Our History

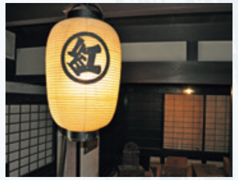
History of Value Creation

The Marubeni Group has consistently supported the development of society and the economy through business development that meets the needs of the times. The Group continues to grow steadily while anticipating changes in the environment and society. We will continue working to make the world a better place by delivering solutions to society and our customers and creating new value.

1950s– Becoming a general trading company

1949
- Marubeni Co., Ltd. was established

1961
- Non-textile sales exceeded 50% of total sales

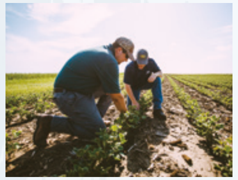


1980s– Deepening business

1987
- U.S.: Acquired Helena, an agri-input retailer

1994
- Started initiatives in IPP business

1997
- Started initiatives in renewable energy power generation business



2000s– Expanding resource investments and strengthening non-resource investments

2001
- U.K.: Established SmartestEnergy

2008
- Chile: Acquired interest in Centinela Copper Mine

2011
- U.S.: Invested in Westlake (now Nowlake), a used car retail financing business

2012
- Australia: Acquired equity stake in Roy Hill Iron Ore Project

2013
- Invested in Aircastle, an aircraft leasing company
- U.S.: Acquired Gavilon, a grain and fertilizer wholesaler

2019
- Established Next Generation Business Development Division
- Brazil: Acquired Adubos Real, an agri-input retailer

Now and into the Future

Anticipating environmental and social changes and pursuing enhancement of corporate value

2020
- Made additional investment in Aircastle, an aircraft leasing company

2022
- Established Next Generation Corporate Development Division
- U.S.: Sold Gavilon's grain business

2024
- U.S.: Invested in Wheels, a fleet management company

2025
- Introduced concept of Strategic Platform Businesses in Mid-Term Management Strategy GC2027
- Japan: Acquired Sumitomo Pharma's business in Asia

2026
- Achieved market capitalization of ¥10 trillion

Ranking among the global top 100 by market capitalization over the long term

1858
Founded

Marubeni's founder, Chubei Itoh, began selling Ohmi linen