## Outlook for FY20-21 corporate earnings

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### **Summary and major assumptions**

#### Overview of the FY20 corporate earnings outlook

In this report, we collate and analyze earnings forecast data issued by our analysts.

For FY20, our analysts look for a sales decline of 9.6% y-y and a recurring profit decline of 18.3% for companies in the Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index (ex financials). This would make FY20 the second straight year with a sharp fall in recurring profits, following the 22.3% drop recorded in FY19. Compared with the previous set of forecasts (as of 1 September), the sales growth forecast is largely unchanged and the recurring profit growth forecast is more favorable, largely owing to the investment fund business of SoftBank Group [9984]. That said, recovery in exports, corporate efforts to reduce costs, and other factors have had the effect of stopping earnings forecasts from being lowered any further.

In FY20 Q2 results at Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex financials) companies, sales fell 10.3% y-y and recurring profits fell 17.1%. Results were unfavorable, but both rates of decline were improvements compared with FY20 Q1.

Our forex assumptions for FY20 are USD/JPY of 105.90 (previously 106.38) and EUR/JPY of 122.13 (previously 120.35). We have thus revised our forecasts in the direction of a stronger yen versus the US dollar but a weaker yen versus the euro.

The Revision Index (RI) for the Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index (ex financials), showing the difference between the percentage of companies for which estimates were raised and the percentage of companies for which estimates were lowered, came in at +7.2% for December 2020 (indicating that upward revisions outstripped downward revisions in the period from 2 September through 1 December), improving from -23.9% in September 2020 (1 June to 1 September). The revision index turned positive for the first time in nine quarters.

Our analysts forecast a y-y decline in aggregate FY20 dividends for the constituents of the Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index, reflecting the difficulty of business conditions under the pandemic. The ratio of companies forecast to raise their dividend is 6.1ppt lower than the ratio of companies forecast to either lower their dividend or not pay a dividend. Considering that a double-digit decline is forecast in net profits, we think companies are making an effort to maintain dividends.

#### Overview of the corporate earnings outlook for FY21

For FY21, our analysts are looking for sales growth of 7.6% y-y and recurring profit growth of 42.2% for companies in the Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index (ex financials). Our analysts forecast recurring profits will grow for the first time in three years, assuming that economic activity will normalize, both in Japan and overseas, after weakening because of COVID-19. That said, compared with our previous forecasts, sales growth and recurring profit growth have become more muted, indicating expectations for earnings to recover more moderately than previously envisioned.

Our revised forex assumptions for FY21 are USD/JPY of 105.00 (previously 106.00, revised in the direction of a stronger yen) and EUR/JPY of 123.00 (previously 121.00, revised in the direction of a weaker yen).

Fig. 1: Overview of consolidated earnings forecasts for the Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index

(%) No. of cos FY19 FY20 FY21 FY17 FY18 FY20 FY21 Category Actual Ε Items Actual Actual Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex financials) 305 8.2 6.5 -2.5 7.6 -9.5 8.6 Manufacturing 175 9.3 3.0 -2.7 -9.8 7.9 -9.9 9.7 Sales Basic materials 37 17.1 7.0 -2.0 14.2 7.4 -13.7 12.4 (% y-y) Processing 84 7.9 9.1 -4.5 -10.2 10.3 1.7 -9.8 Nonmanufacturing (ex financials) 130 6.7 11.5 -2.3 9.3 7.2 -9.1 7.1 Russell/Nomura Small Cap (ex financials) 1,128 4.6 0.3 6.6 -6.5 6.1 6.5 Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex financials) 305 16.3 3.6 -23.7 -29.6 50.9 -28.3 53.1 17.8 Manufacturing 175 0.3 -23.2 19.4 43.1 -21.8 50.6 Operating profits Basic materials 37 34.9 0.1 -48.7 15.3 52.3 -14.9 59.3 (% y-y) Processing 84 15.9 -20.1 -27.4 -31.7 63.0 0.2 53.0 Nonmanufacturing (ex financials) 130 14.3 8.0 -24.3 41.1 62.8 -35.6 56.5 Russell/Nomura Small Cap (ex financials) 1,128 41.5 6.8 -2.4 -6.0 -22.4 36.3 28.0 329 15.3 1.1 -20.5 37.9 -18.7 43.8 Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex financials) 17.5 18.3 305 -22.3 42.2 -19.5 49.1 3.1 Manufacturing 175 21.6 -1.5 -27.2 -13.4 44.5 -16.0 51.4 Basic materials 37 43.6 2.1 -52.0-19.1 63.2 -17.468.3 Recurring profits 84 19.6 -24.5 17.4 50.9 59.7 Processing -2.6 -22.2 (% y-y) Nonmanufacturing 154 3.7 20.9 -20.9 9.7 -14.332.0 37.2 130 12.2 -16.0 -23.6 Nonmanufacturing (ex financials) 9.7 39.2 -23.2 46.3 RN Small 1,224 9.0 -1.8 -7.3-24.6 35.7 -20.5 32.7 Russell/Nomura Small Cap (ex financials) 1,128 8.4 0.3 -9.5 -26.8 -13.1 40.5 -21.6 36.1 RN Large -31.6 329 32.2 -4.5 46.6 -14.1 52.7 Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex financials) 305 38.5 -1.1 -35.6 13.9 53.5 -14.7 60.4 Manufacturing 175 53.1 -4.3 -40.3 -14.3 63.6 -15.4 68.1 Net profits Basic materials 37 49.6 0.9 -82.6 6.3 199.7 25.6 160.8 (% y-y) Processing 84 68.5 -5.9 -37.9 18.6 63.7 -22.2 71.5 Nonmanufacturing 154 15.1 -4.7 -22.2 12.1 32.6 -13.1 40.0 Nonmanufacturing (ex financials) 130 20.4 3.9 -28.8 13.5 41.4 -13.8 51.3 RN Small 1,224 14.5 -5.9 -12.0 50.5 37.9 20.1 -9.6 Russell/Nomura Small Cap (ex financials) 1,128 10.1 -3.4 -13.9 60.3 -9.4 43.1

Note: Latest estimates as of 1 December 2020, previous estimates as of 1 September 2020.

Source: Nomura

Fig. 2: Major assumptions

		As of 16 October 20	As of 16 July 2020										
		Industrial production	Policy rate	WTI	Exchange rate (avg)		Exchange rate (avg)		Industrial production	Policy rate	WTI	Exchange	rate (avg)
		2015 base year (% y-y)	(FY-end, %)	(\$/bbl)	(USD/JPY) (EUR/JPY)		2015 base year (% y-y)	(FY-end, %)	(\$/bbl)	(USD/JPY)	(EUR/JPY)		
FY	FY19	-3.6	-0.10	54.8	108.72	120.82	-3.6	-0.10	54.8	108.72	120.82		
	FY20	-11.9	-0.10	37.9	105.90	122.13	-9.0	-0.10	38.0	106.38	120.35		
	FY21	11.8	-0.10	42.9	105.00	123.00	5.9	-0.10	42.5	106.00	121.00		
Half-yearly	FY19 H1	-1.7	-0.10	58.1	108.61	121.41	-1.7	-0.10	58.1	108.61	121.41		
	FY19 H2	-5.6	-0.10	51.6	108.84	120.22	-5.6	-0.10	51.6	108.84	120.22		
	FY20 H1	-17.3	-0.10	34.4	106.80	121.26	-13.1	-0.10	34.4	106.75	119.69		
	FY20 H2	-6.4	-0.10	41.5	105.00	123.00	-4.8	-0.10	41.5	106.00	121.00		
	FY21 H1	14.5	-0.10	42.8	105.00	123.00	8.0	-0.10	42.0	106.00	121.00		
	FY21 H2	9.4	-0.10	43.0	105.00	123.00	3.9	-0.10	43.0	106.00	121.00		

Note: WTI is term-average WTI crude oil futures price. The above assumptions are not Nomura forecasts but the assumptions on which Nomura analysts base their earnings forecasts.

## Contributions to recurring profit growth by sector

#### FY20 overview

For FY20, our analysts project that recurring profits will increase, or recurring losses will narrow, in 5 out of 19 sectors, and that recurring profits will decrease, or move to recurring losses, in the remaining 14 sectors.

Sectors expected to make major positive contributions to profits include telecommunications; steel, nonferrous metals; electrical machinery, precision equipment; pharmaceuticals, healthcare; and software. In the telecommunications sector, profits have been growing in the investment fund business of SoftBank Group. In the steel, nonferrous metals; electrical machinery, precision equipment; and pharmaceuticals, healthcare sectors, we look for profit growth in FY20 in reaction to one-time losses or asset impairment losses recognized in FY19. In the software segment, we look for profit growth to be driven by an increase in stay-at-home demand amid the pandemic and also by amusement software, which has benefited from digital distribution efforts.

Sectors expected to contribute the most to a decline in profits include transportation, automobiles, chemicals, financials, trading companies, and services. In the transportation sector, the number of people traveling by plane and train has fallen sharply in the pandemic. In the automobiles sector, we expect auto demand to fall sharply y-y in Japan and elsewhere, although recoveries in the US and China have come sooner than we anticipated. In the chemicals sector, in addition to the effect of an expected y-y decline in crude oil prices, COVID-19 has triggered a deterioration in petrochemicals operations and in demand for automotive and aircraft products. The recording of goodwill as a result of corporate acquisitions is another factor. In the financials sector, our analysts expect the pandemic to squeeze banks' earnings via a reduction in economic and corporate activity, lower interest rates (and narrower spreads), and higher credit costs, for example. For trading companies, the main negatives for profits include a downturn in automotive- and passenger-related operations and weak demand for some resources as a result of COVID-19, as well as the recording of impairment losses. In the services segment, the pandemic has had a broad impact, including Japan Post Holdings [6178], with its post office financial services operations affected by a drop in customer traffic; Oriental Land [4661], with fewer people visiting its theme parks; a decline in demand for job placement; and lower demand for eating out.

#### Overview of the corporate earnings outlook for FY21

For FY21, our analysts assume that economic activity will continue to return to normal as COVID-19 vaccines are developed and distributed. They expect recurring profits to rise or return to the black in 18 out of 19 sectors and to fall in only the telecommunications sector.

Sectors expected to make major positive contributions to profits include transportation; automobiles; electrical machinery, precision equipment; and trading companies. With the exception of the electrical machinery, precision equipment sector, for which our analysts expect recurring profits to rise in FY20, we expect profit growth contributions to rise in all the other sectors owing to either expectations for demand to recover or in reaction to recognition of one-time losses in FY20.

Fig. 3: Contributions to recurring profit growth by sector for the Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index

Increase in profits Contribution Growth Contribution 5 sectors
Telecommunications
Steel, nonferrous metals
Electrical machinery, precision equipment
Pharmaceuticals, healthcare (ex financials) 39.1 97.5 LS 4.8 5.4 7.6 5.3 16.7 4.0 Software 30.0 3.8

Decrease in profits			(%)
14 sectors	Growth	Contribution	Contribution (ex financials)
Food	-2.1	-0.4	-0.5
Media	-27.3	-0.6	-0.7
Construction	-10.1	-1.1	-1.2
Household goods	-22.9	-2.7	-3.0
Utilities	-19.8	-3.4	-3.8
Machinery	-21.2	-5.6	-6.3
Retailing	-27.8	-6.6	-7.5
Housing, real estate	-23.7	-7.4	-8.4
Services	-33.2	-8.7	-9.8
Trading companies	-30.9	-10.5	-11.8
Financials	-13.7	-11.5	
Chemicals	-28.5	-11.6	-13.1
Automobiles	-37.1	-27.5	-31.0
Transportation	SL	-58.8	-66.5

Increase in profits			(%)
18 sectors	Growth	Contribution	Contribution (ex financials)
Transportation	SP	24.5	26.0
Automobiles	91.7	24.1	25.6
Electrical machinery, precision equipment	24.1	9.1	9.6
Trading companies	55.5	7.3	7.8
Financials	14.5	6.0	-
Chemicals	34.6	5.7	6.0
Machinery	45.7	5.3	5.7
Steel, nonferrous metals	SP	4.5	4.8
Services	42.6	4.2	4.5
Retailing	41.4	4.0	4.3
Pharmaceuticals, healthcare	24.5	3.9	4.1
Housing, real estate	23.4	3.2	3.4
Software	17.7	1.6	1.7
Food	12.7	1.4	1.5
Household goods	24.2	1.2	1.3
Media	123.0	1.2	1.2
Construction	6.1	0.3	0.4
Utilities	2.1	0.2	0.2

 Decrease in profits
 (%)

 1 sector
 Growth
 Contribution (ex financials)

 Telecommunications
 -17.1
 -7.6
 -8.1

Note: SP = switch to profits. SL = switch to losses. LS = losses shrinking.

# Revisions to recurring profit estimates (versus old estimates)

#### Overview of the FY20 corporate earnings outlook

We raised our FY20 recurring profit forecasts for eight of the 19 sectors, lowered them for 10, and did not revise them for one (construction).

Upward revisions were greatest for the telecommunications; automobiles; housing, real estate; and software sectors. In the telecommunications sector, we reflected expectations for profit growth in the investment fund business of SoftBank Group, which we discussed earlier. In the automobiles sector, we reflected recovery in auto demand in the US and China and greater-than-expected efforts by companies to reduce costs. In the housing, real estate sector, we included in our earnings forecasts the steadier-than-expected housing demand and gains on sales of logistics facilities accompanying the formation of privately placed REITs. In the software segment, we raised our forecasts for brisk home video game operations.

Downward revision amounts were greatest in the transportation; electrical machinery, precision equipment; services; and chemicals segments. In the transportation segment, we reflected in our forecasts the slower-than-anticipated recovery in demand for seats on passenger planes and trains. In the electrical machinery, precision equipment sector, we raised our forecast for the electronic parts subsector, but this failed to make up for the downward revisions to account for declining demand for office equipment and digital cameras. In the services sector, we reflected in our forecasts lower theme park visitor numbers and lower job placement demand, for example, amid the pandemic. In the chemicals sector, the effect of recognizing impairment losses accounts for the bulk of the downward revision.

#### Overview of the corporate earnings outlook for FY21

We raised our FY21 recurring profit forecasts for nine of the 19 sectors, lowered them for 9, and did not revise them for one (media).

The largest upward revisions to our forecasts were in the automobiles; trading companies; software; and financials sectors. The upward revisions for the automobiles and software sectors more or less reflected the same factors as in FY20. The trading companies sector forecasts reflect greater-than-expected signs of recovery in auto sales businesses in emerging markets and expectations for iron ore/nonferrous metal market prices to hold firm. In the financials sector, the revisions mainly reflect upward revisions at securities companies, which have benefited from a strong market in the US.

Our downward revisions were largest for sectors including transportation; electrical machinery, precision equipment; chemicals; and pharmaceuticals, healthcare. For FY21, our analysts are assuming that the impact of the pandemic will fade and that economic activity will return to normal, but their forecasts for the transportation; electrical machinery, precision equipment; and chemicals sectors also reflect expectations for earnings recovery to be more moderate than they previously envisaged. In the pharmaceuticals, healthcare sector, we took into consideration lower market uptake by patented drugs than anticipated and the effect on medical device producers of a standstill in the number of medical tests and procedures.

Fig. 4: Revisions to recurring profit estimates (versus old estimates) for the Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index

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[Upward revisions]	ard revisions] 8 sectors										
	New	Old	Revision	Change							
Telecommunications	5,305	4,501	804	17.9							
Automobiles	3,122	2,423	700	28.9							
Housing, real estate	1,608	1,524	84	5.5							
Software	1,091	1,031	61	5.9							
Financials	4,891	4,837	54	1.1							
Steel, nonferrous metals	-27	-69	42	-							
Retailing	1,148	1,118	31	2.7							
Food	1,340	1,310	30	2.3							

[Upward revisions]	9 sectors		(¥bn)	(%)
	New	Old	Revision	Change
Automobiles	5,984	5,722	262	4.6
Trading companies	2,440	2,336	105	4.5
Software	1,284	1,223	62	5.0
Financials	5,602	5,566	36	0.6
Steel, nonferrous metals	514	490	24	4.8
Housing, real estate	1,984	1,963	21	1.0
Food	1,511	1,491	20	1.4
Machinery	2,021	2,002	19	0.9
Construction	701	701	1	0.1

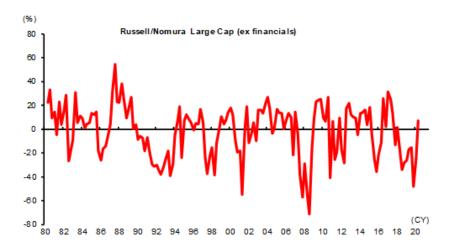
[Downward revisions]		10 sectors		(¥bn)	(%)
		New	Old	Revision	Change
H	lousehold goods	602	625	-24	-3.8
Ν	Machinery	1,387	1,411	-24	-1.7
P	harmaceuticals, healthcare	1,889	1,925	-37	-1.9
Т	rading companies	1,569	1,611	-42	-2.6
Ν	Media	112	155	-42	-27.3
L	Itilities	913	986	-72	-7.3
C	Chemicals	1,951	2,034	-83	-4.1
S	Services	1,175	1,266	-90	-7.1
Е	lectrical machinery, precision equipment	4,486	4,648	-162	-3.5
Т	ransportation	-1,800	-971	-830	-

[Downward revisions]	9 sectors		(¥bn)	(%)
	New Old		Revision	Change
Retailing	1,624	1,631	-7	-0.5
Utilities	932	958	-26	-2.7
Services	1,676	1,743	-68	-3.9
Household goods	747	852	-104	-12.3
Telecommunications	4,399	4,514	-115	-2.6
Pharmaceuticals, healthcare	2,352	2,471	-119	-4.8
Chemicals	2,625	2,816	-191	-6.8
Electrical machinery, precision equipment	5,565	5,817	-252	-4.3
Transportation	1,111	2,057	-947	-46.0

Note: Latest estimates as of 1 December 2020, previous estimates as of 1 September 2020. We did not make any changes to our FY20 forecasts for the construction sector and to our FY21 forecasts for the media sector.

Fig. 5: Revision index for the Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index

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(y y/m)	19/3	19/6	19/6	19/12	20/3	20/8	20/9	20/12
Russell/Nomura Large Cap	-31.4	-27.6	-24.6	-15.6	-15.5	-45.5	-25.5	7.6
Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex financials)	-33.8	-28.0	-26.1	-16.9	-15.0	-48.0	-23.9	7.2
Manufacturing	-47.8	-34.1	-46.4	-25.7	-21.7	-57.7	-17.7	7.4
Basic materials	-42.9	-31.7	-83.4	-58.1	-40.5	-64.9	-29.7	18.9
Processing	-57.8	-41.0	-50.6	-32.5	-23.8	-63.1	-14.3	20.2
Nonmanufacturing (ex financials)	-14.1	-19.5	2.3	-4.7	-6.1	-35.1	-32.1	6.9



Note: (1) Calculated by Nomura based on revisions to recurring profit forecasts. Excludes consolidated subsidiaries. (2) Revision index = (number of upward revisions - number of downward revisions) ÷ number of constituent companies.

# Russell/Nomura Large Cap Index: earnings indicators

Fig. 6: Percentage change in sales by sector

(% v-v. except where noted)

	(% y-y, except wher								
		No. of	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20E	FY20E	FY21E	FY21E
		cos				Old	New	Old	New
	Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex financials)	305	8.2	6.5	-2.5	-9.5	-9.6	8.6	7.6
	Manufacturing	175	9.3	3.0	-2.7	-9.9	-9.8	9.7	7.9
Industrial groups	Basic materials	37	17.1	7.0	-2.0	-13.7	-14.2	12.4	7.4
	Processing	84	7.9	1.7	-4.5	-10.2	-9.8	10.3	9.1
	Nonmanufacturing (ex financials)	130	6.7	11.5	-2.3	-9.1	-9.3	7.1	7.2
	Materials	37	17.1	7.0	-2.0	-13.7	-14.2	12.4	7.4
	Machinery, autos	45	9.0	2.2	-4.4	-13.7	-12.0	12.9	10.5
Broad sectors	Electronics	39	6.0	8.0	-4.8	-4.2	-6.0	6.3	6.8
Dioau sectors	Consumer, distribution	98	6.7	15.5	-0.6	-8.0	-7.6	6.0	6.4
	Information	27	6.3	3.7	-7.4	-0.3	-2.3	4.8	4.8
	Utilities, infrastructure	59	6.0	3.8	0.2	-11.6	-12.6	8.7	7.9
	Chemicals	31	18.0	8.0	-1.2	-13.7	-15.1	12.8	6.5
	Steel, nonferrous metals	6	15.0	4.7	-3.9	-13.8	-11.8	11.4	9.8
	Machinery	26	13.9	3.0	-3.6	-7.2	-8.1	6.2	6.9
	Autos	19	7.7	2.0	-4.6	-15.6	-13.1	15.1	11.7
	Electrical machinery, precision equipment	39	6.0	0.8	-4.8	-4.2	-6.0	6.3	6.8
	Pharmaceuticals, healthcare	21	3.2	3.5	9.7	-0.3	-1.6	4.4	3.9
	Food products	19	6.7	2.5	0.7	-4.6	-4.2	3.1	3.4
	Household goods	14	7.5	3.5	-0.8	-6.2	-8.2	6.4	5.9
Sectors	Trading companies	7	13.1	45.0	-5.0	-14.1	-13.0	6.7	5.5
Seciois	Retailing	19	5.1	3.1	2.5	-6.7	-5.0	9.6	14.7
	Services	18	0.7	1.9	-2.5	-5.0	-5.6	3.4	2.8
	Software	12	20.8	9.5	7.5	2.9	6.1	6.7	4.3
	Media	5	5.3	6.4	0.8	-10.9	-13.3	10.2	13.2
	Telecommunications	10	4.7	2.7	-10.7	0.6	-2.2	3.7	3.7
	Construction, engineering	7	1.9	8.0	5.1	-5.1	-4.5	2.7	2.8
	Housing, real estate	18	5.1	5.4	2.3	-7.2	-6.3	6.3	5.5
	Transportation	24	5.8	-1.1	-2.2	-20.9	-26.0	22.1	22.5
	Utilities	10	8.5	6.6	-0.9	-8.1	-6.9	0.6	-0.4

Note: (1) Figures exclude listed consolidated subsidiaries. (2) Latest estimates as of 1 December 2020; previous estimates as of 1 September 2020. Source: Nomura

Fig. 7: Percentage change in recurring profits by sector

(% v-v. except where noted)

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		No. of	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20E	FY20E	FY21E	FY21E
		cos				Old	New	Old	New
	Russell/Nomura Large Cap	329	15.3	1.1	-20.5	-18.7	-17.6	43.8	37.9
	Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex financials)	305	17.5	3.1	-22.3	-19.5	-18.3	49.1	42.2
	Manufacturing	175	21.6	-1.5	-27.2	-16.0	-13.4	51.4	44.5
Industrial groups	Basic materials	37	43.6	2.1	-52.0	-17.4	-19.1	68.3	63.2
	Processing	84	19.6	-2.6	-24.5	-22.2	-17.4	59.7	50.9
	Nonmanufacturing	154	9.7	3.7	-14.3	-20.9	-20.9	37.2	32.0
	Nonmanufacturing (ex financials)	130	12.2	9.7	-16.0	-23.2	-23.6	46.3	39.2
	Materials	37	43.6	2.1	-52.0	-17.4	-19.1	68.3	63.2
	Machinery, autos	45	16.5	-8.9	-23.9	-43.0	-32.9	101.5	77.5
	Electronics	39	26.1	9.3	-25.3	11.4	7.6	25.1	24.1
Broad sectors	Consumer, distribution	98	14.8	2.8	-9.5	-16.7	-17.7	34.0	34.0
	Information	27	6.1	33.1	-35.2	54.5	76.9	5.3	-8.8
	Utilities, infrastructure	59	9.6	-2.5	-2.6	-64.1	-77.4	158.3	242.2
	Financials	24	4.4	-10.5	-9.1	-14.6	-13.7	15.1	14.5
	Chemicals	31	34.2	4.5	-34.2	-25.4	-28.5	38.5	34.6
	Steel, nonferrous metals	6	93.4	-7.3	SL	LS	LS	SP	SP
	Machinery	26	29.3	9.6	-30.0	-19.9	-21.2	41.9	45.7
	Autos	19	12.9	-14.6	-21.5	-51.2	-37.1	136.2	91.7
	Electrical machinery, precision equipment	39	26.1	9.3	-25.3	11.4	7.6	25.1	24.1
	Pharmaceuticals, healthcare	21	5.9	-3.5	8.0	18.9	16.7	28.3	24.5
	Food products	19	4.8	-3.7	-15.6	-4.3	-2.1	13.8	12.7
	Household goods	14	20.8	6.9	-7.5	-19.8	-22.9	36.2	24.2
	Trading companies	7	31.2	10.4	-27.9	-29.1	-30.9	45.0	55.5
Sectors	Retailing	19	12.4	3.3	4.1	-31.7	-27.8	46.0	41.4
	Services	18	10.9	0.0	1.7	-28.0	-33.2	37.8	42.6
	Software	12	44.2	16.7	20.1	22.8	30.0	18.7	17.7
	Media	5	9.6	4.1	-57.5	0.0	-27.3	62.1	123.0
	Telecommunications	10	1.4	38.5	-41.4	67.6	97.5	0.3	-17.1
	Construction, engineering	7	9.8	-1.1	0.6	-10.1	-10.1	6.1	6.1
	Housing, real estate	18	9.9	-2.7	5.4	-27.7	-23.7	28.9	23.4
	Transportation	24	9.0	2.2	-17.4	SL	SL	SP	SP
	Utilities	10	10.2	-12.8	17.7	-13.5	-19.8	-2.8	2.1
	Financials	24	4.4	-10.5	-9.1	-14.6	-13.7	15.1	14.5

Note: (1) Figures exclude listed consolidated subsidiaries. Latest estimates as of 1 December 2020; previous estimates as of 1 September 2020. (2) SP = switch to profits. SL = switch to losses. LS = losses shrinking. LI = losses increasing.

Fig. 8: Recurring profits by sector

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		No. of cos	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20E	FY20E	FY21E	FY21E
						Old	New	Old	New
	Russell/Nomura Large Cap	329	47,681	48,162	38,542	31,024	31,423	44,604	43,321
	Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex financials)	305	40,521	41,796	32,757	26,186	26,532	39,038	37,719
	Manufacturing	175	23,855	23,510	17,180	14,307	14,750	21,660	21,319
Industrial groups	Basic materials	37	4,971	4,963	2,453	1,965	1,924	3,306	3,139
	Processing	84	14,790	14,552	10,942	8,481	8,995	13,541	13,570
	Nonmanufacturing	154	23,826	24,652	21,362	16,716	16,673	22,943	22,002
	Nonmanufacturing (ex financials)	130	16,666	18,286	15,578	11,879	11,782	17,377	16,401
	Materials	37	4,971	4,963	2,453	1,965	1,924	3,306	3,139
	Machinery, autos	45	9,755	8,911	6,745	3,834	4,510	7,724	8,005
	Electronics	39	5,035	5,641	4,197	4,648	4,486	5,817	5,565
Broad sectors	Consumer, distribution	98	10,162	10,312	9,397	7,855	7,723	10,523	10,349
	Information	27	4,317	5,753	3,728	5,687	6,509	5,988	5,934
	Utilities, infrastructure	59	6,280	6,216	6,236	2,199	1,381	5,680	4,727
	Financials	24	7,160	6,366	5,785	4,837	4,891	5,566	5,602
	Chemicals	31	3,911	4,036	2,758	2,034	1,951	2,816	2,625
	Steel, nonferrous metals	6	1,061	927	-305	-69	-27	490	514
	Machinery	26	2,336	2,539	1,781	1,411	1,387	2,002	2,021
	Autos	19	7,419	6,372	4,964	2,423	3,122	5,722	5,984
	Electrical machinery, precision equipment	39	5,035	5,641	4,197	4,648	4,486	5,817	5,565
	Pharmaceuticals, healthcare	21	1,616	1,540	1,632	1,925	1,889	2,471	2,352
	Food products	19	1,723	1,625	1,387	1,310	1,340	1,491	1,511
	Household goods	14	755	830	765	625	602	852	747
	Trading companies	7	2,852	3,148	2,271	1,611	1,569	2,336	2,440
Sectors	Retailing	19	1,545	1,497	1,612	1,118	1,148	1,631	1,624
	Services	18	1,671	1,672	1,731	1,266	1,175	1,743	1,676
	Software	12	564	620	813	1,031	1,091	1,223	1,284
	Media	5	349	364	154	155	112	250	250
	Telecommunications	10	3,404	4,769	2,761	4,501	5,305	4,514	4,399
	Construction, engineering	7	664	696	734	661	661	701	701
	Housing, real estate	18	2,054	2,055	2,165	1,524	1,608	1,963	1,984
	Transportation	24	2,450	2,474	2,170	-971	-1,800	2,057	1,111
	Utilities	10	1,112	992	1,167	986	913	958	932
	Financials	24	7,160	6,366	5,785	4,837	4,891	5,566	5,602

Note: Figures exclude listed consolidated subsidiaries. Index composition for period through FY19 differs from index composition from FY20 onwards. Accordingly, prior-year comparison base for y-y changes has altered, thereby resulting in different y-y figures than before. Latest estimates as of 1 December 2020; previous estimates as of 1 September 2020.

Fig. 9: Percentage change in quarterly sales and profits (FY19 Q3-FY20 Q2)

		% y-y															
		Sales				(	Operatin	g profits		Recurring profits				Net profits			
		Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
	But									4.0	00.0	50.0	47.5	10.0	SL	50.0	15.0
Industrial groups	RN Large Cap	0.5	0.4		40.0	40.0	-59.8	05.0	07.0	-4.6 -6.8	-68.9 -70.7	-53.3 -59.6	-17.5 -17.1	-16.8 -18.0	SL	-58.2 -64.5	-15.9 -13.9
	Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex financials)	-3.5	-8.1	-20.5	-10.3			-65.6	-27.3								
	Manufacturing	-4.1	-6.4	-25.1	-9.7	-20.5	-50.8	-73.6	-21.5	-7.7	-67.5	-64.6	-23.1	-12.4	SL	-83.4	-22.8
	Basic materials	-5.2	-4.8	-23.4	-16.7	-51.3	SL	-84.0	-51.7	-50.0	SL	-88.4	-57.3	-94.0	SL	SL	-83.5
	Processing	-5.5	-8.4	-29.9	-8.8	-18.5	-39.7	-94.6	-17.3	2.9	-61.4	-76.4	-18.0	6.7	-98.6	-92.4	-8.2
	Nonmanufacturing	-								-2.2	-70.5	-46.1	-11.9	-20.1	SL	-43.8	-8.7
	Nonmanufacturing (ex financials)	-2.8	-10.3	-14.4	-11.0		-69.5	-55.8	-34.4	-5.9	-75.2	-55.4	-8.6	-23.5	SL	-49.8	0.4
Broad sectors	Basic materials	-5.2	-4.8	-23.4	-16.7	-51.3	SL	-84.0	-51.7	-50.0	SL	-88.4	-57.3	-94.0	SL	SL	-83.5
	Machinery, automobiles	-6.5	-8.4	-37.8	-9.6	-27.5	-54.2	SL	-18.9	8.5	-79.7	SL	-19.9	14.6	SL	SL	-22.8
	Electronics	-3.8	-8.4	-15.2	-7.3	-5.0	-20.1	-36.5	-15.3	-6.3	-35.2	16.3	-15.1	-4.9	-47.1	27.0	14.1
	Consumer, distribution	-2.0	-4.5	-13.4	-8.3	3.5	-18.8	-35.8	-15.1	3.0	-39.3	-36.9	-17.2	-1.1	-42.4	-47.7	-29.9
	Information	0.3	-34.8	-1.9	0.6	-34.3	SL	15.1	2.5	-18.0	SL	-27.6	269.2	-53.0	SL	12.5	SP
	Utilities, infrastructure	-2.2	-4.8	-18.2	-16.9	-2.8	-36.4	-97.5	-64.0	0.7	-38.8	-98.9	-61.2	-4.4	SL	SL	-67.0
	Financials	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.1	-57.1	-16.0	-20.2	-8.8	-89.2	-26.8	-26.6
	Chemicals	-3.9	-4.3	-24.0	-16.1	2.2	-96.9	-69.8	-31.9	4.6	SL	-72.8	-35.5	-24.3	SL	SL	-42.8
	Steel, nonferrous metals	-8.7	-5.9	-21.4	-18.4	SL	SL	SL	SL	SL	SL	SL	SL	SL	SL	SL	SL
	Machinery	-6.0	0.8	-17.3	-7.1	-38.6	-42.8	-76.9	-20.0	-34.7	-46.5	-68.2	-18.7	-13.9	-54.4	-74.3	-23.6
	Automobiles	-6.6	-11.1	-43.5	-10.3	-23.3	-60.8	SL	-18.5	30.0	-95.8	SL	-20.3	28.8	SL	SL	-22.6
	Electrical machinery, precision equipment	-3.8	-8.4	-15.2	-7.3	-5.0	-20.1	-36.5	-15.3	-6.3	-35.2	16.3	-15.1	-4.9	-47.1	27.0	14.1
	Pharmaceuticals, healthcare	9.2	3.0	-4.1	-2.8	15.9	14.5	11.8	-21.6	27.9	-2.5	15.0	-24.2	11.0	27.1	10.0	-41.5
	Food	1.2	0.7	-8.7	-3.0	3.7	-0.8	-3.2	15.3	1.8	0.0	-5.6	10.9	0.2	25.2	-6.2	5.3
	Household goods	-3.8	-6.0	-17.2	-9.0	-7.4	-21.9	-48.3	-19.7	-15.8	-27.4	-53.6	-19.6	15.3	-27.3	-75.2	-20.8
	Trading companies	-7.8	-9.6	-21.3	-14.1	-7.2	-48.0	-63.0	-37.5	-9.1	SL	-58.3	-37.6	-12.1	SL	-63.5	-37.8
Sectors	Retailing	1.4	-1.5	-9.3	-5.5	-1.4	-2.8	-51.0	-1.4	-1.6	-2.8	-52.1	-2.2	-9.8	-18.1	-93.9	-18.3
	Services	-3.3	-5.2	-9.7	-6.5	14.2	-18.7	-51.5	-15.3	12.9	-19.5	-53.2	-15.9	5.6	-33.4	-66.4	-44.2
	Software	3.3	7.7	17.3	8.1	11.8	39.1	85.5	36.1	25.3	32.2	94.0	34.8	27.7	21.5	86.2	7.7
	Media	0.7	-5.1	-21.9	-20.9	-93.8	9.5	-68.5	-98.2	SL	40.4	-62.0	-87.6	SL	54.4	-97.4	SL
	Telecommunications	-0.3	-45.1	-2.1	2.6	-38.8	SL	7.2	3.0	-18.9	SL	-33.9	629.8	-57.8	SL	10.8	SP
	Construction	-0.5	0.9	-9.9	-12.5	-2.0	-8.2	-8.8	-15.2	-0.8	-9.4	-6.5	-15.1	-16.4	-13.4	-17.7	-10.5
	Housing, real estate	-0.7	0.7	-5.4	-9.6	0.2	8.6	-17.0	-25.4	1.0	9.5	-21.4	-26.9	4.2	6.1	-29.3	-30.9
	Transportation	-2.9	-9.4	-39.6	-33.7	-10.6	SL	SL	SL	-8.2	SL	SL	SL	-11.5	SL	SL	SL
	Utilities	-3.3	-8.0	-8.3	-6.6	44.7	-50.9	-4.7	32.7	87.8	-53.1	-22.5	41.9	69.4	SL	-60.8	16.0
	Financials	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.1	-57.1	-16.0	-20.2	-8.8	-89.2	-26.8	-26.6

Note: (1) Q1 = Feb-Apr, Mar-May, or Apr-Jun; Q2 = May-Jul, Jun-Aug, or Jul-Sep; Q3 = Aug-Oct, Sep-Nov, or Oct-Dec; Q4 = Nov-Jan, Dec-Feb, or Jan-Mar. (2) Figures are for companies that had announced results (either full year, Q1, Q2, or Q3) by 1 December 2020. (3) Excludes consolidated subsidiaries. (4) SP = switch to profits; SL = switch to losses; LS = losses shrinking; LI = losses increasing.

Fig. 10: Valuation indicators

		ll P/E I			P/CF			D	B	Dividend yield			ROE			
		FY20E FY21E FY22E					P/B		FY20E FY21E FY22E			FY19 FY20E FY21E FY22E				
		X	X	F122E	X	X	F122E	Y X	FIZUE	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
	RN Large Cap	26.4	18.0	15.4				1.46	1.46	1.95	2.12	2.28	6.3	5.6	7.9	8.8
	Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex loss-making cos)		16.3					1.45	1.50		2.32	2.50	8.0	7.7	8.0	8.8
		19.8		14.0	100	9.7								5.7		
Local control of	Russell/Nomura Large Cap (ex financials)	29.7	19.3	16.5	12.0		8.9	1.68	1.68		1.94	2.11	6.5		8.5	9.4
Industrial groups	Manufacturing	33.3	20.4	17.7	13.7	10.7	9.9	1.79	1.78	1.68	1.87	2.05	6.2	5.4	8.5	9.3
	Basic materials	49.8	16.6	14.5	8.8	6.3	6.0	1.04	1.09	2.09	2.34	2.47	1.6	2.2	6.5	7.1
	Processing	31.3	19.1	16.4	13.6	10.5	9.5	1.75	1.71	1.52	1.76	2.00	6.8	5.5	8.7	9.5
	Nonmanufacturing	20.6	15.5	13.1	-	-	-	1.17	1.18	2.30	2.45	2.60	6.5	5.7	7.4	8.4
	Nonmanufacturing (ex financials)	25.2	17.8	14.9	10.0	8.5	7.8	1.52	1.55	_	2.06	2.20	7.0	6.1	8.5	9.6
Broad sectors	Basic materials	49.8	16.6	14.5	8.8	6.3	6.0	1.04	1.09	2.09	2.34	2.47	1.6	2.2	6.5	7.1
	Machinery, automobiles	35.6	15.8	13.5	12.9	8.8	7.9	1.32	1.31	1.89	2.23	2.55	6.3	3.7	8.1	9.0
	Electronics	28.0	23.8	20.6	14.3	13.0	11.9	2.52	2.40	1.18	1.32	1.48	7.8	8.8	9.7	10.5
	Consumer, distribution	33.7	23.6	21.4	15.6	12.9	12.2	2.12	2.09	1.82	1.87	1.94	8.2	6.3	8.7	9.1
	Information	12.5	16.8	14.3	7.4	8.6	7.9	2.14	2.21	2.00	2.23	2.39	4.5	17.6	12.8	13.9
	Utilities, infrastructure	232.0	15.5	11.5	10.3	6.3	5.5	1.02	1.03	1.99	2.22	2.45	8.0	0.4	6.5	8.3
	Financials	10.5	9.2	7.9	-	-	-	0.54	0.53	4.37	4.55	4.70	5.5	5.0	5.6	6.4
	Chemicals	34.7	17.1	15.2	9.3	7.1	6.8	1.21	1.26	2.17	2.31	2.40	4.7	3.6	7.2	7.7
	Steel, nonferrous metals		13.7	11.2	6.5	3.7	3.4	0.56	0.58	1.53	2.52	3.00	-6.5	-2.2	4.2	4.9
	Machinery	40.9	27.1	22.1	17.8	14.4	12.8	2.17	2.12	1.08	1.33	1.60	7.4	5.2	7.6	8.8
	Automobiles	32.5	12.0	10.4	10.7	6.8	6.1	1.02	1.01	2.49	2.90	3.27	5.9	3.1	8.3	9.1
	Electrical machinery, precision equipment	28.0	23.8	20.6	14.3	13.0	11.9	2.52	2.40	1.18	1.32	1.48	7.8	8.8	9.7	10.5
	Pharmaceuticals, healthcare	36.4	27.5	24.8	19.8	16.8	15.7	2.85	2.80	1.67	1.71	1.73	8.1	7.8	9.9	10.5
	Food	22.5	19.6	17.3	11.7	10.7	9.9	1.89	1.82	2.97	3.04	3.21	8.8	8.2	9.1	9.8
	Household goods	48.3	36.4	33.1	26.6	22.1	20.8	4.38	4.24	1.17	1.27	1.32	12.9	9.0	11.3	11.6
	Trading companies	15.0	9.2	8.4	5.7	4.6	4.4	0.87	0.84	4.24	4.10	4.28	8.6	5.7	8.9	9.2
Sectors	Retailing	51.7	30.0	29.0	18.8	14.9	14.6	2.96	2.94	1.13	1.16	1.17	9.0	5.7	9.5	9.2
	Services	48.3	32.2	27.7	22.9	18.3	16.8	1.85	1.90	1.19	1.29	1.39	6.0	4.0	5.8	6.4
	Software	25.7	21.2	19.9	21.7	18.4	17.3	4.92	4.42	2.02	2.36	2.54	15.5	18.0	19.7	19.0
	Media	45.6	18.3	15.7	18.0	11.3	10.3	0.96	0.96	1.89	2.15	2.15	2.3	2.1	5.1	5.8
	Telecommunications	9.6	15.1	12.6	5.4	6.8	6.2	1.81	1.93	2.00	2.17	2.33	2.9	19.9	12.4	13.9
	Construction	8.6	8.2	8.0	7.3	7.0	6.9	0.97	0.87	3.37	3.45	3.51	12.6	10.7	10.2	9.8
	Housing, real estate	16.6	13.3	12.0	10.2	8.7	8.1	1.26	1.22	2.43	2.62	2.85	10.1	7.5	8.8	9.3
	Transportation	-	28.8	12.2	479.5	7.7	5.7	1.14	1.29	1.00	1.36	1.69	6.9	-11.1	4.4	9.9
	Utilities	10.2	10.1	11.4	2.6	2.6	2.7	0.55	0.53	3.22	3.22	3.22	5.5	5.3	5.2	4.4
	Financials	10.5	9.2	7.9				0.54	0.53		4.55	4.70	5.5	5.0	5.6	6.4
RN Small Cap		27.1	18.0	17.1	-	-	-	1.14	1.08		2.24	2.28	5.2	4.0	5.9	6.0
Russell/Nomura Small Cap (ex financials)		30.6	19.1	18.1	11.1	9.1	8.8	1.32	1.25	1.71	1.78	1.82	5.5	4.1	6.4	6.5

Note: As of 1 December 2020.

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