

## Business Summary

In fiscal 2004 (ended March 31, 2005), the Bank worked to generate revenue based on appropriate risk management. However, consolidated net income slightly declined 3.2% to ¥139 billion (US\$1,304 million), reflecting the impact of the application of impairment accounting for fixed assets earlier than the date stipulated by law.

### Main Accounts

Total assets at the end of the fiscal year were at ¥61,978 billion (US\$577 billion), up ¥145 billion from the previous fiscal year.

Total deposits were ¥40,879 billion (US\$380 billion) (down ¥220 billion), while Norinchukin Bank debentures were ¥4,704 billion (US\$43 billion) (down ¥509 billion).

### Disposal of Nonperforming Loans

To guarantee the soundness of assets, the Bank wrote off and provisioned reserves based on rigorous self-assessment of assets. The Bank also sold some nonperforming loans and recovered some unsound loans. Consequently, the balance of risk-managed loans declined ¥160 billion from the previous fiscal year to ¥490 billion (US\$4 billion), corresponding to 3.1% of total loans outstanding.

### Capital Adequacy Ratio

As of March 31, 2005, the Bank's capital adequacy ratio was 12.15% (down 0.79 percentage point) on a consolidated basis and 12.09% (down 0.78 percentage point) on a non-consolidated basis.

### Key Management Indicators (Consolidated)

	Billions of Yen					Millions of U.S. Dollars (Note)
	Fiscal 2000	Fiscal 2001	Fiscal 2002	Fiscal 2003	Fiscal 2004	Fiscal 2004
Total Income	¥ 1,743	¥ 1,619	¥ 1,463	¥ 1,141	¥ 1,176	\$ 10,965
Total Expenses	1,602	1,528	1,367	953	981	9,151
Net Income	117	70	65	144	139	1,304
Total Shareholders' Equity	2,219	1,881	1,767	2,523	2,901	27,042
Total Assets	60,176	57,579	61,265	61,833	61,978	577,620
Deposits	36,579	38,255	40,421	41,099	40,879	380,979
Debentures	6,535	5,906	5,790	5,213	4,704	43,843
Loans and Bills Discounted	22,805	23,985	19,179	17,789	15,692	146,246
Securities	22,643	23,224	28,623	33,509	37,425	348,791
Capital Adequacy Ratio (BIS)	11.06%	10.02%	9.87%	12.94%	12.15%	
Tier I Capital Ratio	6.84%	6.88%	6.47%	7.49%	6.88%	

Note: Yen amounts have been translated, for convenience only, at ¥107.3 to U.S.\$1.00. "Billion" is used in the American sense of one thousand million.

## Overview of Fiscal 2004 (Consolidated)

### Nonperforming Loans

	Billions of Yen		Millions of U.S. Dollars
	Fiscal 2003	Fiscal 2004	Fiscal 2004
Loans to Borrowers under Bankruptcy Proceedings	¥ 4	¥ 2	\$ 20
Loans with Principal or Interest Payment More than Six Months in Arrears	360	247	2,305
Loans with Principal or Interest Payment More than Three Months in Arrears	2	2	20
Restructured Loans	283	239	2,228
Total Risk-Managed Loans	650	490	4,573
Reserve for Possible Loan Losses	368	318	2,971

### Topics

2004	March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formulation of JA Bank medium-term strategy (from fiscal 2004 to fiscal 2006)</li> <li>• Formulation of medium-term business strategy of the Bank (from fiscal 2004 to fiscal 2006)</li> </ul>
	September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Announcement of intention to stop issuing the Norinchukin Bank debentures to individual customers</li> <li>• Investment in Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd.</li> </ul>
	October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Merger of Shinnoren in Fukushima and Toyama prefectures (through the transfer of some operations)</li> </ul>
	December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JA deposit balance exceeds ¥78 trillion</li> </ul>
2005	March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Merger of Shinnoren in Kumamoto prefecture (through the transfer of some operations)</li> <li>• Establishment of public trust for the Norinchukin 80th anniversary forestry rejuvenation fund</li> </ul>