# Significant Accounting Policies ■

Prior fiscal year	Current fiscal year
From April 1, 2007 ] To March 31, 2008 ]	From April 1, 2008 To March 31, 2009
Scope of consolidation	Scope of consolidation
(1) Number of consolidated companies 194	(1) Number of consolidated companies 202
■ Domestic companies 80	■ Domestic companies 82
Sales companies for vehicles and parts	Sales companies for vehicles and parts
Aichi Nissan Motor Co., Ltd., Nissan Fleet Co., Ltd.,	Nissan Prince Osaka Hanbai Co., Ltd., Nissan Prince
Nissan Prince Tokyo Motor Sales Co., Ltd., Nissan Parts	Tokyo Motor Sales Co., Ltd., Nissan Fleet Co., Ltd.,
Chuo Sales Co., Ltd. and 57 other sales companies	Nissan Parts Chuo Sales Co., Ltd. and 57 other sales
Cituo Jales Co., Liu. and 37 other sales companies	companies
Manufacturing companies for vehicles and norte	
Manufacturing companies for vehicles and parts	Manufacturing companies for vehicles and parts
Nissan Shatai Co., Ltd., Aichi Machine Industry Co.,	Nissan Shatai Co., Ltd., Aichi Machine Industry Co.,
Ltd., JATCO Ltd., Calsonic Kansei Corporation and 4	Ltd., JATCO Ltd., Calsonic Kansei Corporation and 5
other companies	other companies
Logistics and services companies	Logistics and services companies
Nissan Trading Co., Ltd., Nissan Financial Services	Nissan Trading Co., Ltd., Nissan Financial Services
Co., Ltd., Autech Japan Co., Ltd., and 8 other	Co., Ltd., Autech Japan Co., Ltd., and 9 other
companies	companies
<ul> <li>Foreign companies</li> <li>114</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Foreign companies</li> <li>120</li> </ul>
Nissan North America, Inc., Nissan International SA,	Nissan North America, Inc., Nissan International SA,
Nissan Motor Manufacturing (UK) Ltd., Nissan Mexicana,	Nissan Motor Manufacturing (UK) Ltd., Nissan Mexicana,
S.A. de C.V., and 110 other companies	S.A. de C.V., and 116 other companies
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The newly established Tokai Nissan Motor Co., Ltd., and 3	The newly established Nissan International Insurance and 6 other
other companies have been consolidated. Atlet AB and	companies have been consolidated. Nissan Manufacturing Russia
another company have been consolidated through the	and 4 other companies, which were unconsolidated subsidiaries in
acquisition of their stocks. Due to the consolidation of Atlet	the prior year, have been consolidated since their importance has
AB, its 16 subsidiaries have also been consolidated. Nissan	increased. Meanwhile, Nissan Buhin Minamikyushu Hanbai Co., Ltd.
International SA and 2 other companies, which were	and 3 other companies ceased to exist due to mergers and have
unconsolidated subsidiaries in the prior year, have been	been excluded from consolidation.
consolidated since their importance has increased.	
Meanwhile, NR Wholesales Mexico, S.A. De C.V., and 10	
other companies ceased to exist due to mergers. Sunny	
Osaka Service Co., Ltd., and 6 other companies were	
dissolved. Bocho Nissan Motor Co., Ltd., has been excluded	
from consolidation following the sale of its shares.	
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(2) Unconsolidated subsidiaries 167	(2) Unconsolidated subsidiaries 158
■ Domestic companies 106	■ Domestic companies 100
Nissan Marine Co., Ltd., Shinwa Kogyo Co., Ltd. and	Nissan Marine Co., Ltd., Nissan Shatai Manufacturing
others	Co., Ltd., and others
■ Foreign companies 61	■ Foreign companies 58
Nissan Industrial Equipment Co. and others	Calsonic Kansei Spain, S.A., and others
These unconsolidated subsidiaries are small in terms of their	These unconsolidated subsidiaries are small in terms of their total
	assets, sales, net income or loss, retained earnings and others,
total assets, sales, net income or loss, retained earnings and	
others, and do not have a significant effect on the consolidated financial statements. As a result, they have	and do not have a significant effect on the consolidated financial statements. As a result, they have been excluded from consolidation.
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From April 1, 2007   To March 31, 2008	From April 1, 2008 ] To March 31, 2009 ]
2. Equity method	2. Equity method
(1) Companies accounted for by the equity method 47  • Unconsolidated subsidiaries 31  (19 domestic and 12 foreign companies)  Nissan Marine Co., Ltd., Nissan Industrial Equipment Co. and others	(1) Companies accounted for by the equity method 54  • Unconsolidated subsidiaries 38 (22 domestic and 16 foreign companies) Nissan Marine Co., Ltd., Calsonic Kansei Spain, S.A., and others
Nissan Fukuoka Service Center Co., Ltd., which was an unconsolidated subsidiary and accounted for by the equity method in the prior year, ceased to exist due to a merger.	Automotive Energy Supply Corporation, which was an affiliate not accounted for by the equity method in the prior year, has become an unconsolidated subsidiary accounted for by the equity method, following an additional purchase of its shares.  World Logistics Service (U.S.A.), Inc., and 8 other companies, which were unconsolidated subsidiaries not accounted for by the equity method in the prior year, have been accounted for by the equity method since their importance has increased. Nissan Hokkaido Service Center Co., Ltd., and Nissan Industrial Equipment Co., which were unconsolidated subsidiaries accounted for by the equity method in the prior year, ceased to exist following a merger and a liquidation, respectively. Guangzhou Nissan Trading Co., Ltd., which was an unconsolidated subsidiary accounted for by the equity method, has been excluded from the scope of the equity method since its importance has decreased.
<ul> <li>Affiliates         <ul> <li>(15 domestic and 1 foreign companies)</li> <li>Kinugawa Rubber Industrial Co., Ltd., Tonichi Carlife</li> <li>Group Corporation and others</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Affiliates         <ul> <li>(15 domestic and 1 foreign companies)</li> <li>Kinugawa Rubber Industrial Co., Ltd., Tonichi Carlife</li> <li>Group Corporation and others</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Tonichi Carlife Group Corporation has been included in the scope of the equity method after it became an affiliate through the purchase of its shares.	
(2) Companies not accounted for by the equity method 180  • Unconsolidated subsidiaries 136  Shinwa Kogyo Co., Ltd. and others	(2) Companies not accounted for by the equity method  • Unconsolidated subsidiaries  Nissan Shatai Manufacturing Co., Ltd. and others
Affiliates     Tonox Co., Ltd. and others	Affiliates     Tonox Co., Ltd. and others
These companies are not accounted for by the equity method, as their impact is not significant on the consolidated net income or loss, consolidated retained earnings and others.	These companies are not accounted for by the equity method, as their impact is not significant on the consolidated net income or loss, consolidated retained earnings and others.

(3) Same as the prior fiscal year.

(3) No adjustments are made to the financial statements of the companies accounted for by the equity method even if their accounting period is different from that of the Company.

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From April 1, 2007

Current fiscal vear From April 1, 2008

#### 3. Accounting period of consolidated subsidiaries

(1) The following consolidated companies close their books of account at:

### December 31:

Nissan Mexicana, S.A. de C.A.

NR Finance Mexico, S.A. de C.V.

NR Finance Service S.A. de C.V.

Nissan Motor (GB) Ltd.

Nissan Motor Manufacturing (UK) Ltd.

Aprite (Gb) Ltd.

Nissan Design Europe Ltd.

Nissan Motor RUS Ltd.

Nissan Motor Ukraine Company

Nissan Kaz Limited Liability Partnership

Nissan International SA

Nissan do Brasil Automoveis Ltda

JATCO Mexico, S.A. de C.V

Yulon Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.

NISSAN (CHINA) INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

Dongfeng Motor Co., Ltd.

Calsonic Kansei Mexicana, S.A. de R.L. de C.V.,

Calsonic Kansei (Thailand) Co., Ltd.

Calsonic Kansei (Shanghai) Corp.

Calsonic Kansei (China) Holding Company

Calsonic Kansei (Guangzhou) Corp.

Atlet AB and its 16 subsidiaries

(2) Of these 38 companies, the financial statements of Nissan

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Aprite (Gb) Ltd.

Nissan Motor RUS Ltd.

Nissan Manufacturing Russia

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Nissan Kaz Limited Liability Partnership

Nissan do Brasil Automoveis Ltda

JATCO Mexico, S.A. de C.V.

Yulon Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.

NISSAN (CHINA) INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

Dongfeng Motor Co., Ltd.

Dongfeng Nissan Auto Finance Co., Ltd.

Shanghai Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.

Calsonic Kansei Mexicana, S.A. de R.L. de C.V.

Calsonic Kansei (Thailand) Co., Ltd.

Calsonic Kansei (Shanghai) Corp.

Calsonic Kansei (China) Holding Company

Calsonic Kansei (Guangzhou) Corp.

Atlet AB and its 17 subsidiaries

Mexicana, S.A. de C.A., and 12 other subsidiaries are consolidated by using their financial statements as of the parent fiscal year end which are prepared solely for consolidation purposes. For Dongfeng Motor Co., Ltd., Yulon Nissan Motor Co., Ltd., and 23 other subsidiaries are consolidated by using their financial statements as of their respective fiscal year end, and necessary adjustments are made to their financial statements to reflect any significant transactions from January 1 to March 31.

(2) Of these 38 companies, the financial statements of Nissan Mexicana, S.A. de C.A., and 9 other subsidiaries are consolidated by using their financial statements as of the parent fiscal year end which are prepared solely for consolidation purposes. For Dongfeng Motor Co., Ltd., Yulon Nissan Motor Co., Ltd., and 26 other subsidiaries are consolidated by using their financial statements as of their respective fiscal year end, and necessary adjustments are made to their financial statements to reflect any significant transactions from January 1 to March 31.

## 4. Significant accounting policies

- (1) Valuation methods for assets
  - 1) Securities

Held-to-maturity securities:

Held-to maturity securities are stated at amortized cost

Other securities:

Marketable securities:

Marketable securities classified as other securities are carried at fair value with any changes in unrealized holding gain or loss, net of the applicable income taxes, directly included in net assets. Costs of securities sold are calculated by the moving average method.

Non-marketable securities:

Non-marketable securities classified as other securities are carried at cost determined by the moving average method.

2) Derivatives

Derivatives financial instruments are stated at fair value.

3) Inventories

Inventories are stated principally at the lower of cost or market, cost being determined by the first-in, first-out method.

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  - (1) Valuation methods for assets
    - 1) Securities

Held-to-maturity securities:

Same as the prior fiscal year.

Other securities:

Marketable securities:

Same as the prior fiscal year.

Non-marketable securities: Same as the prior fiscal year.

2) Derivatives

Same as the prior fiscal year.

3) Inventories

Inventories held for the purpose of ordinary sale are stated principally at cost, cost being determined by the first-in, first-out method. (The balance sheet amounts are determined by writing down the book value according to a decrease in profitability.)

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To March 31, 2008

Current fiscal year
From April 1, 2008
To March 31, 2009

(2) Depreciation of property, plant and equipment

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment is calculated principally by the straight-line method based on the estimated useful lives and the residual value determined by the Company.

(3) Basis for significant reserves

1) Allowance for doubtful accounts

Allowance for doubtful accounts is provided based on past experience for normal receivables and on an estimate of the collectibility of receivables from companies in financial difficulty.

2) Accrued warranty costs

Accrued warranty costs are provided to cover the cost of all services anticipated to be incurred during the entire warranty period in accordance with the warranty contracts and based on past experience.

3) Accrued retirement benefits

Accrued retirement benefits or prepaid pension costs are recorded principally at an amount calculated based on the retirement benefit obligation and the fair value of the pension plan assets at the end of the current fiscal year.

The net retirement benefit obligation at transition is being amortized over a period of 15 years by the straight-line method.

Prior service cost is being amortized as incurred by the straight-line method over periods which are shorter than the average remaining years of service of the eligible employees.

Actuarial gain or loss is amortized in the year following the year in which the gain or loss is recognized primarily by the straight-line method over periods which are shorter than the average remaining years of service of the eligible employees.

Accrued directors' retirement benefits
 Accrued directors' retirement benefits are provided at an amount to be required at the year-end according to internal regulations.

(4) Foreign currency translation

Receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies are translated into yen at the rates of exchange in effect at the balance sheet date, and differences arising from the translation are included in the statement of operations.

The balance sheet accounts of the foreign consolidated subsidiaries are translated into yen at the rates of exchange in effect at the balance sheet date. Revenue and expense accounts are translated at the average rate of exchange in effect during the year. Differences arising from the translation are presented as translation adjustments and minority interests in net assets.

(5) Lease accounting

Noncancellable lease transactions that transfer substantially all risks and rewards associated with the ownership of assets are accounted for as finance leases.

(2) Depreciation of property, plant and equipment

Depreciation of self-owned property, plant and equipment is calculated principally by the straight-line method based on the estimated useful lives and the residual value determined by the Company.

Depreciation of leased property, plant and equipment is calculated by the straight-line method based on either the estimated useful lives or the lease terms and the residual value determined by the Company.

- (3) Basis for significant reserves
  - 1) Allowance for doubtful accounts Same as the prior fiscal year.
  - 2) Accrued warranty costs
    Same as the prior fiscal year.
  - 3) Accrued retirement benefits Same as the prior fiscal year.

- 4) Accrued directors' retirement benefits Same as the prior fiscal year.
- (4) Foreign currency translation Same as the prior fiscal year.

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(6) Hedge accounting  1) Hedge accounting  Deferral hedge accounting is adopted for derivatives which qualify as hedges, under which unrealized gain or loss is deferred.	(5) Hedge accounting 1) Hedge accounting Deferral hedge accounting is adopted, in principle. Foreig exchange contracts, except those for accounts receivabl denominated in a foreign currency, are subject to appropriatio if they satisfy the requirements for appropriation treatment. For interest rate swaps, preferential treatment is applied if the swaps satisfy the requirements for preferential treatment.
2) Hedging instruments and hedged items  · Hedging instruments Derivative transactions  · Hedged itemsHedged items are primarily forecast sales denominated in foreign currencies and receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies.	Hedging instruments and hedged items     Hedging instruments Same as the prior fiscal year     Hedged items
Hedging policy     It is the Company's policy that all transactions denominated in foreign currencies are to be hedged.	3) Hedging policy Foreign exchange and interest volatility risks are hedge within a certain range in accordance with the Company "Policies and Procedures for Risk Management an Authority Regarding Derivative Transactions."
4) Assessment of hedge effectiveness Hedge effectiveness is not assessed if the substantial terms and conditions of the hedging instruments and the hedged forecasted transactions are the same.	4) Assessment of hedge effectiveness Hedge effectiveness is not assessed if the substanti- terms and conditions of the hedging instruments and the hedged transactions are the same.
5) Risk management policy with respect to hedge accounting The Company manages its derivative transactions in accordance with its internal "Policies and Procedures for Risk Management."	
(7) Accounting for consumption tax  Transactions subject to consumption tax are recorded at amounts exclusive of consumption tax.	(6) Accounting for consumption tax Same as the prior fiscal year.
(8) Adoption of consolidated taxation system  The Company and some of its subsidiaries adopted the consolidated taxation system effective from the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008.	(7) Adoption of consolidated taxation system  The Company and some of its subsidiaries have been adopted the consolidated taxation system.
(9) Accounting policies adopted by foreign consolidated subsidiaries The financial statements of the Company's consolidated subsidiaries in Mexico have been prepared based on general price-level accounting. The related revaluation adjustments made to reflect the effect of inflation in Mexico in the accompanying consolidated financial statements have been charged or credited to operations and are directly reflected in valuation, translation adjustments and others.	
Valuation of assets and liabilities of consolidated subsidiaries Assets and liabilities of consolidated subsidiaries acquired through business combinations are carried at fair value at the time of acquisition.	Valuation of assets and liabilities of consolidated subsidiaries     Same as the prior fiscal year.
Amortization of goodwill and negative goodwill Goodwill and negative goodwill have been amortized evenly over periods not exceeding 20 years, during which their effect can be recognized, determined based on their materiality. However, immaterial goodwill and negative goodwill are charged or credited to income in the year of acquisition.	Amortization of goodwill and negative goodwill     Same as the prior fiscal year.
Cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated statements of cash flows Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, cash in banks which can be withdrawn at any time and short-term investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased which can easily be converted to cash and are subject to little risk of change in value.	Cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated statements of cash flow Same as the prior fiscal year.
	Reporting of revenue from finance lease transactions     Instead of reporting the revenue, amounts equivalent to the interest are distributed over the fiscal years concerned.