

Merrill Lynch Japan Conference 2014 Presentation Material

September 8, 2014 Livesense Inc. (TSE: 6054)

Company Profile (As of June 2014)

Company Name	Livesense Inc.		
Business Objective	Internet Media Management Business		
Address	5th Floor, Shin-meguro Tokyu Building, 2-25-2 Kamiosaki, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo		
Established	February 8, 2006		
President	Taichi Murakami		
Management Team	Managing Director Statutory Auditors	Daisuke Katsura Yuichi Iwasaki Tomoya Shibasaki Shin Nakajima Hiroyuki Honda (Outside Director) Junichi Ehara Misao Akutsu (Outside Statutory Auditor) Mitsuru Ozaki (Outside Statutory Auditor)	
Capital	JPY223 million		
Business Results	FY2013 Sales: JPY 4,256 million, OP: JPY 1,584 million		
Number of Employees	Full-time: 100, Part-time & Temp.: 151		
Fiscal Term	December		
Date listed	October 1, 2012 (TSE 1st Section) December 7, 2011 (TSE Mothers)		
Auditing Firm	Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC		



1-1. About Us (Background of Establishment)

2005 (Taichi Murakami: Age 18/university freshman)

- Took the Entrepreneur Training Course at Waseda University.
- · Winner of the Business Plan Contest.
- Internships at Daiwa Institute of Research and Internet-related ventures.





The Business Plan Contest

2006 Established Livesense Inc.

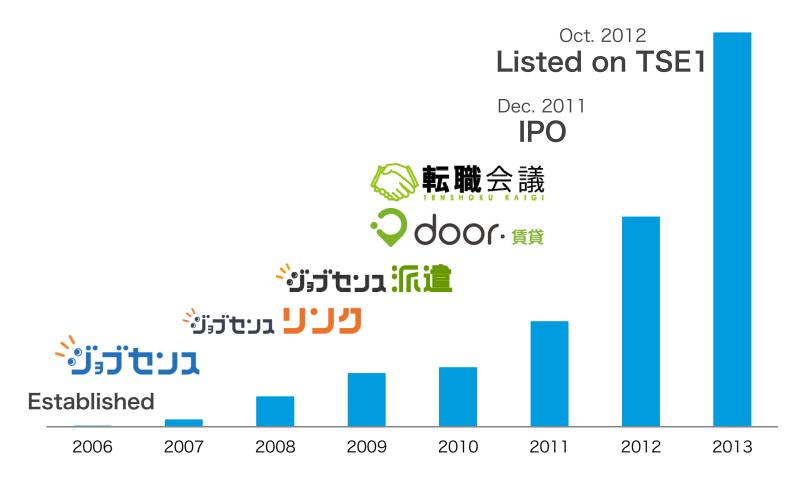




Livesense office at Waseda University



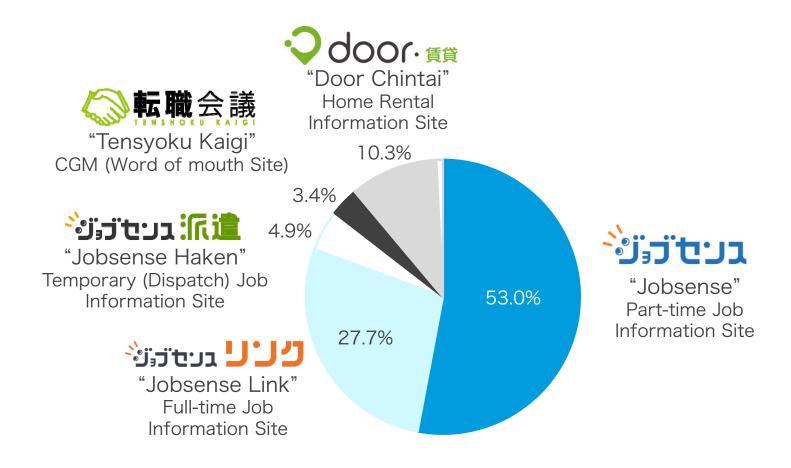
Since its establishment, Livesense has steadily continued to develop services and expand the scale of its business.





2-1. Our Business (Sales Composition)

We manage 5 internet services in the business areas of HR and real estate.





Business Model by Affiliate (Success fee) System

Our business model

	Publishing charge system	Affiliate system
Information listing Fee (Upfront fees)	Cost occurs	Free (Success fee only)
Monetary gifts, Cash back	None	Receivable



2-3. Our Business (Business Model)

Disadvantages of the conventional business model (publishing charge system)



- Have a limited volume of information.
- · No difference in services.



- · Have a risk of wasted costs.
- · High cost for advertisement.

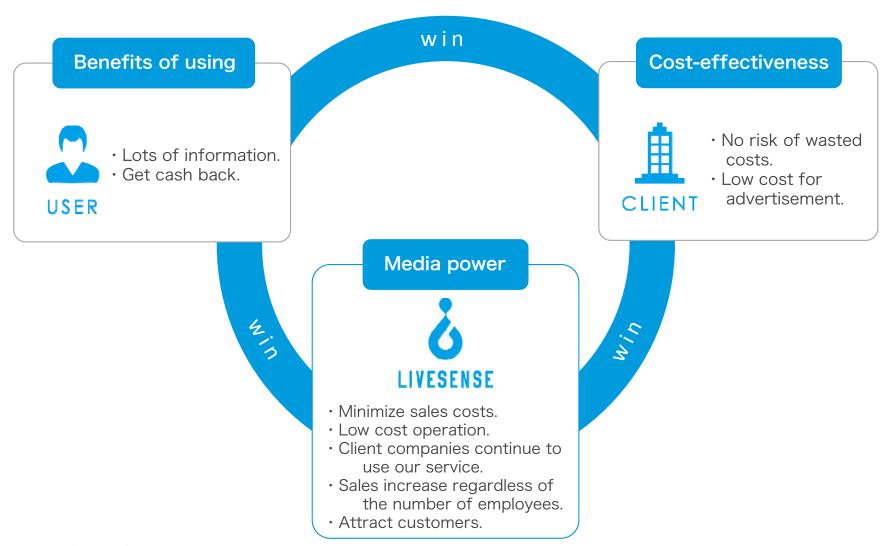
Internet Media Management Companies (Competitors)

- High cost structure due to need for many salespeople.
- · Sales are dependent on the number of staff.



2-4. Our Business (Business Model)

Our business model (affiliate system) creates a virtuous cycle



3-1. A Key Characteristic of Livesense

The virtuous circle model

Business Model by Affiliate model



Our strengths

Service Development Technology
(Full internalized production, from planning to web marketing)



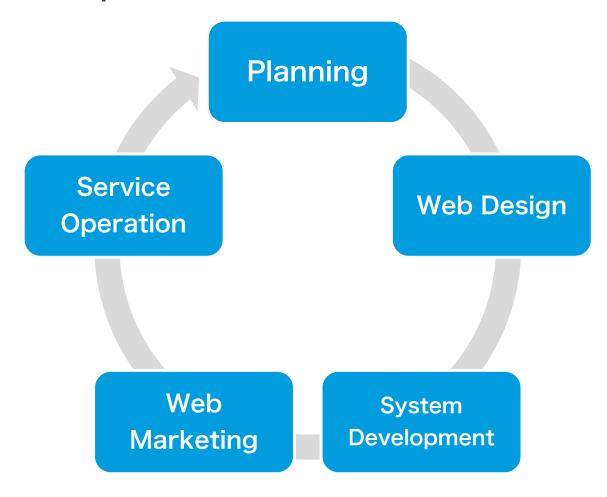
Our characteristic

I Efficient Business Management Structure



3-2. A Key Livesense Strength

In-house service development enables consistency and efficiency. Utilize accumulated know-how to focus on new business development.





3-3. A Key Livesense Strength (Web Marketing Technique)

Focused on web marketing since company establishment. Since 2013, we have strengthened our SEO and web promotions.



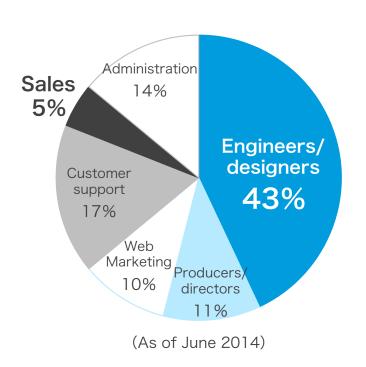




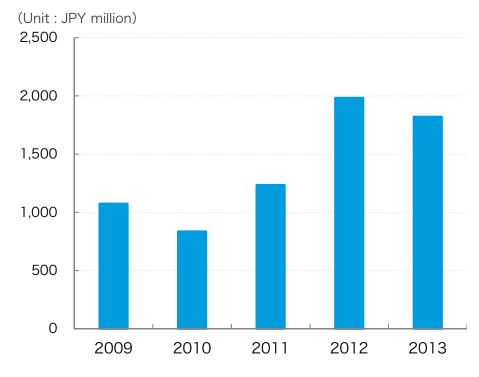
3-4. Efficient Business Management Structure

High profitability due to our business model, high drawing power and in-house development style.

Breakdown of regular employees

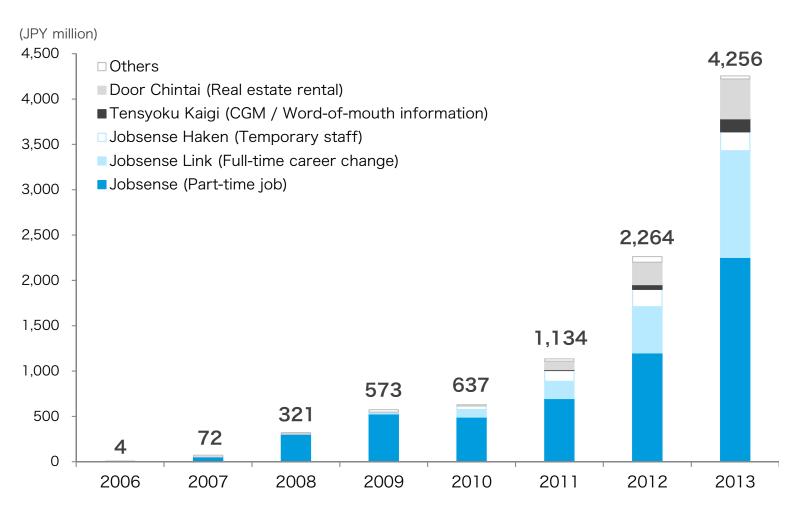


Transitions in operating income per employee





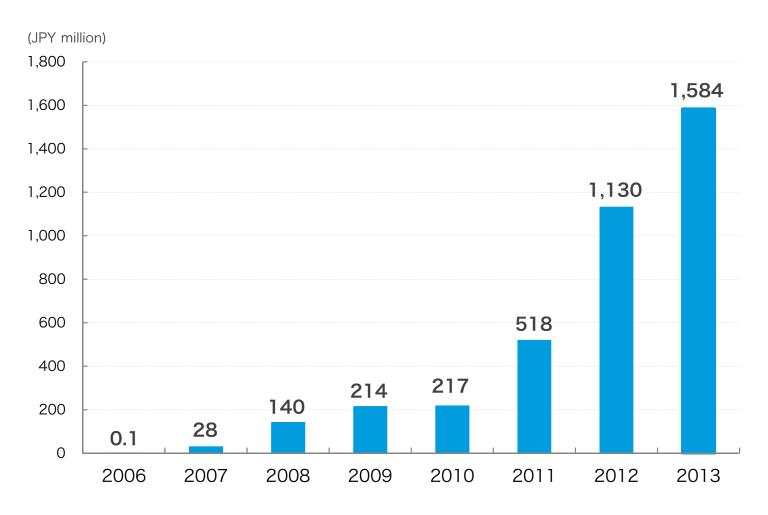
Services other than Jobsense are also enjoying strong sales growth.





4-2. Operating Income

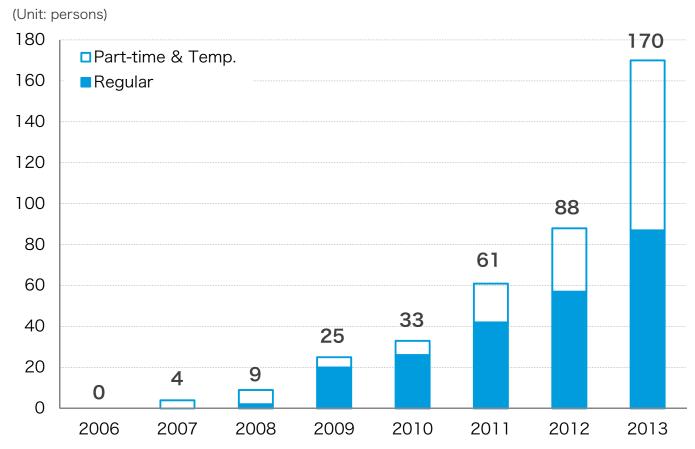
While investing for mid-term and long-term growth, we expand our profits steadily.





4-3. Number of Employees

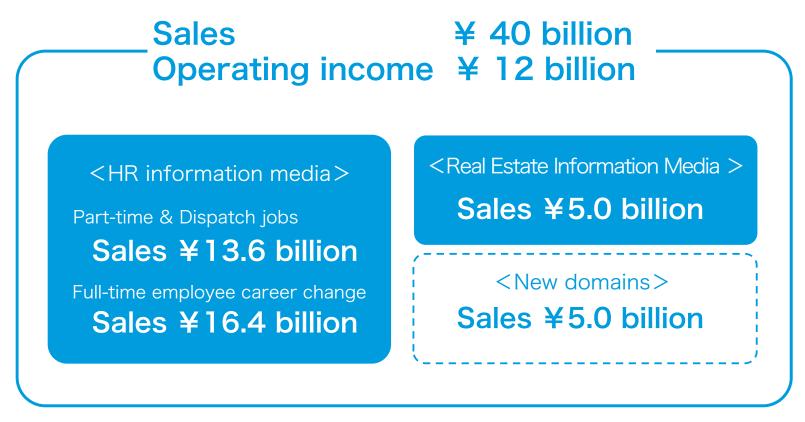
We will maintain our focus on efficient business operations while continuing to hire in order to increase the speed of business development. We hire part-time and temporary employees for customer support.





5-1. Medium-Term Business Plan (Earnings goals for FY2018)

In 5-year period, aim "add another zero" to profit scale

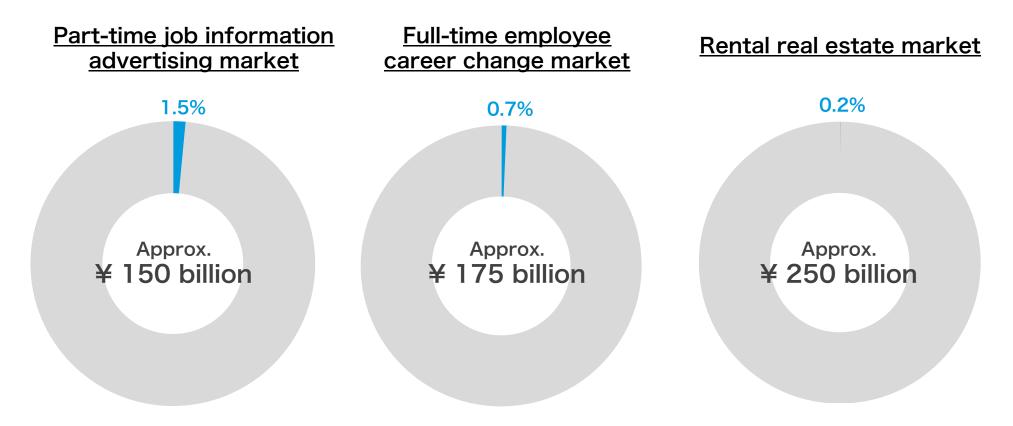


→ Issue commercial stock options that can be executed with achievement of earnings goals



5-2. Market environment (existing business – our share)

Despite the existence of various business models, based on the sheer scale of the market in terms of net sales, we believe our share of the market is relatively small and that there is still significant room for growth





5-3. Growth strategy for goal achievement (existing business)

Reinforcement of major measures and distinction in our services to expand share and expand business segments by breaking into related domains in order to become "the next common" in the HR and real estate markets

Number of hires Number of inquiries



Hire and inquiry fees (success fees)



Expansion into related existing businesses (including M&A)

- <Measures to increase hiring rates>
- Strengthen customer support
- Unit price improvement by providing additional services

Number of job applications

- <Measures to increase application submission rates and inquiry rates >
- Increase number of listings
- Improve site functions

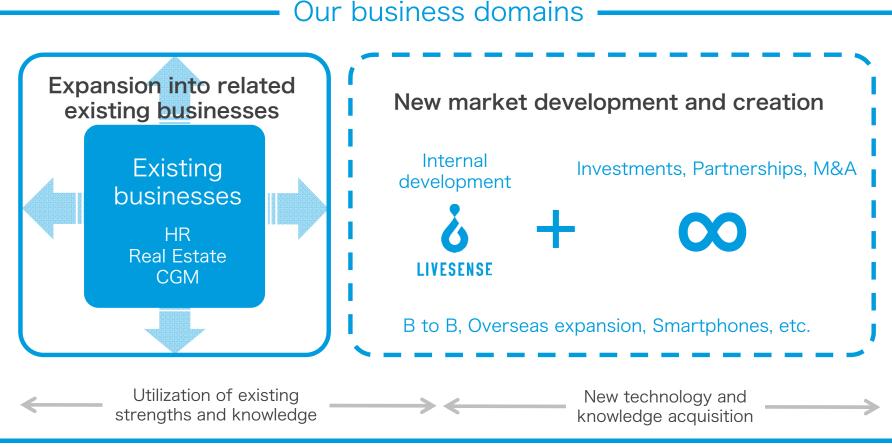
Number of site users

- <Measures to improve ability to
 attract customers>
- Enhancements to web marketing and promotions
- Implement measures to improve repeat use



5-4. Growth strategy for goal achievement (new domains)

In addition to internal development, we will use aggressive business investments, including capitalization, business partnerships, and M&A to create "the next common" and enhance our profit infrastructure

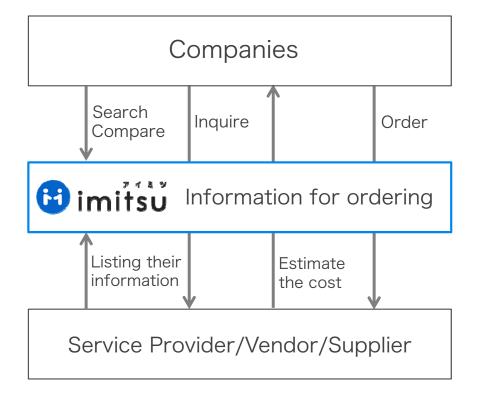


Business Comparison and Order Site "imitsu"

- Began operation through alliance with unilabo Inc. in February 2014
- B2B service providing easy comparison and ordering services for running your business









Planning to establish first Livesense 100% consolidated subsidiary, Livesense America Inc., in August 19, 2014

• Establishing new subsidiary to focus on market research on the latest internet-related services, local business network building, and medium-term new service development

<Summary of Subsidiary>

- · Name Livesense America Inc.
- · Address California, United States
- · Representative Tomoya Shibasaki
- · Stated Capita \$0.6 million
- · Fiscal Year End December 31
- · Major Businesses Internet Services
- Beginning from the third quarter earnings for FY2014, financial results announcements will be consolidated (planned for mid-November)





5-7. Medium-Term Business Plan (Schedule)

Continue with infrastructure enhancements and aggressive investments need to achieve long-term growth

FY2014

FY2015

FY2016~2018

Policies

Business infrastructure enhancements

Business portfolio enhancements

Higher profitability

Vital measures

<Business topics> Existing business: enhance user traffic development capabilities

<Organization topics>
Increased hiring,
organizational development,
personnel development

<Business topics> Existing business: expanding business domains

New domains: development of multiple businesses, test runs, begin overseas expansion <Business topics> Existing business: expanding business scope

New domains: full-scale expansion of business, profit stabilization

Investments

Existing business: M&A in related domains

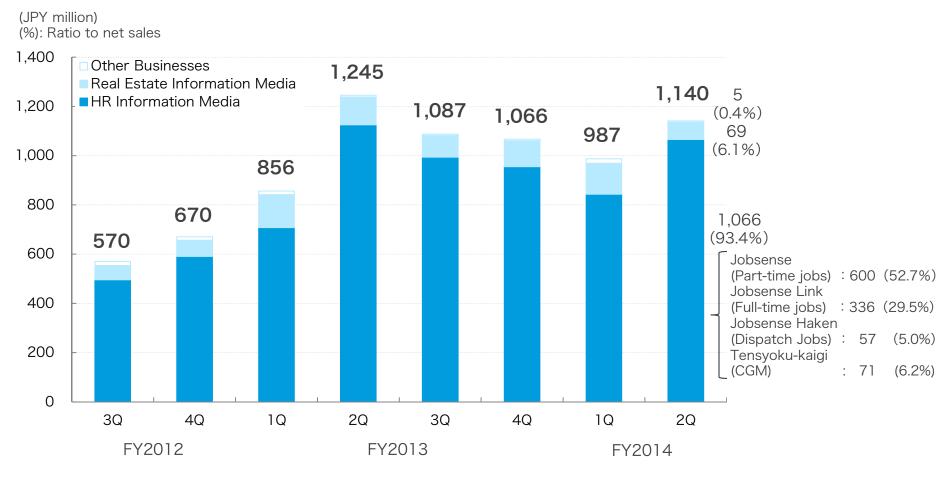
New domains: market research, planting seeds

New domains: internal development, investments, partnerships, M&A, overseas expansion

Recovery through profit stabilization



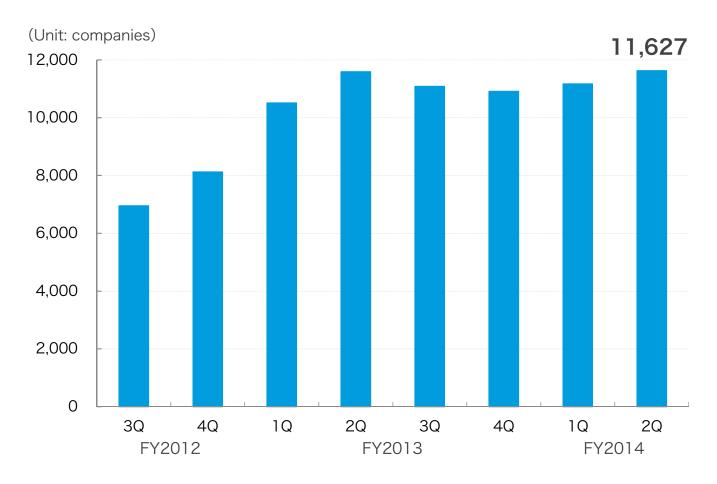
Job information sales underperformed the previous year due to continued lack of workers and delay in web marketing measures. Quarter results improved due to seasonal characteristics





6-2. FY2014 2Q - Number of Actively Listing Companies

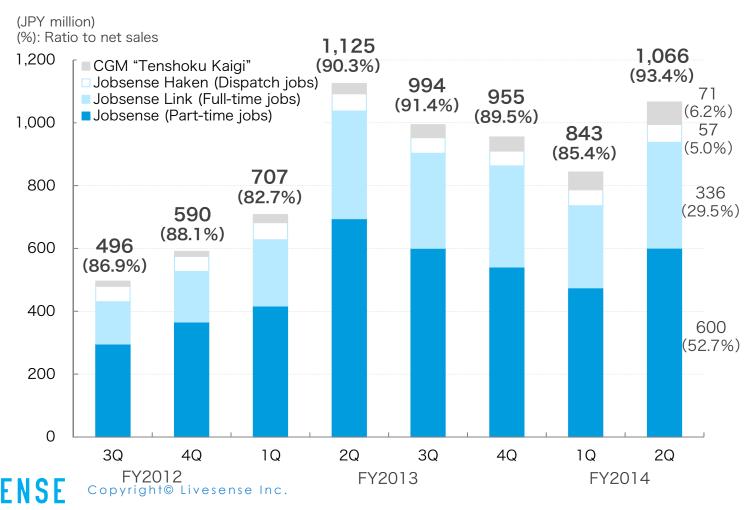
- Number of new corporate customers in 2Q14: 2,477
- In addition to focus on new customers, we are focusing on promoting use among existing corporate customers





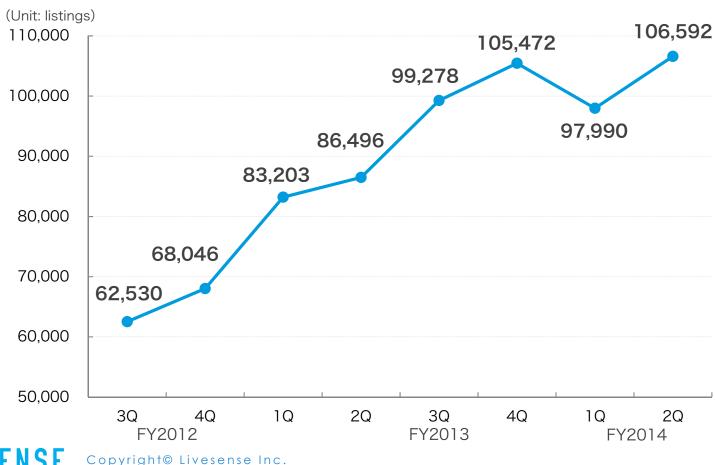
6-3. FY2014 2Q - HR Information Media Business (Sales)

- Underperformed 2Q13 due to lack of part-time workers continuing since the 2H of last year and delay in web marketing measures
- Improving job applicant support and continuing to focus on website improvements in order to increase application and hiring rates



6-4. FY2014 2Q - HR Information Media Business (No. of information)

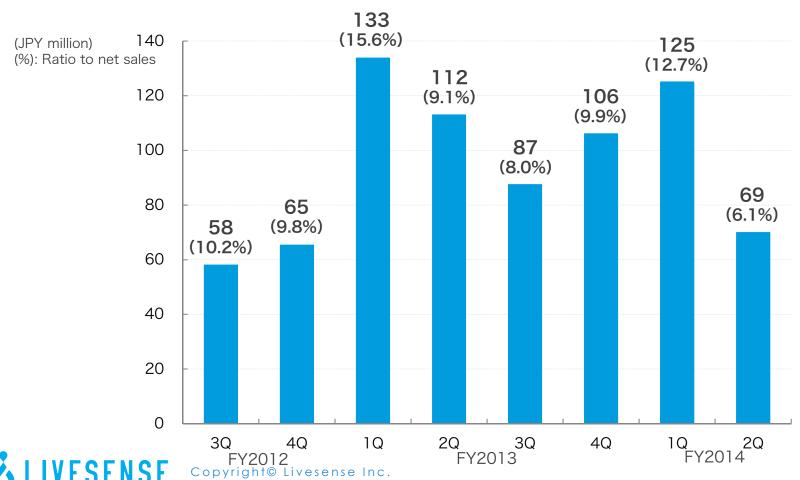
- Improved use among existing corporate customers through promotions
- Focus on service enhancements to suit needs of corporate customers and marketing in regions with low usage levels to improve the number of listings





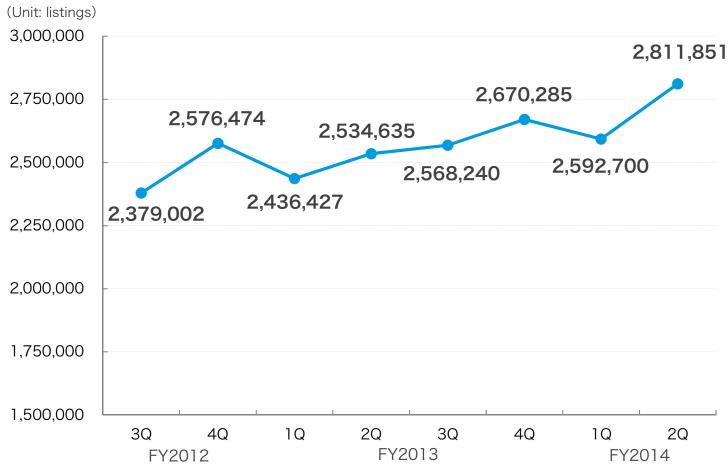
6-5. FY2014 2Q - Real Estate Information Media Business (Sales)

- Decreased due to seasonality and the extension of internal management system development aimed at addressing future expansion of business scope
- Enhance the property number of listings and other content as well as site improvements and management efficiency



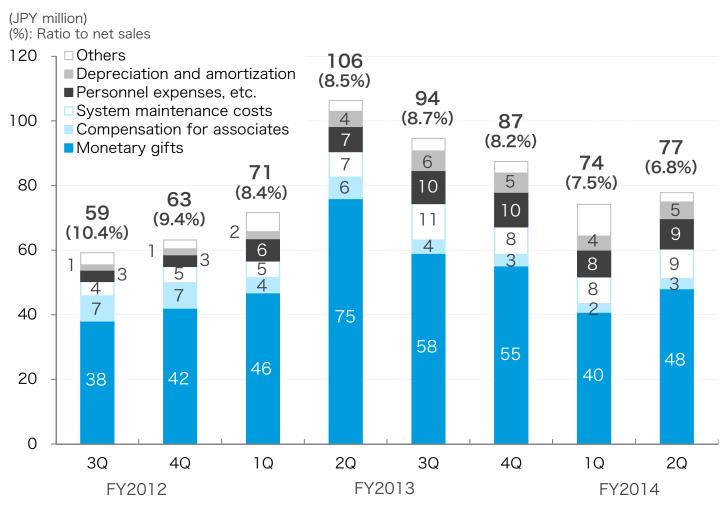
6-6. FY2014 2Q - Real Estate Information Media Business (No. of information)

- Enhance new listing approach to achieve steady increases
- Establish service management system to further increase the number of listings and media capabilities





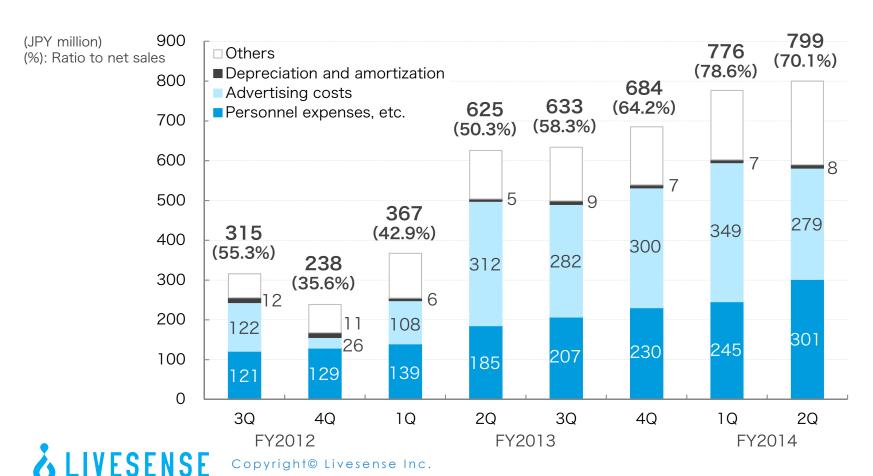
Monetary gifts for hiring increased compared to 1Q14 due to increase in job information sales





6-8. FY2014 2Q - SG&A Expenses

- Personnel expenses, etc. continued to increase with the increase in personnel
- For advertising costs, will continue web promotions aimed at increasing user traffic while analyzing cost performance in order to achieve more efficient management



6-9. Fee Revision and Paid Advertising Strategies

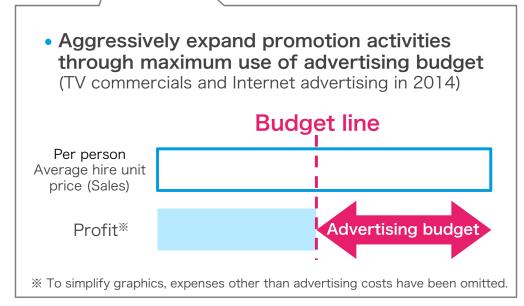
Expand medium-term share

- Diversify how to attract users and further ability to bring in more users = SEO+Paid Advertising
- Improved profitability
- Price structure change

(1st: late 2011-2012)

(2nd: 2013)

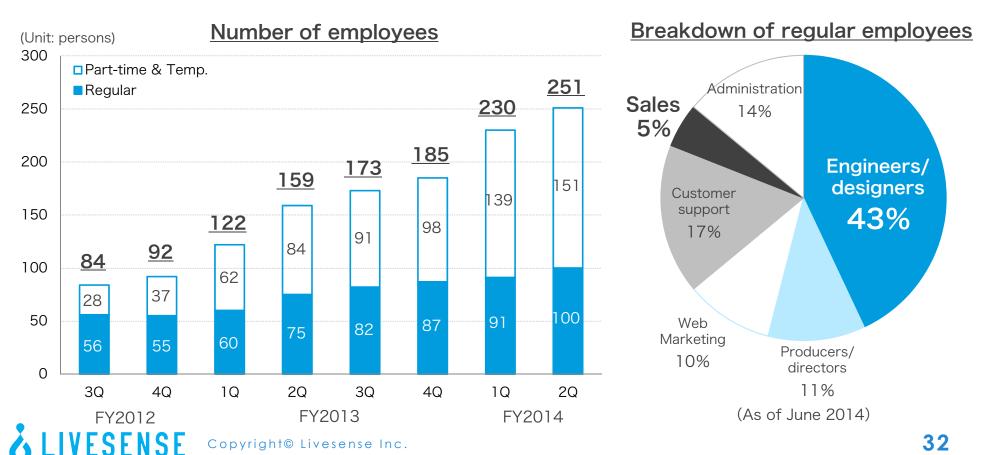
Jobsense, Jobsense Link





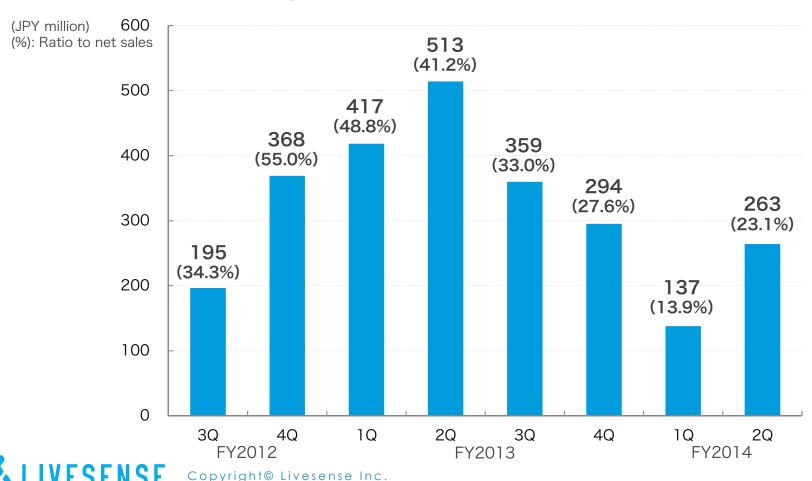
6-10. Number of employees

- Added 9 full time employees (including 4 new graduates) and 12 part-time or temporary employees who support for job applicants, increased personnel in line with measures for existing and new businesses during 2Q
- The structural change to a system of units to maximize business efficiency



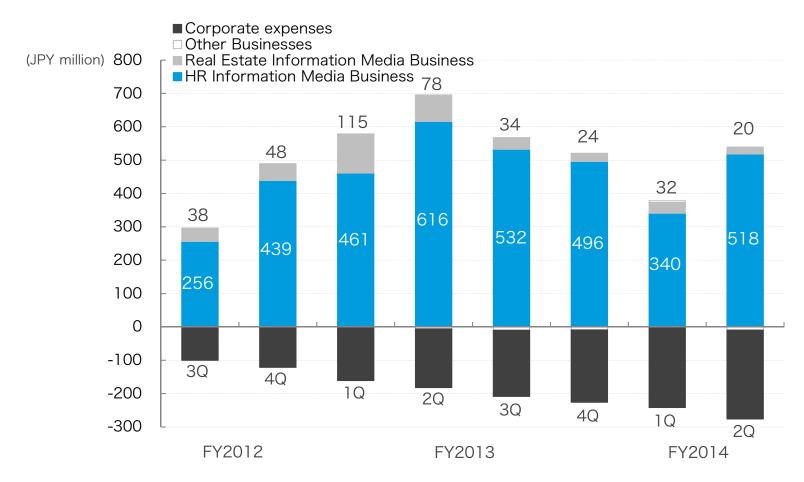
6-11. FY2014 2Q - Operating Income

Operating income declined compared to 2Q13 due to increased personnel expenses, etc. related to the expansion of business scope, sales and promotion expenses related to the use of an external call center, and increases in rent and equipment expenses due to an office expansion



6-12. FY2014 2Q - Segment profits

- Job information income increased on a quarterly basis due to increased sales
- Real estate information income was impacted by increased expenses due to improvements to our operating structure





6-13. FY2014 Plan (Revised on August 13)

- With 2Q earnings falling below our original plan due to a lack of part-time workers and delays in the implementation of web marketing measures, we revised our full-year earnings forecast
- Implement enhanced progress management for earnings and measures outlined for each business
- Solidify foundation for medium-term growth and control hiring and advertising based on performance and business conditions

(Thousands of JPY)

	FY2013	FY2014			
	Results	Forecast	(YoY)	2Q Results	(Progress Rate)
Sales	4,256,153	4,280,199	0.6%	2,128,716	49.7%
Operating Income	1,584,478	517,991	(67.3%)	400,430	77.3%
	37.2%	12.1%	-	18.8%	-
Ordinary Income	1,585,828	517,991	(67.3%)	400,732	77.4%
	37.3%	12.1%	-	18.8%	-
Net Profit	983,830	330,480	(66.4%)	243,739	73.8%
	23.1%	7.7%	-	11.5%	-
EPS (JPY)	35.58	11.91	(66.5%)	8.78	73.7%



Part-time jobs area

Increase in applicants rate & hiring rate

Improving ability to attract site user

Increase number of listings

Establishment of a new revenue pillars

- Strengthening telephone support for job applicants (optimized and increased operations)
- Improve website functionality especially on smartphones
- Decrease job matching opportunity loss through published job ad reviews
- Further improve web marketing
- Optimize of web advertisements
- Further differentiation through initiatives such as monetary gifts
- Promote usage by existing clients
- Increased sales & marketing to new prospective clients

Provide optional services based on client demand

Full-time employee career change area

Increase in applicants rate & hiring rate

- Strengthening job applicants (registered users) support (optimized and increased operations)
- Improve website functionality

Improving ability to attract site user

- · Further improve web marketing
- Optimize web advertisements

Increase number of listings

- Provide services in cooperation with CGM "Tenshoku Kaigi"
- Promote usage by existing clients
- Increased sales & marketing to new prospective clients

Establishment of a new revenue pillars

- Strengthening monetization of CGM "Tenshoku Kaigi"
- Provide optional services based on client demand



Real Estate area

Increase number of listings

- Begin operation of internal management system (September-end)
- Strengthening new client acquisitions

Improving ability to attract site user

- Improve web marketing
- Increase real estate rent content

Increase in inquiry rate

Increase usability through improved and increased website functionality

Development of new revenue sources

Prepare new service launch related to real estate domain



6-17. Balance Sheet Statement

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	2Q13	2Q14	YoY
Current assets	2,545,016	2,956,864	+16.2%
Cash and deposits	1,974,719	2,455,327	+24.3%
Accounts receivable	530,311	449,517	(15.2%)
Fixed assets	310,597	413,571	+33.2%
Tangible fixed assets	117,994	124,509	+5.5%
Intangible fixed assets	38,471	32,802	(14.7%)
Investments and other assets	154,131	256,259	+66.3%
Total assets	2,855,613	3,370,435	+18.0%
Current liabilities	669,753	466,465	(30.4%)
Accounts payable	130,852	195,822	+49.7%
Income taxes payable	423,913	154,840	(63.5%)
Fixed liabilities	-	-	-
Total liabilities	669,753	466,465	(30.4%)
Shareholders' equity	2,172,361	2,885,282	+32.8%
Capital	219,930	223,460	+1.6%
Capital reserve	204,930	208,460	+1.7%
Accumulated earnings	1,747,501	2,454,217	+40.4%
Stock warrants	13,498	19,043	+41.1%
Total net assets	2,185,859	2,903,969	+32.9%



6-18. Cash Flow Statement

(Thousands of JPY)

	2Q13	2Q14	YoY
Cash flows from operating activities	388,891	(4,792)	(101.2%)
Depreciation and amortization	18,141	22,133	+22.0%
Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts	2,913	2,482	(14.8%)
Stock compensation expenses	5,061	3,037	(40.0%)
Decrease (increase) in notes and accounts receivable	(260,158)	(16,681)	(93.6%)
Decrease (increase) in inventories	-	3,109	-
Increase (decrease) in reserve for bonuses	-	18,499	-
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	84,456	(11,182)	(113.2%)
Increase (decrease) in accrued consumption taxes	(9,530)	(44,245)	+364.3%
Income taxes paid	(417,138)	(374,126)	(10.3%)
Cash flows from investing activities	(100,078)	(81,801)	(18.3%)
Payments for purchase of tangible fixed assets	(105,250)	(20,236)	(80.8%)
Payments for purchase of investment securities	-	(36,025)	-
Payments for purchase of intangible fixed assets	(29,840)	(4,137)	(86.1%)
Payments for lease and guarantee deposits	-	(21,402)	-
Cash flows from financing activities	-	468	-



Measures to increase employees motivation to their work

- Stock option
- Effective personnel evaluation system
- MVP award system
- Internal exchange events,
 Department gathering
- Qualification support system
- Engineers workshop

Etc.



Awarded in a variety of fields from external organizations



Awarded for 4 consecutive years in terms of sales growth rate ranking of technology companies in Japan and Asia-Pacific.



Ranked in the upper level in Great Place to Work 2013.



Started a program to support start-up companies and entrepreneurs

 Start-up companies and entrepreneurs brush up their business plans by a discussion with representatives of COOKPAD Inc. and Livesense Inc.



- Lecture about our experience at some universities in order to help students wanting to be entrepreneurs.
- Cooperation in entrepreneur support activities of Japanese government.

Hold constantly IR briefings for investors

- We hold IR briefings 8 times per year in Tokyo, Osaka and Nagoya for individual investors.
- Actively hold briefings, small meetings, 1on1 meeting, conference call for institutional investors.



(http://www.startup50.jp/)







Reference - Stock Information (As of June 2014)

Stock Price

· Lowest listed price : ¥223 (Dec. 7, 2011)

· Highest listed price : ¥3,255 (Jul. 2, 2013)

Yearly low: ¥633 (May 21, 2014)

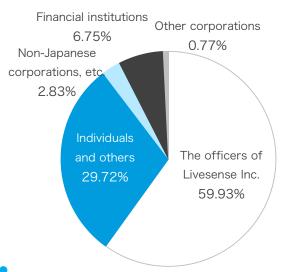
Yearly high: ¥2,586(Jan. 6, 2014)

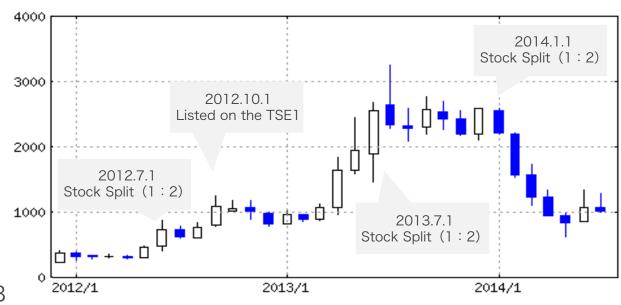
· Average volume: 981,166 stock/day (Jan. – Jul. 2014)

• Issued shares : 27,758,400

Number of Shareholders: 12,328

% of Shares by category





Major Shareholders

Name	Shares owned	%
Taichi Murakami (President and Representative Director)	13,744,600	49.51
Daisuke Katsura (Directors)	2,698,000	9.71
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust Account)	297,000	1.06
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	238,700	0.85
Tadao Nakata	208,700	0.75
Nomura Securities Co.,Ltd.	156,200	0.56
JPMCB: CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES EUROPE-JPY 1007760	122,668	0.44
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust Account 1)	114,400	0.41
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust Account 6)	107,800	0.38
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust Account 5)	107,200	0.38

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