

Financial Results for 1st Half of Fiscal 2021

Bridgestone Corporation



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1. Business and Financial Performance for 1st Half of Fiscal 2021

Overview of the Performance and Key Initiatives in 1st Half of Fiscal 2021

Overview of the Performance in 1st Half

- Both sales and profit increased significantly year-on-year as global tire demand recovered and sales increased mainly in REP.
- The impact of raw material inflation was offset by the price/mix improvement. In addition, the expense and cost structure reformation contributed to a further improvement in adjusted operating margin from 1Q to 2Q.
- Profitability improved by expanding REP sales ratio (better business mix) while OE sales recovery was delayed due to semiconductor shortages.

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 PS/LT	 Sales of both REP and OE increased, especially for HRD tires PSR HRD Sales: 143% vs.PY, 108% vs.2019 REP: Expanded sales volume while focusing on major brands. Sales in North America, which lagged behind in 1Q, began to recover in 2Q. OE: Though the demand recovered significantly year-on-year, the market is still far from recovering to the level of 2019 due to the impact of semiconductor shortages.
 ТВ	 REP: Sales in 1H recovered to almost the same level as 2019, supported by strong construction and transportation demand. OE: The pace of the sales recovery slowed slightly, due to the impact of semiconductor shortages in tractor production.

ORR

- Mining: Sales in 1H remained at the same level as PY though they are on a recovery trend this year. The recovery is still relatively weak.
- Construction: Sales of both REP and OE increased significantly. Especially REP sales was above the level of 2019 and remarkably strong.

Key Initiatives in 2nd Quarter based on Mid Term Business Plan

- Premium Business Strategy
 - Sales mix improvement / Price management reinforcement: Increased HRD ratio, focused on major brands, reinforced strategic price management
 - Premium production reinforcement: Bahia plant expansion in Brazil (EV, HRD, LT tires), Williamsburg plant expansion in U.S. (air springs for EV)
- Expense and Cost Structure Reformation
 - Improvement of manufacturing: Productivity improvement & maximum usage of existing equipment ⇒ Improvement Impact of 1H 2021: 12 B.JPY
 - Business portfolio and manufacturing footprint restructuring: Sale of the synthetic rubber manufacturing and sales company in China (Jun), Restructuring of production items at Iwata plant in Japan (Aug)
- Strategic Growth Investment
 - Growth investments to expand mobility solutions: Investment in Kodiak Robotics (Jun), Agreement to acquire Azuga Holdings Inc. (Aug)



Business Environment Surrounding Bridgestone Group



Currency Exchange

- USD/JPY remained at the same level as PY, while EUR appreciated against JPY.
- 1USD = 108 yen, 1EUR = 130 yen (Reference) 1H'20 1USD = 108yen, 1EUR = 120yen



Raw Material • Prices •

- Natural Rubber Inflation since last year subsided slightly, but prices are still high.
- Crude Oil Prices soared greatly from 1Q to 2Q.



Tire Demand (PSR/TBR)

- Significant recovery year-on-year mainly in North America and Europe.
 Especially REP in North America was much above the level of 2019.
- OE demand remained still lower than 2019 due to the impact of semiconductor shortages.

Market trend of natural rubber and crude oil (Average)

*1. Source: Singapore Commodity Exchange Limited

	2020				2021	
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q
Natural Rubber 〈TSR20〉*1 (¢/kg)	133	111	128	154	167	165
Natural Rubber 〈RSS#3〉*1 (¢/kg)	158	138	175	235	234	221
Crude Oil 〈WTI〉(\$/bbl)	46	28	41	43	58	66

1H'21 Tire Demand (unit base%)

Estimated by Bridgestone Corporation

	PSR				TE	3R		
	OE		REP		C	ÞΕ	R	EP
	vs PY	vs 2019						
Japan	116%	85%	110%	96%	122%	108%	107%	94%
N. America	136%	78%	135%	107%	148%	85%	135%	128%
Europe	135%	83%	126%	96%	148%	95%	133%	108%

Tire Sales Growth for 1st Half of Fiscal 2021 (vs. PY / vs. 2019)



PSR/LTR

	vs. PY	vs. 2019
Global	124%	90%
OE		
Global	131%	83%
Japan	112%	84%
N. America	152%	83%
Europe	122%	81%
China, Asia-Pacific	125%	83%

REP

Global	120%	94%
Japan	114%	94%
N. America	122%	94%
Europe	115%	91%
China, Asia-Pacific	114%	87%



TBR

	vs. PY	vs. 2019
Global	124%	97%
OE		
Global	145%	90%
Japan	125%	111%
N. America	144%	77%
Europe	153%	93%
China, Asia-Pacific	192%	119%

REP

Global	117%	99%
Japan	108%	91%
N. America	125%	117%
Europe	123%	103%
China, Asia-Pacific	117%	90%



ORR

		vs. PY	vs. 2019
	a-Large ly REP)	103%	90%
La	arge	129%	104%
	OE	182%	91%
	REP	118%	109%
Small & Medium		130%	102%
	OE	159%	104%
	REP	115%	101%



PSR HRD (≧ 18")

G	lobal	143%	108%
	REP	138%	123%



Consolidated Results for 1st Half of Fiscal 2021

(Yen in billions)

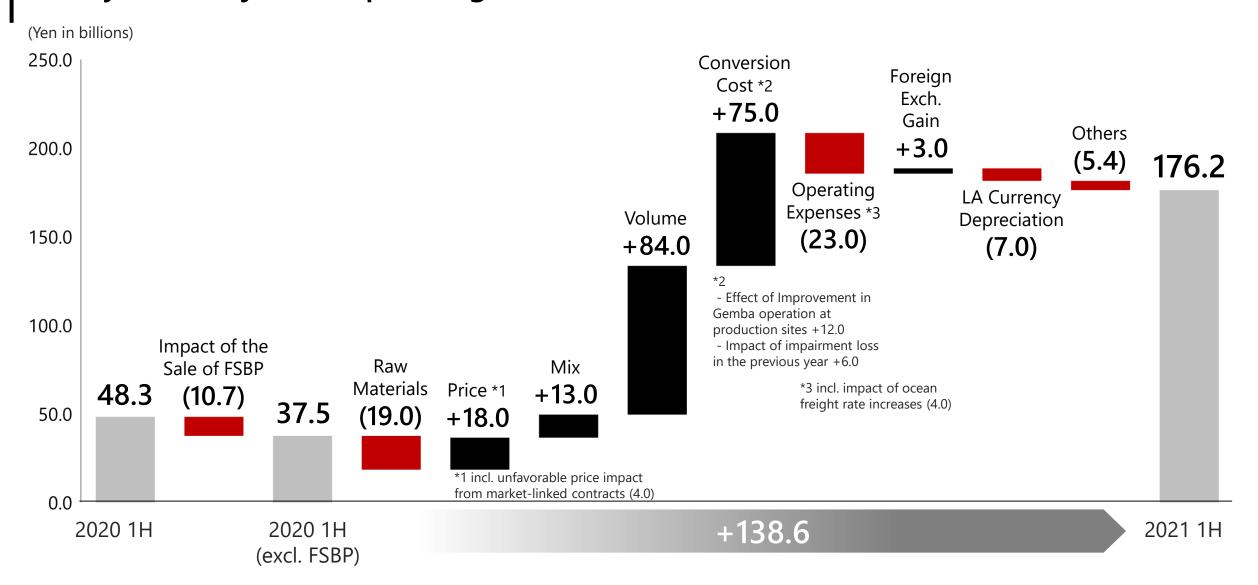
IFRS	2020 1H Results (*1)	1Q	vs. PY (%) _(*2)	2Q	vs. PY (%) _(*2)	2021 1H Results	vs. PY (%)
Revenue	1,262.9	756.9	+7	811.9	+46	1,568.8	+24
Adjusted Operating Profit Margin	37.5 3.0%	82.3 10.9%	+79 +4.3pp	93.8 11.6%	- +13.1pp	176.2 11.2%	+369 +8.3pp
Profit Attributable to Owners of Parent	(22.0)	285.2	-	67.1	-	352.3	-
- Continuing Operations	(30.2)	60.3	+259	63.4	-	123.6	-
- Discontinued Operations	8.2	225.0	-	3.7	(32)	228.7	-
USD/JPY	108 yen	106 yen	(3) yen	110 yen	+2 yen	108 yen	±0 yen
EUR/JPY	120 yen	128 yen	+8 yen	132 yen	+13 yen	130 yen	+10 yen

^(*1) In accordance with the decision of the sale of FIRESTONE BUILDING PRODUCTS (FSBP), the Company categorizes FSBP and its subsidiaries as discontinued operations from 1Q of fiscal 2021. Accordingly, revenue and adjusted operating profit show figures for continuing operations and exclude revenue and expenses of FSBP. Note that 2020 results have been restated using the same classification as that used for 2021.



^(*2) YoY comparison is calculated against figures of 2020 results that have been restated categorizing FSBP and its subsidiaries as discontinued operations.

Analysis of Adjusted Operating Profit for 1st Half of Fiscal 2021



Consolidated Financial Results for 1st Half of Fiscal 2021 by Segment

(Yen in billions)

IFRS	2020 1H Results	2021 1H Results	vs. PY (%)
Consolidated Revenue	1,262.9	1,568.8	+24
Japan	409.1	455.8	+11
Americas	526.3	669.8	+27
Europe, Russia, Middle East, India and Africa	241.3	330.7	+37
China, Asia-Pacific	147.5	185.1	+25
Consolidated Adjusted Operating Profit	37.5	176.2	+369
Japan	19.7	36.7	+86
Americas	27.2	95.0	+249
Europe, Russia, Middle East, India and Africa	(14.2)	16.3	-
China, Asia-Pacific	8.5	22.9	+170

^(*) As explained in the presentation material of financial results for fiscal 2020 disclosed on Feb. 16, the Company revised the way of calculation for the segment results from fiscal 2021, in accordance with the introduction of ROIC as a new management KPI. Note that 2020 1Q results have been restated using the same classification as that used for 2021, and also categorizing FSBP and its subsidiaries as discontinued operations as shown in P.6.

Consolidated Financial Results for 1st Half of Fiscal 2021 by Product (Tire Business)

(Tire Business)				(Yen in billions)
IFRS		2020 1H Results	2021 1H Results	vs. PY (%)
	Revenue	629.2	789.4	+ 25
PS/LT	Adjusted OP	9.8	112.1	-
* incl. retail and credit card business	Margin	1.6%	14.2%	+ 12.6pp
	Revenue	298.2	370.0	+24
TB	Adjusted OP	15.2	41.0	+ 170
* incl. retread business	Margin	5.1%	11.1%	+ 6.0pp
60 60	Revenue	159.7	191.2	+20
Specialties	Adjusted OP	25.9	36.2	+ 39
(OR/AC/AG/MC)	Margin	16.2%	18.9%	+ 2.7pp

Consolidated Financial Results for 1st Half of Fiscal 2021 by Product (Diversified Products Business)

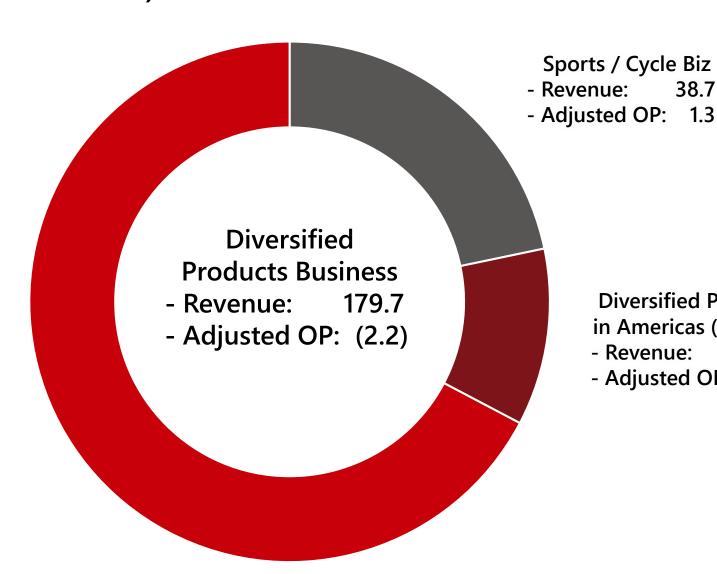
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- Revenue: 119.9

- Adjusted OP: (6.2)



Diversified Products Biz in Americas (Air Springs)

38.7

- Revenue: 19.6

- Adjusted OP: 2.7



B/S and C/F Highlights for 2nd Quarter of Fiscal 2021

			(Yen in billions)
IFRS	2020 Results (as of Dec. 31, 2020)	2021 2Q Results (as of Jun. 30, 2021)	vs. Dec. 31, 2020
Total Assets	4,189.3	4,436.4	+247.1
Total Equity	2,195.3	2,624.0	+428.7
Equity Ratio (%)	51.3%	58.2%	+6.9pp
Interest-Bearing Debt 〈Net〉	195.6	(135.9)	(331.6)
	2020 1H Results	2021 1H Results	vs. PY
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	145.2	115.4	(29.8)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	(104.1)	266.0	+370.1
Free Cash Flow	41.0	381.4	+340.4
Capital Expenditure	113.6	94.2	(19.4)
Depreciation and Amortization	129.2	121.7	(7.5)

Adjusted Items and Profit from Discontinued Operations for 1st Half of Fiscal 2021

2021 1H Results

(Yen in billions)

	Revenue		1,568.8
	Adj	usted Operating Profit	176.2
		Adjusted Items	6.5
	Ор	erating Profit	169.7
Profit before Income Taxes		169.9	
Ρ	rofit	from Continuing Operations (*)	123.6
Profit from Discontinued Operations (*) 228.7			
P	Profit Attributable to Owners of Parent 352.3		

^(*) Profit Attributable to Owners of Parent

1) Adjusted Items

		(Yen in billions)	
Δ	djusted Items	6.5	Main Items
	Business and plant restructuring expenses	5.1	Expenses related to the closure and restructuring of overseas plants
	Impairment losses	1.7	-
	Others	(0.3)	Insurance claim income, etc.

2) Profit from Discontinued Operations

- The Company completed the sale of FIRESTONE BUILDING PRODUCTS (FSBP) on Mar. 31. From 1Q of fiscal 2021, it categorizes FSBP and its subsidiaries as discontinued operations.
- Accordingly, in the 1H, the Company recorded profit from discontinued operations of 228.7 B.JPY, a total of 1) and 2) below:
 - 1) Gain on sale relating to the transfer of FSBP
 - 2) Profit from the operation for the 3 months from Jan. to Mar.

2. Consolidated Projection for Fiscal 2021

Business Environment Assumptions for Fiscal 2021

Forecast of Business Environment



Currency Exchange

- USD expected to appreciate against JPY compared with Feb assumption (1USD=103 yen)
- EUR expected to appreciate against JPY compared with Feb assumption (1EUR=126 yen)



Raw Material Prices

 Both natural rubber and crude oil prices expected to remain at a high level throughout the year.



Tire Demand (PSR/TBR)

- Expects solid demand growth year-on-year thanks to continued global recovery trend.
- OE demand expected to recover as the impact of semiconductor shortages will be resolved in 2H.

Currency Exchange Rate Assumptions

	2020		2021	
	FY	1H	2H	FY
USD/JPY	107	108	108	108
EUR/JPY	122	130	128	129

FY21 Tire Demand Assumptions (unit base%) Estimated by Bridgestone Corporation

PSR OE **REP** vs PY vs 2019 vs PY vs 2019 109% 92% 107% 97% Japan 116% 86% 114% N. America 105% 111% 85% 110% 94% Europe 110% 97% 107% 94% Asia

OE		R	EP
vs PY	vs 2019	vs PY	vs 2019
124%	108%	105%	95%
128%	89%	116%	118%
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95%	121%	113%	101%

TBR



^{*1} Total of Thailand, Indonesia and China

Tire Sales Growth Projections for Fiscal 2021



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N. America	111~115%
Europe	101~105%
China, Asia-Pacific	106~110%



TBR

OE	
Global 131~135%	
Japan 126~130%	
N. America 126~130%	
Europe 126~130%	
China, Asia-Pacific 166~170%	

REP

Global	111~115%
Japan	106~110%
N. America	111~115%
Europe	106~110%
China, Asia-Pacific	106~110%



ORR

Ultra-Large (only REP)		106~110%
Large		131~135%
	OE	216~220%
	REP	116~120%
Small & Medium		126~130%
	OE	156~160%
	REP	111~115%



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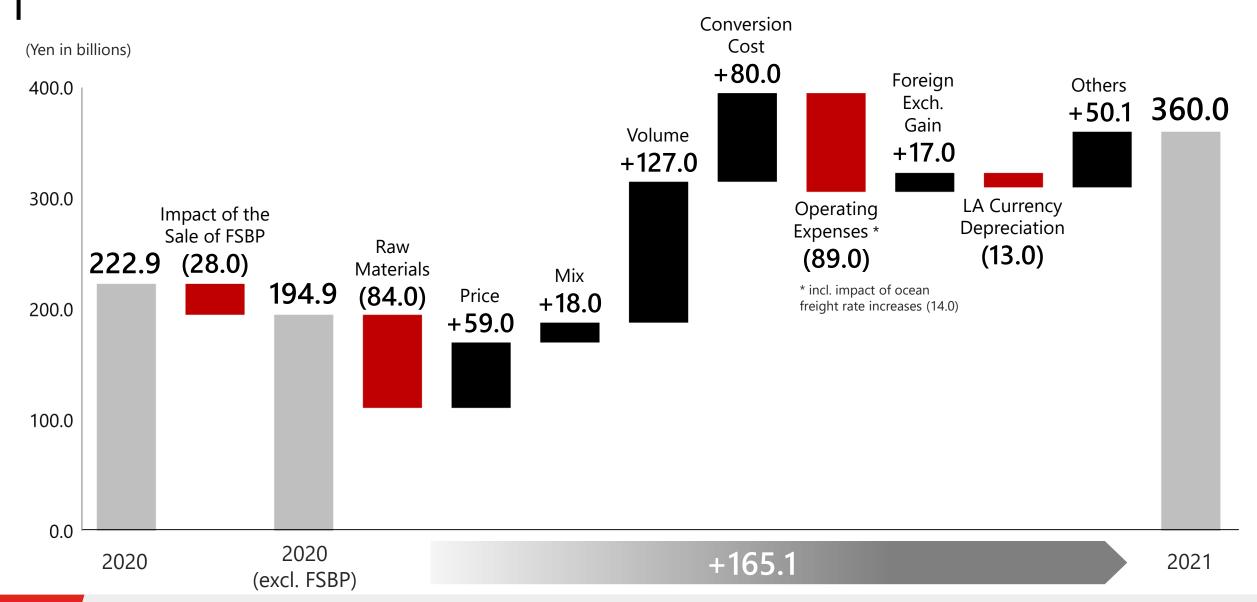
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IFRS	2020 (*) Results	2021 Projections	vs. PY (%)	(Ref. Feb 16, 2021 Announcement) 2021 Projections
Revenue	2,805.4	3,320.0	+18	3,010.0
Adjusted Operating Profit	194.9	360.0	+85	260.0
Margin	6.9%	10.8%	+3.9pp	8.6%
Profit Attributable to Owners of Parent	(23.3)	325.0	_	261.0
- Continuing Operations	(45.2)	230.0	-	150.0
- Discontinued Operations	21.9	95.0	+333	111.0
USD/JPY	107 yen	108 yen	+ 1 yen	103 yen
EUR/JPY	122 yen	129 yen	+7 yen	126 yen
ROIC	4.8 %	8.3 %	+ 3.5 pp	6.3 %
ROE	(2.0) %	10.4 %	+ 12.4 pp	6.8 %

^{(*) 2020} results have been restated categorizing FSBP and its subsidiaries as discontinued operations. Note that the figures are approximate values, and may change as a result of the accounting audits.



Analysis of Adjusted Operating Profit for Fiscal 2021



3. Revision of Dividend Forecast

Revision of Dividend Forecast

Basic Dividend Policy

 The Company follows a basic policy of striving to achieve continuous increases of dividend payment amount through a stable consolidated payout ratio of 40% by sustainably enhancing our corporate value, while comprehensively evaluating factors including business results, financial positions for the relevant fiscal period, medium-term earnings forecasts, investment plans, and cash flows.

Revision of Interim Dividend and Year End Dividend Forecast for Fiscal 2021

- The Company determined the interim dividend for fiscal 2021 at the meeting of our Board of Directors held on Aug 10.
- In accordance with the revision of consolidated financial projections for fiscal 2021, the Company revises dividend forecast for the current fiscal year as follows:

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	2nd Quarter End	¥ 50	¥ 85	¥ 60
	Year End	¥ 60	¥ 85 (Forecast)	¥ 70
	Total	¥ 110	¥ 170 (Forecast)	¥ 130

 The Company strives to achieve stable and continuous increases of dividend payment amount by sustainably enhancing our corporate value.



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