



Earnings Briefing Materials for FY2022 2Q 2021.07.01-2021.12.31

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Business Highlights (FY2022 Q2)

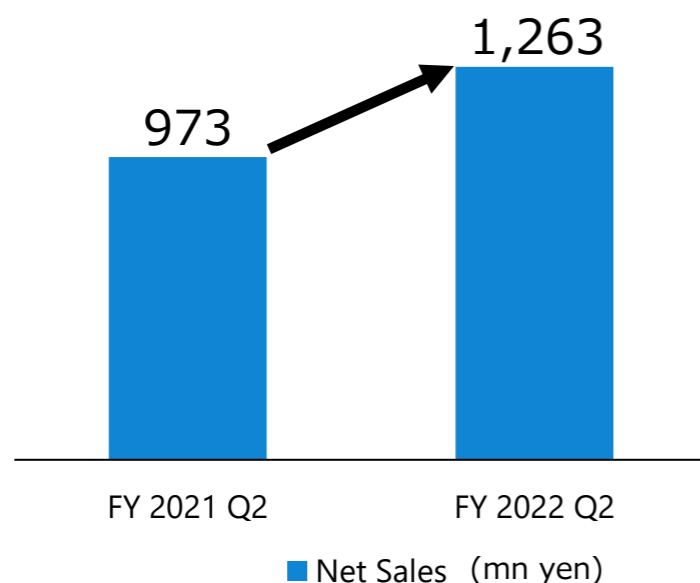
Highlights

- Improve R&D Capabilities and DX Promotion lead to Sales expansion
- Steady progress made against full-year earnings forecast

Net Sales

12.6 billions of yen

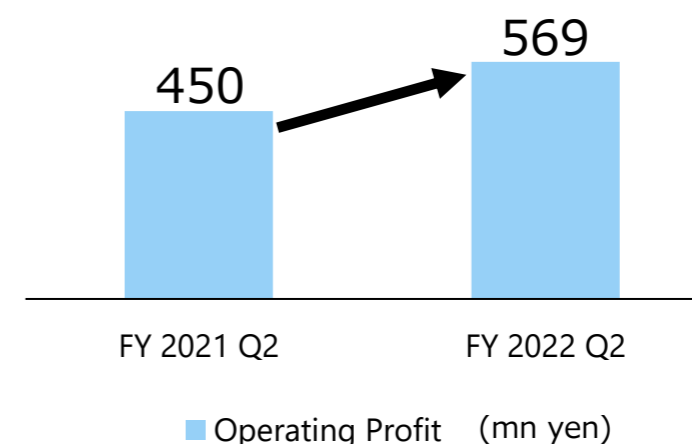
Progress against
full-year earnings forecast: **+50.4%**
Change from the same
period of the previous year: **+29.8%**



Operating Profit

5.6 billions of yen

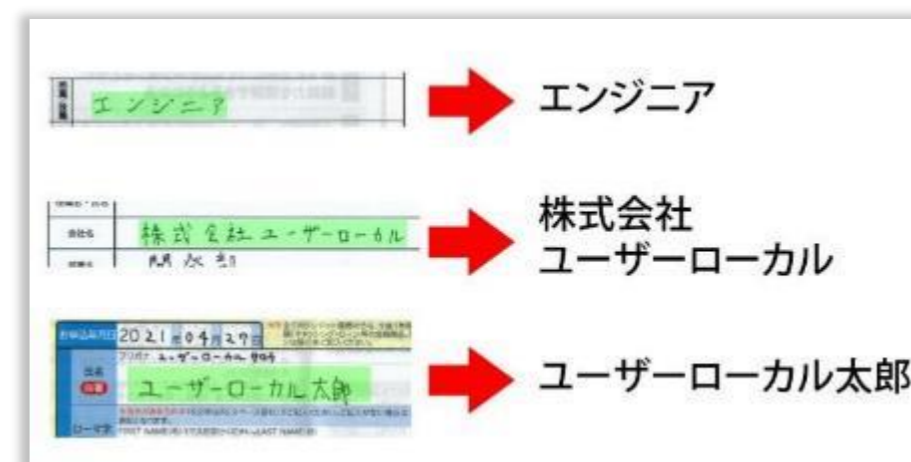
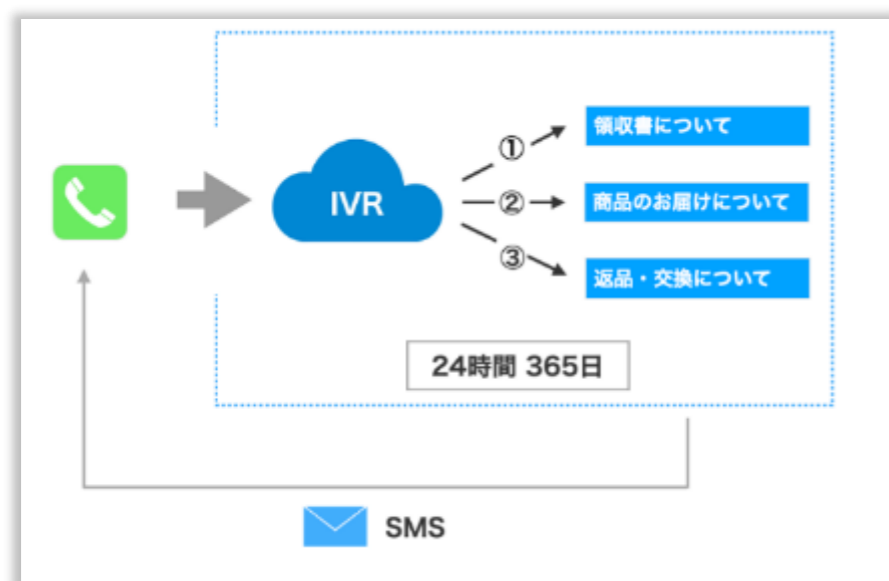
Progress against
full-year earnings forecast: **+57.8%**
Change from the same
period of the previous year: **+26.4%**



Highlights

● Business domain expanded through development of new AI services

「Automated Telephone Inquiry Response AI」 「Handwritten Character Recognition AI」



● Proportion of AI engineers at the company increased

Increased the proportion of AI engineers among in-house engineers to **70%**

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Business Strategies

Management Philosophy

Driving global evolution by combining Big data and AI

**Solving social and corporate issues with data analysis
and AI technologies**

**Aiming for a society where everyone can benefit from
automation and efficiency**

Our Strength for Innovation

AI

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Big Data

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SaaS

1 Providing in-demand services

Observing user behavior using tools developed in-house and creating services tailored to current demands

2 Virtuous cycle of algorithm Improvements

As the number of users increases, the amount and types of data increase, thereby enhancing AI precision and analysis capabilities

① Increased Users



② Increased data volume and variety

③ Improved Accuracy of AI · Analysis

3 Securing tech personnel

User Local is a youthful company, with an average employee age of 28, and many employees with post-grad degrees working on R&D

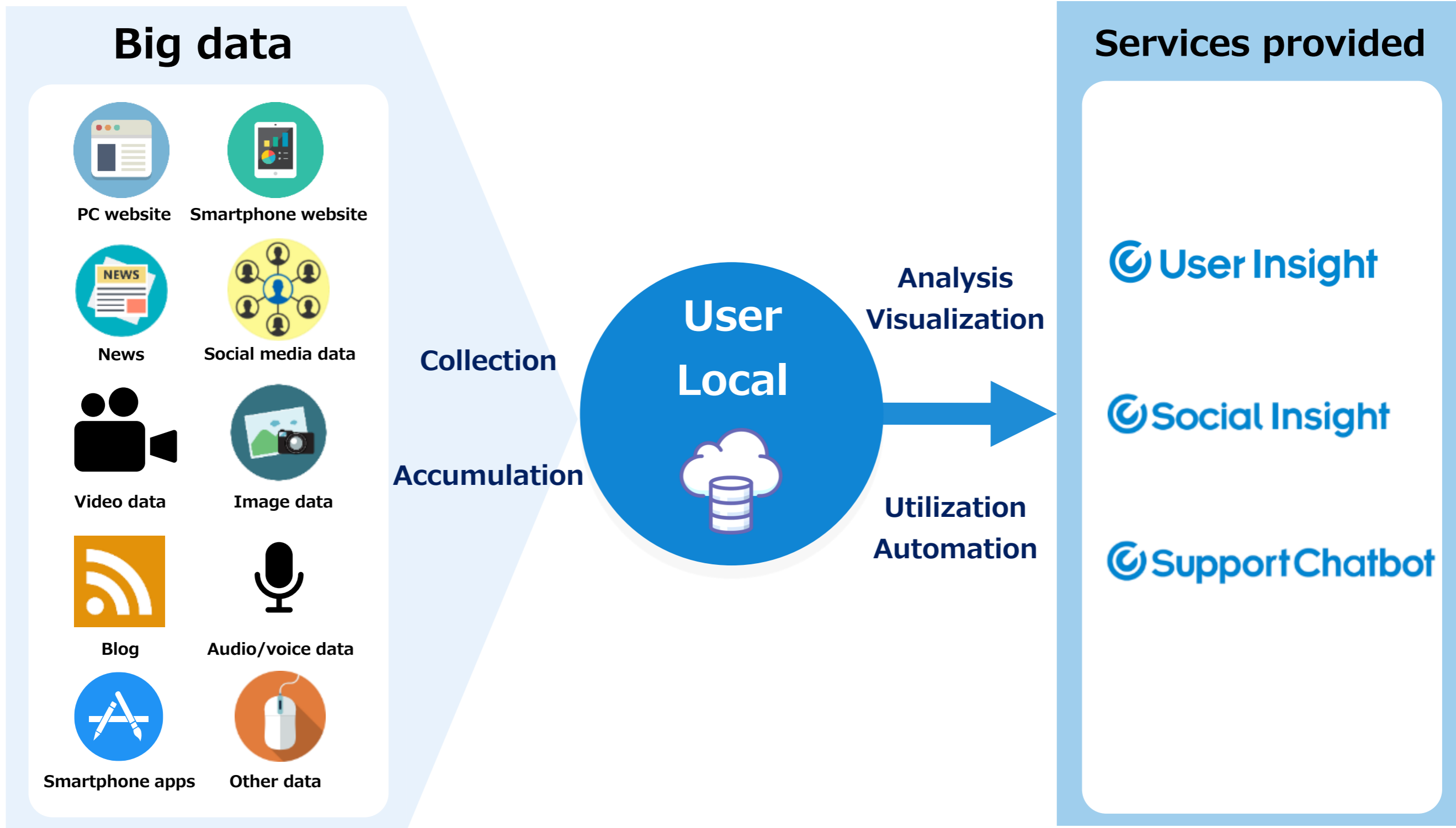
4 R&D of Big Data and AI

Promoting the enhancement of our AI algorithms, the application of our algorithm to existing services, and the new development of AI services

5 Continuous stable growth based on high profitability

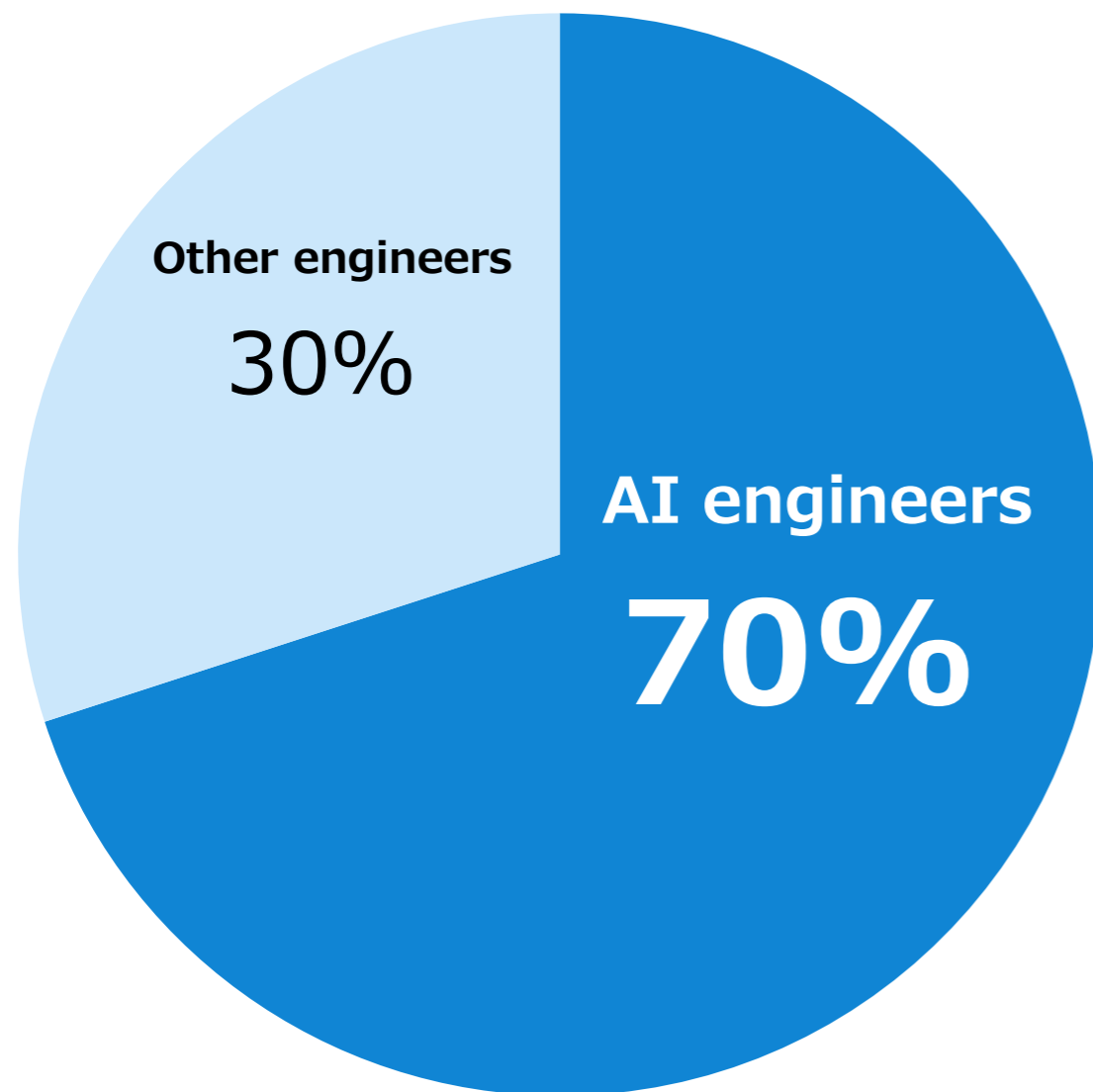
Achieving continuous stable growth based on high profitability and low-cost operations

"Accumulation" → "Analysis" → "Visualization" of Large Amounts of Data



Achieved 70% AI Engineer Ratio

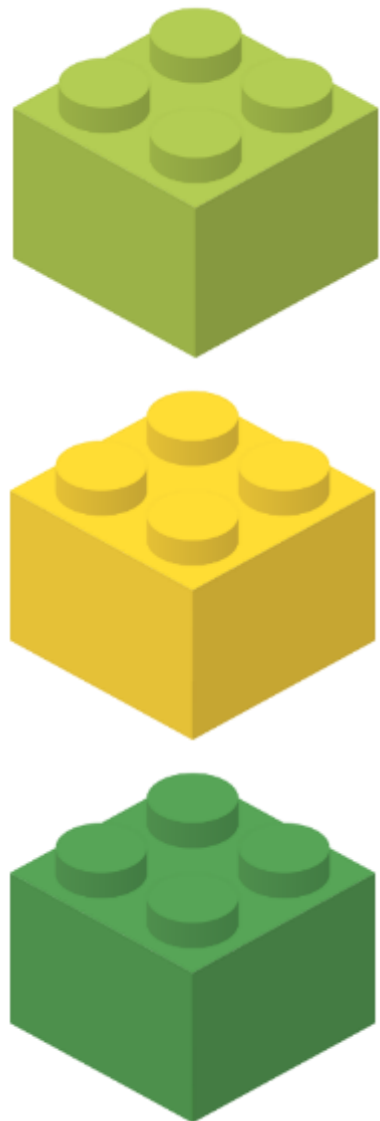
Strengthening hiring and in-house training of AI engineers to respond to the progress of AI technology and needs for social implementation



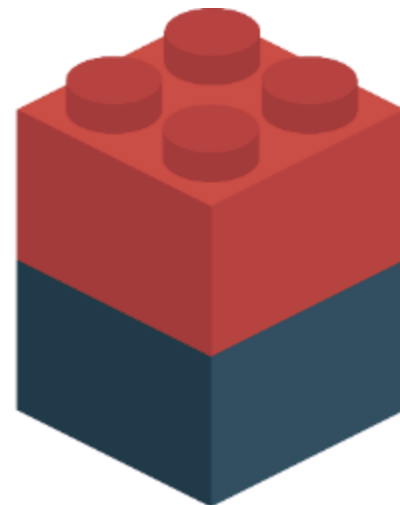
- **Promoting R&D of AI algorithms**
- **Implementing developed algorithms in existing and new services**
- **An average age of 28 Engineering team**

Create Products from New Combinations of Individual AI Algorithms

Individual AI algorithms



Big data and processing infrastructure already held



More sophisticated versions of existing products



Existing product line-up

New AI services

Expansion of the Areas where Big Data and AI are Utilized

Natural language processing

AI text mining

Quantitative and qualitative analysis of large amounts of text data

Personal information processing AI

Automatic anonymization of personal information contained in electronic documents

Text emotion recognition AI

Reading emotions from text input



Voice processing

Voice emotion recognition AI

Reading of emotions from voice input

Voice meeting minutes service

Automatic creation of online meeting minutes



Image processing

Handwritten character recognition AI

Recognizes handwritten characters on documents, etc.

Expression inference AI

Reading emotions from facial images

Facial recognition AI

Age and gender identification from facial images



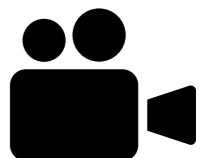
Video processing

Position inference AI

Estimating a person's posture from images and videos

Line of sight inference AI

Estimating where a person in a video is looking



Product Lifecycles

Entering new fields becomes possible with the growth of existing services

FY6/2009~

 **User Insight**
Website analysis



FY6/2012~

 **Social Insight**
Social media analysis



FY6/2017~

 **Support Chatbot**
Chatbot



Continuously strengthen product lifecycles to create new corporate value



① **R&D**

(Creation of new services)



② **Hardware Investment**

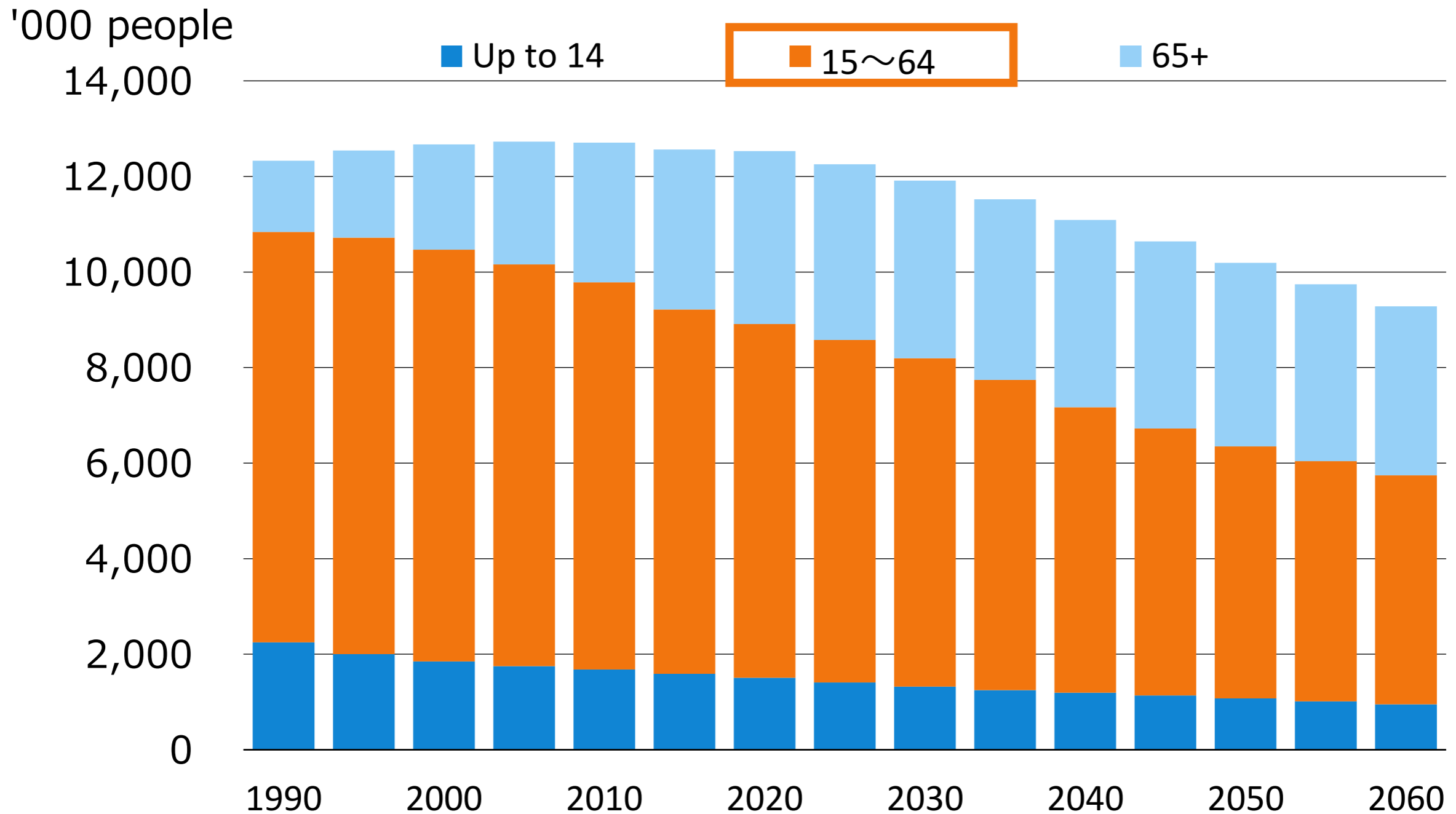
(Servers, SSD, and GPUs)



③ **Actively expanding sales**

(Strengthening personnel and boosting awareness)

Declining Domestic Labor Force is Becoming a Serious Issue



Source: "National Census Results," Statistics Bureau of Japan up to 2015, and "Population Projection for Japan," National Institute of Population and Social Security Research from 2020 onward

Response to Issues Related to the Structure of Society in Japan

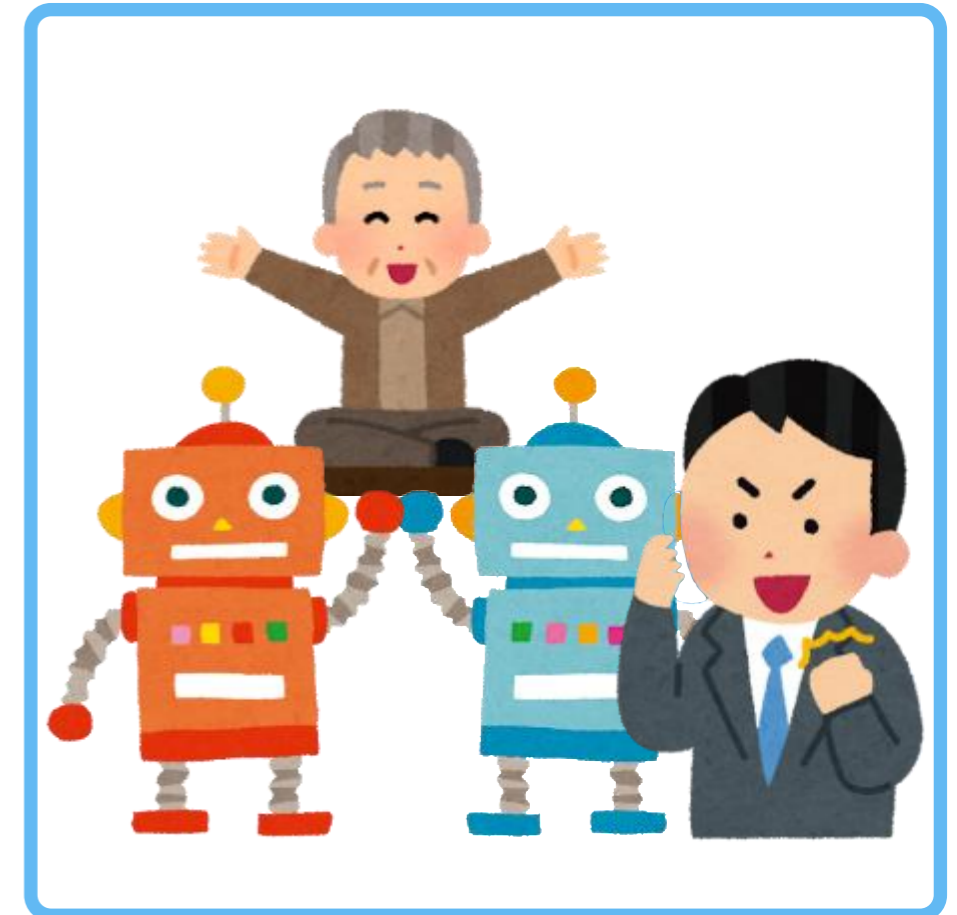
Society until the 20th century



Future projection



Enhancing labor capabilities with AI

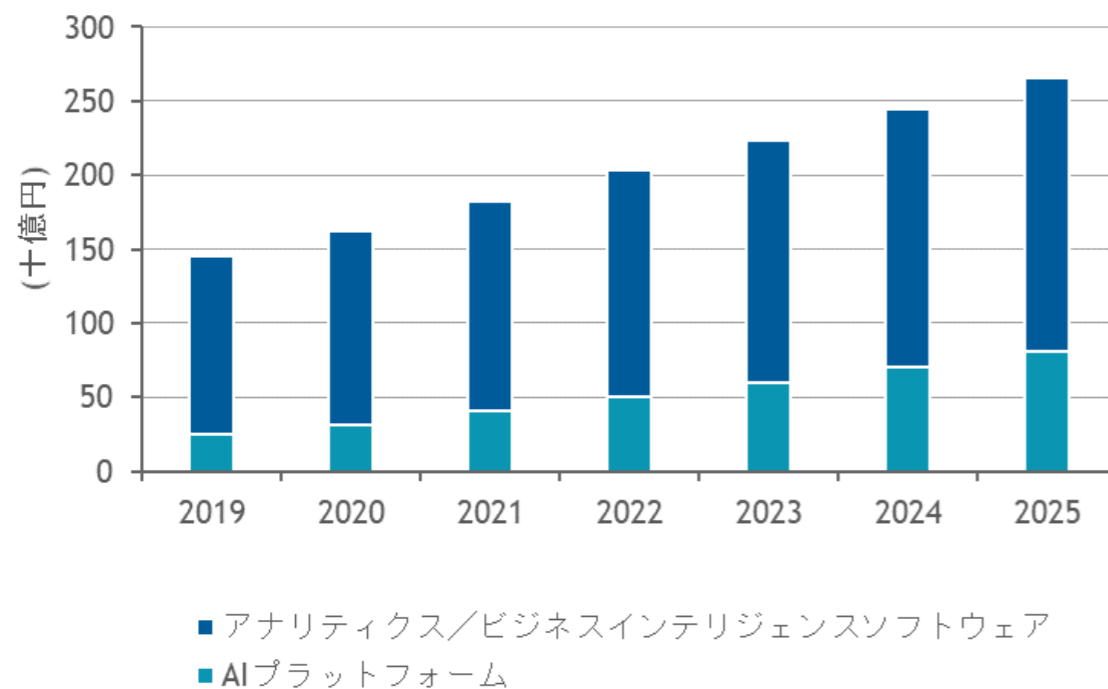


In response to the projected decline in the domestic working population, User Local aims to use data and AI to enhance productivity and achieve automation

Market Needs

【Domestic Analytics /AI Platform market forecast】

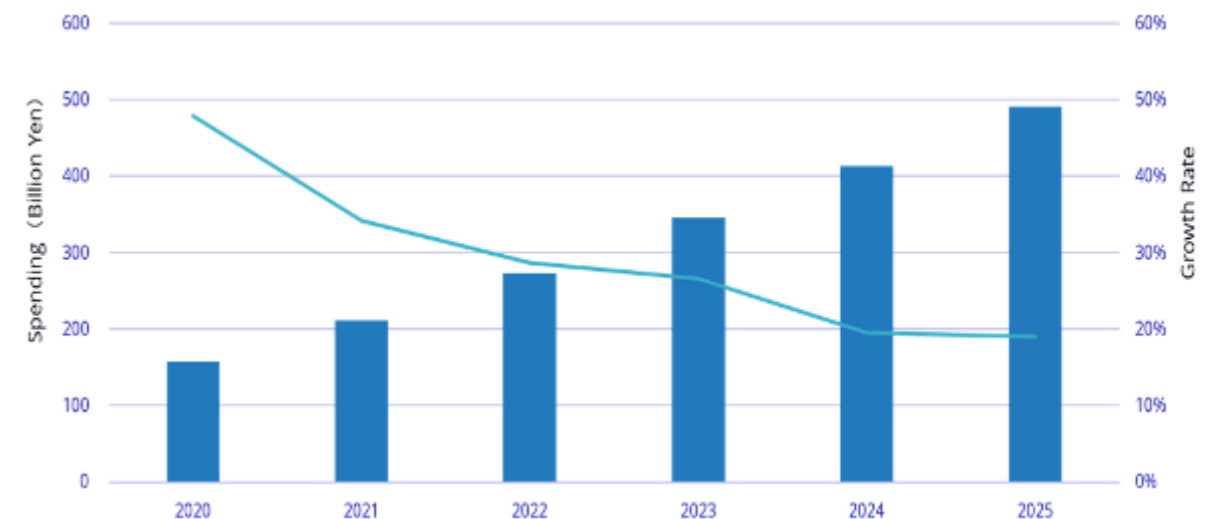
In 2020, the domestic analytics/AI platform market will grow 12.1% YoY in terms of revenue value, to 162.675 billion yen ※1



※1 Source: IDC Japan Press Release 「Domestic Analytics /AI Platform market forecast」 (2021/6/29)

【Domestic AI system market forecast】

From 2020 to 2025, CAGR(Compound Annual Growth Rate) will remain at 25.5% and to 490.981 billion yen in 2025. ※2



※2 Source: IDC Japan Press Release 「Domestic AI system market forecast」 (2021/6/2)

Market Needs : Growing importance of DX and AI promotion

The Corona disaster has changed the social activities and consumption behavior of people

In order to respond to changes in the business environment and continue to create new value, the use of digital technology will become indispensable

DX domestic market research

Exceeding 3,000 billion yen by FY2030

DX domestic market (Investment amount)	2019	Forecast for 2030	Compared to 2019
Transportation	219 B yen	905 B yen	4.1 times
Finance	151 B yen	584 B yen	3.9 times
Manufacturing	97 B yen	450 B yen	4.6 times
Distribution	36 B yen	237 B yen	6.5 times
Medical / long-term care	58 B yen	188 B yen	3.2 times
Real estate	16 B yen	90 B yen	5.6 times
Other industries	55 B yen	209 B yen	3.8 times
Sales / marketing	100 B yen	259 B yen	2.6 times
Customer service	57 B yen	119 B yen	2.1 times
Total	791 B yen	3,042 B yen	3.8 times

AI domestic market

Expected in 2020	Compared to 2019	2025 forecast	Compared to 2019
1,108 B yen	115.4%	1,935 B yen	2.0 times

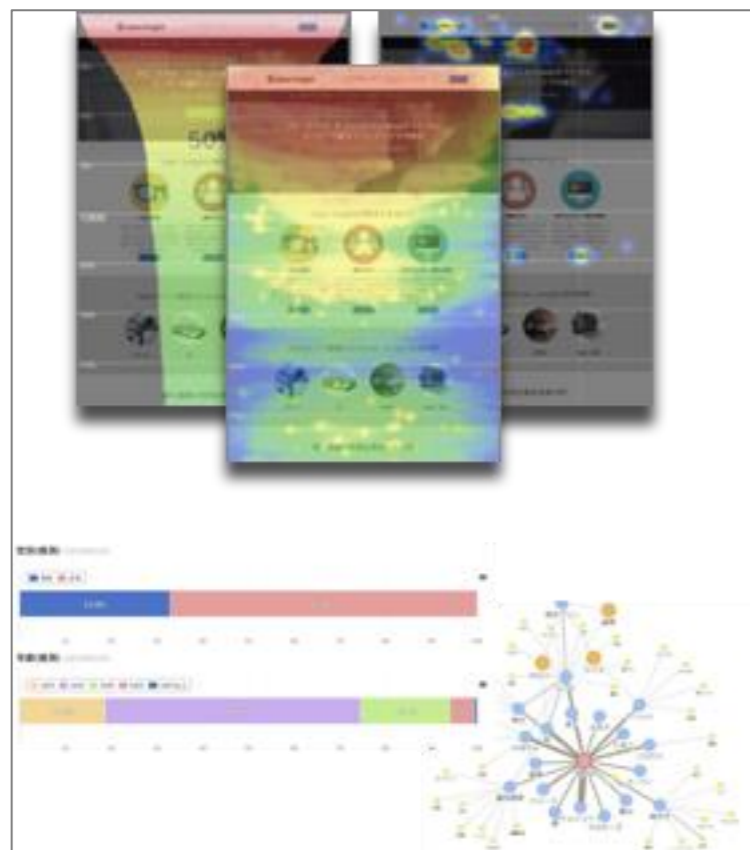
The use of AI will further increase as one of the elemental technologies for companies to achieve digital transformation, and is expected to reach 1,935 billion yen in FY2025, 2.0 times the FY2019 level

Business Development in Growth Markets of Big Data and AI

Marketing support with big data technologies

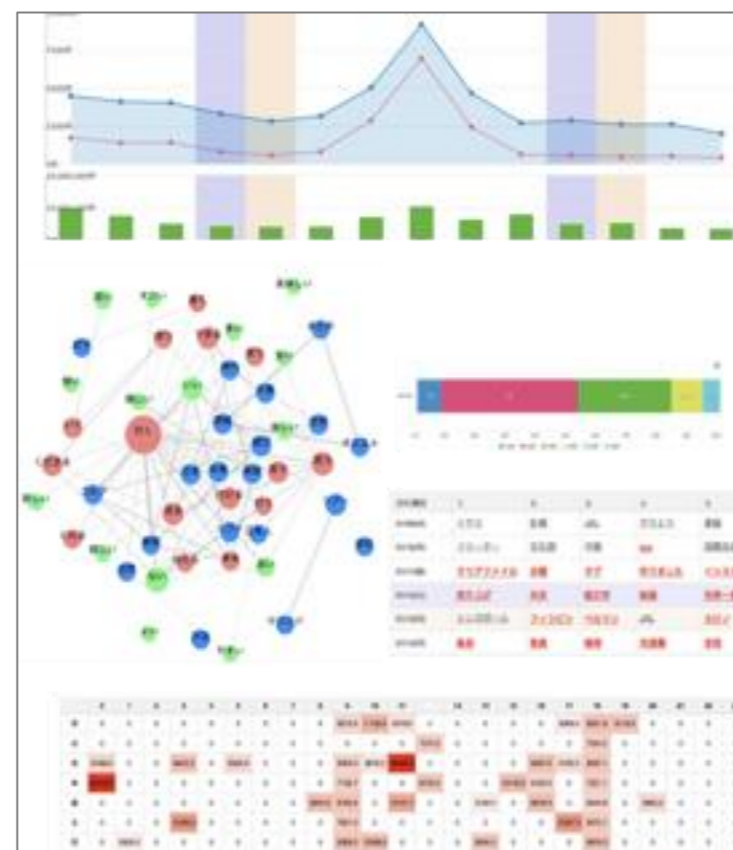
User Insight

Website analysis



Social Insight

Social media analysis

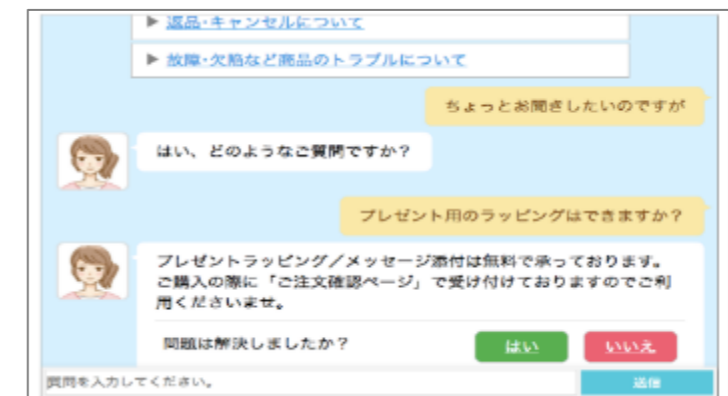


Expanded automation functions
to be widely used as an automated marketing tool

Support automation with AI

Support Chatbot

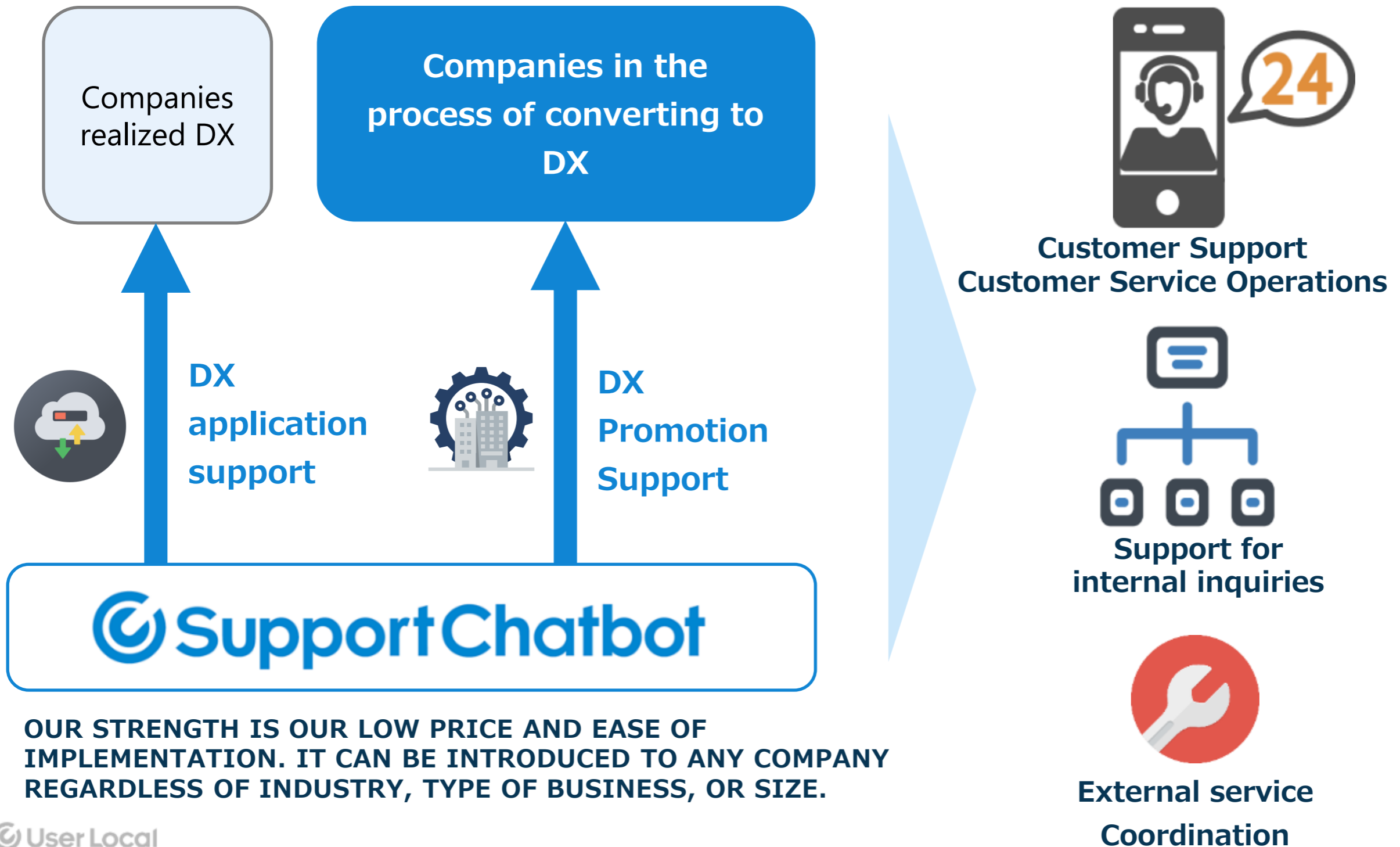
Chatbot






**A tool that automates the inquiry handling process
to support efficient operations and improve user satisfaction**

Elimination of labor shortages, improvement of labor productivity, and increase of customer satisfaction



Suitable for Various Industries and Operations

Internal Use



Information systems helpdesk



General affairs, personnel, and accounting operations



Sales and marketing support

External Use



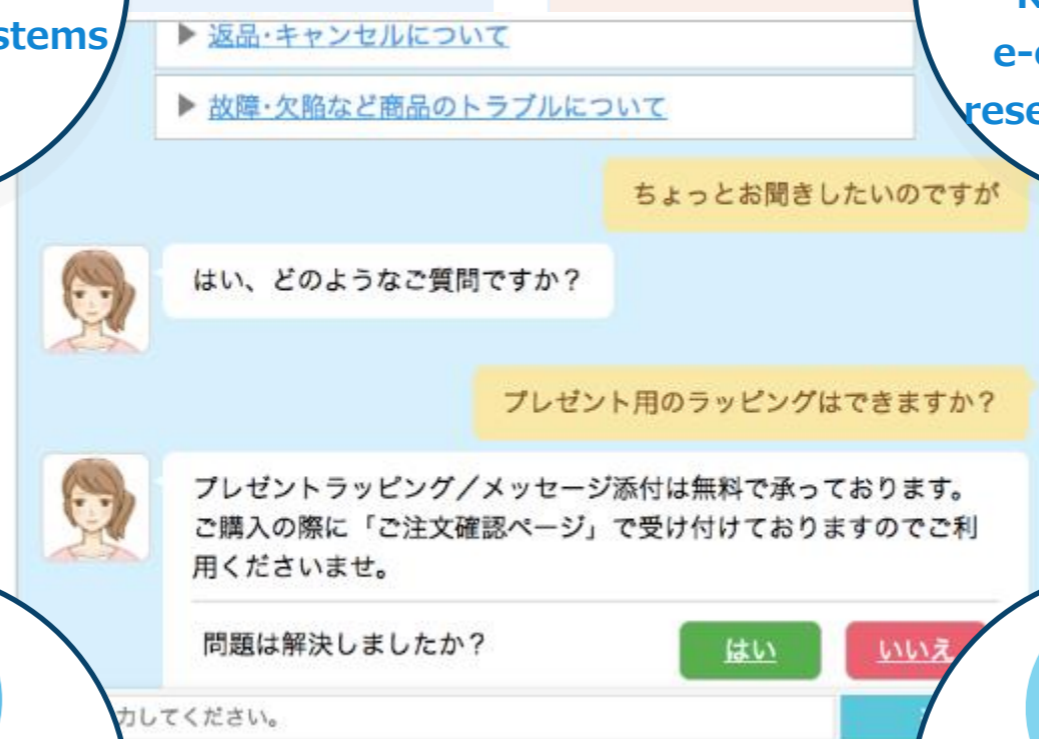
Responding to e-commerce and reservation website inquiries



Call center response operations

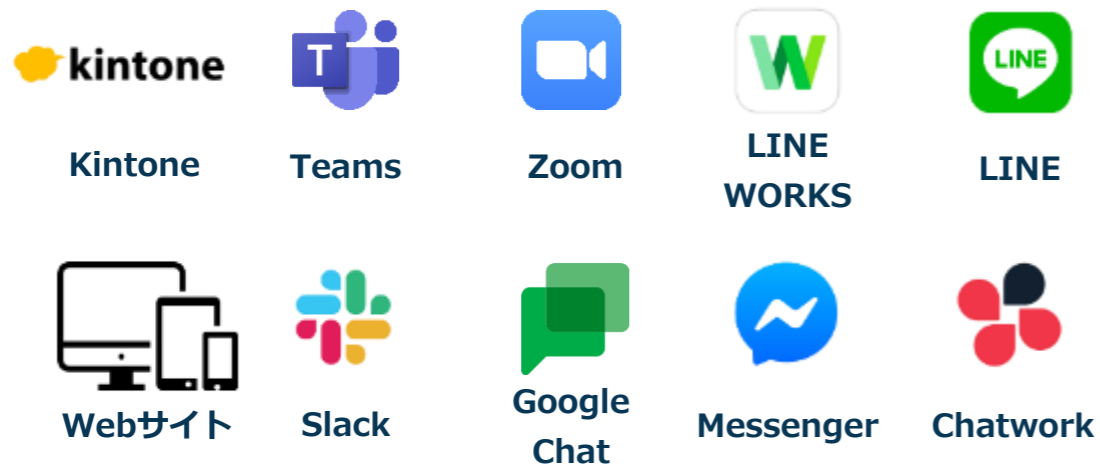


Public institution contact point responses

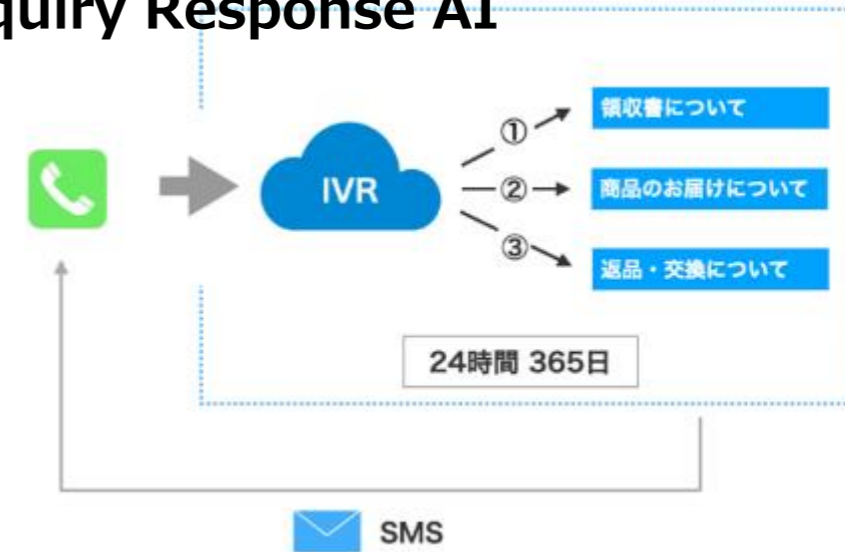


SupportChatbot Expanding the use of Chatbot functions

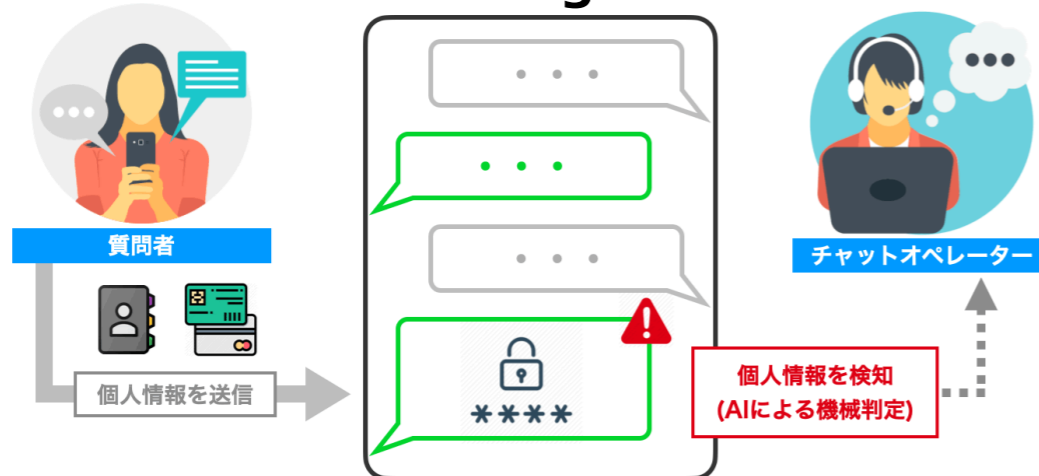
Strengthening coordination with external communication tools



Launch of Automated Telephone Inquiry Response AI



Automatic detection of personal information during chat



Support for automatic translation into over 100 languages



Multi-language support functions enable global customer support.

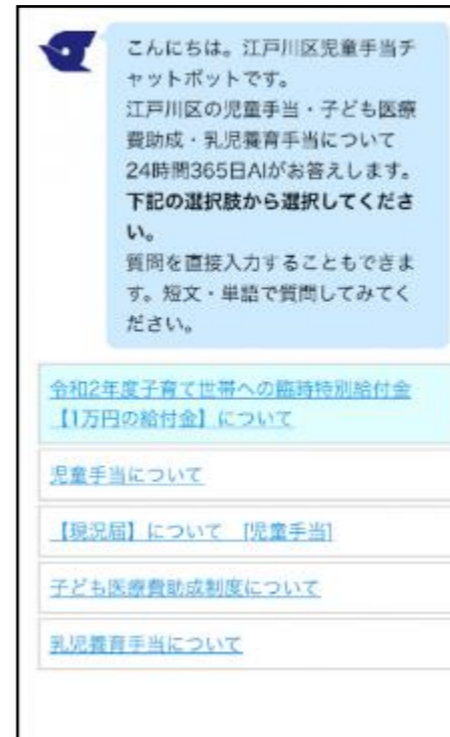
User Local Chatbots Also Used at Government Agencies, Local Governments, and Universities

Government Agencies / Local Governments

Maruoka City, Kagawa



Edogawa Ward, Tokyo



Fuchu City, Tokyo

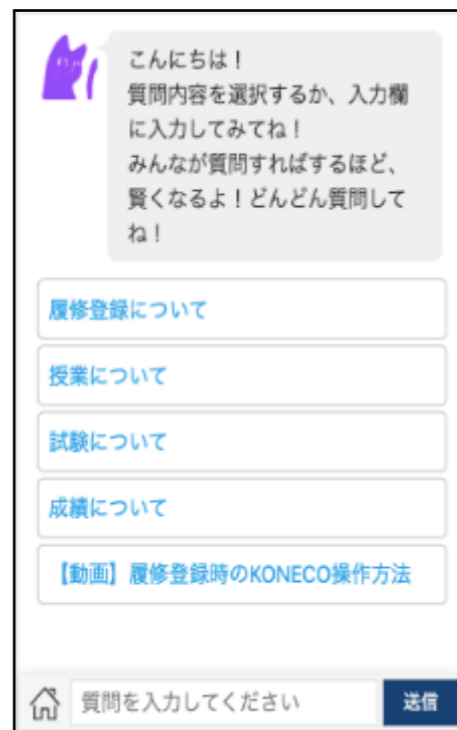
First to offer Chatbots on Digital Signage



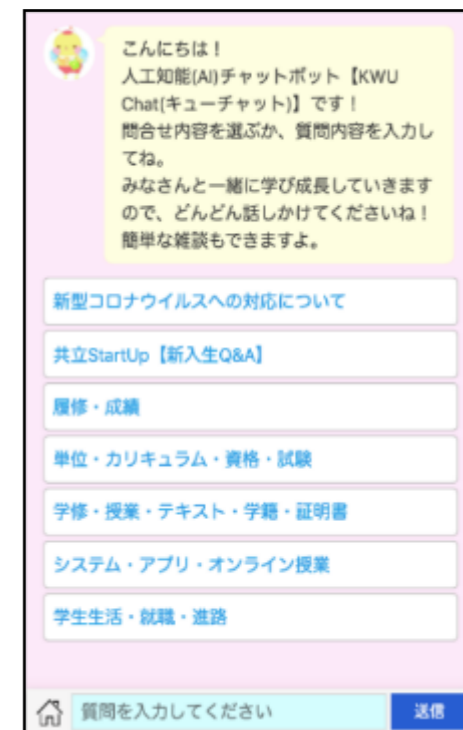
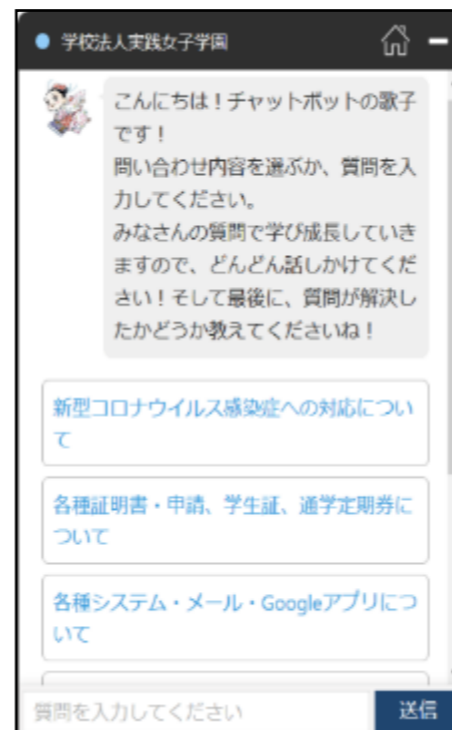
Kyoritsu Women's University / Kyoritsu Women's Junior College

Universities

Komazawa University

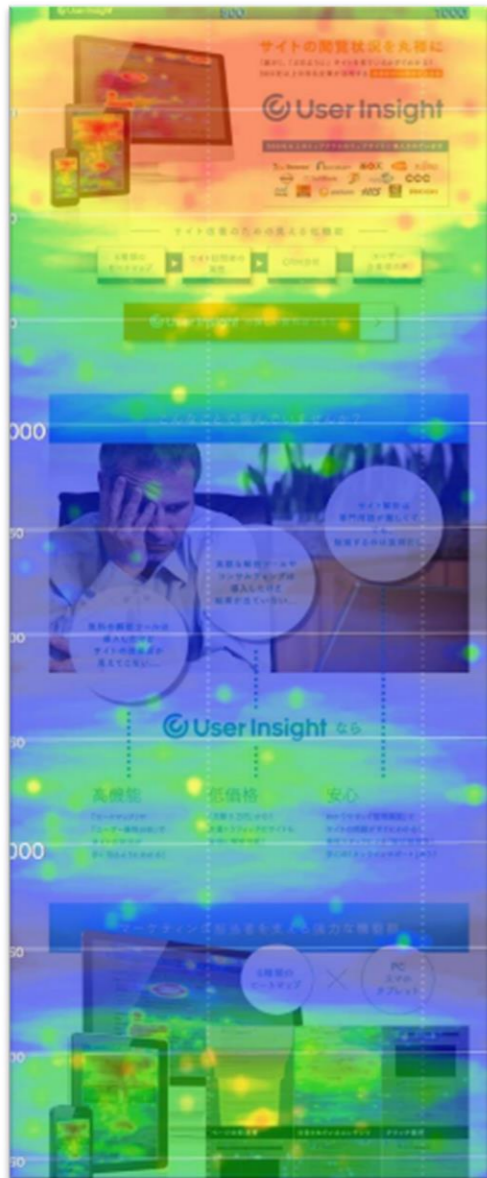


Jissen Women's University

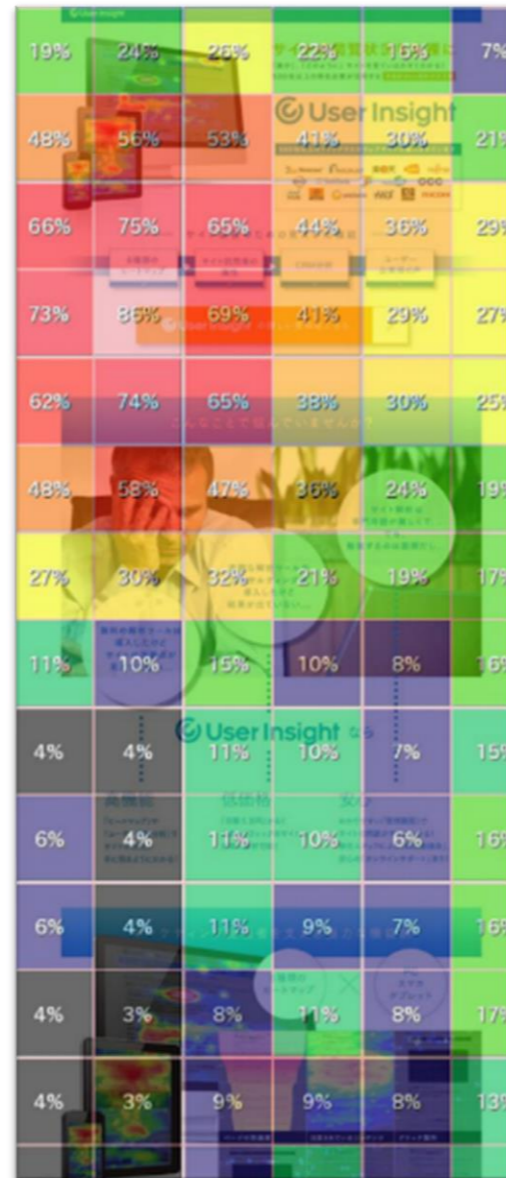


Access analysis tools to make PC and smartphone websites easier to use

Where was users' attention focused?



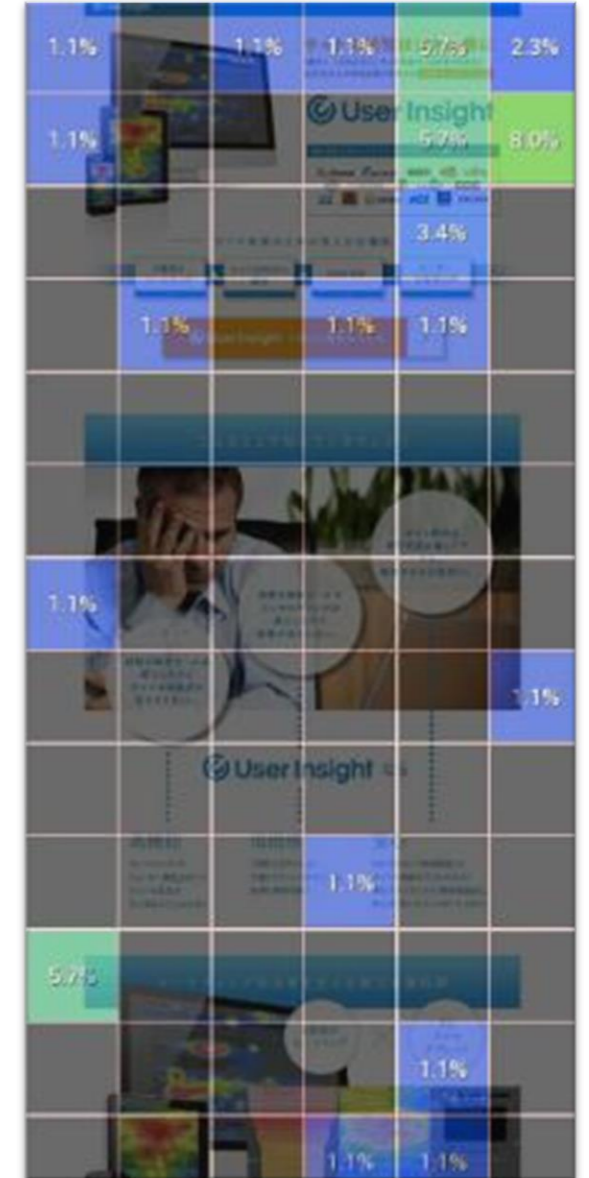
Viewing ratio per area



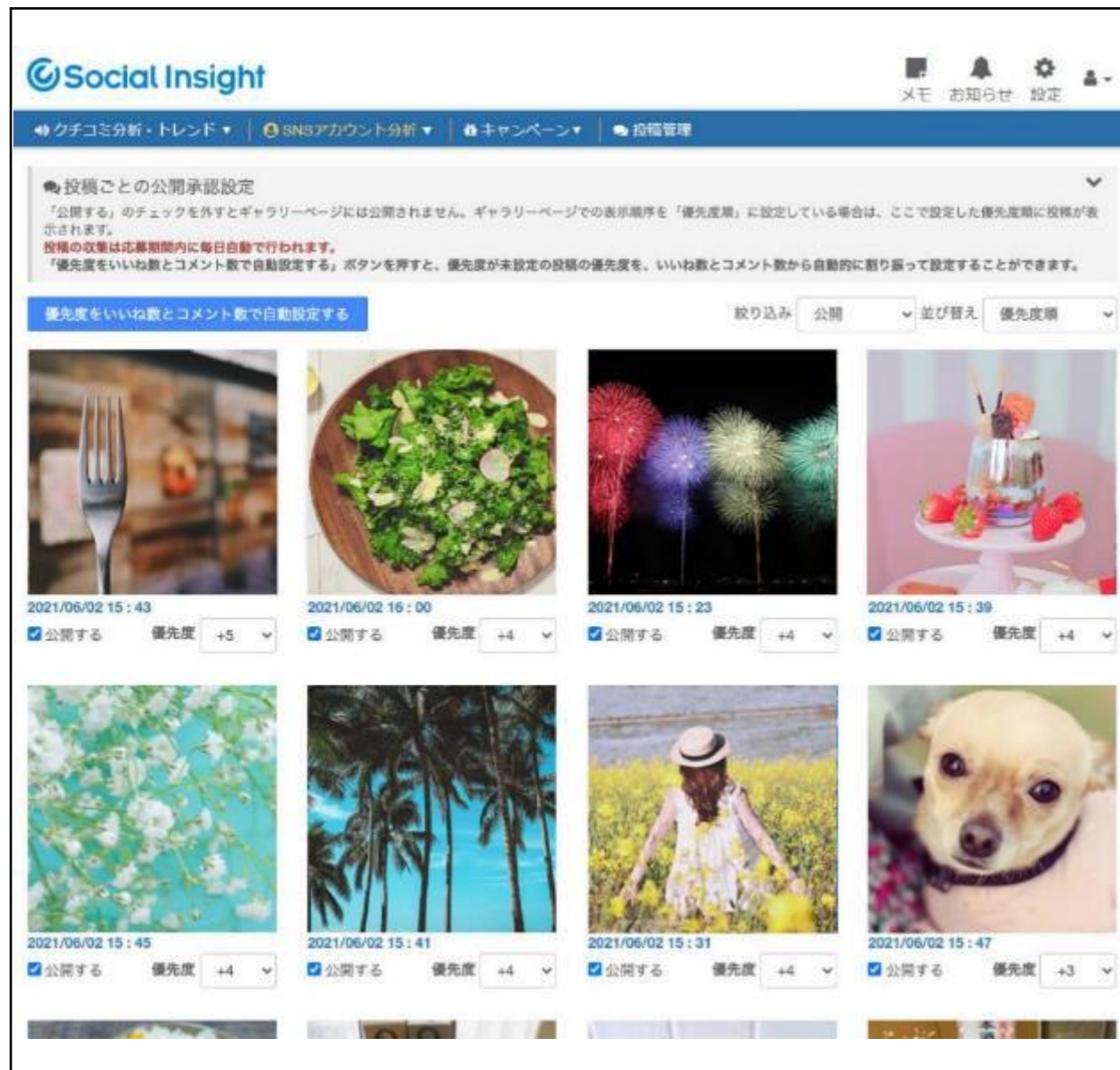
How much did users read?



Areas clicked



Social analysis tool that supports everything from social media operation to social media analysis



New functions to meet the increasingly diverse and complex needs of corporate social media operations

- (1) Post management plug-in for hashtag campaigns on Instagram
- (2) Scheduled photo and video posting on Instagram
- (3) Twitter instant win campaign
- (4) Detailed analysis of video data through connection with YouTube Analytics

Functional Updates

User Insight



AI recommends webpages for improvement

User Insight suggests webpages that have seen a sharp increase in traffic and webpages that may have issues



Content optimization function

Displays elements of content necessary to achieve top search rankings based on the differences with competitor websites

Social Insight



Support for scheduled posts on various platforms

Reduce the burden on account managers tasked with multiple platforms



Campaign automation

Automates social media campaigns, drastically reducing the workload required for procedures such as winner selection

Deployed in more than 2,000 companies in a wide range of industries

Example of Customers

Government Agencies
Local Governments
Universities



Manufacturer
 Electronic devices,
 automobiles, food, etc.



ICT
 Software, Information and
 communication, etc.



Financial Institutions
 Banks, securities, etc.



Media
 Publishing, newspapers, etc.



Others



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Financial Results for FY2022 Q2

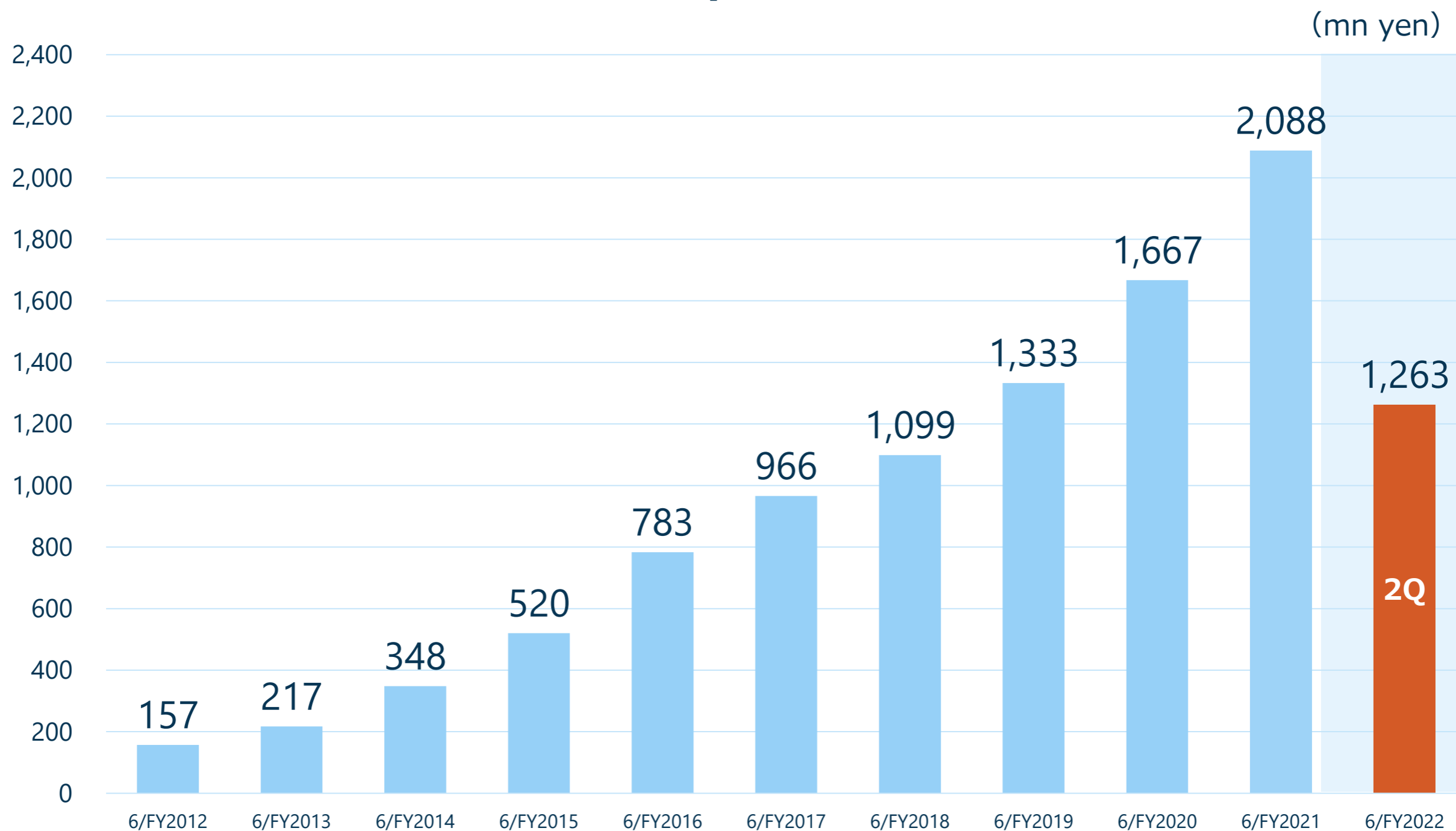
Outline of Earnings Performance in FY2022 Q2

Net sales increased **29.8%** YoY, and operating profit increased **26.4%** YoY

(mn yen)	FY2021 Q2	FY 2022 Q2	YoY change	FY2022 Forecast	Progress rate
Net sales	973	1,263	+29.8%	2,504	50.4%
Operating profit	450	569	+26.4%	984	57.8%
Ordinary profit	447	567	+26.8%	984	57.6%
Profit	279	391	+40.1%	679	57.6%

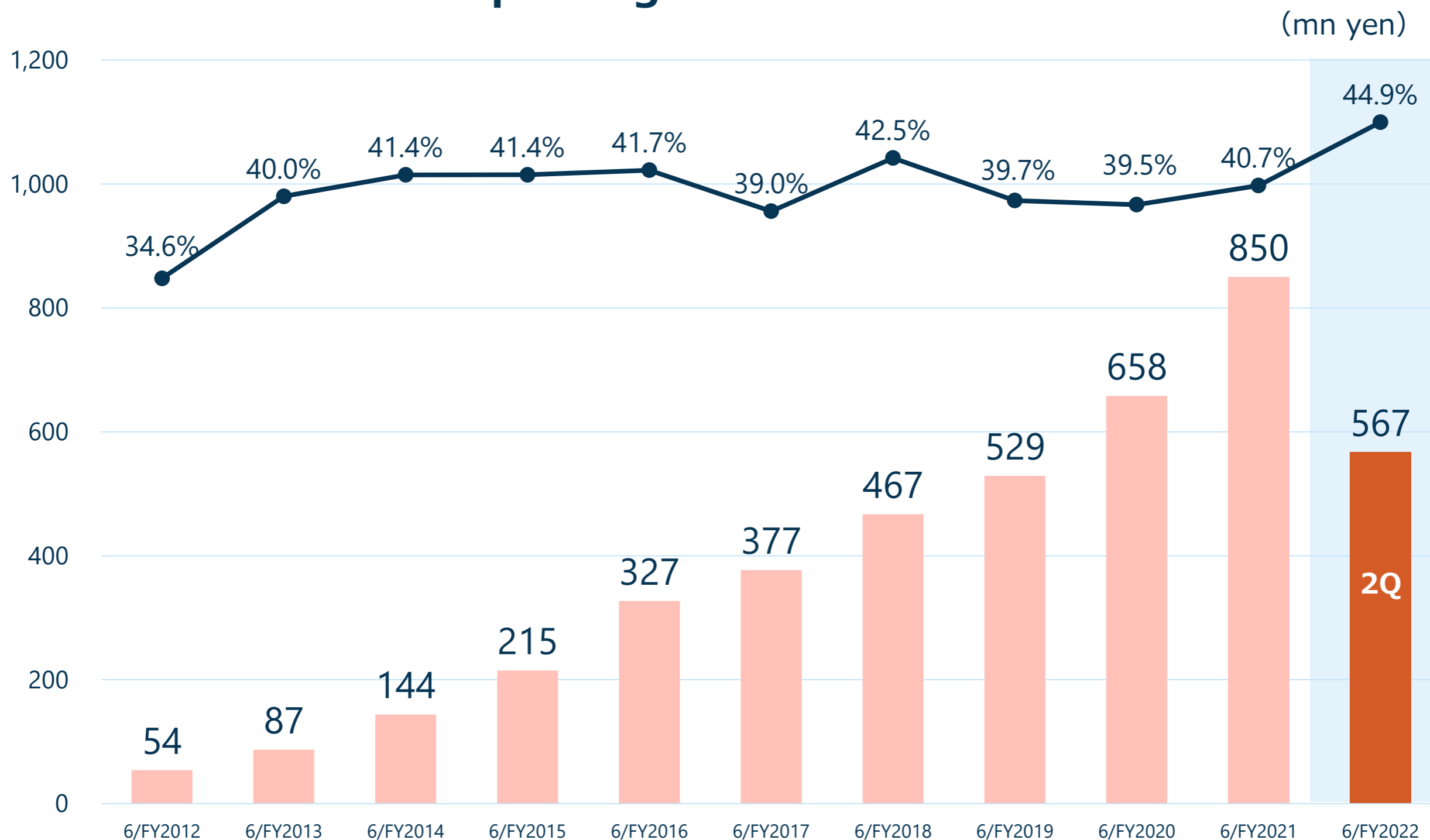
FY2022 Q2 Net Sales

Achieved increase in sales and profit



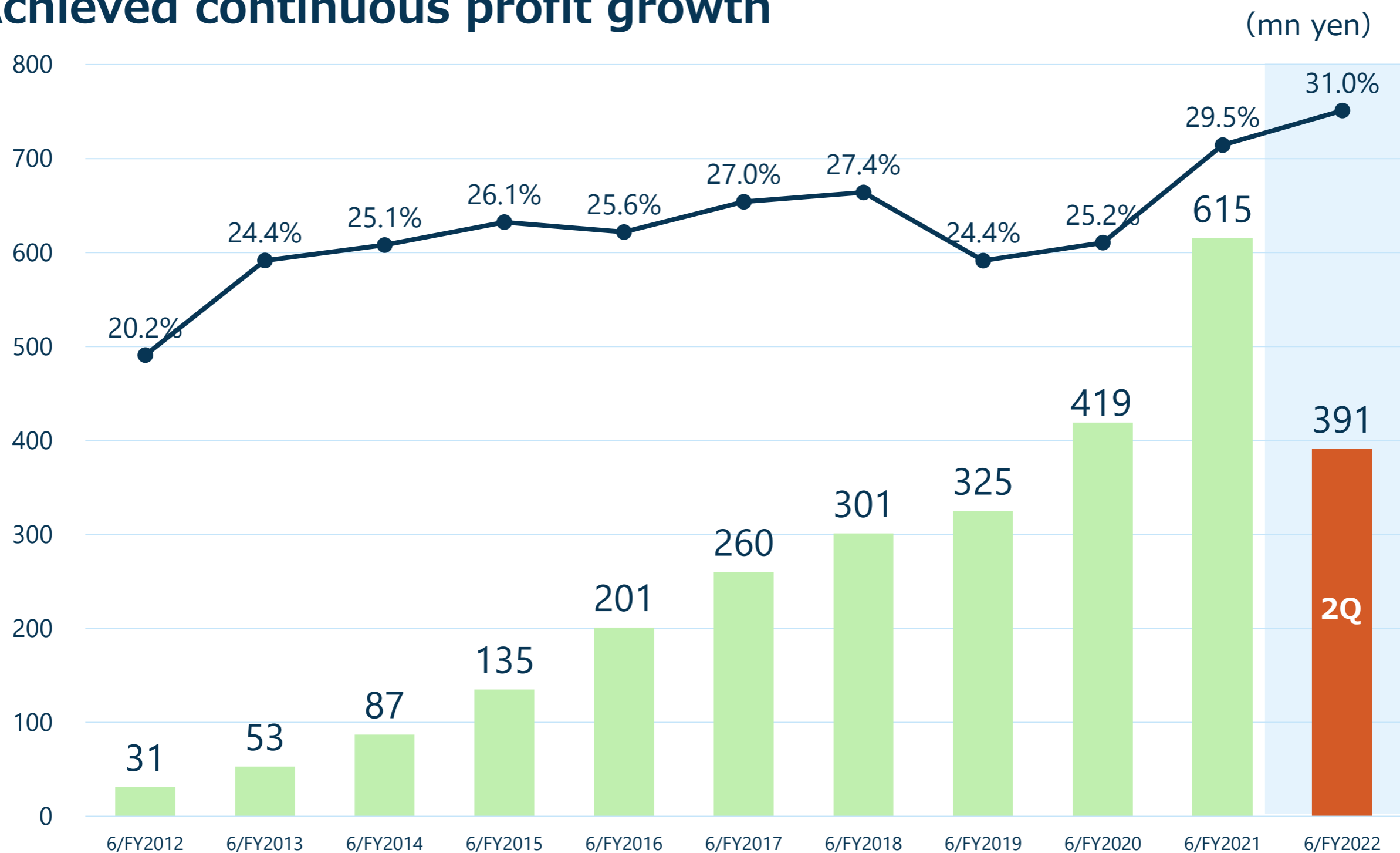
FY2022 Q2 Ordinary Profit and Ordinary Profit Margin

Achieved continuous profit growth



FY2022 Q2 Profit and Net Profit Margin

Achieved continuous profit growth



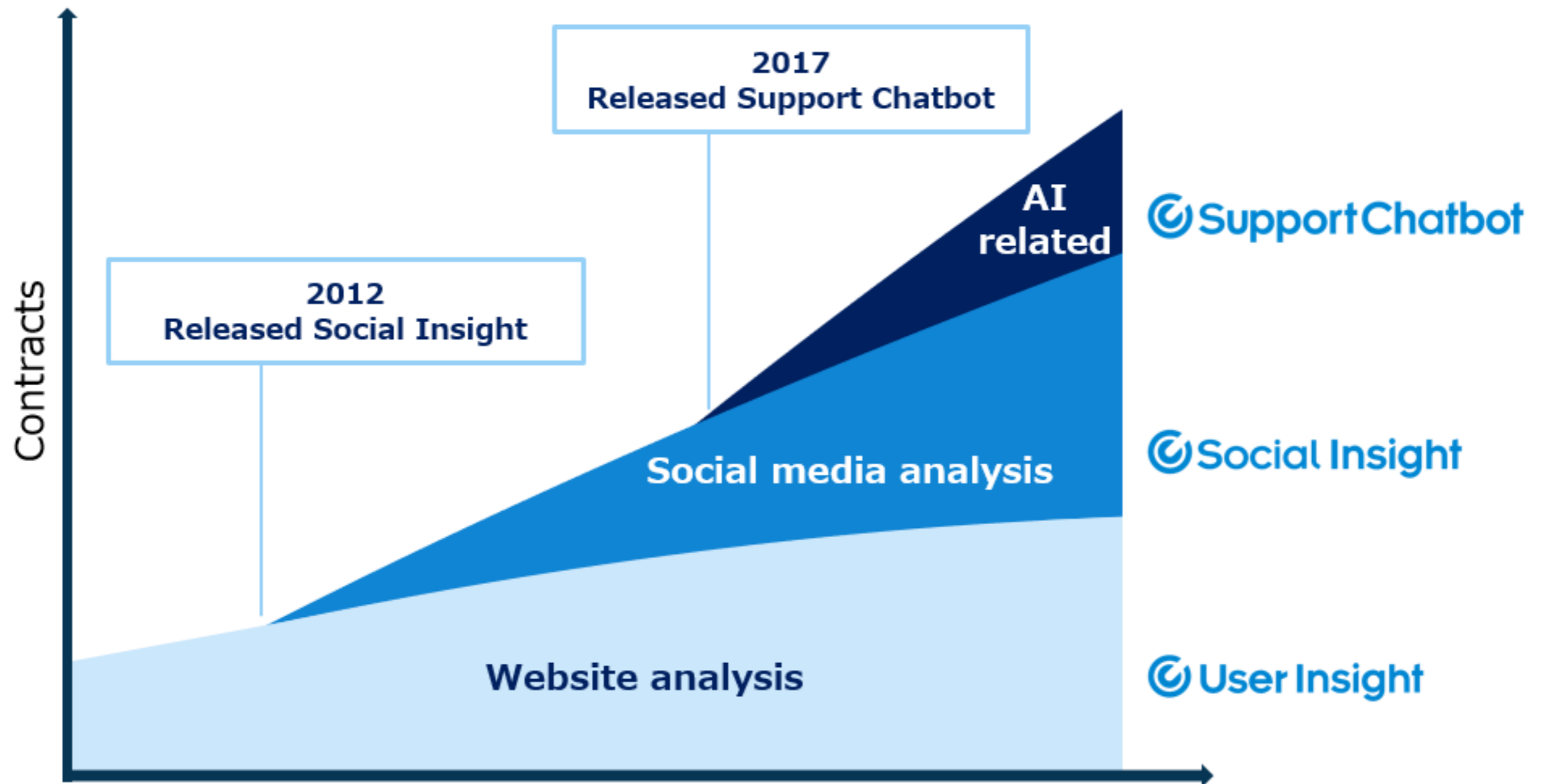
FY2022 Q2 Financial Position

Net assets increased **430 mn yen**, and the equity ratio remained high, at **89.9%**

(mn yen)	6 / FY2021 (June 30, 2021)	FY2022 Q2 (December 31, 2021)	Amount of YoY change
Current assets	4,939	5,278	+339
Non-current assets	337	437	+100
Total assets	5,277	5,715	+438
Current liabilities	571	578	+7
Non-current liabilities	-	-	-
Total liabilities	571	578	+7
Net assets	4,706	5,136	+430

Number of Contracts Increasing in line with Increase in Services

Achieve continuous growth due to stable profit structure



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Future Focus Areas

Three Focus Areas

- ① **Expansion of in-house AI algorithms**
- ② **Application of AI algorithms to existing services**
- ③ **New development of AI services to solve social issues**

① Expansion of In-house AI Algorithms (Language and Image Processing)

Position inference AI

Automatic detection of skeletal movement



Line of sight inference AI

Automatic detection of changes in where one is looking



Expression Inference AI

Reading of emotions from facial images



Facial recognition AI

Age and gender identification from facial images



Automatic text summarization AI

Extraction of key passages from text



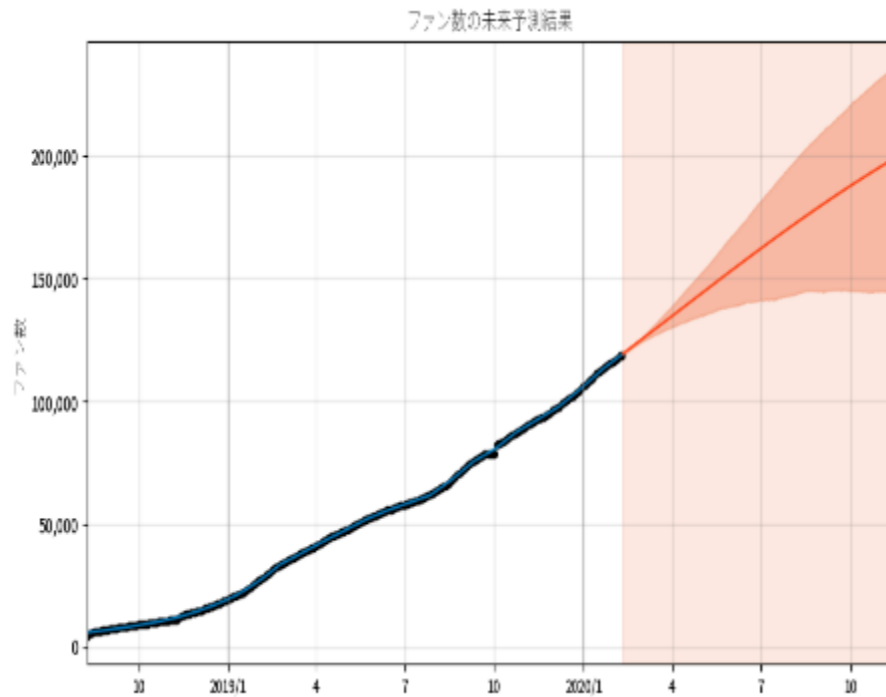
Personal information processing AI

Processing of personal information

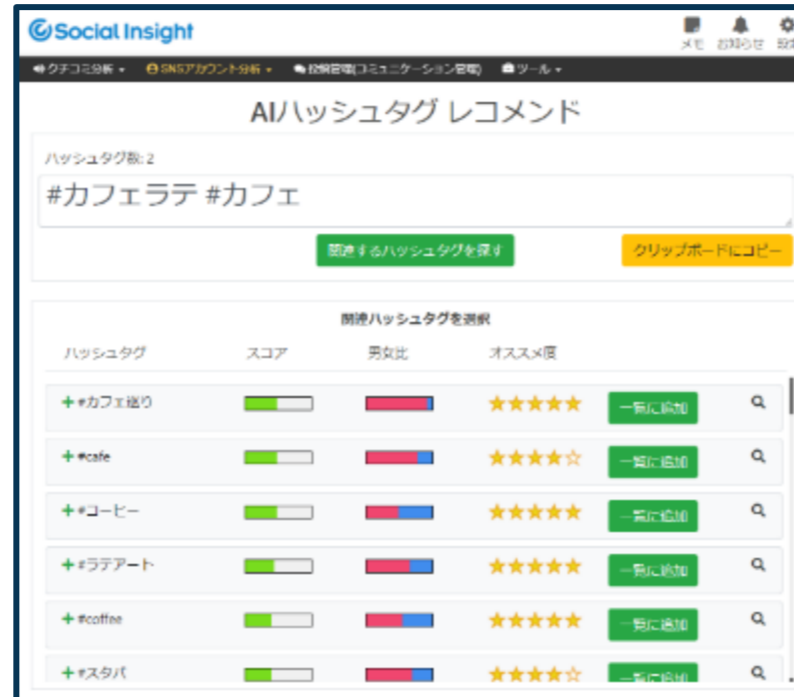


② Application of AI algorithms to existing services

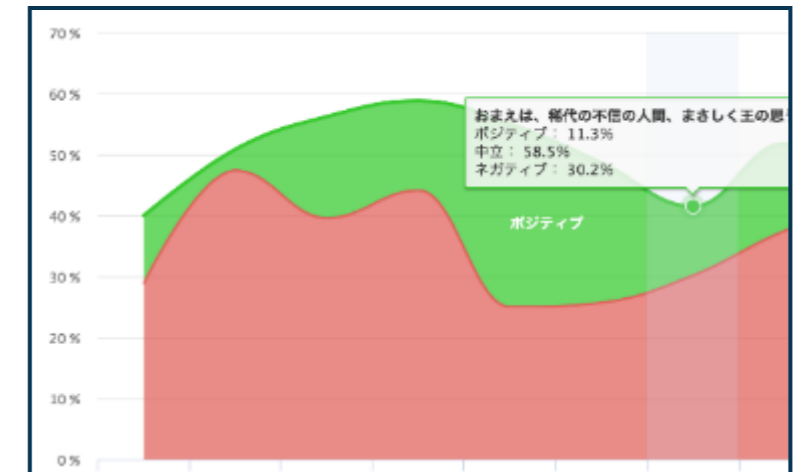
Automatic forecasting of future growth in page views and fan numbers



Optimization of content based on hashtag recommendations



Application of emotional recognition based on deep learning to text mining



Strengthening User Insight and Social Insight analysis capabilities to be widely used as an automated marketing tool

③ New development of AI services to solve social issues

Driving global evolution by combining Big data and AI

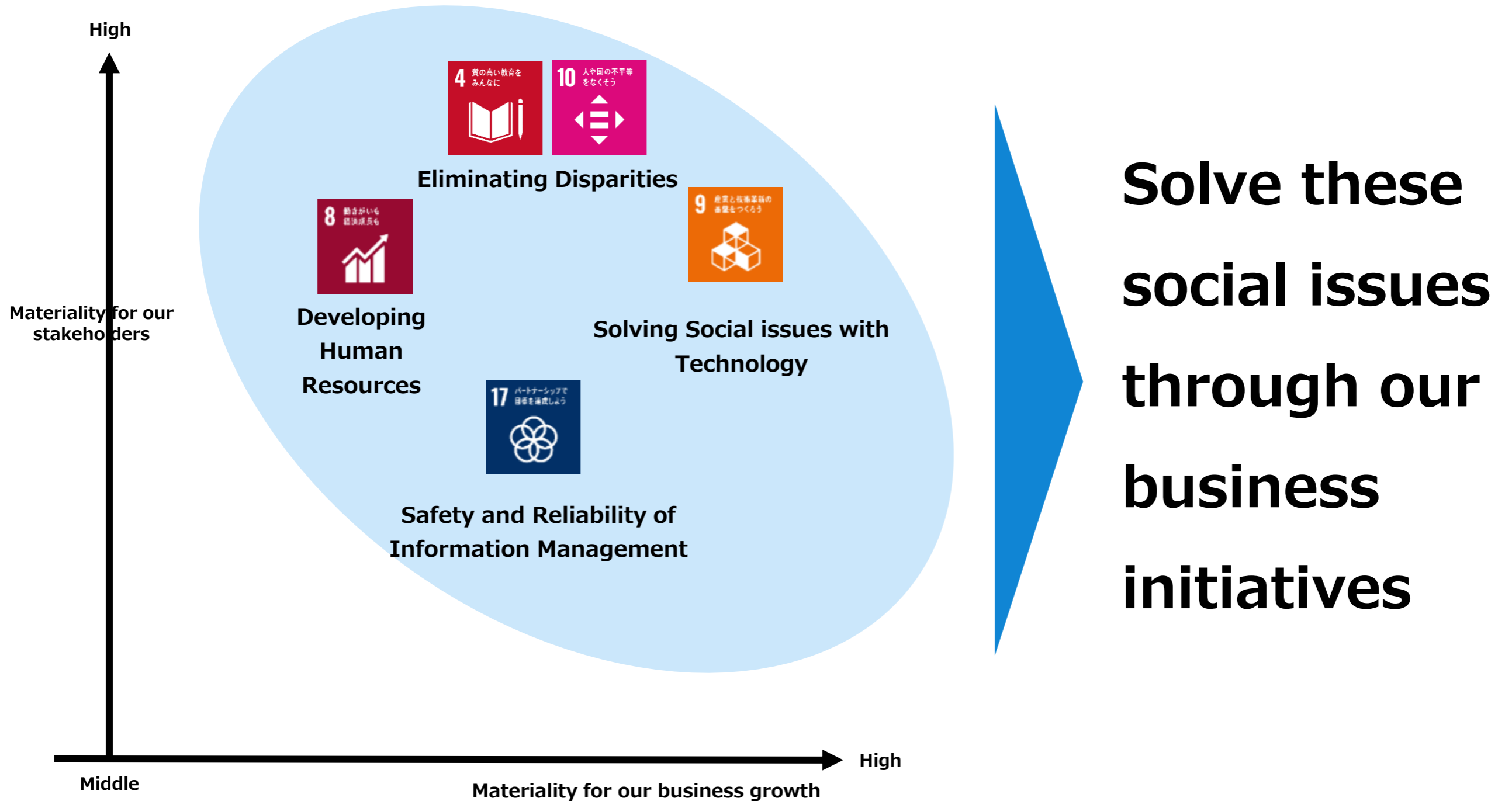
Solving social and corporate issues with data analysis and AI technologies
Aiming for a society where everyone can benefit
from automation and efficiency



SDG goals to be achieved based on our management philosophy

Materiality for our sustainable management and the relationship with SDGs

We have identified our focus areas to achieve the SDGs goals



Eliminating Disparities



Realizing a society in which everyone can benefit from AI technology

Social issues

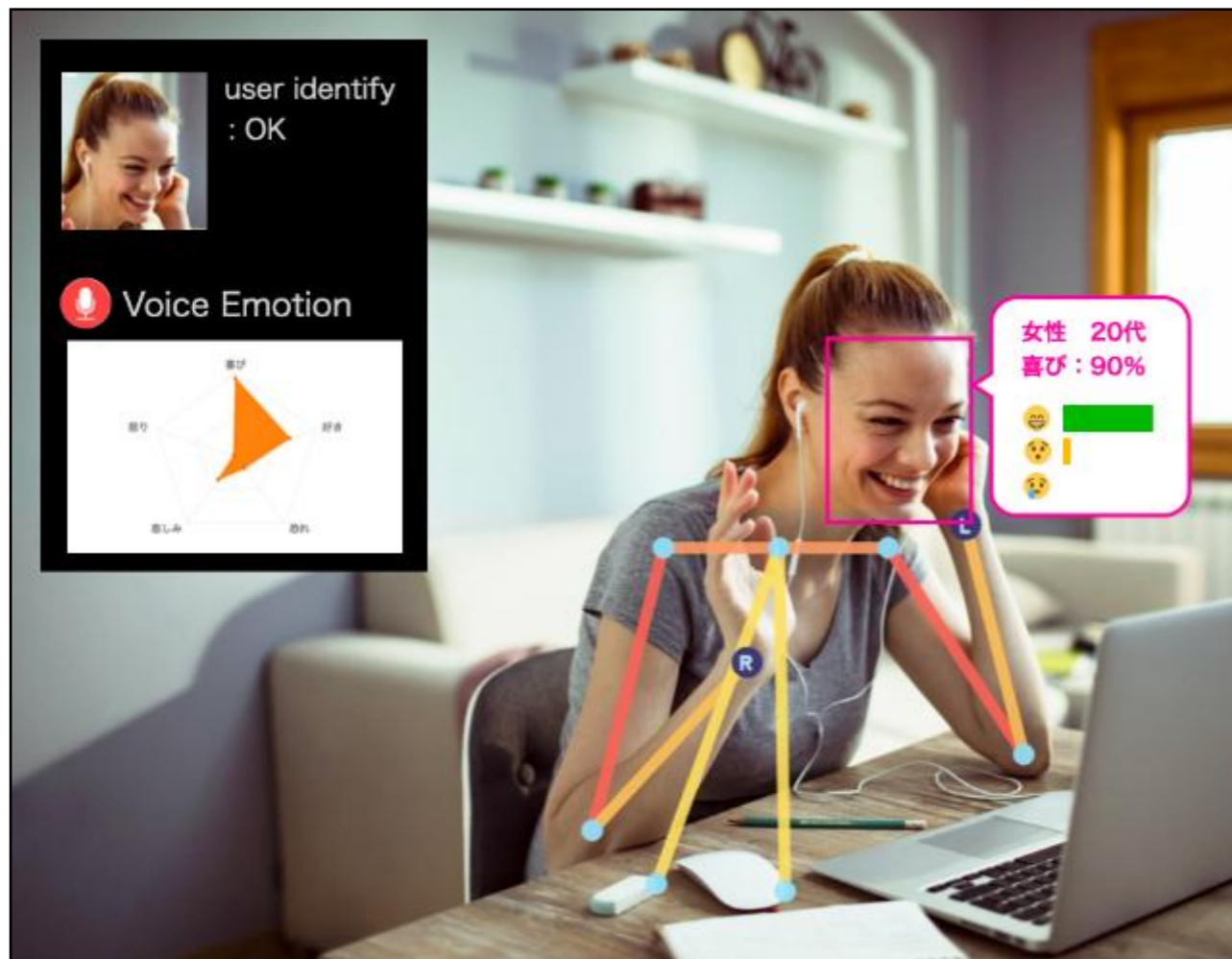
Only major domestic and foreign companies and a few well-funded companies are able to effectively use AI technology

Solving the issues

- Free provision of AI algorithms
- Free provision of Handwritten Character Recognition AI
- Free release of SNS account data

Character Analysis AI

All-in-one AI capable of analyzing people's actions, expressions, attention, voice, and other information in a cross-sectional, multifaceted manner



By combining multiple functions, these AIs can be used in various industries

(Main utilization examples)

Store and facility visitor analysis

- Age inference
- Gender inference
- Emotion inference
- Identify verification

Movie, game, and other content assessment

- Emotion Inference
- Attention and head position inference
- Voice and emotion recognition

Assessment of communication operations

- Emotion inference
- Voice and emotion inference

Sports, medicine, and healthcare fields

- Position inference

Education field

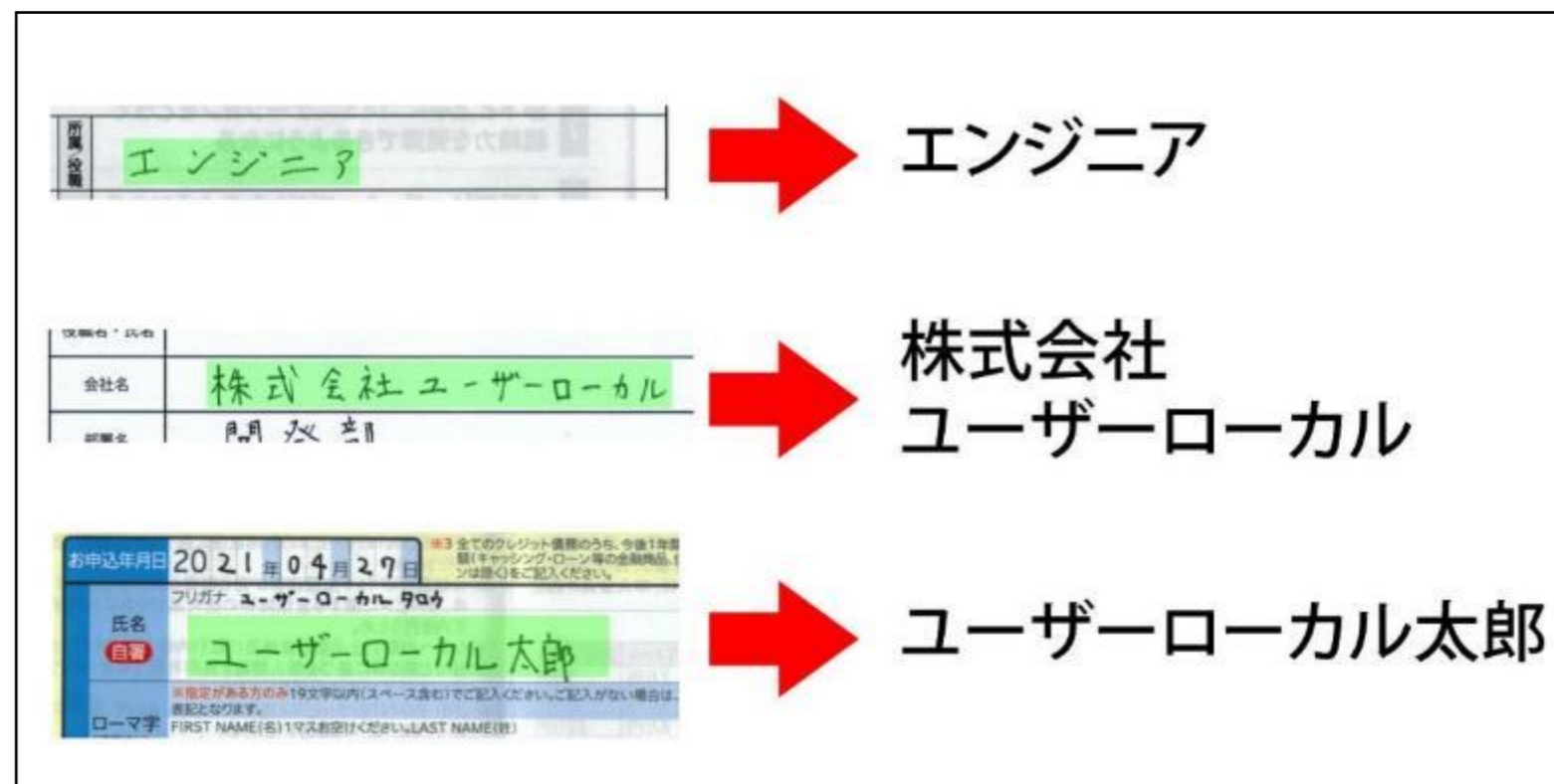
- Position inference
- Emotion inference
- Attention and head position inference
- Text emotion recognition

Crime prevention and monitoring

- Position inference
- Emotion inference

Handwritten Character Recognition AI

AI recognizes Japanese handwritten characters and converts them into text data



- (1) OCR AI based on advanced deep learning technology is available to anyone free of charge
- (2) AI can recognize even cursive and abbreviated characters characteristic of handwritten characters
- (3) As it is provided as a Web API, the character recognition function can be incorporated into in-house systems

Handwritten OCR tools

Free OCR tool to support conversion of handwritten documents into electronic data

The screenshot displays the UserLocal Handwritten OCR tool interface. The main area shows a scanned form titled "田中太郎-申込書.png" with handwritten Japanese text. The form fields are as follows:

フリガナ	氏名	生年月日	郵便番号	住所	電話番号	Email
田中 太郎	田中 太郎	2000年4月5日	〒100-0014	東京都千代田区永田町1-7-1	070 (3425) 6092	tarou@example.com

On the right side, the OCR results are displayed for the date fields:

- 申込日-年**: 文字種別: 数字. Input: 2021. Output: 2021
- 申込日-月**: 文字種別: 数字. Input: 10. Output: 10
- 申込日-日**: 文字種別: 数字. Input: (blank). Output: (blank)

Buttons for "ダウンロード" (Download) and "削除" (Delete) are visible. A "編集結果を反映" (Reflect edit results) button is at the bottom right.

- (1) OCR AI based on advanced deep learning technology is available to anyone free of charge
- (2) OCR AI can start reading with specifying which areas you want to recognize using a web browser and simply uploading a form file (PDF, JPEG)
- (3) Character recognition results can be downloaded as spreadsheet data

Solving Social issues with Technology



Realizing more convenient and affluent lifestyles by continuously providing highly versatile services that can be used in a wide range of areas

Social issues

**Digital transformation (DX)
is not progressing**

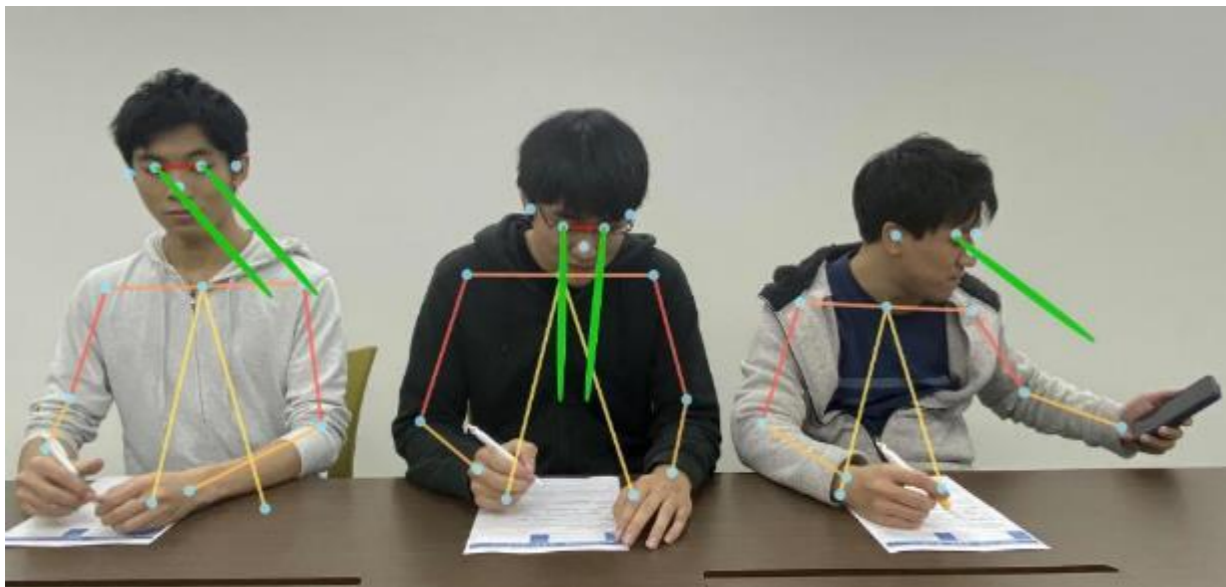
Solving the issues

- Provide high-quality, easy-to-introduce services through SaaS business
- Promoting DX in school education by providing Cheating Prevention AI
- Providing tools for research institutions

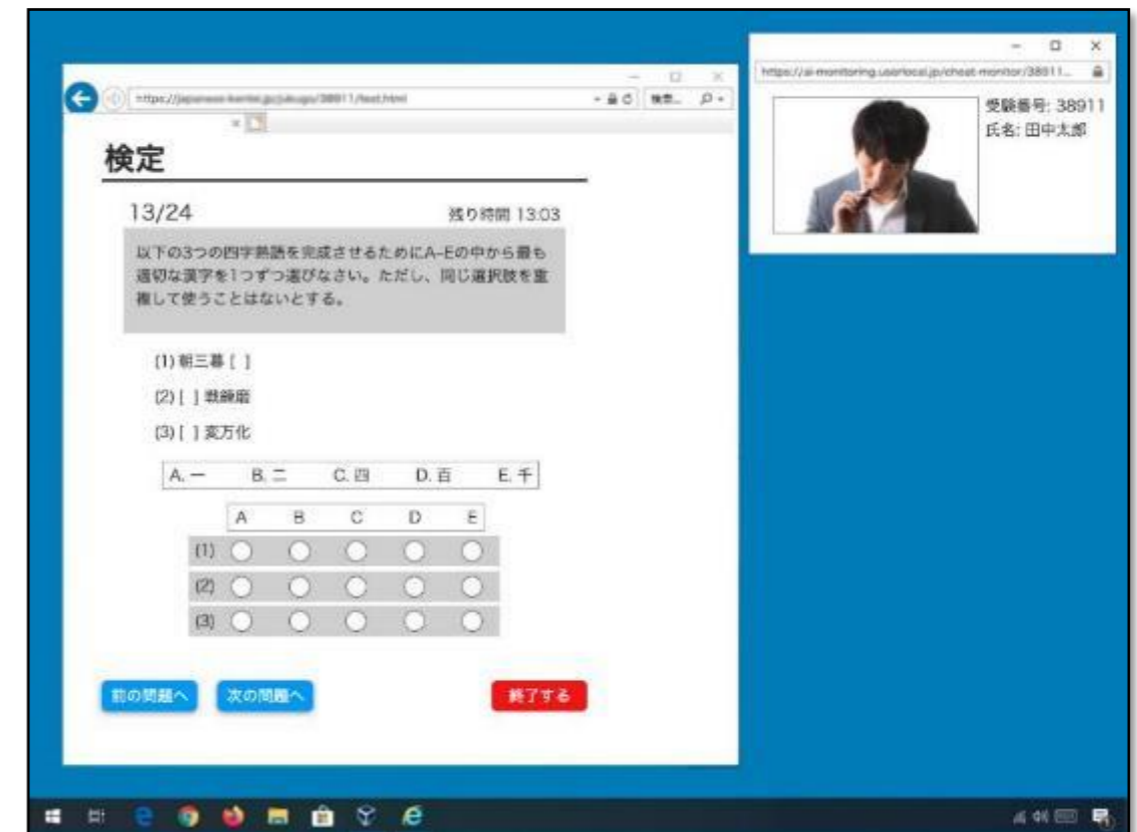
Cheating Prevention AI

Deep learning technology identifies cheating in exams

For on-site exams



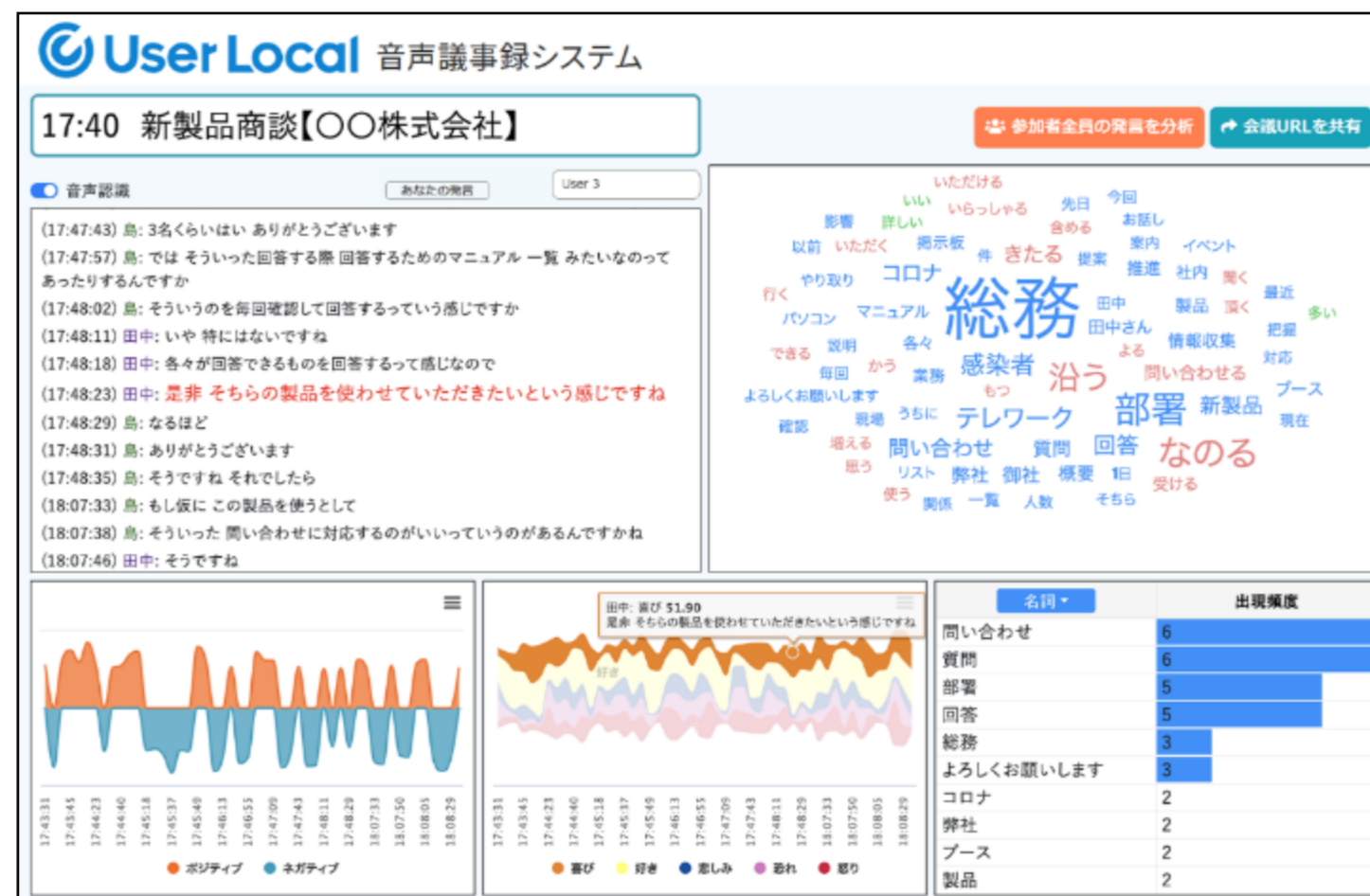
For online exams



Camera video is used to automatically detect identity fraud and cheating by using attention inference, skeletal inference, and facial detection AI

Automatic Online Meeting Minutes Creation Service

Not only can this service automatically create minutes of online meetings, which previously required significant work, but it can also visualize the flow of the meeting with text mining technology



- (1) Capable of voice recognition of multiple speakers
- (2) Visualizes what sort of topics came up frequently during the meeting with text mining
- (3) Able to assess the emotions and positive/negative sentiment in chronological order with deep learning

Voice Emotional Recognition AI for Reading Emotions from Voices

Deep learning can classify emotions read from voice into seven categories, and each component can be quantified and graphed

User Local 音声感情認識AI

😊 音声の感情を認識

ディープラーニングを用いた解析AIが、入力された音声から感情を読み取ります

🎤 音声を録音

認識結果

怒りの感情が強い音声です

🔗 結果をシェア

入力された音声



感情の強さ

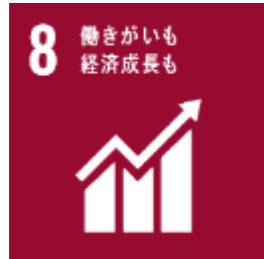


音声ファイルのアップロード

クリックまたはファイルをドロップしてアップロード

※ wavまたはmp3ファイルにのみ対応しています。
※ アップロードできる音声の長さは1~30秒以内です。

Developing Human Resources



Contributing to the discovery and development of advanced AI human resources through education for students who are expected to play active roles in the AI field and support for educational sites and research institutions

Social issues

**Shortage of engineers
in Japan**

Solving the issues

- **Lecture activities in the Universities**
- **AI education for students**

Safety and Reliability of Information Management



Contributing to a society in which everyone can use information services safely

Social issues

Increasing the importance and risks of information management with the development of information technology

Solving the issues

- **Provision of free tools for companies working on personal information protection measures**
- **Information Security Initiatives**

Test Data Generator of Personal Information

Automatic generation of pseudo-personal information data for system testing with a single click

User Local 個人情報テストデータジェネレーター

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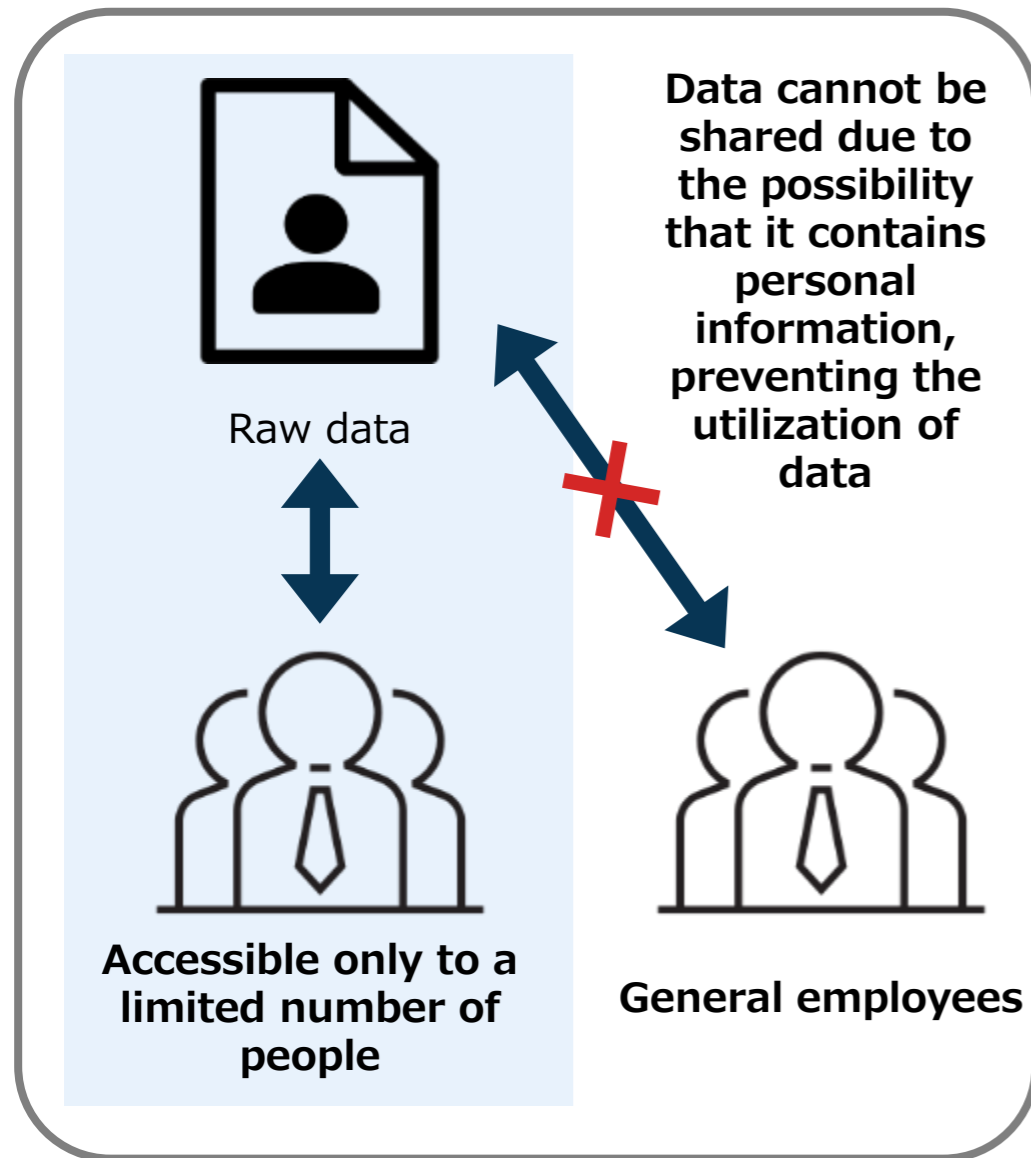
※Dummy data

It can generate a large amount of dummy data immediately and can be used for quality inspection and security check in system development

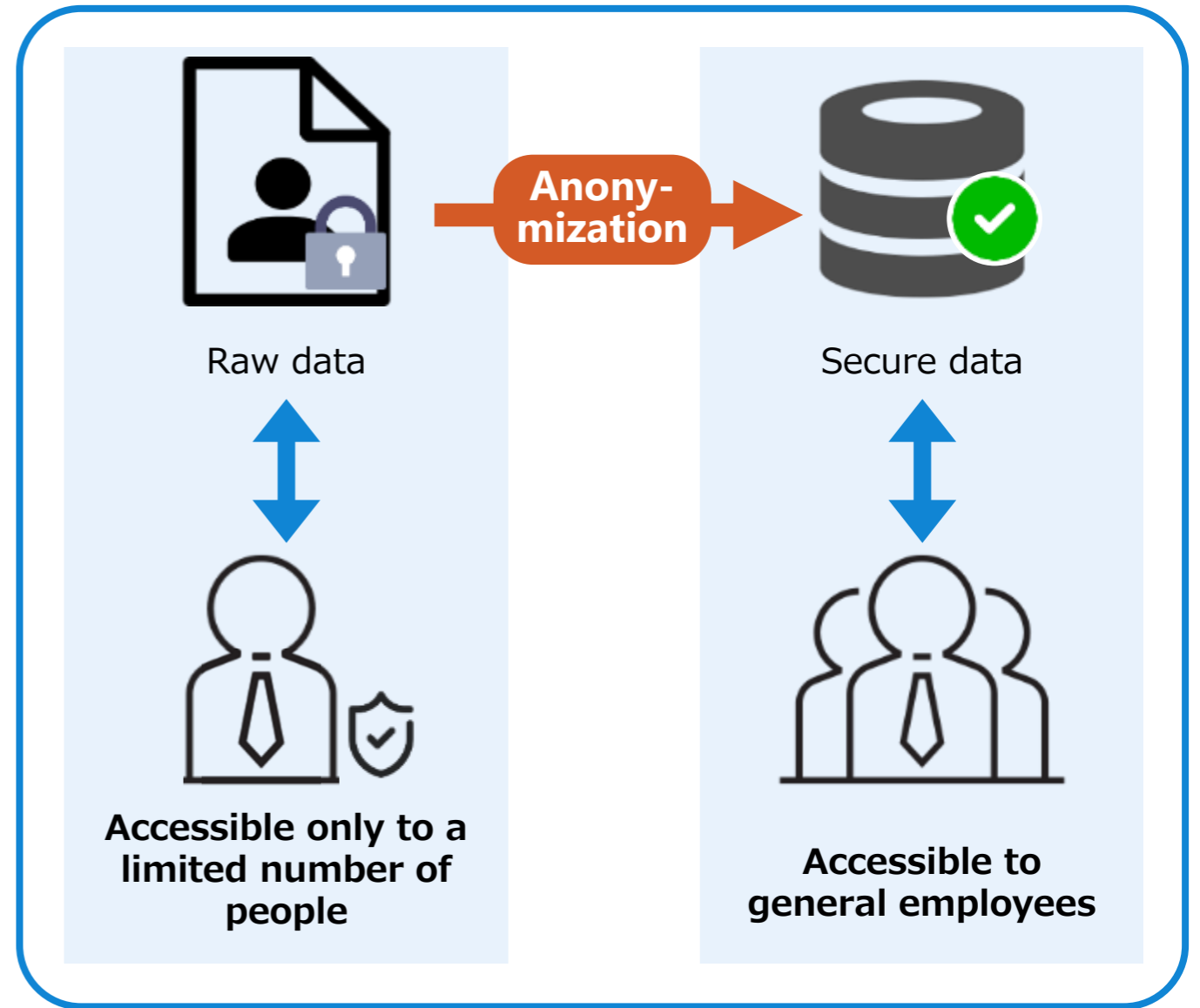
Personal Information Anonymization AI

AI automatically anonymizes personal information contained in electronic documents

Before



After



Promotes data utilization by securing data

Environment : Promote Business with Consideration for Sustainability

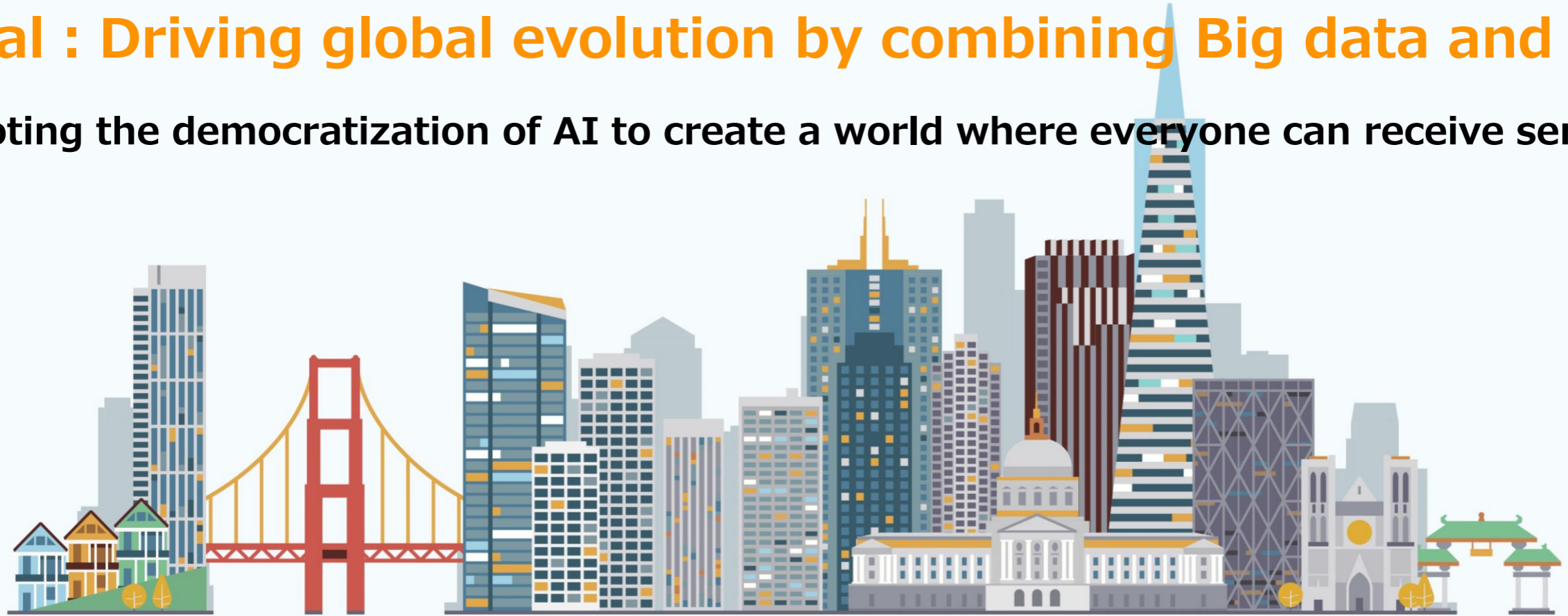
Use of a data center that uses 100% green power

Promotion of paperless system (Web-based invoicing, etc)



Social : Driving global evolution by combining Big data and AI

Promoting the democratization of AI to create a world where everyone can receive services



Automated responses



Social media operation support



Data aggregation and visualization



Website UX measurement



Image recognition



Content assessment



Privacy protection



Public administration support



Fraud detection



Education support



Robot controls



E-commerce customer service support

Management and Governance Structure



Representative Director **Masao Ito**

Graduated from the Graduate School of Global Information and Telecommunication Studies, Waseda University
Assumed his current role while at graduate school, after serving as a writer at Nikkei Business Publications, Inc.; Engineer, Producer, and in the New Business Development Office at Rakuten, Inc.; and Representative Director at Minna no Shushoku Co., Ltd.



Director and COO **Kazuyuki Watanabe**

Graduated from the Faculty of Law, Politics and Economics, Chiba University
Assumed his current role after working at Rakuten, Inc.



Director and CFO **Daisuke Iwamoto**

Graduated from the Graduate School of Strategic Business Administration, Chuo University
Assumed his current role after working at METAWATER Co., Ltd.



Outside Director **Ryota Matsuzaki**

Representative Director of Kibidango, Inc.
Outside Director of Synchro Food Co., Ltd.



Outside Director **Taku Ito**

Attorney, Midosuji LPC
Outside Director of People Co., Ltd.



Executive Officer **Shunsuke Mikami**

Graduated from Master's Program in Computer Science, Systems and Information Engineering, Graduate School of Science and Technology, University of Tsukuba



Executive Officer **Hiroshi Hongo**

Graduated from Graduate School of Frontier Sciences, University of Tokyo

Company Outline

Name	User Local, Inc.
Businesses	Big data analysis, AI
Paid-in capital	1,165mn yen (as of June 30, 2021)
Employees	76 (as of June 30, 2021)
Head office	Osaki 2-11-1, Shinagawa Ward, Tokyo
History	<p>2008 Releases "User Insight" access analysis tool</p> <p>2012 Releases "Social Insight" social media analysis tool</p> <p>2017 Releases "Support Chatbot" support operations support system</p> <p>2017 Shares listed on TSE Mothers</p> <p>2019 Listing changed to TSE First Section</p>

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Origins of the company name

"User Local" incorporates the idea of a place where various tools are kept, in the same way as the `"/usr/local"` folder on a hard disk. At the same time, it also incorporates the idea of a "company that is close (local) to users."