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Briefing on Auto Body Paneling Business: Current and Future Market Conditions

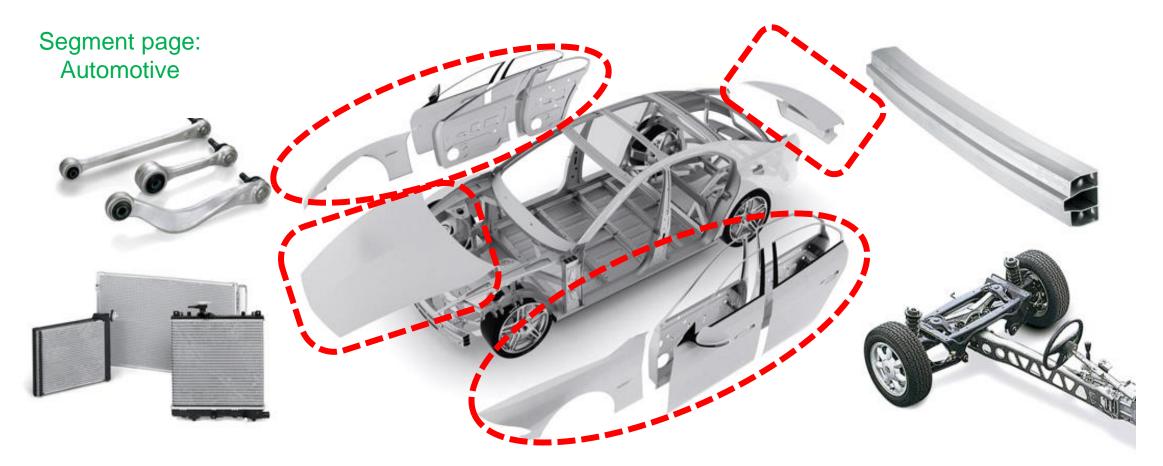
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Scope

Aluminum is an integral material in many parts of automobiles. Today's briefing focuses on the panels outlined in red.

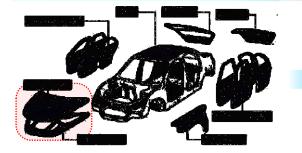


Aluminum paneling for Japanese automobiles

The amount of aluminum paneling per vehicle has increased because the material is used for more vehicle types and parts.

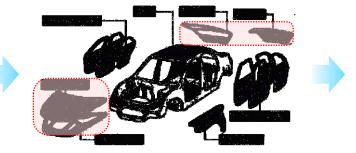
Image of increase in aluminum paneling per passenger car

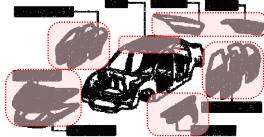
Vehicle type: Mainly sportscars ⇒Low-volume vehicle type Parts: Mainly hoods (All aluminum on some vehicles)



Vehicle types: Large sedans, HVs ⇒Transition to higher-volume vehicle types Parts: Hoods, trunk lids/back doors, etc. ⇒More parts

Vehicle types: Large sedans, SUVs, HVs, EVs Parts: Hoods, trunk lids/back doors, fenders, doors, roofs, etc. ⇒More vehicles types and parts



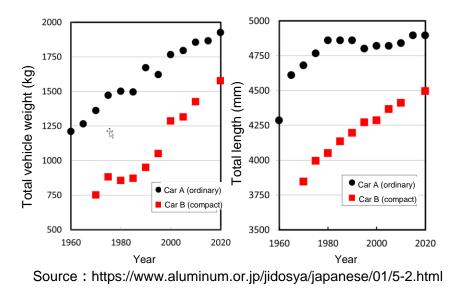


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Aluminum is used to reduce auto body weight.

Change in auto body weight

Background of vehicle enlargement (weight increase)



Auto body weight

300–400 kg increase over the past few decades

Auto body length

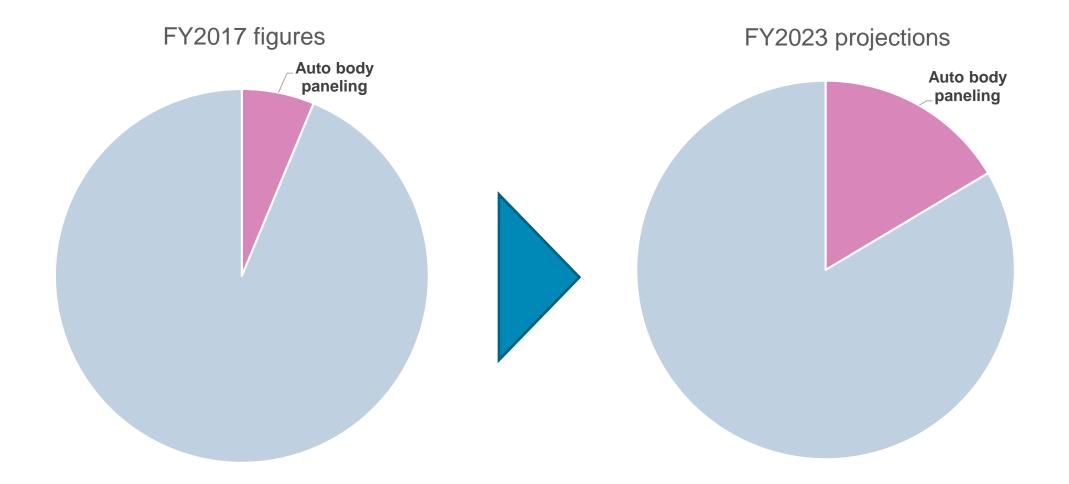
Overall length 200 mm or more longer than initial models

Auto bodies continue to become larger

Stricter vehicle safety standards	Increase in part thickness and other revisions to frame structure, etc.
More preventive safety devices, automated driving	More sensors for radar, cameras, etc.
Fuel consumption/CO ² emission regulations	Auto body electrification ⇒Increased weight due to batteries

Positioning of auto body paneling in UACJ's domestic panel business

Sales ratio have increased in line with greater demand for auto body paneling.



Rising demand for auto body paneling in Japan

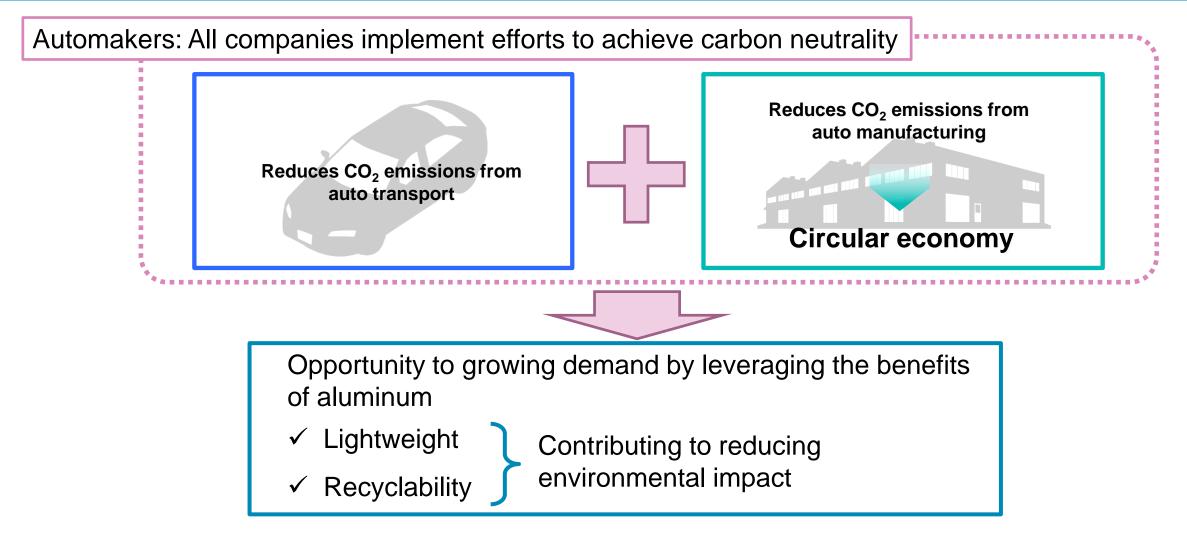
Production volume in Fukui Work is increasing in line with rising demand for auto body paneling.

Fukui Work's production capacity of automotive body panel finishing lines

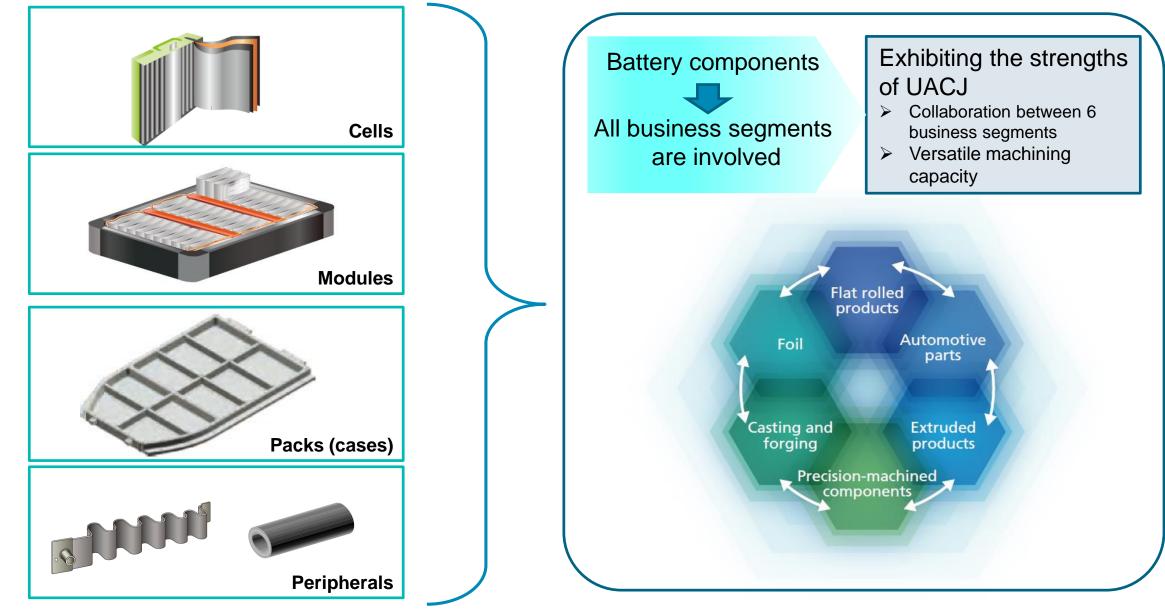


Future developments (carbon neutrality)

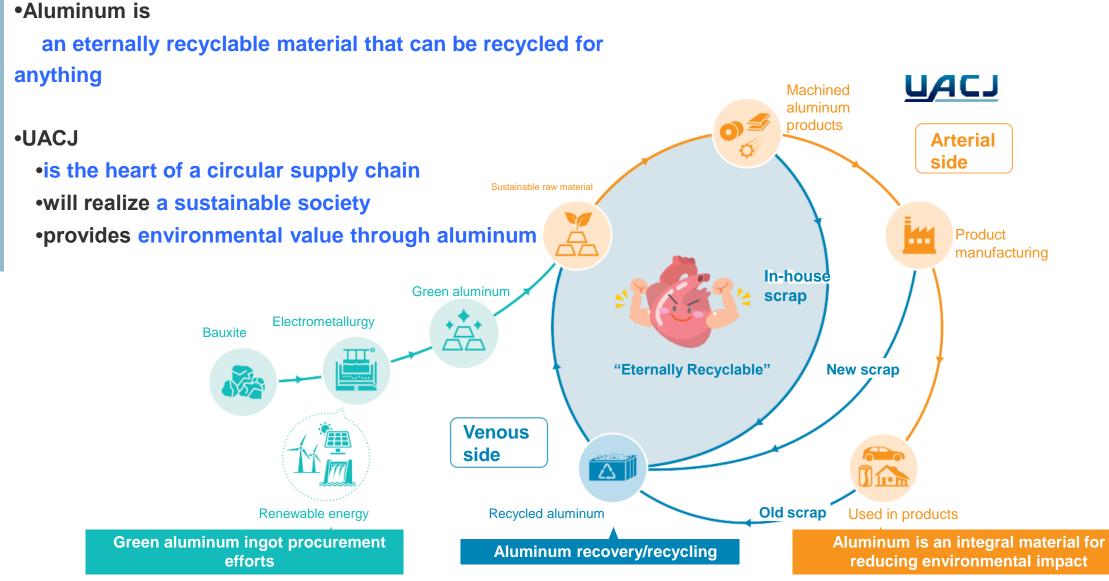
Carbon neutrality efforts accelerate in the automotive industry.



EV battery components and related business segments



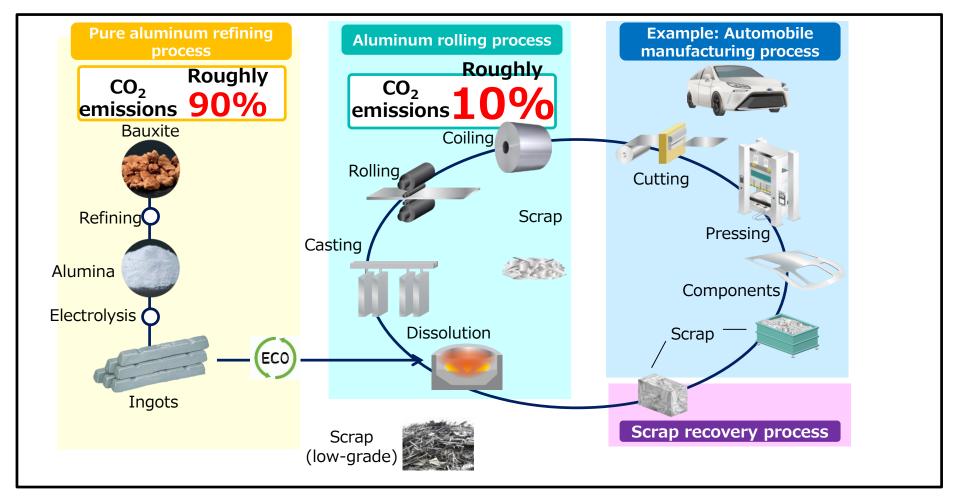
Striving to achieve a circular economy (UACJ's efforts)



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Striving to achieve a circular economy (efforts in auto body paneling)

Schematic diagram of the flow of aluminum from material manufacturing to finished product, and environmental measures efforts



Expectations for the potential of aluminum in automotive applications

