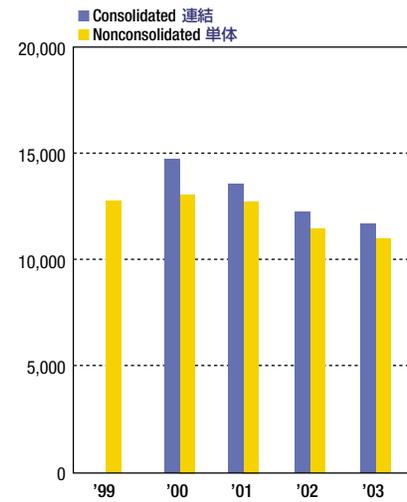


## R&amp;D Expenses

## 研究開発費

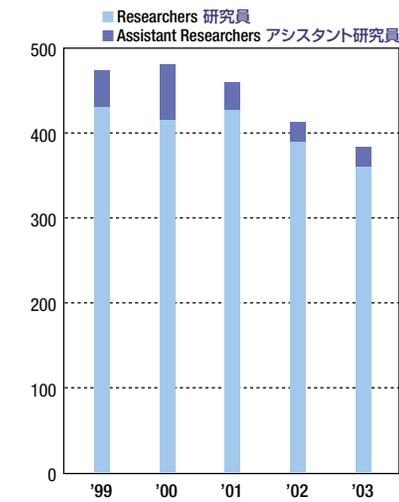
(¥ millions/百万円)



## Researchers

## 研究開発人員

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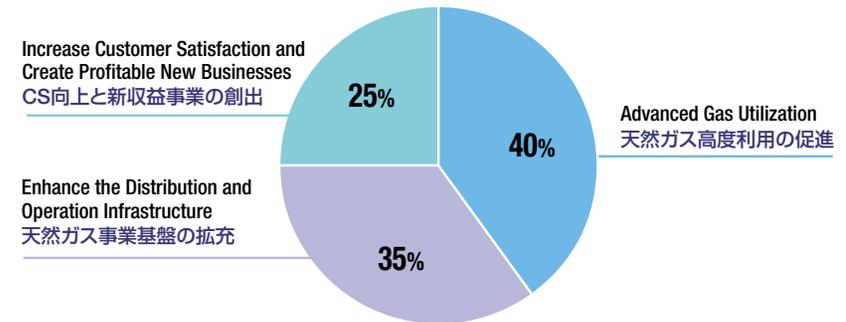


## R&amp;D Expenses Composition by Objective (Consolidated)

## 分野別研究開発費内訳(連結)

(As of March 2003)

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At March 31 各3月31日時点	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
R&D Expenses (Consolidated) 研究開発費(連結)	—	—	—	—	—	—	14,680	13,517	12,225	<b>11,671</b>
R&D Expenses (Nonconsolidated) 研究開発費(単独)	16,988	14,784	14,856	14,235	14,248	12,748	13,041	12,721	11,440	<b>10,972</b>
As Percentage of Net Sales 対売上高比率(%)	—	—	—	—	1.62	1.46	1.50	1.32	1.17	<b>1.11</b>
Number of Researchers 研究員(人)	—	—	—	—	424	431	415	427	390	<b>361</b>
Number of Assistant Researchers アシスタント研究員(人)	—	—	—	—	55	43	66	33	23	<b>23</b>
Advanced Gas Utilization 天然ガス高度利用の促進(%)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	59	52	<b>40</b>
Enhance the Distribution and Operation Infrastructure 天然ガス事業基盤の拡充(%)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	31	35	<b>35</b>
Increase Customer Satisfaction and Create Profitable New Businesses CS向上と新収益事業の創出(%)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	13	<b>25</b>
Total 合計	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	100	100	<b>100</b>