, and investors, but also the Earth itself to be a stakeholder. For this reason, I believe that my role as an Outside Director is to take responsibility for whether decisions are being made that will lead to an increase in corporate value for the people and things that are necessary for the survival of the company.

Since we conduct business on this planet, I believe that we cannot do so unless we contribute to the global environment. For this reason, we must consider whether our business itself is truly connected to the resolution of global environmental and social issues. This is not just limited to the wholesale business, so I hope to gradually convey my thoughts and beliefs about the matter.

# Q3

TRUSCO focuses on the "advisory" role rather than the "supervisory" role, which is the role of Outside Directors in general. What do you think TRUSO should be doing in general?

#### Hagihara

Currently, there are companies where even the chairman of the board of directors is an outside director, but I do not think that strong governance is necessary as long as President Nakayama is at the top. In addition, in terms of compliance, it is ultimately important to never lie and be open about failures. We have such a culture in our company, and I hope that our successors and the organization will also place importance on these aspects.

#### Saito

Generally, I am not a big fan of setting up nomination committees or compensation committees. In Japan, once the idea of setting up committees becomes popular, it tends to move quickly. In TRUSCO, however, people in important positions come together at the management meeting and not only top executives but also many senior management level people express their opinions which are very precise. I feel that governance is effective in this respect.

# **Q4**

What are your expectations for the future of the company and what is your message to stakeholders?

#### Suzuki

The fact that we have been able to achieve this level of performance in our fields may indicate that we are in a kind of "success trap." It is exactly the same for S.T. CORPO-RATION, which I represent. However, in our case, we are promoting strong advancements in logistics performance and digital transformation. I believe that we still have the potential to develop a new business model that has never existed before in Japan, which would include among other things a major reform of the supply chain in this industry.

#### Hagihara

I believe that the function of a wholesaler supporting the manufacturing industry will continue to be indispensable. It is my hope that stakeholders will look forward to seeing TRUSCO evolve and each of its employees take on the challenge of leading Japan's manufacturing industry.

#### Saito

I believe that the source of our strength, the thing that brings together our product development, inventory, logistics, and customer management, is sellability. Since not many companies have this strength, it gives TRUSCO a competitive edge. On the other hand, many companies (especially in developing countries) face issues, so if we can provide them with our accumulated wisdom, the world will become our partner. If our company can contribute to raising the level of companies in the world even higher, this will be interesting. I would like to continue to fulfill my role while dreaming that in the near future, TRUSCO will appear in the world in such a place.



"If we can provide our wisdom to various companies, we will be dealing with the world, and we can contribute to increasing the value provided by more companies."

#### Interviewer: Takashi Nakai, Advisor

#### About Advisors

After retirement age, Officers can assume leadership roles for the purpose of providing guidance and support to those responsible for the company, utilizing their previously accumulated knowledge and experience. Although the mandatory retirement age for our executives is 65, Advisors they can remain employed until the age of 70 if they so desire.

# **Environmental Efforts**

#### **Environmental Activities through Our Businesses**

Based on our environmental philosophy "Gentleness, to the future...", we hope to contribute to reducing the environmental impact of our business activities and PB products, not only for ourselves but also for the users of our products, and to contribute to the environmental activities of the Japanese manufacturing industry.

#### **Fundamental Approach**

As a PRO TOOLs supplier, we accurately assess the environmental impact of our purchasing, inventory, sales, and transportation activities, and based on the recognition that global environmental conservation, including consideration for biodiversity. These are one of the most important issues in our corporate activities. We are making company-wide efforts to continuously improve and prevent pollution.

#### One-stop service reduces the environmental burden

By offering a wide variety of PRO TOOLs, our customers are able to centrally procure the tools that they need at their manufacturing sites. As a result, the consumption of energy and resources for procurement can be reduced compared to purchasing from multiple suppliers.

#### Activities for Reducing the Environmental Burden

#### **Trusco Power Generation Installations** (19 locations throughout Japan)

We are in the process of installing our own power generation equipment on the roofs and walls of our distribution centers, branch offices, and head office buildings. We will continue to install solar panels to the maximum extent possibility when new company buildings are constructed, aiming to increase our own power generation capacity of renewable electricity to 3,500kW by 2025



Solar power panels on the roof of Planet Saitama





Wall greening at the

Tokyo Head Office

#### Changes in Power Generation and Power Self-sufficiency Rate



#### **Environmental Policy**

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- 1. We will comply with the requirements of other matters we agree to, such as applicable laws, regulations and agreements related to our environmental aspects, and comply with the requirements of interested parties.
- 2. Identify significant environmental impact items associated with company-wide business activities and strive to continuously improve performance.
- 3. In order to raise environmental awareness, we will educate and train all people who work at our company on environmental management.
- 4. We will carry out internal audits and strive to improve self-management.
- 5. The established environmental policy will be made known to all people who work at or work with us, and the environmental policy will be disclosed to the outside.

#### **One-stop Service**





#### Introduction of Environmentally Friendly Vehicles

We are actively introducing hybrid vehicles as company-owned trucks used for deliveries and plan to introduce 40 hybrid vehicles (about 25% of our delivery trucks) by 2025. We will also gradually switch our sales vehicles to environmentally friendly vehicles, starting with those that need to be replaced.



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Electric vehicle Electric vehicle Nissan LEAF Tesla Model S (Hiroto Moritani, Tokvo (Kana Niino, Internet Branch) Sales Tokyo Branch)

Electric vehicle Porsche Tavcan 4S (Company-owned vehicle used by the Tokyo Head Office)

#### Environmental Assessments of TRUSCO Products

In the planning and development of our own TRUSCO brand products, we have set our own environmental standards for the resource conservation. waste reduction, long-lasting use, etc., and are promoting environmentally friendly product development from every aspect, product design to product use, and disposal.

TRUSCO Hand Soap Hand Soap Shin Senju Kannon TSK-11-A

This environmentally friendly hand soap uses natural scrubbing agents made from the shells of monkfruit instead of micro plastic beads that cause ocean pollution.

# **Relationships with Stakeholders**

#### Realizing the happiness of people with whom we are connected

Our mission is to contribute to society through our corporate activities and to realize the happiness of the people with whom we are connected (TRUSCO's Statement of Purpose).

We call our employees and their families, business partners, shareholders, people involved in manufacturing in Japan, and all other stakeholders related to our company "people with whom we are connected." We will continue to value our connections with people who are related to us through a high level of transparency in management, thorough information disclosure, and communication with the community and society through sponsorship and advertising.

## IR Activities

#### **General Meeting of Shareholders**

We think that the origin of IR is at the general meeting of shareholders. We are the first listed company to hold the General Meeting of Shareholders simultaneously at two main venues in Tokyo and Osaka, and are also taking unique related measures that we hold, the meeting earlier in the term to avoid holding it during the time many other shareholder's meetings are held. The 57th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders was held after taking full measures to prevent Covid-19 infection. Top management directly communicated with shareholders through Q&A sessions (see p.63).

#### IR for Institutional Investors

We will begin the earning results briefing (large meeting) at the mid-term and final closing which will see the participation of around 100 institutional investors and dealers each session. Although the earning results briefing for the fiscal year ending December 2020 was held online due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we are actively holding individual meetings with institutional investors and analysts, both in Japan and overseas, via telephone and chat applications.

We are increasing opportunities for individual consultations and communication







Held at the 55th Anniversary Hall on the 3rd floor of the Tokyo Head Office (for the year ended December 31, 2019) IR Section)







TRUSCO distribution facility tour (2019)



57th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders (Osaka venue shown) held on March 13, 2020

#### Study tours for shareholders

We hold tours of the Tokyo Head Office and distribution centers throughout Japan for shareholders. The meeting provides an opportunity for shareholders to get to know the executives, deepen their understanding of TRUSCO, and communicate.

(In 2020, we mainly conducted web-based seminars due to the Covid-19 pandemic.)

#### TRUSCO distribution facility tour Started in 2011

Visits of the inventory and logistics system that can deliver a wide variety of

products and realize instant delivery.

· A total of 2,514 applications were received from which 263 people were selected via lottery to participate (2019).



Providing visitors with information about Butler

#### TRUSCO Tokyo Head Office Tour Started in 2015

Visits to various departments and disaster countermeasure facilities

· A total of 621 applications were received from which 88 people were selected via lottery to participate (2019).



Visitors had the opportunity to various sections and departments of the company to learn more about TRUSCO



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#### Public Relations Activities

#### **TV Program Sponsored by TRUSCO** "TRUSCO Shirarezaru Gulliver"



The program TRUSCO Shirarezaru Gulliver is being aired by TRUSCO to convey our desire to "bring pride and vitality to Japan by introducing world-class Japanese companies." Each program introduces one Japanese company, including manufacturing companies, and their thoughts and ideas, designed to let people know that there are many attractive companies in Japan.

#### TV Tokyo affiliates:

TV Tokyo, TV Hokkaido, TV Aichi, TV Osaka, TV Setouchi, and TVQ Kyushu Broadcasting. The program is broadcast every Saturday evening from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.



Program

website

#### Internal Company Newsletter "Hand Made" 1969-

Under the editorial policy to create a communication magazine connecting the company and employees as well as the minds between employees, the newsletter has continued to spell the history of employees since 1969. The book is full of information with about 200 employees appearing in each volume.

"Wakatake" Published from 1969 to 1990 "Hand Made" Published from 1990 to the present





Current edition of "Hand Made<sup>3</sup>



The program has featured 165 companies (as of February 31, 2021)

#### **TRUSCO CSR Poster**





2021 TRUSCO CSR Poster "The Linear Chuo Shinkansen, a creation born from Japanese technology moving into the future at a speed of 500 km/h'

#### Communication with the Community and Society

#### Supporting the Women's Handball Team "Osaka Lovvits"

We are supporting the Osaka-based women's handball team "Osaka Lovvits," which is active in the Japanese handball league. Since 2017, the team has been a member of the Japan Handball League, the highest level handball league in Japan. Of the 20 athletes on the team, 15 are TRUSCO fulltime employees. (as of April 2021)







Osaka Lovvits team members

#### **Donations to NGO Pesha**war-kai

#### Hospital 2020

A donation was made to support the Peshawar-kai\*, an NGO engaged in a comprehensive rural reconstruction project in Afghanistan, which is experiencing a drought, with the idea the "One irrigation channel is better than 100 medical clinics."



patients infected with Covid-19.

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**Disabilities** 



The late Dr. Tetsu Nakamura with staff in Afghanistan \*An NGO (non-governmental organization) formed in 1983 to support the late Dr. Tetsu Nakamura, who was making efforts toward the development of Pakistan and Afghanistan

#### "Skill Olympics/Abilympics" Sponsorship

#### 2010-

We support "Skill Olympics" for young technicians ages 23 and under and "Abilympics" for people with disabilities who bear the future on "monodzukuri." These activities show just how great the participants are.



**TRUSCO Shonan Ohashi** 

TRUSCO acquired the naming rights for Shonan

Ohashi Bridge from Kanagawa Prefecture and

named the bridge "TRUSCO Shonan Ohashi

Bridge". It is the first time that naming rights

have ever been granted for a bridge.

Bridge

Aichi Skill Olympics/Abilympics Opening Ceremonies (2019) bution center)

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#### **Sponsoring Pro Golfers**

We sponsor two professional golfers, Ikue Asama and Hiroshi Ueda. Ikue Asama is employed at TRUSCO as a professional golfer.





Bridge connecting Chigasaki City and Hiratsuka City in Kanagawa

#### Ikue Asama, professional golfer

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## Provided Infection Prevention Products to Kyoto University

#### 2020

We provided infection prevention products and PB products to Kyoto University Hospital in order to support medical personnel who are dealing with



Presentation ceremony (From left to right: Professor Omori, Hospital Director Mr. Miyamoto, and Presi-

#### **TRUSCO Universal Design** Series Development



This is a series that was uniquely defined and developed on the concept of "pro tools designed with an idea to compensate for a decline in physical function and physical fitness." We are expanding our lineup every year.



Pedal makes the truck easy to get moving from a static position

#### **Employment of People with**

We aim for the independence and self-reliance of people with disabilities through work experiences and employment at our company.

As of December 31, 2020, 66 people with disabilities were hired (employment rate of people with disabilities: 2.9% (statutory employment rate: 2.2%)).



Work area for people with disabilities (at a distri-



Hiroshi Ueda, professional golfer

#### Official Sponsor of the Japanese Para-Sports Association

#### 2015-

Serving an official sponsor of the Japan Para-Sports Association, we are striving for the spread of sports for people with disabilities and to support the athletes.



Swimming competition held by the Japanese Para-Sports Association

#### **Sponsorship of Concerts**

We have sponsored concerts organized by Narimichi Kawabata, a visually impaired violinist active in Japan and the U.K., and concerts organized by Tomomi Nishimoto, one of Japan's leading conductors.





Narimichi Kawabata Tomomi Nishimoto



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# The Nakayama visually impaired welfare foundation

#### "Giving Back to Society" through the Nakayama visually impaired welfare foundation

The Nakayama visually impaired welfare foundation was established in 1997 in response to the will of "wanting to serve visually impaired people" by Kiyoko Nakayama, the mother of Tetsuya Nakayama (President of the foundation), who was born with optic nerves damaged by a forceps delivery. It later became a public interest incorporated foundation in 2010. The basic property shall be shares of Trusco Nakayama Corporation, and the foundation does not receive donations or support from outside and does its own management. We continue "Giving Back to Society" through the Nakayama visually impaired welfare foundation.

#### Managing the foundation using stock dividends

The foundation was established by the Nakayama Family with four million shares of Trusco Nakayama Corporation stock and \$4 million in cash. The foundation operates its business with the dividends from the shares.

#### Overview

Established	October 1, 1997 Transition to a public interest incorporated foundation was made on November 1, 2010.
Chief Director	Tetsuya Nakayama
Address	Nakayama Memorial Hall, 4F 3-26, 5-chome, Kamiwaka-dori, Chuo-ku, Kobe, Hyogo Prefec- ture 651-0067 TEL: 078-271-6370 / FAX: 078-891-4169
Support project results	\$7 million (cumulative total until FY2019)

#### Utility project 1

#### Nakayama Memorial Hall facilities leasing business

In the Nakayama Memorial Hall opened in 2007, 6 nonprofit organizations work together in conjunction with each other. The Nakayama Memorial Hall is used for consultations, walking training, creating Braille translations, events, activities held outside the normal workplace, etc. with 3,145 consultations conducted per year. In order to aim for an even more fulfilling facility, work has started on the construction of a new hall.



Rendering of of new Nakayama Memorial Hall in its completed form (scheduled for completion in September 2021)

Address of the new hall: 1-3, 2-chome, Kamiwaka-dori, Chuo-ku, Kobe, Hyogo Prefecture 652-0802 (3 min. walk from Shinkaichi Station) Area of grounds: approx. 1,401 m<sup>2</sup> Floor area: approx. 5,613 m<sup>2</sup>

Structure: 1 underground level, 5 floors above ground, equipped with isolation system

#### Utility project 2

# Grant project for support groups for visually impaired people and individuals

Nakayama Memorial Hall

"Shu," a guide dog which is available

to the visually impaired (2019)

The foundation provides grants to groups for visually impaired people and support groups in financial difficulty, and provides scholarships free of charge to university students and others.

#### Utility project 3

# Support activities for social participation activities for visually impaired people

People with disabilities spend every day like people without disabilities, and the foundation supports the participation of visually impaired people in society.

1 Hyogo Prefecture Visually Impaired People Music Festival Project

"Nakayama/KLC Concert" A classical concert started for the purpose of providing many visually impaired people with opportunities to perform. (Kobe Light Center (KLC))



Kaori Tsutsui performing in a concert

#### 2Guide dog lending project

We commission the training of two guide dogs per year and lend them to the visually impaired as "Nakayama Go" guide dogs. To date, we have loaned a total of 41 dogs.



Guide dog lending ceremony held during the 22nd Nakayama Wonderful Festa

#### 3 Personal computer course project

Courses are divided into beginner, Internet, office, iPad experience, and voice PC experience courses to teach basic computer usage and Internet operation.

# 5 Accompanying aid workers (guide helpers) education training project

Training sessions are held six times a year with the aim of increasing the number and improving the quality of companionship support employees (guide helpers).

#### 6 Barrier-free movie screening project -Nakayama UD Film Festival

Sponsored by the Nakayama visually impaired welfare foundation, the Nakayama UD Film Festival features audio commentary and Japanese subtitles for films screened. (UD...Universal Design)

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Festa"

Nakayama Wonderful Festa #20 (Masashi Sada, performer)

# List of Officers and Board of Directors for the Nakayama visually impaired welfare foundation (listed in alphabetical order)

President	Tetsuya Nakayama	MA Corporation
Senior Director	Saori Nakayama	NR Holdings Co., Ltd. Represen-
		tative Director Certified Public
		Accountant
Managing Director	Atsushi Matsumae	Director/Executive Director
	Takuji luchi	President of AS ONE Corporation
	Tatsuya Otsuka	President & Chief Executive
		Officer of Earth Corporation
	Kohei Goto	President & Chief Executive
		Officer of SANKO Co., Ltd.
	Teruo Hashimoto	Chairman of Nippon Lighthouse
		Welfare Center for The Blind
Director	Kenji Furuhashi	President and CEO of Hosiden
		Corporation
	Masahiko Mori	President of DMG MORI CO., Ltd.
	Naoyuki Yamamoto	CEO and Chairman of Yamamo-
		to Kogaku Co., Ltd.
	Kohei Nomura	Attorney at Nomura & Partners
	Yoritomo Wada	Certified Public Accountant at
		Wada & Co.

Tateuva Nakavama President of TRUSCO NAKAVA

Senichi Hoshino, who passed away on January 4, 2018, served as director from June 2017 to January 2018, and contributed to the development of the foundation.

#### **4**Music performance project "Nakayama Wonderful

This is a concert that visually impaired people can attend with wheelchairs and guide dogs which allows them to enjoy the concert free from worry. Some of our employees have participated in this event. Through the actual event, we have an opportunity to learn that our company not only pursues the profit of the company but also a part of the profit is useful for social contribution.

#### **Past performers**

#16 2013 Mariko Takahashi
#17 2014 Sayuri Ishikawa
#18 2015 Yoshimi Tendo
#19 2016 Masahiko Takeuchi, Kaientai
#20 2017 Masashi Sada

#21 2018 Aki Yashiro #22 2019 Tomomi Nishimoto & IlluminArt Phil, Yoshiko Sakuma Note: The concert was not held in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.





A prospective TRUSCO employee attends to visitors

	Yusuke Saraya	President and Representative Director of Saraya Co., Ltd.
	Tomihiro Takamatsu	Representative Director of DyDo GROUP HOLDINGS INC.
	Yuko Nakayama	Representative Director of NS Holdings Co., Ltd.
	Rie Nakayama	Physician, Ear, Nose, and Throat Department, Keiyu Hospital
	Motonobu Nishimura	1
		Director of Mandom Corporation
Councilor	Yuki Nomura	President and Representative Director of TSP TAIYO Inc.
	Junji Hada	President of ELECOM Co., Ltd.
	Naotaro Hikita	President and Representative Director of KOHNAN SHOJI CO., LTD
	Kunio Yamada	Chairman of Rohto Pharma- ceutical Co., Ltd.
	Yoshiaki Yamamoto	Director of Kobe senior man- power center Western Center
	Teiji Wakita	President and Representative Director of WAKITA Corporation

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## Map of Bases As of January 1, 2021

50	Shunan Branch	2929-14 Oaza Kume, Shunan-shi, Yamaguchi	
61	Ube Branch	5-395-5 Oaza Nakano Gaisaku, Ube-shi, Yamaguchi	
52	Takamatsu Branch	4001-77 Yoshida, Utazu-cho, Ayauta-gun, Kagawa	$\star$
53	Takamatsu Stock Center	2-3-1 Asahimachi, Takamatsu-shi, Kagawa	$\star$
54	Tokushima Branch	23 Nakahara, Ojin-cho Nakahara, Tokushima-shi, Tokushima	
65	Matsuyama Branch	1068-4 Kumanodai, Matsuyama-shi, Ehime	$\star$
56	Kokura Branch	7-1 Kifunemachi, Kokurakita-ku, Kitakyushu-shi, Fukuoka	$\star$
57	Hakata Stock Center Fukuoka Branch	2-4-14 Takeshita, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka-shi, Fukuoka	*
58	Plant Kyushu Tosu Branch	1651 Himekata-machi, Tosu-shi, Saga	$\star$
<b>5</b> 9	HC Kyushu Distribution Center Kurume Stock Center	1956-1 Kitanomachinaka, Kurume-shi, Fukuoka	*
60	Nagasaki Branch	23-4 Ohashi-machi, Nagasaki-shi, Nagasaki	
61	Kumamoto Branch	5F Kumamoto Central Bldg. 66-7 Yamasaki-machi, Chuo-ku, Kumamoto-shi, Kumamoto	
62	Oita Branch	1-3-28 Mukaibara-Higashi, Oita-shi, Oita	$\star$
63	Kagoshima Branch	3-68 Tokai-cho, Kagoshima-shi, Kagoshima	*
64	Okinawa Branch	5F Okinawaken Kensetsu Kaikan 5-6-8 Makiminato, Urasoe-shi, Okinawa	

40	Osaka Head Office Osaka Branch HC Osaka Branch Internet Sales Osaka Branch	TRUSCO Glen Check Bldg., 1-34-15, Shinmachi, Nishi-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka	*
	Planet Osaka/South Osaka Branch	81-1 Ishizu Kitamachi, Sakai-ku, Sakai-shi, Osaka	*
42	Planet Kobe/Kobe Branch	1-3-5 Nakamachi, Minatojima, Chuo-ku, Kobe-shi, Hyogo	$\star$
43	Akashi Branch	#601 Akashi Ote Bldg. 1-2-29 Honmachi, Akashi-shi, Hyogo	
	Himeji Branch	448-26 Hojo, Himeji-shi, Hyogo	*
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45 46	est Japan Plant Sanyou Okayama Branch	4-15 Amase, Kita-ku, Okayama-shi, Okayama	*
45 46 47	est Japan Plant Sanyou Okayama Branch Okayama Stock Center	4-15 Amase, Kita-ku, Okayama-shi, Okayama 2-16-35 Fukunari, Minami-ku, Okayama-shi, Okayama	*

## $\sim$ Planet Aichi (tentative name) planned for construction Location: Nagoya, Aichi Prefecture Area of grounds: approx. 41,636 m

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#### **Central Japan**

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26	Toyama Branch	1-1-34 Tanaka-machi, Toyama-shi, Toyama	$\star$
27	Kanazawa Branch	6-15-1 Eki Nishi-Honmachi, Kanazawa-shi, Ishikawa	$\star$
28	Fukui Branch	1-52 Toiya-cho, Fukui-shi, Fukui	$\star$
29	Hamamatsu Branch	209-1 Sode-cho, Naka-ku, Hamamatsu-shi, Shizuoka	
30	Planet Tokai Okazaki Branch	18 Minami-Kubo, Oka-cho, Okazaki-shi, Aichi	$\star$
31	Nagoya Branch	12-26 Ukishima-cho, Mizuho-ku, Nagoya-shi, Aichi	*
32	Planet Nagoya Komaki Branch	10-1 Kawahigashi, Wada-cho, Konan-shi, Aichi	$\star$
33	Toyohashi Stock Center	33-16 Akemicho, Toyohashi-shi, Aichi	*
34	Yokkaichi Branch	5-4-13 Shinsho, Yokkaichi-shi, Mie	$\star$



Metropolitan		
13 Kashima Branch	3-3-24 Horiwari, Kamisu-shi, Ibaraki	*
4 Utsunomiya Stock Center	2-40-3 Shirasagi, Kaminokawamachi, Kawachi-gun, Tochigi	*
5 Oyama Stock Center	1-6-33 Awanomiya, Oyama-shi, Tochigi	*
Planet Saitama Satte Branch	988-7 Akagi, Shinmeiuchi, Satte-shi, Saitama	*
7 Omiya Branch	2039 Nishi-Asuma, Nishi-ku, Saitama-shi, Saitama	*
Planet East Kanto/Matsudo Branch	241-1 Kamihongo, Matsudo-shi, Chiba	*
19 Chiba Branch	1969-17 Yawatakaigan-dori, Ichihara-shi, Chiba	*
Tokyo Head Office Tokyo Branch HC Tokyo Branch Internet Sales Tokyo Branch MRO Supply Tokyo Branch	TRUSCO Fiorito Bldg. 4-28-1, Shimbashi, Minato-ku, Tokyo	*
21 Jonan Branch	2-14-23 Kugahara, Ota-ku, Tokyo	*
22 Planet Tokyo Kawasaki Branch	3-10-6 Tamachi, Kawasaki-ku, Kawasaki- shi, Kanagawa	*
23 Planet South Kanto/Atsugi Branch	1567-1 Takamori, Isehara-shi, Kanagawa	*
24 Fuji Branch	251-1 Jubee, Fuji-shi, Shizuoka	*
25 Shizuoka Branch	1-20 Midorigaoka-cho, Suruga-ku, Shizuoka-shi, Shizuoka	*
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1140-3 Oguchi, Ryuo-cho, Gamou-gun, Shiga

Nara

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Osaka

New HC East Japan Distribution Center planned for construction Location: Sanjo, Niigata Prefecture Area of grounds: approx. 26,400 m

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3F Trusco Crystal Bldg. 593 Higashi-Shio-koji-cho, Shimogyo-ku, Kyoto-shi, Kyoto

755-6 Kamifukawa-cho, Nara-shi,

758-6 Kamifukawa-cho, Nara-shi,

4-12 Shinjo-nishi, Higashi-Osaka-shi,

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Number of items in inventory

440,000

61

26

12

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Kinki

36 Kyoto Branch

38 Nara Stock Center

35 Planet Shiga Ryuo Branch

37 HC West Japan Distribution Center

39 East Osaka Stock Center/ Higashi Osaka Branch









Planet Osaka Planet Kobe SAS GAS I-Pack Just fit BOX Sakai City, Osaka Dapprox. 13,669 m 🛛 Dapprox. 20,479 m 32015 4177 5352,000 items 63,997,000 7\$42.0 million 🛛 Dapprox. 8,287 m 20 approx. 16,687 m 32005 4103 5179,000 items 62,223,000 7\$18.0 million HC West Japan Distribution Center Planet Kyushu Nara Cit Dapprox. 9,900 rf 2 approx. 10,016 rf 31992 463 523,000 items 61,638,000 7\$12.2 million 1 approx. 11,328 rf 2 approx. 22,690 rf 32015 471 5195,000 items 62,729,000 7\$24.1 million HC East Japan Distribution Center Planet Tokyo Planet Sanyo Dannrox 8.618 m 2 annrox 9.771 m 31994 48 **5**24,000 items **6**1,274,000 **7**\$6.9 million **Planet Nagoya** 

Kawasaki City, Kanag Dapprox. 2,509 ml @approx. 5,004 ml @ 2009 @ 30 Dapprox. 5,626 ml @approx. 8,122 ml @ 1998 @ 40 Dapprox. 3,031 ml @ approx. 10,694 ml @ 2013 @ 46 Dapprox. 3,024 ml @ approx. 8,558 ml @ 2008/2016/2017 **5**49,000 items **6**711,000 **7**\$5.3 million **5**67,000 items **6**824,000 **7**\$6.2 million



Dapprox. 4,690 m 2 approx. 3,166 m 3 2019 Dapprox. 1,877 m 2 approx. 872 m 3 2019 Dapprox. 9,798 m 2 approx. 2,866 m 3 2017 3 2016/2002 5 866 items **③**266 items **③**23,000 **⑦**\$1.1 million **③**167 items **⑥**21,000 **⑦**\$0.2 million **④**80 items **⑥**15,000 **⑦**\$0.6 million

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Konan City, Aichi



Dapprox. 9,900 nf 2 approx. 6,856 nf 3 2019 Dapprox. 8,413 nf 2 approx. 5,864 nf 3 2019 Dapprox. 1,685 nf 2 approx. 2,274 nf 3 2017 3 2016/2002 4 50 5 16,000 items **③**1,000 items **③**712,000 **⑦**\$4.0 million **③**782 items **⑥**839,000 **⑦**\$6.4 million **④**494 items **⑥**50,000 **⑦**\$1.1 million **⑥**1,099,000 **⑦**\$5.2 million







East Osaka Stock Center

4 Higashi-Osaka City, Osaka

Hakata Stock Center

HC Kyushu Distribution Center

Kurume City, Fukuoł

**1** approx, 5,560 m **2** approx, 5,933 m

Kurume Stock Center

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6369,000 7\$1.8 million



**5**10,000 items **6**691,000 **7**\$6.2 million **(5**103,000 items **(6**1,296,000 **(7**\$9.1 million

#### Nara Stock Center



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#### Head Office





#### Branch



**1**approx. 1,983 m **2**approx. 1,001 m **3**2000 **4**16 **5**11,000 items **6**108,000 **7**\$0.8 million



**1** approx. 2,000 m **2** approx. 2,290 m **3** 2016 **4** 10 **5**20,000 items **6**137,000 **7**\$1.3 million

# Niigatakita Branch

**1** approx. 1,890 m **2** approx. 1,057 m **3** 2009 **4** 11 **5**13,000 items **6**124,000 **7**\$0.7 million



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**1**approx. 6,614 m **2**approx. 2,191 m **3**2007 **4**10 **5**8,000 items **6**96,000 **7**\$0.9 million



**1**approx. 3,312 m **2**approx. 1,474 m **3**2009 **4**12 **5**12,000 items **6**191,000 **7**\$0.7 million



Dapprox. 1,633 m 2 approx. 2,000 m 31991 414 **5**13,000 items **6**145,000 **7**\$0.9 million

#### Employee Dormitory



**TRUSCO'S Osaka 1**approx. 376 m<sup>2</sup>



Dapprox. 714 ml Dapprox. 5,818 ml 32014 4223 Dapprox. 1,520 ml Dapprox. 8,426 ml 32004 4159 Dapprox. 1,338 ml Dapprox. 2,667 ml (24 rooms) 32004 420



**1** approx, 3.626 m **2** approx, 2.730 m **3** 2016 **4** 20 **5**15,000 items **6**192,000 **7**\$1.2 million



**1** approx. 2,254 m **2** approx. 2,717 m **3** 2011 **4** 22 **5**24,000 items **6**302,000 **7**\$2.2 million



**1** approx. 2,429 m **2** approx. 2,469 m **3** 2004 **4** 18 **5**24,000 items **6**313,000 **7**\$1.8 million















Main corporate-owned properties are listed. **1**Site Area **2**Floor Area **3**Start of Operations (Current Building) **4**Number of Employees **()**Number of Products **()**Total Number of Items in Inventory **()**Inventory Value



**1** approx. 1,338 m **2** approx. 2,667 m **3** 2004 **4** 18







**5**13,000 items **6**162,000 **7**\$1.0 million





Nagoya Branch Mizuho Ward, Nagoya City, Aich **1** approx. 1,824 m **2** approx. 3,123 m **3** 1998 **4** 37





Dapprox. 9,084 m 2 approx. 2,307 m 32011 44 Dapprox. 1,758 m 2 approx. 1,603 m 32018 44



**1** approx. 10,621 m **2** approx. 1,983 m **3** 2021 **4** 1

# A Glance at TRUSCO Through Numbers

Through our business highlights for the 58th term, we express our company's performance through various figures, including key indicators. (For details on company performance, please see p.82.) (As of December 31, 2020) 'he year-on-year comparison is shown in the parentheses.

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58 Term 20	020 Dece	ember Pe	erformance	e Highlight	S The y	(As of December) year-on-year comparison is shown in the par
Sales Consolidated		\$1,994	million (-:	3.3%)		
Gross profit margin	Consolidated	2	1.5% (+0	0.2pt )		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	Consolidated	\$326	million (+5	.0%)		
Depreciation Consolidated	]	\$6	<b>1</b> million (+34	.6%)		
Ordinary income	Consolidated	\$108	million (-18	.6%)		
Net income Consolid attributable to sharehold of the parent company		\$74	million (-16	5.7%)	-	
per share Annual dividend		-	.28 (-\$0	.05)		
Market capitalizatio (As of December 31, 2020)	on	\$1,787	7 million	R&I Rating		
Shareholders' equit	ty ratio	63	3.7%	Α	2 2	okyo Head Office (TRUSCO Fiorito Bldg.)
Employees	uman Res <b>2,786</b>		Officers Full-time staff Part-time staff	,	_	
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Companies **5,515** (-77)

Number introduced 47 companies (-) (Started in January 2020)

Number of sales accounts 27,550 (+669)



Yamato Tanaka, Omiya Branch



MRO Stocker, which is like "Okigusuri," a business model that has been around for many years in Japan, but for tools.

Prod	ucts ——	
Total number of supplie	rs <b>2,652</b>	companies (+115 ) Japan <b>2,440</b> companie Overseas <b>212</b> companie
Inventory items	Number of items in inventory Total number of items in inventory Inventory value	$\begin{array}{c} \textbf{442,436} & (+50,237) \\ \textbf{5,174,506} & (-4,242,841) \\ \textbf{\$388} \text{ million} & (-\$19 \text{ million}) \end{array}$
TRUSCO Orange Book.Com Number of items listed		<b>2,337,220</b> (+316,179)
Private Brand (PB)	Number of items Sales	67,700 (+82,000) \$386 million (-5.9%)
TRUSCO Orange Book	Number of listed manufacturers Number of items	<b>1,851</b> (+75 companies) <b>471,000</b> (+31,000)
Distr	ibution —	
Number of distribution b	ases	26 Logistic centers 17 Stock centers 9
Floor areas of distribution centers in Japan	approx. 408,28	Logistic centers approx. 351,798 m <sup>4</sup> Branches with inventory approx. 56,485 m <sup>4</sup>
Invontory bit roto	o of products delivered fro k among our total numbe	om our company ) O1 O ( . O. C. )
TRUSCO delivery routes Perc Number of direct deliveries	deliv entage of TRUSCO del	Interpretation         Interpr
Inventory of materials to su	ipport recovery during	a disaster Inventory of 6 months (normally 3 months)
Digit Orange Commerce (electronic purchasing system)	al Service Numb companies conne Numb tem) factories conne	cted <b>390</b> companies (+33 companies) er of <b>1 11 1</b>
System order intake rat		<b>83.9</b> % (+0.8%)
Automated estimate rati		8.1% (-) (Started in January 2020
Number of order receipt		120,000 daily 29.30 per yea
Number of estimates provi Digital Expenditures (most		50,000 daily 0.54 per yea
ESG Number of shareholders (As of the end of the 58th term)		Number of attendees of the 57th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders1,652Attendance rate for the 57th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders4.1%
Trusco Power Generation I (Solar and wind power generation	IU	Power generation for 2020 2,551,776kWh
Renewable energy powe	er self-sufficiency ra	ate 18.9%
Corporate tax		\$40 million

Number of customers

MR0 Stocker



Private Brand Products



Customer Support Tool





AutoStore (high-precision robot-based storage system)

-39 companies) -179 companies) l in January 2020) 56 million per year **34** million per year



TRUSCO Data Center "Solemale"



Solar power generation equipment at Planet South Kanto / Power Generation Capacity: 300kW Number of Solar Panels: 1,190

Value Creation
Corporate Mission
Products
Distribution
Sales
Digital Service
Human Resources/ Financial
Corporate Governance and Social Contributions
Corporate Governance
Environmental Efforts
Relationships with Stakeholders
The Nakayama visually impaired welfare foundation
Corporate

# Results Data (Operating Results Indicators) (As of December 31, 2020)

Consolidated Accounting Started : Figures based on consolidated business results due to the start of consolidated accounting in 2019.







134 135 Ordinary Income Ratio

# Results Data (Sales Information) (As of December 31, 2020)





# Results Data (Operating Results Over the Past 10 Years)

				9-month financial results					onsolidated Accounting Starte	4	
	49 <sup>th</sup> term	50 <sup>th</sup> term	51 <sup>st</sup> term	52 <sup>nd</sup> term*	53 <sup>rd</sup> term	54 <sup>th</sup> term	55 <sup>th</sup> term	56 <sup>th</sup> term	57 <sup>th</sup> term	58 <sup>th</sup> term	59 <sup>th</sup> term
											2021/12
Operating Results	2012/3	2013/3	2014/3	2014/12	2015/12	2016/12	2017/12	2018/12	2019/12	2020/12	(planned)
Net sales (Year on Year) [Million USD] [%]	1,214 (+12.5)	1,236 (+1.8)	1,363 (+10.3)	1,069 (+10.1)	1,556 (+6.5)	1,654 (+6.3)	1,823 (+10.2)	2,002 (+9.8)	2,062	1,994 (-3.3)	2,126 (+6.6)
Average daily net sales (Year on Year) (Non-consolidated parent) [Million USD] [%]	5.0 (+12.0)	5.1 (+1.8)	5.6 (+10.3)	5.9 (+10.7)	6.5 (+6.5)	6.9 (+6.3)	7.5 (+8.8)	8.3 (+10.8)	8.7 (+5.0)	8.3 (-4.9)	8.8 (+6.0)
Gross income (Year on Year) [Million USD] [%]	247 (+12.5)	250 (+1.1)	277 (+10.9)	224 (+13.3)	334 (+9.9)	358 (+7.3)	386 (+7.9)	425 (+9.9)	439	429 (-2.4)	457 (+6.6)
Gross profit margin [%]	20.4	20.3	20.4	20.9	21.5	21.7	21.2	21.2	21.3	21.5	21.5
Selling, general and administrative expenses (Year on Year) [Million USD] [%]	169 (+0.3)	172 (+1.7)	183 (+6.2)	144 (+7.8)	212 (+10.0)	226 (+6.2)	253 (+12.0)	290 (+14.8)	310	326 (+5.0)	334 (+2.6)
Shipping expenses and packing costs (including fees for third-party delivery companies) [Million USD]	23	26	29	23	34	37	43	52	57	58	64
Depreciation [Million USD]	19	15	16	13	21	22	25	33	45	61	65
Salaries and bonuses (including bonus reserve inward/outward transfers) [Million USD]	72	74	80	63	89	99	110	115	116	113	113
Selling and administration expense ratio [%]	14.0	13.9	13.4	13.5	13.7	13.7	13.9	14.5	15.1	16.4	16.0
Operating income (Year on Year) [Million USD] [%]	78 (+52.7)	78 (-0.2)	94 (+21.3)	79 (+25.0)	121 (+9.7)	132 (+9.1)	133 (+0.8)	134 (+0.6)	128	102 (-20.1)	123 (+19.5)
Operating profit ratio [%]	6.4	6.3	6.9	7.4	7.8	8.0	7.3	6.7	6.3	5.2	5.8
Ordinary income (Year on Year) [Million USD] [%]	77 (+54.6)	77 (-0.0)	94 (+21.3)	79 (+25.3)	123 (+12.0)	134 (+9.2)	136 (+1.0)	136 (+0.4)	132	108 (–18.6)	129 (+19.6)
Ordinary income ratio [%]	6.4	6.3	6.9	7.4	7.9	8.2	7.5	6.8	6.4	5.4	6.1
Net income (Year on Year) [Million USD] [%]	36 (+36.9)	45 (+22.5)	55 (+23.6)	51 (+34.7)	77 (+11.9)	93 (+20.9)	95 (+2.1)	90 (-4.4)	89	74 (–16.7)	88 (+18.9)
Profit margin [%]	3.0	3.6	4.1	4.8	4.9	5.6	5.2	4.5	4.4	3.8	4.2
Cash and deposits [Million USD]	129	111	135	108	133	99	97	109	171	302	-
Merchandise [Million USD]	171	189	189	203	233	271	297	345	407	388	428
Fixed assets [Million USD]	416	448	484	511	534	593	725	854	981	993	
	388	412	449	469	488	536	634	735	870	897	_
Intangible fixed assets [Million USD]	10		19	17	16	20	31	55	79	64	
Total assets [Million USD]	910	934	1,025	1,027	1,122	1,196	1,377	1,590	1,832	1,951	
Net assets [Million USD]	734	769	813	849	913	989	1,062	1,127	1,191	1,242	
Shareholders' equity ratio [%]	80.6	82.3	79.3	82.7	81.4	82.7	77.1	70.9	65.0	63.7	
Note: The year-on-year change for the 52nd term was calculated by converting the 51st term into a nine-m											
Cash Flow		-		·							
Cash flows from operating activities [Million USD]	33	41	87	30	87	60	83	64	102	140	-
Corporate tax amount paid [Million USD]	-24	-36	-29	-40	-22	-54	-39	-38	-45	-40	-
Cash flows from investing activities [Million USD]	-29	-49	-51	-40	-47	-72	-155	-169	-184	-81	-
Cash flows from financing activities [Million USD]	-8	-11	-12	-16	-14	-21	69	116	136	72	-
Dividend amount paid [Million USD]	8	-11	-12	-16	-14	-21	-24	-23	-22	-21	-
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents [Million USD]	-4	-18	24	-26	25	-33	-2	11	54	130	-
Financial Indicators											
Return on assets (ROA) [%]	8.7	8.4	9.6	7.7	11.5	11.6	10.6	9.2	7.2	5.7	
Return on equity (ROE)* [%]	5.1	6.0	7.0	6.2	8.7	9.8	9.3	8.3	7.5	6.1	
Capital expenditures [Million USD]	32	48	57	32	42	76	134	160	184	75	51
*ROE concept: TRUSCO NAKAYAMA does not employ short-term strategies to increase ROE. W						-					
Information by Share											
Net income (EPS)* [USD]	0.55	0.68	0.84	0.77	1.16	1.41	1.44	1.37	1.36	1.13	_
Net assets (BPS)* [USD]	11.12	11.65	12.33	12.88	13.85	14.99	16.11	17.09	18.06	18.84	_
Annual dividend [USD]	0.32 (0.16)	0.34 (0.17)	0.42 (0.21)	0.39 (0.19)	0.58 (0.29)	0.71 (0.35)	0.36	0.34	0.34	0.28	0.34
Dividend payout ratio [%]	28.9	25.3	25.2	25.3	25.0	25.2	25.3	25.1	25.0	25.1	25.3
*The net income per share, net assets per share, and annual dividend amounts in parentheses before the 54th											
Sales by Segment (The results show sales performance announcing the settle the previous year which have been reclassified to correspo			ear comparisons are made	with the figures for							
Factory Route Sales (Year on Year) [Million USD] [%]	1,107 (+12.9)	1,119 (+1.6)	1,237 (+10.5)	943 (+10.1)	1,304 (+5.3)	1,363 (+4.5)	1,471 (+8.1)	1,580 (+7.4)	1,589	1,465 (–7.8)	1,536 (+4.8)
e-Business Route Sales (Year on Year) [Million USD] [%]	_	–	-	_	138 (+25.9)*1	173 (+24.9)	227 (+29.1)	287 (+26.1)	322	359 (+11.4)	408 (+13.9)
Home center route Sales (Year on Year) [Million USD] [%]	102 (+6.5)	102 (-1.2)	107 (+5.1)	81 (+0.2)	107 (-2.2)	112 (+4.8)	115 (+3.2)	125 (+8.6)	137	158 (+15.6)	165 (+4.2)
Overseas Route Sales (Year on Year) [Million USD] [%]	4 (+148.2)	14 (+70.5)	18 (+26.6)	44 (+35.2)	6 (+82.5)	5 (–15.2)	8 (+59.5)	9 (+5.3)	13*2	11 (–14.5)	16 (+40.0)
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\*1 e-Business Route added as a result of expanding sales since the 53rd period.
 \*2 Overseas Route established and business results of overseas subsidiaries included in figures due to the start of consolidated accounting in the 57th period.

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Corporate Data

# Results Data (Employee and Stock Information) (As of December 31, 2020)

					9-month financial results					Consolidated Accounting Started	I
Average Age	/Salary of Staff by Course	2012/3	2013/3	2014/3	2014/12	2015/12	2016/12	2017/12	2018/12	2019/12	2020/12
Number of	Total	1,718	1,785	1,905	1,980	2,143	2,293	2,571	2,727	2,796	2,786
employees*1	Officers	8	9	8	8	7	9	8	8	12	12
[persons]	Full-time Staff	1,178	1,179	1,219	1,280	1,349	1,424	1,514	1,608	1,656	1,674
	Part-time employees	532	597	678	692	787	860	1,049	1,111	1,128	1,100
	Female staff ratio	25.3	26.7	28.6	29.1	29.9	32.7	33.7	34.6	35.3	35.2
Average Age*1	Staff Average	39.5	39.6	39.7	39.4	39.6	39.3	38.6	38.2	38.2	38.4
[years]	Career course	35.2	35.5	35.3	34.6	34.1	33.5	33.7	33.3	33.1	33.5
	Area course	40.0	40.8	41.1	41.6	42.3	43.2	43.6	43.7	44.0	44.0
	Specialist course	32.8	33.2	33.5	34.7	36.5	36.1	36.1	36.4	37.0	37.2
	Support course	-	-	34.4	34.6	37.3	37.9	38.1	39.5	39.6	40.6
	Logistics course	44.7	45.7	45.8	44.0	42.7	40.2	37.9	36.8	37.2	37.1
Average Salary	Staff Average*3	54.9 (57.9)	56.4 (59.5)	56.7 (59.8)	59.9 (62.8)	61.6 (63.9)	62.9 (66.2)	66.8 (70.1)	65.5 (69.0)	61.2 (64.6)	57.8 (61.3)
[thousand USD]	Managers including branch managers, center managers, and Head Office section managers	81.5 (86.8)	81.3 (86.5)	81.9 (87.2)	87.3 (92.8)	92.8 (97.1)	99.4 (105.4)	107.7 (114.2)	107.4 (114.6)	106.1 (114.0)	105.4 (113.1)
The average salary including financial bonds*2	<ul> <li>Department general managers, division general managers, and deputy general managers (does not include officers)</li> </ul>	122.3 (132.9)	117.8 (128.2)	130.8 (140.3)	129.5 (140.6)	137.3 (146.6)	153.0 (164.8)	162.0 (174.0)	161.9 (175.3)	140.0 (151.4)	135.1 (146.9)
is shown in the	Career course	61.8 (65.4)	64.2 (67.9)	64.1 (67.8)	66.9 (70.6)	67.9 (70.7)	70.7 (74.4)	75.2 (79.2)	75.1 (79.4)	70.8 (75.1)	67.3 (71.7)
parentheses.	Area course	51.2 (53.9)	52.8 (55.6)	53.2 (56.9)	57.1 (60.0)	58.8 (61.1)	60.8 (64.1)	65.0 (68.3)	63.5 (67.0)	60.0 (63.5)	56.1 (59.6)
	Specialist course	55.7 (58.4)	52.7 (55.1)	53.4 (55.9)	58.4 (61.0)	64.2 (66.5)	68.7 (72.2)	70.8 (74.4)	71.1 (75.1)	66.8 (70.7)	63.5 (67.5)
	Support course	-	-	41.2 (43.3)	44.3 (46.3)	45.5 (47.1)	45.9 (48.4)	46.9 (49.2)	48.2 (50.6)	44.1 (46.8)	42.0 (44.4)
	Logistics course	41.4 (42.6)	43.2 (44.5)	42.9 (44.2)	45.5 (46.8)	50.0 (50.9)	48.5 (50.2)	50.5 (52.3)	48.5 (50.3)	45.9 (47.8)	43.0 (44.9)

Number of Employees with Disabilities [persons] (statutory employment rate based hires)	24 (25)	26 (37)	43 (29)	48 (32)	54 (43)	61 (38)	67 (43)	67 (48)	66 (51)	66 (50)
Employee Rate of Persons with Disabilities [%]	2.1	2.1	2.3	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.1	2.9	2.9	2.9

#### Status of Stock As of December 31, 2020



Japanese corporations 21,835,312 33.08% Foreign corporations, etc. 11,574,458 17.53% Financial firms/stock brokerages 17,252,688 26.14% Treasury stock 65,589 0.10% 66,008,744 Total

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#### Comparison of TRUSCO NAKAYAMA Market Capitalization and Principal Indicators



-0.40%

94.98%

26.14%

17.53%

23.15%

33.08%

-0.01%

Note: The company's share price is based on the assumption that a stock split was conducted before the fiscal year ended December 2016. (Index: 100 in April 2008)

#### No. of New Employees and Retirees

		As of December 31, 2015	As of December 31, 2016	As of December 31, 2017	As of December 31, 2018	As of December 31, 2019	As of December 31, 2020
Employees	Women Men	404 945	465 959	510 1,004	557 1,051	585 1,071	589 1,085
	Total	1,349	1,424	1,514	1,608	1,656	1,674
New	Women Men	38 56	77 33	59 67	63 72	52 57	41 46
employees	Total	94	110	126	135	109	87
New	Women Men	30 32	66 31	46 37	58 60	46 50	37 42
graduates	Total	62	97	83	118	96	79
Retirees	Women Men	8 24	20 18	18 18	20 26	42 44	37 33
	Total	32	38	36	46	86	70
Turnover rate	Women Men	1.9 2.5	4.1 1.8	3.4 1.8	3.5 2.4	6.7 3.9	5.9 3.0
	Total	2.3	2.6	2.3	2.8	4.9	4.0

#### Some of the Main Reasons for Resignation in 2020 Average Staff Salary

- · To attend school in order to obtain an elementary school teaching license
- · To concentrate on acquiring qualifications as an accountant
- · To change to a career in the restaurant industry
- · To acquire new knowledge and skills in a new environment
- · To take care of my family
- · To attend a vocational school in the film industry
- · To become a care worker (early retirement)

• To get married and move to the U.S. (Welcome Back Program\*) \*This program is for the re-employment of staff who had to resign to raise a child, take care of a sick family member, undergo infertility treatments, or to accompany their spouse overseas due to a work appointment within ten years of their resignation.

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	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Staff Average	\$62.9 (\$66.3)	\$66.8 (\$70.1)	\$65.5 (\$69.0)	\$61.2 (\$64.6)	\$57.8 (\$61.3)
Career Course	\$70.7 (\$74.5)	\$75.3 (\$79.2)	\$75.1 (\$79.4)	\$70.8 \$75.1	\$67.3 (\$71.7)
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Note: Includes overseas employees on loan since 2018.

\*Figures in parentheses include financial bonds

\*Staff averages include the executive officer.

The base has been increased over a three-year plan from 2015 to revise the base salary and performance bonuses of staff. The hourly wage for part-time employees was also increased \$0.28 across the board in 2017. Reduced due to the stoppage of performance-linked bonuses from 2019.

\*1USD=107JPY

# **History**

"GAMBARE!! JAPANESE MONODZUKURI" This slogan has always evolved in response to the trends of the times and social changes. We develop business that plays a role in helping, even slightly, with the development of Japanese manufacturing, "Monodzukuri," through our business supplying PRO TOOL.

1959	1959	●May 15 Founded as a machine tool wholesale business in 7	īennoji-ku, Os	saka, as Nakayama Kiko Shokai
	1962	Nagoya Sales Office (Atsuta-ku, Nagoya) opened		
<b>1960</b> s	1964	<ul> <li>March 2 Established Nakayama Kiko Co., Ltd. (Higashi-ku,</li> <li>Tokyo office (Minato-ku, Tokyo) opened</li> <li>Launched first product catalog "Nakayama Business Bulleti</li> <li>Sales of our first private brand product "Red Lead" started</li> </ul>		ent Chuo-ku)
	1967	Steel center opened		
1970 <sub>s</sub>	1971	<ul> <li>Nakayama Filing Co., Ltd. established</li> <li>Head office moved to the Higashiosaka Machinery and Wholesale Complex in Osaka Prefecture</li> </ul>	1975	First online system "FACOM230-15" operation
4000	1981	Started sales to the home center industry	1987	Merger with Nakayama Filling Co., Ltd. (Surviving company is Nakayama Kiko Co., Ltd.)
1980s	1982	<ul> <li>Started training for new employees (Shigisan, Nara Prefecture)</li> </ul>	1989	Store registration/Public offering of stocks
	1991	New information system "N-STEP" goes into operation		GAMBARE!! JAPANESE MONODZUKURI" company
	1992	●CI "B-E-Plan 21 Corporate Evolution Activities" start	1995	message start ●Listed on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Section of the TSE
1990 <sub>s</sub>		<ul> <li>Shareholder benefit plan introduction</li> <li>Changed the company name from Nakayama Kiko Co.,</li> </ul>	1996	●Listed on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Section of the TSE and OSE
10005	1994	Ltd. to Truppo Nakovama Corporation	1997	<ul> <li>Nakayama Welfare Foundation for the Visually Impaired founded</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Listed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Section of the OSE</li> <li>Tetsuya Nakayama assumed the position of Representative Director and President</li> </ul>		●Net sales exceed \$934 million
	2000	Fax machine-assisted automatic order entry system     "DOTKUL" begins operations		Goods receipt abolition Two head office system started with the Tokyo Head
		<ul> <li>Name of the company's comprehensive catalog changed to "Orange Book"</li> </ul>	2002	Office in Minato-ku, Tokyo opened Internet order receiving system "Web TRUSCO" started
2000s	2001	Activities for eliminating draft transactions started     Relief health care system started     Holf day full time ample as writem started		<ul> <li>operation</li> <li>Started digital relay at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in Osaka and Tokyo</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Half-day full-time employee system started</li> <li>Promotion OJS system started (OJS=Open Judging System)</li> </ul>	2003	<ul> <li>Personnel evaluation OJS system started</li> <li>Financial bond (annual payment for severance) introduction</li> <li>Private Brand (PB) names unified under the name of TRUSCO</li> <li>Moved away from home appliances and lifestyle prod-</li> </ul>



1959, the year of the company's founding, President Tetsuya Nakayama is in the center of the photo





product "Komyotan" started (1964)



Head office moved to

Higashiosaka City (1971)

Nakayama Filing Co., Ltd.

established (1971)



Newspaper articles about the Tetsuya Nakayama assumes company's public offering (1989) position of President (1994)



Opened the first Logistics

Center Planet Kyushu (1994)





TRUSCO stock listed in First Sections of the Tokyo Stock Exchange (1996)



ucts to specialize in PRO TOOLs

comprehensive catalog changed from "Nakayama Business Bulletin" to "Orange Book" (2000)



Tokyo Head Office is established (2002)



New Year's Message from President Nakayama (2003)

	2004	<ul> <li>Internal company salesman "Orange Doctor" qualification exam started</li> <li>Osaka Head Office moved from Higashiosaka, Osaka to Nishi-ku, Osaka</li> </ul>	2007	<ul> <li>General Meeting of Shareholders held at 2 venues in Osaka and Tokyo simultaneously</li> <li>Electronic purchasing system "Orange Commerce" operation</li> </ul>	Creation Corporate
2000s	2005	<ul> <li>ISO14001 acquired for all Japanese domestic business sites</li> <li>Started a desired relocation/Lovebirds Transfer Program</li> <li>Total abolition of all draft exchanges</li> </ul>	2008	<ul> <li>Order substitution system "MR.Orange" operation</li> <li>Acquired the "KURUMIN" certification mark for next-generation training</li> <li>Inventory management system "ZAICON" operation</li> </ul>	
	2006	<ul> <li>Product search site "orange-book.com" operation</li> <li>Core system "Paradise" operation</li> <li>Boss challenge course (responsible person appointment system) started</li> </ul>	2009	<ul> <li>50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of company foundation</li> <li><i>"TRUSCO RESETPLAN"</i> implementation to deal with the economic downturn precipitated by the Lehman Brothers bankruptcy</li> </ul>	Products
	2010	<ul> <li>TRUSCO Shonan Ohashi Bridge naming rights acquired</li> <li>Grouping of logistic centers and setting up of core centers</li> <li>Subsidiary TRUSCO NAKAYAMA CORPORATION (THAILAND) LIMITED. Established [former company name Protool Nakayama (Thailand)]</li> </ul>	2016	<ul> <li>Upgraded to "A" with issue size through the Rating and Investment (R&amp;I) Information Co., Ltd.</li> <li>TRUSCO new social work grant system started</li> <li>"Best IR Award for Encouragement" recipient</li> </ul>	Distribution
	2012	<ul> <li>New logistics system "TRULOGIS" operation</li> <li>Officers, executive officers and division general managers OJS system started</li> </ul>	2017	<ul> <li>TRUSCO Orange Book AI Section New establishment</li> <li>"TRUSCO Shirarezaru Gulliver" broadcast started</li> <li>Distribution Department new establishment</li> <li>Product database: "Sterra" is launched into operation</li> <li>Health management superior corporation 2017</li> </ul>	Sales
2010s	2013 2014	<ul> <li>Sales activity support system "Self.!" operation</li> <li>e-commerce Sales Division, Overseas Division new establishment</li> <li>Welcome back system started</li> <li>e-business Sales Division (former E-commerce Sales Division) new establishment</li> <li>55<sup>th</sup> anniversary of company foundation</li> <li>President OJS started at the General Meeting of Shareholders</li> <li>Fiscal year changed from March to December</li> </ul>	2018	<ul> <li>(White 500) certified</li> <li>Sales exceeded \$1,869 million</li> <li>Porter Prize 2018 Winner</li> <li><i>TRUSCO Orange Book.Com renewal open</i></li> <li>Planet Saitama starts operations</li> <li>Health management superior corporation 2018 (White 500) certified</li> </ul>	Digital Service
	2015	<ul> <li>Tokyo Head Office (Shimbashi, Minato-ku, Tokyo) registered as company head office</li> <li>Subsidiary PT.TRUSCO NAKAYAMA INDONESIA establishment</li> <li>Part-time Staff OJS system started</li> <li>Asunaro subsidy system started</li> <li>Representative Office Germany (Düsseldorf) is established</li> </ul>	2019	<ul> <li>Consolidated accounting started</li> <li>60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of company foundation</li> <li>Health management superior corporation 2019 (White 500) certified</li> <li>Establishment of Trusco Nakayama Health Insurance Association</li> <li>Information Systems Dept. new establishment</li> </ul>	Human Resources/ Financial
2020s	2020	<ul> <li>Core system: "Paradise 3" starts operations</li> <li>Health management superior corporation 2020 certified</li> <li>Planet South Kanto is rebuilt and put into operation</li> <li>The Digital Service Strategy Department (formerly the Information Systems Dept.) is established</li> <li>Selected as a DX Stocks 2020 "DX Grand Prix" company</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Shareholder special benefit plan is abolished</li> <li>President Tetsuya Nakayama awarded Medal with Blue Ribbon</li> <li>PRO TOOL Restrictions Removed</li> <li>Received the Information Technology Award "IT Grand Prize"</li> </ul>	Corporate Governance and Social Contributions
		Selected as a DA Stocks 2020 DA Grand PTX Company			Corporate Governance



Final note payable

(August 2003)

PRO TOOL

Brand logo (after brand

integration) (2003)

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Final note receivable (December 2005)







PT. TRUSCO NAKAYAMA INDONESIA building (2019)







Relocation of Tokyo (2014)





TRUSCO NAKAYAMA CORPORATION Representative Office (THAILAND) LIMITED building (2016) Germany (Düsseldorf) (2015)



Head Office TV program broadcasting starts (2017)



Planet Saitama (2018)



TRUSCO receives Porter Prize (2018)



Trusco Nakavama Health Insurance Association established (2019)



Planet South Kanto (2020)

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