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Business Result for the First Quarter ended June 30, 2013 Regional Market Environments and Projections



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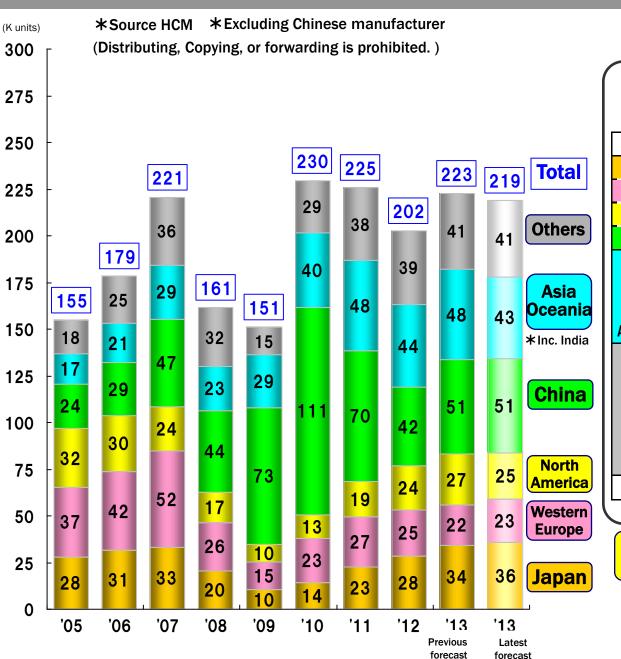
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Global Demand Trend for Hydraulic Excavator

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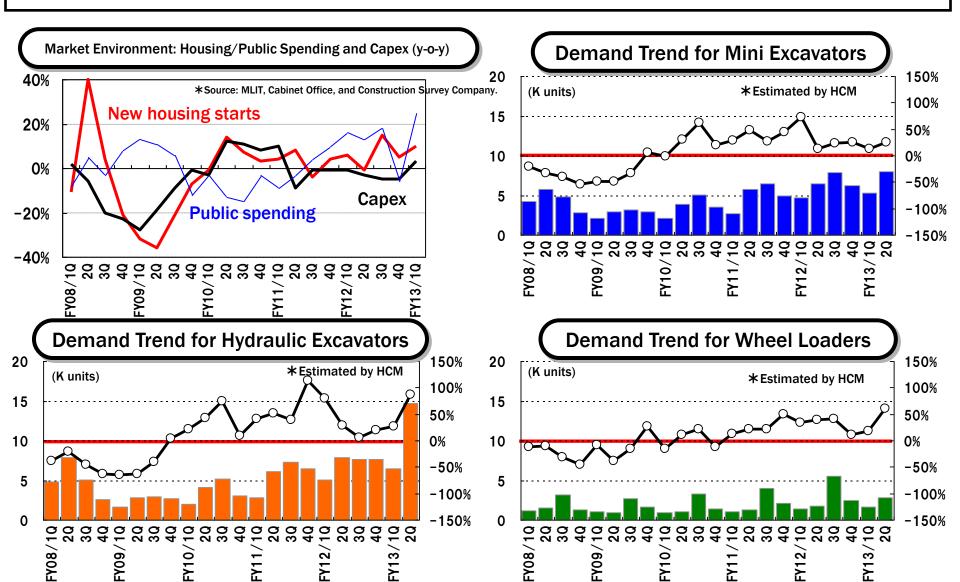
Year-on-Year Change			
1	'12	'13	'13
		Previous Forecast	Latest Forecast
Japan	+25%	+20%	+27%
W Europe	-7 %	-13%	-8%
N America	+26%	+15%	+4 %
China	-41%	+21%	+21%
_ India	_ -21 %	<u>+10%</u>	-9 %
Indonesia	<u>-19%</u>	<u>+15%</u>	9 %_
Others	+9%	+5%	+5%
Asia & Oceania	-8%	+9%	-2 %
Russia, E Europe,	-3%	+8%	+8%
Africa	+39%	-12 %	-9%
Middle East	-2 %	-1%	+1%
Latin America	-4%	+13%	+13%
Others	+2%	+4%	+5%
Total	-10%	+10%	+8%

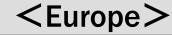
Emerging Countries: 62%

※Emerging countries: China, Asia/Oceania, and others.



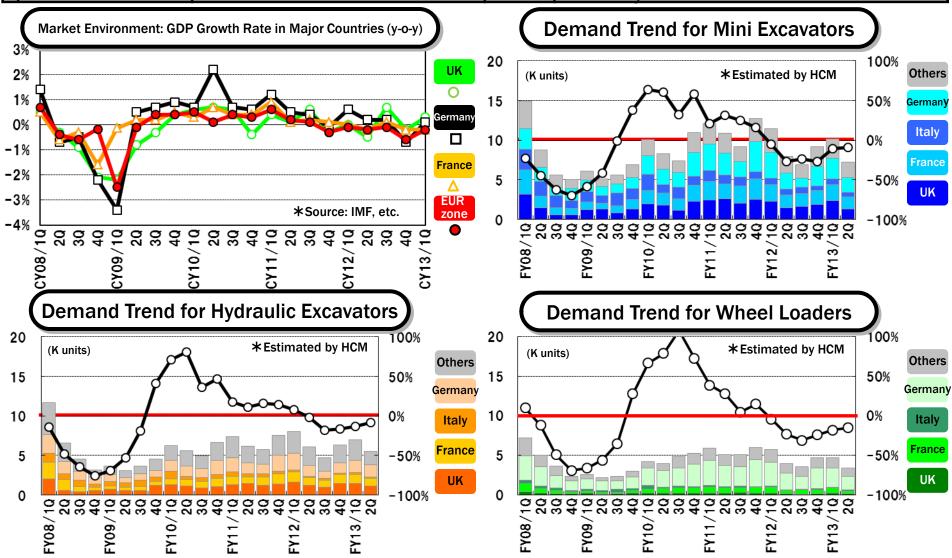
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- Strong increase of demand derived from significant increase in public works and housing starts.
 - Solid growth expected mainly in rental and general sectors in FY 2013.



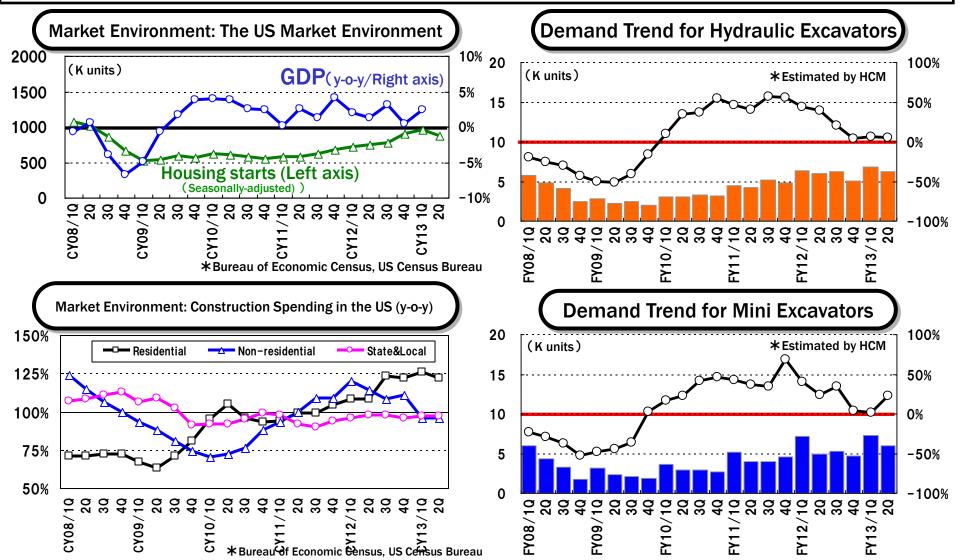


The European economy has shown signs of recovery in some countries such as the UK, Germany, and Northern European countries; however the European region as a whole is still suffering from stagnation.

Demand in Europe continues to fall short in compare to previous year.

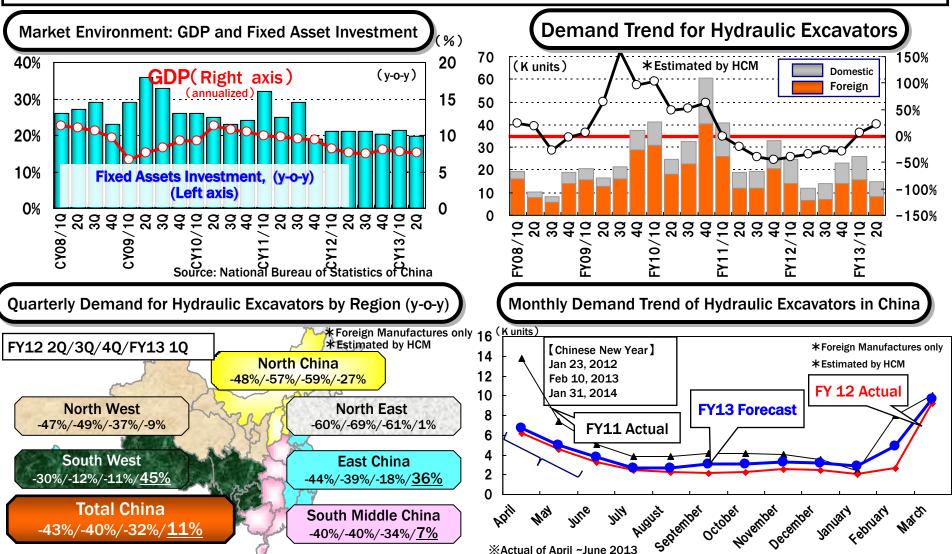


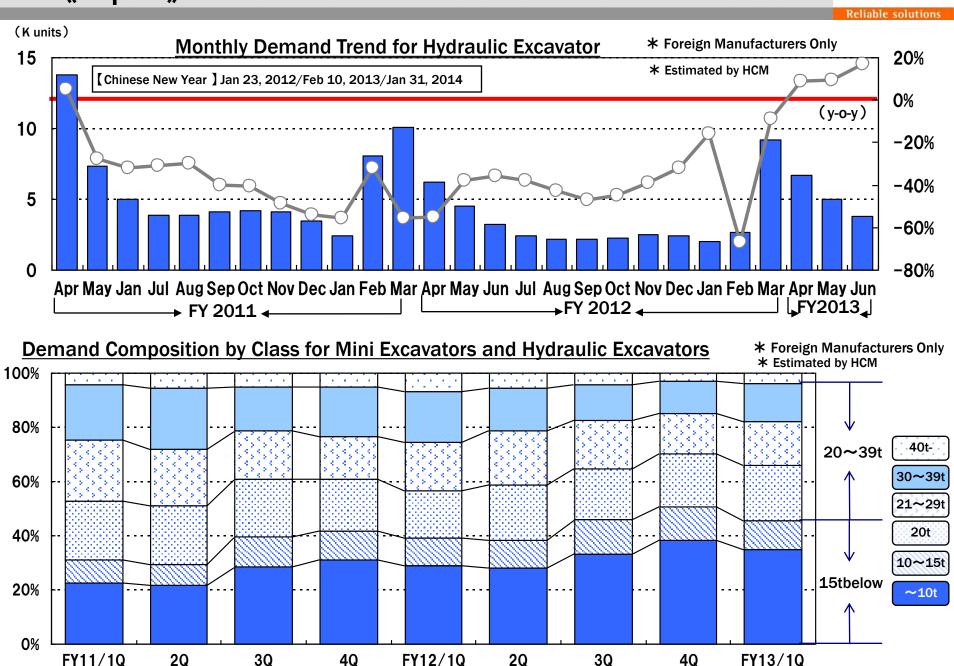
- ♦ The number of housing starts remains at high level
- The investment of residential remains at high growth ratio while non-residential and public construction sector are almost in same level as previous year
- Demand in N. America continues to be strong mainly in housing, energy, and rental businesses



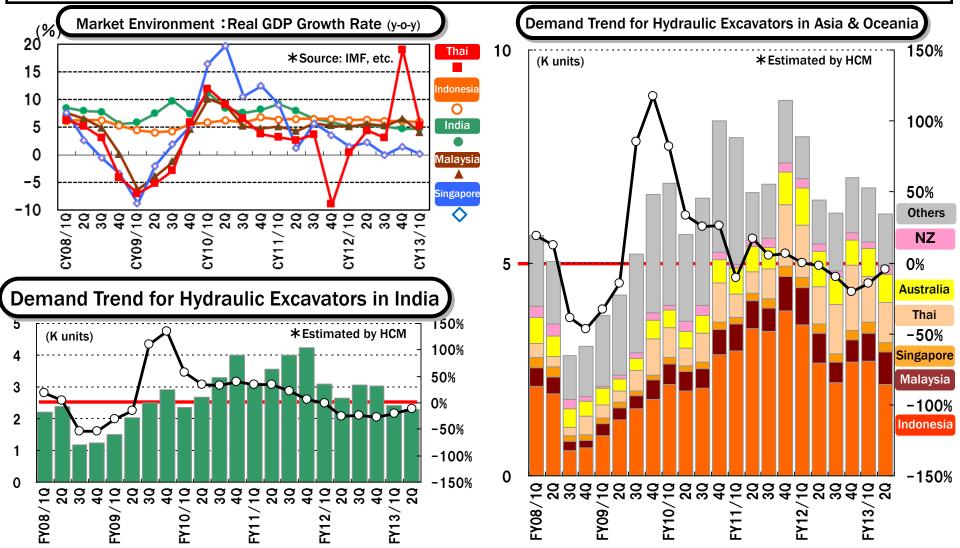


- The demand in China, which continued to decline for 23 months consecutively, has turned positive since April 2013, but still careful observation is required to gauge the future direction.
- Demand in South West, East China and South Middle China increased from the previous year.
- Increased demand in small-medium size works for irrigation and infrastructure projects.

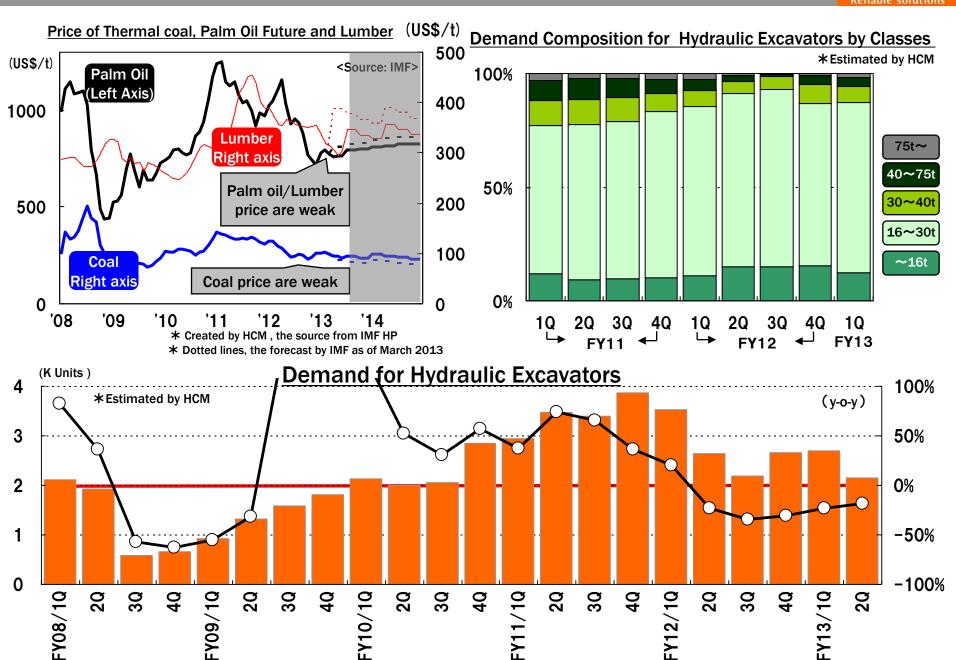




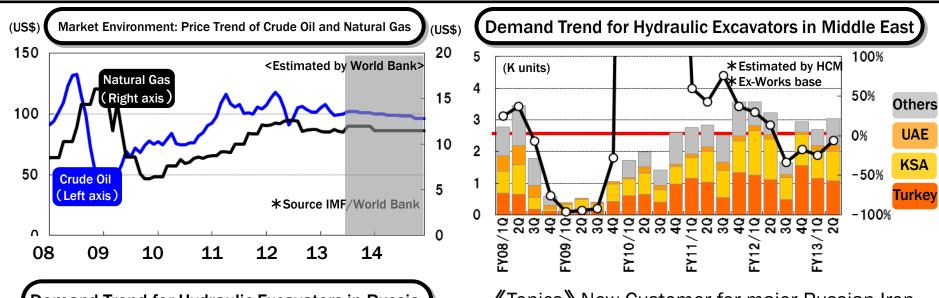
- GDP Growth rate remains firm.
- Although the Indian market has firm demand related to infrastructure, the future of the economy as a whole remains unpromising.
- The Indonesian market suffers from resource prices decrease, and it has been slowing down since many projects are delayed.

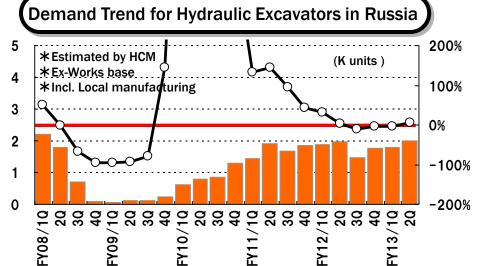


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【Russia】 Demands for energy and infrastructure are same level as previous year.【Middle East】 Demand for urban development and infrastructure is strong in Turkey and Saudi Arabia.

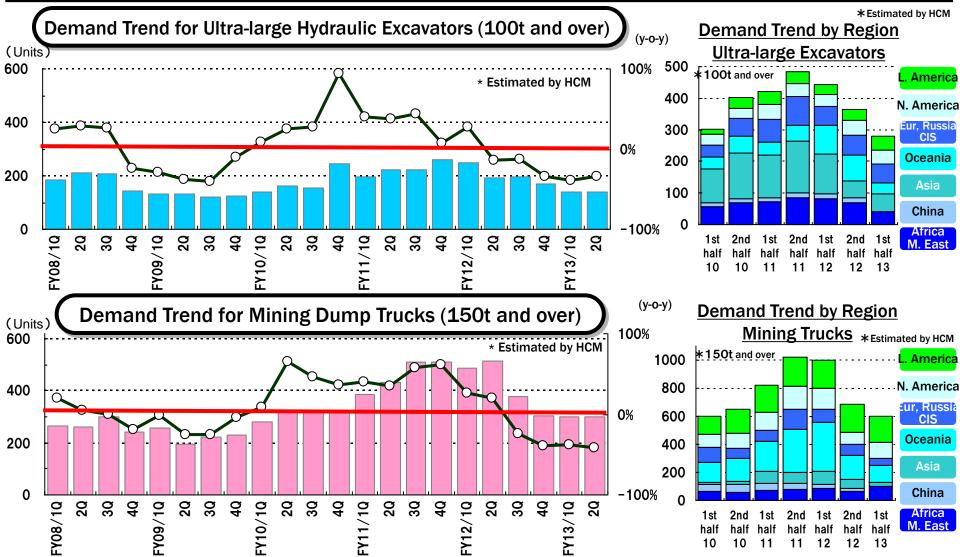




⟨Topics⟩ New Customer for major Russian Iron
Ore Mine ordered 2 units of EX5600E-6LD



- Resource prices remain unfavorable, and recovery of the mining market cannot be expected within FY 2013.
 - Demand will fall 10% below the previouse forecast.



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