

# MonotaRO Business

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# 1. Company Profile

MonotaRO means	<ul> <li>Maintenance, Repair, and Operation</li> <li>"The sufficient number of products" in Japanese</li> <li>Like "Momotaro," fight against unfair-old distribution system</li> </ul>
MonotaRO Business	<ul> <li>Providing MRO products through Internet and catalogs, targeting small to mid-sized domestic manufacturers, which are not treated well by conventional retailers.</li> </ul>
MRO products	<ul> <li>Cutting tools/Safety products/Bearings/Fasteners/Industrial equipment (number of product SKU 23 million)</li> </ul>
Number of Customers	More than 9.3 million
Capital Stock	• 2,042 million JPY
Number of Employees	<ul> <li>3,394 including 1,377 regular employees (as of Mar. 31, 2024 consolidated)</li> </ul>
Head Office	Kita-ku Osaka-shi
Major Distribution Centers	<ul> <li>Kasama Distribution Center, Ibaraki Prefecture</li> <li>Ibaraki Chuo Satellite Center, Ibaraki Prefecture</li> <li>Inagawa Distribution Center, Hyogo Prefecture</li> </ul>

## 2. Strength

### After (MonotaRO)



### One-Price Policy

- Same price to all customers on web site.
- Customers trust in open, fair, and proper prices and are free from bothers in asking quotes every time.

#### **Efficient Sales through Internet**

- Sales through internet, realizing economies of scale.
- Efficient promotions leveraging IT.

#### **Database Marketing**

Replace sales representatives by utilizing huge data and with advanced database marketing.

#### **Product Availability**

- Selling more than 23 million items; 651 thousand items are available for same day shipment.
- 559 thousand items out of "same day shipment products" are in inventory.

#### Private Brand and Direct Import Products

- Importing competitive products directly from overseas.
- Providing optimal selection of products including private brand, so that customers can choose the best one out of huge variety to meet their needs.

#### **Before (Conventional Suppliers)**

- Different and unclear price to each customer
- Labor oriented, small and localized markets
- Sales based on experience of sales representatives

■ Limited product availabilities

Sell mainly expensive national brand products



## 3. Marketing

- 1. Customer Acquisition
  - Search engine marketing (SEO and paid search)
  - Sending direct e-mail, flyers, and faxes to prospects
  - Broadcasting CM
- 2. Website
  - Recommendations and personalized contents
- 3. Direct e-mail, Flyers, and Faxes
  - Semi-personalized contents
- 4. Direct Mail Flyers
  - Small batches of on-demand printed flyers with DTP
- 5. Data Mining and Campaign Management
  - Promotions optimized by industry categories for more effectiveness and efficiency







### 4. Procurement

- Enhancement of Product Sources
  - Developing new suppliers and new products through various channels
- Direct Import and Private Brand Product Development
  - Higher margin with national brand quality maintained
  - Unique-competitive advantage

## 5-1. Growth - Development Cycle

- More keywords for internet search
- Possibility of one-stop shopping increases (offering 23 million items)

Product Lineup Expand

Expand lineup to peripheral products and categories

**Customers Increase** 

Scale  $\uparrow$  = Convenience  $\uparrow$ 

Sales & Profit Grow

- Acquire new customers
  - 1.1 million added
  - 9.10 million in total (2023Q4 result)
- Sales frequency of long-tail items increases

Inventory Increase

- More inventories shorten lead-time, and customer convenience improves
- Development of new private brand products improves profit margin

# 5-2. Growth - Industrial Beachhead Expansion

2002	<ul> <li>Started with small-to-mid sized manufacturing companies, iron works, metal works, and machine assembly companies</li> </ul>
2008	Entered automotive aftermarket
2009	Entered independent contractor market
2010	<ul> <li>Introduced laboratory products</li> <li>Started US business with providing consulting service to Zoro Tools</li> <li>Business with large corporations started to grow</li> </ul>
2011	Established Tagajyo Distribution Center in Miyagi Prefecture
2013	Started South Korean business by establishing subsidiary NAVIMRO
2014	<ul> <li>Established Amagasaki Distribution Center in Hyogo Prefecture</li> <li>Expanded product lineup: agricultural equipment and kitchen equipment</li> <li>Introduced "MonotaRO One Source" procurement system for large corporations</li> </ul>
2015	Introduced medical & nursing care equipment category
2016	<ul> <li>Started Indonesian business by acquiring majority (51%) of PT MONOTARO INDONESIA and consolidated to MonotaRO Group in Q4</li> </ul>
2017	<ul> <li>Established Kasama Distribution Center in Ibaraki Prefecture</li> <li>Introduced simplified and easy-installation system "MonotaRO One Source Lite" for large corporations</li> <li>Closed Tagajyo Distribution Center</li> </ul>
2018	<ul> <li>Established real shop in Saga Prefecture for demonstration experiment</li> <li>Product lineup SKU exceeded 17 million</li> </ul>
2019	<ul> <li>Product lineup SKU exceeded 18 million</li> <li>Completed 2nd phase expansion of facilities at Kasama Distribution Center</li> </ul>
2020	Number of Large Corporation Business customers exceeded one thousand
2021	<ul> <li>Started Indian business in Jan. (IB MONOTARO, consolidated subsidiary)</li> <li>Established Ibaraki Chuo Satellite Center</li> <li>Number of accounts exceeded 6 million</li> </ul>
2022	<ul><li>Established Inagawa Distribution Center (Phase 1)</li><li>Closed Amagasaki Distribution Center</li></ul>
2023	<ul> <li>Established Inagawa Distribution Center (Phase 2)</li> <li>Product lineup SKU exceeded 20 million</li> </ul>



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