

Expanding Profitably in Deregulating Countries

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Japan at a glance

Key figures in 2004

Sales EUR 1,2 billion

Business numbers

of temps per year: 50,000

of perms per year: 1,400

• # of clients: 13,000

Network & Clients end 2004

• # of branches: 124

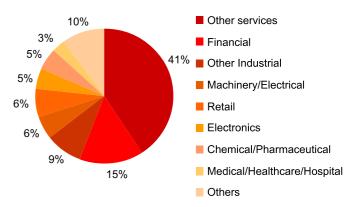
2,000 employees (FTEs)

 Major clients: KDDI, NTT Com, Vodafone, Nissan Motors, Pfizer

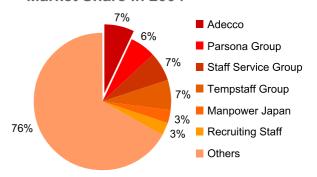
Year to date performance (June)

- +18% sales growth
- 55% contribution growth
- # of branches added since Dec: 11
- 62 new employees (FTEs) since Dec

Revenues by clients 2004



Market Share in 2004





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History of Deregulation in Japan

1986: 16 skill categories liberalized

1995: Original 16 categories expanded to 26

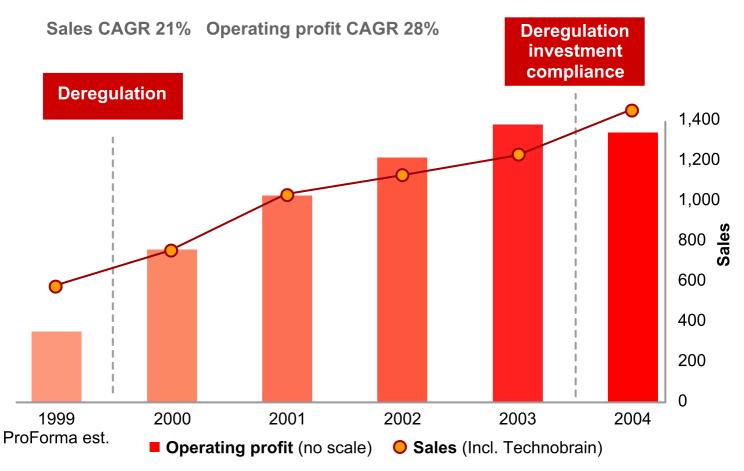
1999: Deregulation changes 'approved list' to 'prohibited list', all new skill categories limited to one year

2004: Assembly line work removed from prohibition but limited to one year, new categories from 1999 limited to three years, limits on original 26 categories removed

2007 (TBC): One-year limit on assembly line work to be extended to three years



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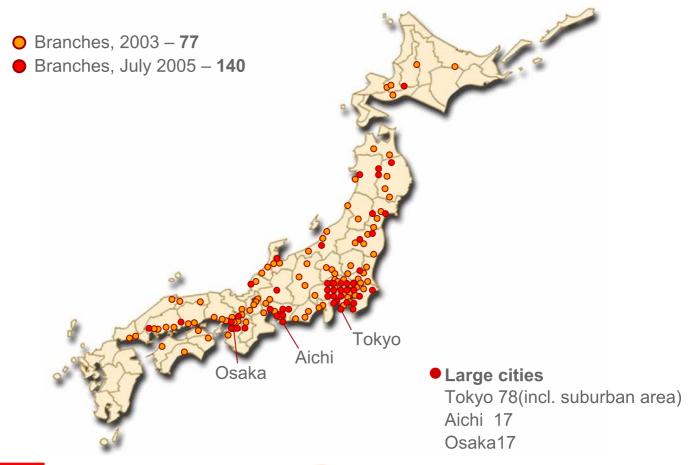


2004 – A Year to Invest

- Significant investment in advertising to ramp up recruitment in anticipation of deregulation (January)
- 47 new branches added to take advantage of deregulation and market opportunities (plus 11 YTD 2005)
- Continued drive to be fully compliant with 'grey area' social insurance regulations, 100% achieved in 2004
- Started 'Adecco On-Demand', a new service providing low-skilled light industrial workers at a moments' notice, for short periods, and for higher gross margins

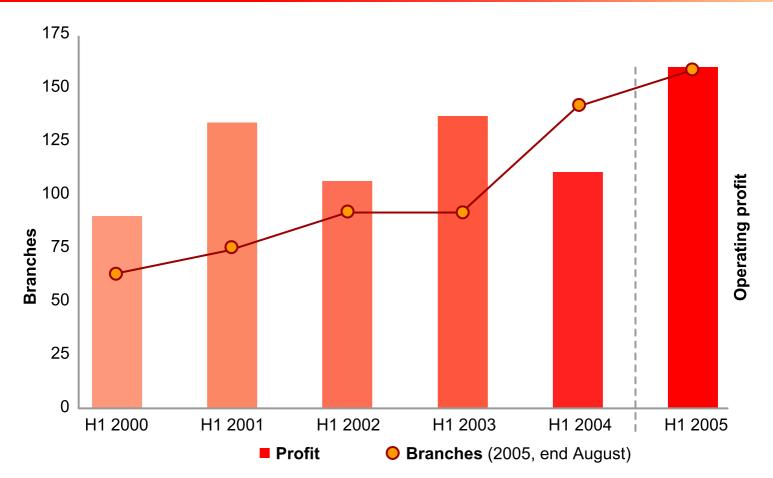


Adecco Japan Branch Network





Seeds Sown in 2004 Produce Fruit in 2005





Investments in Compliance

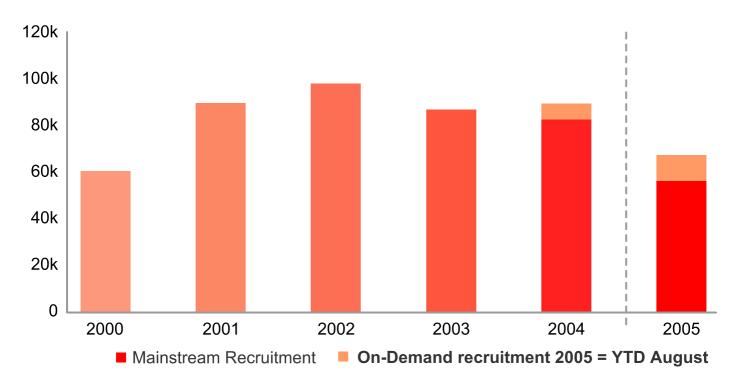
Social Insurance Compliance

- Social insurance law changed in April 2003:
 - Social security rate down, but compliance requirements increased
 - Compliance drive initiated in early 2003 to coincide with the change in Social Insurance rate application. Compliance drive initially achieved 93-95% participation
- Significant 'grey areas', but clearer now than before, (i.e., former system to offer vs current system to mandate that temps join)
- Associates only allowed to join after two months work,
 AND if under a long term contract
- Under current mandate, 100% participation achieved
- Due to skill shortage, significant work being done to improve loyalty, loyalty equates to higher eligibility, which translates to overall higher social insurance costs
- Pricing project re-initiated fall 2004 after difficult pricing situation in early 2004, early results promising



New Associates Recruitment

Deregulation and skill shortage in traditional service areas lead to 'Adecco On-Demand'





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