At a Glance (FY2022)

More than 430 years of history
The second longest history of Japan’s listed companies

Net Sales (consolidated) ¥1,423 billion
Profit before Tax (consolidated) ¥229.9 billion

Equity Ratio 60.3%
Due to the nature of our business, we aim to maintain an equity ratio of 50% or more as a sound financial position that can withstand temporary cash outflows.

Total Assets ¥2,700 billion
Dividend Payout Ratio 35.1%

Employees (consolidated) 7,330
Our business countries and regions 14
Manufacturing Bases
7 Mines
8 Smelters and Refineries
20 Materials Plants

Cumulative amount of gold produced from Hishikari Mine 264 tons, No. 1 in Japan (As of March 31, 2023)
Global Class 1 nickel interest production NO. 5
Nickel-based cathode materials for secondary batteries
Top class global share

Three Core Businesses

Mineral Resources Business P.54-59
Leveraging over 300 years of mine development and operational experience and technologies, we operate the Hishikari Mine, Japan’s largest gold mine, with a focus on sustainability. We participate in the operation of overseas mines in which we hold interests to produce copper, gold, and other resources to provide materials and in order to secure mineral resources. We are also working to acquire and develop new superior mines.

Main Products
Gold and Silver Ore, Copper Concentrates, Copper, Gold, Molybdenum

Smelting & Refining Business P.60-65
For over 430 years since the start of our copper smelting and refining business in 1590, we have stably supplied a variety of metal materials to a wide range of industries. We engage in business on the strength of our advanced smelting and refining technology, which was the first in the world to achieve the successful recovery of nickel from low-grade nickel oxide ore using the High Pressure Acid Leach (HPAL) method on a commercial basis.

Main Products
Copper, Gold, Silver, Electrolytic Nickel, Electrolytic Cobalt, Ferronickel, Palladium, Chemical Products

Materials Business P.68-73
We develop and produce highly advanced materials used in wide-ranging fields including automobiles, energy, environment, communications and information, and home appliances, along with products that contribute to carbon neutrality.

Main Products
SMM Group Overview (As of May 1, 2023)

North America

Mineral Resources
- SWM Candela (36.0%)
- SWM Exploration Corporation (U.S.A.)
- Sumitomo Metal Mining America Inc. (36.0%)
- Sumitomo Metal Mining Arizona Inc. (36.0%)
- SMM Morenci Inc. (36.7225%)
- SMM Compania Contractual Minera Ojos del Salado (Chile)
- SMM Gold Cote Inc. (Canada)
- SMM QB Holding SpA (Chile)
- Sumitomo Metal Mining do Brasil LTDA (Brazil)
- Sociedad Minera Cerro Verde S.A.A. (Peru)
- Sumitomo Metal Mining Peru S.A. (Peru)
- SMMA Candelaria Inc. (U.S.A.)
- Taganito HPAL Nickel Corporation (Philippines)
- Coral Bay Nickel Corporation (84.375%)
- FIGESBAL SA (New Caledonia)
- FIGESBAL SA (in development) (25.0%) 

Smelting & Refining
- Hyuga Smelting Co., Ltd.
- Shinko Co., Ltd.
- FIGESBAL SA

Other Regions

Mineral Resources
- Cordillera Exploration Company Inc. (Philippines)
- Taganito HPAL Nickel Corporation (Philippines)
- Sumitomo Metal Mining Philippines Holdings Corporation (Philippines)
- Sumitomo Metals & Mining Shanghai Co., Ltd.
- Coral Bay Nickel Corporation (Philippines)
- Nickel Asia Corporation (Philippines)
- Sumitomo Metals & Mining Management (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.
- Sumitomo Metals & Mining Hong Kong Co., Ltd.
- Northparkes (in development) (36.0%)

Smelting & Refining
- Niihama Nickel Refinery
- Toyo Smelter & Refinery
- Harima Refinery
- Ome District Division
- Shoko Smelting Co., Ltd.
- Ichikawa Research Center
- Head Office

Materials Segment
- Copper
- Nickel
- Gold
- Other

Mineral Resources Segment
- Copper
- Gold
- Nickel
- Other

Equity-method Affiliates
- 13

Consolidated Subsidiaries
- 52

- Sumitomo Metal Mining Canada Ltd. (Canada)
- Sumitomo Metal Mining Arizona Inc. (U.S.A.)
- SMM Morenci Inc. (U.S.A.)
- SMM Compania Contractual Minera Ojos del Salado (Chile)
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SMM takes on change and challenges

Our 2021 3-Year Business Plan focuses on measures to be taken to respond to, and resolve, the three major issues impacting our business operations in recent years: the accelerating transition to carbon neutrality, adaptation to digital transformation (DX), and increasing difficulty of securing human capital. These are all material issues that cannot be resolved merely by continuing earlier means of response. Moreover, if we were to “stumble” in the early stages, failing to live up to the expectations held of us by our stakeholders, we could suffer a loss of competitiveness and eventually be shunned by the market. The central theme of our 2021 3-Year Business Plan is “Renewed Challenge for Change.” Here, we view “change” not as modification in the sense of making modest changes to mechanisms long in place but rather as something altogether new: total reform, under which our challenge begins.

This publication brings together “Special Feature” pages that address the three issues of carbon neutrality, DX, and human capital strategy.
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Integrated Report 2023 Concepts

Emphasizes explanations of the initiatives in the first year of the 2021 3-Year Business Plan which has the theme of Renewed Challenge for Change

The Integrated Report 2023 is composed of five chapters: “Vision for the SMM Group”, “The SMM Group’s System for Value Creation”, “Medium- to Long-term Strategy for Value Creation”, “Continuing to Support Value Creation”, and “Data Section.” We have tried to make the content more comprehensive yet easy to read for our stakeholders, and we have enhanced the information to take into account the perspectives of investment decisions regarding our stock.

In the special feature, we introduce Renewed Challenge for Change, focusing on the three material issues of the 2021 3-Year Business Plan: carbon neutrality, digital transformation (DX), and human capital strategy.

To provide stakeholders with a better understanding of our capital initiatives, we have included a more detailed description in the special feature on our human capital strategy, which has been a topic of growing interest among our stakeholders in recent years, as well as a roundtable discussion with our outside directors.

In addition, up to now copper refining technology has not been covered very much, so we have put together information on this in the column Technological Changes at the Toyo Smelter & Refinery, which focuses on the Toyo Smelter & Refinery’s efforts to increase production volume through the accumulation of technology.

Moreover, we have clarified the division of roles of reports by disclosing detailed sustainability-related data in a Sustainability Report to be issued from this year. For this Integrated Report, we included material sustainable information and further improved the report’s readability.

Throughout, the report expresses the Group’s high goals and commitment to value creation and our long-term vision of becoming the world leader in the non-ferrous metals industry. And along with showing our medium-to-long-term strategy to create value, the report also shows SMVM’s commitment to sustainability.

Disciplinary

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Scope of the Report

The Sumitomo Metal Mining Group consists of SMM and consolidated subsidiaries, SMM equity-method affiliates, economic and environmental topics, and social topics.

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Reference Guidelines

In compiling this report, we have referred to the International Integrated Reporting Framework and the Guidance for Collaborative Value Creation to provide an easy-to-understand explanation of the capital and business model used in the value creation process, and the value provided to stakeholders.

1. An international corporate reporting framework from the International Financial Reporting Standards Foundation (IFRS) that tells a company’s short-, medium-, and long-term value creation story.
2. Guidance compiled by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) to help companies and investors deepen mutual understanding through information disclosure and dialogue, and to encourage action toward value co-creation.