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Around the World

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Around the World

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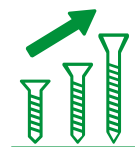
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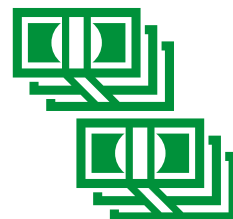
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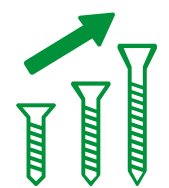
### Sales

**132 million**  
dollars

The corresponding period last year  
133 million dollars (98.7%)



### The number of products sold



**3.1 billion**  
pieces

The corresponding period  
last year 3.6 billion pieces (85.7%)

### The number of handling products

**2 million**  
products

The corresponding period last year  
1.64 million products (122.0%)

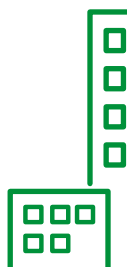


### The number of companies ordered

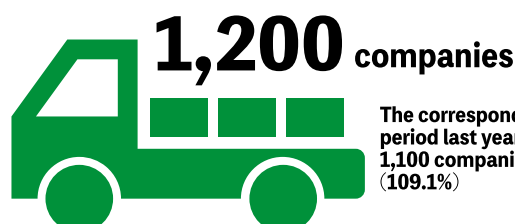


**5,900**  
companies

The corresponding period last year  
5,800 companies (101.0%)



### The number of suppliers



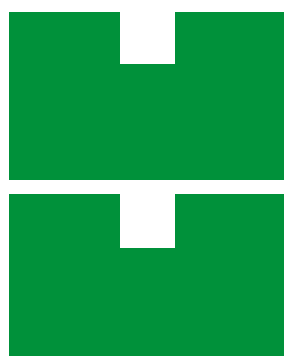
**1,200** companies

The corresponding  
period last year  
1,100 companies  
(109.1%)

### The number of shipments

**1.02 million** cartons

The corresponding period last year  
1.07 million cartons (95.3%)



**8,000** cartons

The corresponding period last year  
8,500 cartons (94.1%)

The number of  
shipments  
a day on average

**25** million

The corresponding period last year  
29 million products (86.2%)

The number of  
products shipped  
a day on average



## Anti-Loosening Nuts

Loose nuts can cause malfunctions and failures. Anti-loosening nuts increase durability and reduce maintenance frequency.

### 1 piece type

Products expertly designed to prevent loosening.



FRANGE NUT



KUSABI LOCK NUT



THREE LOCK NUTS



SUPER SLIT NUT



SKIRT NUT

Nuts with anti-return and anti-falling off effects when 2 nuts are used



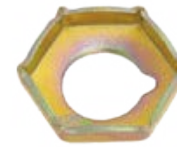
CASTLE NUT



HARD LOCK NUT



IDA RING  
Used with ordinary nuts



HYPERLOAD SPRING



LOCK ONE

### Multi pieces nuts

Products with rings or washers caulked onto nuts.



U NUT



WITH NUT



NUT WITH  
TOOTHED WASHER



NYLON NUT



CONICAL NUT



SUPER O-LOCK NUT



HEX NUT ASSEMBLED  
WITH BONDED WASHER



NUT WITH  
SPRING WASHER



SMART HYPERLOAD NUT



PANINI NUT

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Airing every 1st and 3rd Thursday night  
from 10:58 to 11:06 on TV Osaka!

Comedy duo "Nakagawa-ke" perform a skit playing the factory manager and an employee in a screw factory. Appearing as well is the president of Sunco Industries, Yoshihide Okuyama, as "the man who loved and was loved by screws" who also shares interesting facts about screws.



## Nothing We Don't Have! Sunco industries Co., Ltd.

Sunco Industries, located in Higashiosaka, is a specialized trading company handling screws used everywhere from smartphones to rockets. The company maintains an inventory of approximately 2.5 billion screws, and ships about 70 million screws per day. With the 'Rotary Rack' machine, capable of quickly dispatching orders of even a single piece, they arrange a wide variety of shipments tailored to customer orders.



With a stock of 2.5 billion, you can order even just a single screw!



Nothing We Don't Have, Sunco Industries

If I may...

Even in my glasses,  
you see... you can find  
Sunco screws. In all kinds  
of everyday places, that's  
where you'll find Sunco's  
screws!



President Yoshihide Okuyama

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## Go for It! Nakaumi Industries Co., Ltd.

We are a slitting factory located in Kujo, Osaka. Our products are used in the ceilings of large stores and warehouses. More than half our employees hail from the Kishiwada area, known for its "Danjiri Festival." As September and festival season approach, the workplace is filled with talk about Danjiri. Some employees have been jogging since spring to get in shape for festival day!



Our Employees Love Danjiri Festival!

If I may...

Danjiri Festival  
has a rich history and  
tradition spanning over 300  
years. The sight of giant  
floats, some weighing as much  
as 4 tons, racing through the  
town is truly spectacular!



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# ZEDPARTS

Products for Classic Motorcycle Lovers Around the World

ZEDPARTS sells products that motorcycle enthusiasts, especially enthusiasts for classic motorcycles, will adore. The company was founded by Mr. Oz Ozanne in 2007 and today he, his wife Deborah and eldest daughter, Emma sell screws on their website. About 30 years ago, Mr Ozanne suffered a serious injury that broke his spine, but was fortunate enough not to be confined to a wheelchair. He was determined to show his children, who were still young at the time, that he could overcome his disability. His determination led him to start the company that they now operate from their home, utilizing part of it as a warehouse and workspace for the family.

The warm, family atmosphere of this company draws in orders from classic motorcycle enthusiasts from all over the world. Many parts and screws used in classic cars are difficult to obtain, but Mr. Ozanne finds products with the same dimensions and part numbers from schematics and sells equivalent products. Autumn is a particularly busy season while motor shows are being held. Everything is organised by keeping machine screws in small boxes and repacking washers and spring washers into Tupperware-like containers. Though the volume and variety of shipments are not big, Mr. Ozanne's work is in demand from all over the world.

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Oz and Deborah Ozanne

"The biggest success is that we were able to pioneer this niche market," Mr. Ozanne says with a smile. Inside the shop, there are motorcycles and parts from "KAWASAKI," one of Japan's leading motorcycle manufacturers. In the workshop they perform repairs on vintage motorcycles and overhaul engine parts. Products for motorcycle enthusiasts all over the world are sent out from Birmingham.





## M&S Distributors Ltd



M&S Distributors Moving Forward! Trust that's been built over years of making deliveries.

Selling screws and tools primarily in Northeast England, they carry an inventory of about 25,000 items to best serve a diverse range of clients. They handle a wide variety of small-batch items such as drill screws, hex socket cap screws, bolts, nuts, and much more. Their biggest strength comes from their in-house delivery service that allows them to quickly meet customer requests. Since their founding in 1982, they have gained trust from local customers through their flexible and responsive service. In 2020, they built a new warehouse, further solidifying their position for continued growth.



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Building on the momentum with up-and-coming in-house developed e-commerce site

Mr. Sudesh Patel, company president and a former programmer, launched an e-commerce site for screws in 2021, saying, "Screws have a stable inventory value and are always in demand." The number of items in stock has increased from 4,000 items when the company was founded to 21,000 items today, which was a huge increase, and the warehouse suddenly feels very cramped. There are many businesses with e-commerce sites, but he is proud that "no other company has such a wide variety of products and sizes,". Currently, they are selling only in the UK with in-house developed systems but will hopefully soon be available to sell in other countries including the USA, Australia, and more.

## Stag Publications



Connecting domestic and international industries  
"Torque Magazine"

A UK-based publishing company that produces magazines on the fastener, fixings, tools and related markets including 'Torque Magazine,' and 'Torque Direct'. They publish 10,000 print copies for the UK and Europe with a digital readership of over 70,000 internationally. They also issue newsletters targeting corporate executives worldwide, allowing them to act as a hub for the industry. They frequently participate in events and plan to host 'Torque Expo' in May 2024. They are committed to informing and energising the entire industry, both domestically and internationally, and will continue to act as the centre of the industry in the future.



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**For 105 years of history, dedicated to the craft of bristle implantation and supporting the Japanese toothbrush industry.**

Higashiosaka, an area in the east of Osaka Prefecture, is renowned for its ability to attract a highly skilled workforce and with over 5,500 companies based there, it has the highest density of manufacturing businesses in Japan.

The manufacturing of toothbrushes is a major local industry with a long history. Originally, toothbrushes were made by drilling holes for implanting the bristles into cow bones. Their manufacturing relied upon skilled craftsmen working together, functioning with a clear division of labour. Even with the invention of nylon bristles and the shift from hand-operated machinery to automation and mass production, skilled manufacturing

has continued as it had throughout the ages. Established in 1918, Wakatake Industries is a manufacturer that specializes in toothbrush bristle implant in this thriving industrial area. The company is a small to medium-sized enterprise with 16 full and part time employees producing, as a secondary manufacturer, 30,000 brushes a day - making an impressive 700,000 brushes a month. There is a wide range of toothbrushes available in Japan: bristles can be hard, soft or normal, there are also differences in the cut of the bristle tips and the size of the toothbrush's head. In addition to the toothbrushes sold by the major brands, a large number of drugstores and supermarkets sell their

own brands. The demand for a wide variety of products allows small and medium-sized enterprises like Wakatake Industries to thrive.

The number of toothbrushes manufactured has been rising steadily due to an increase in awareness of the importance of dental health. Japanese toothbrushes are relatively cheaper than in other countries, with some costing less than 100 yen each. Wakatake's President Yoshihiro Wakatake says, 'The profit margin for toothbrush sales is very small, so the challenge for the industry as a whole is to find a way to increase the unit price'.







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Tapping type A



Tapping type B1



Tapping type C1



Tapping type C0



(4)Upset head



(7)Upset head



Hexagon socket head



Hex-socket  
button head



(+)Slim pan head



(+)Slim head



Slim hexagon  
head



10.9 hexagon head



PD=3



Pitakku



For thin sheet



Green bolt



Terminal



### Materials Available

Iron, Stainless Steel,  
 Brass, SUS 316L

### Plating Options

Trivalent Chromate (White), Trivalent Chromate  
 (Black), Nickel Plating, Chrome Plating, etc.

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# Rugby World Cup Story Semisi Masirewa

## Birth of the Japan Representative from the 'Craftsmanship Town'

The Rugby World Cup was held in France from September to October 2023. On the greatest stage of the world, a star player was born from "Rugby and Craftsmanship Town," Higashiosaka. His name is Semisi Masirewa, a 31-year-old from Fiji. A member of the "Hanazono Kintetsu Liners," based in Hanazono, the holy land of Japanese rugby.

Known for his keen footwork, and his "Snake Pose" when scoring a try, he electrifies fans. While riding his bicycle, he can often hear, "Are you heading to practice now? Good luck!" He's now a beloved figure in his new hometown of Hanazono.



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However, his first Rugby World Cup ended abruptly in the second match against England. Just seven minutes into the game, he suffered an injury while kicking and had to leave the field. But this isn't the end. Encouraged

by the passionate support from his hometown, he's tightened the screws and aims for the next Rugby World Cup four years from now. Here's hoping to see him stand up again next time.

## Higashiosaka

### A sports festival using real screws

## What's the Screw World Cup!?



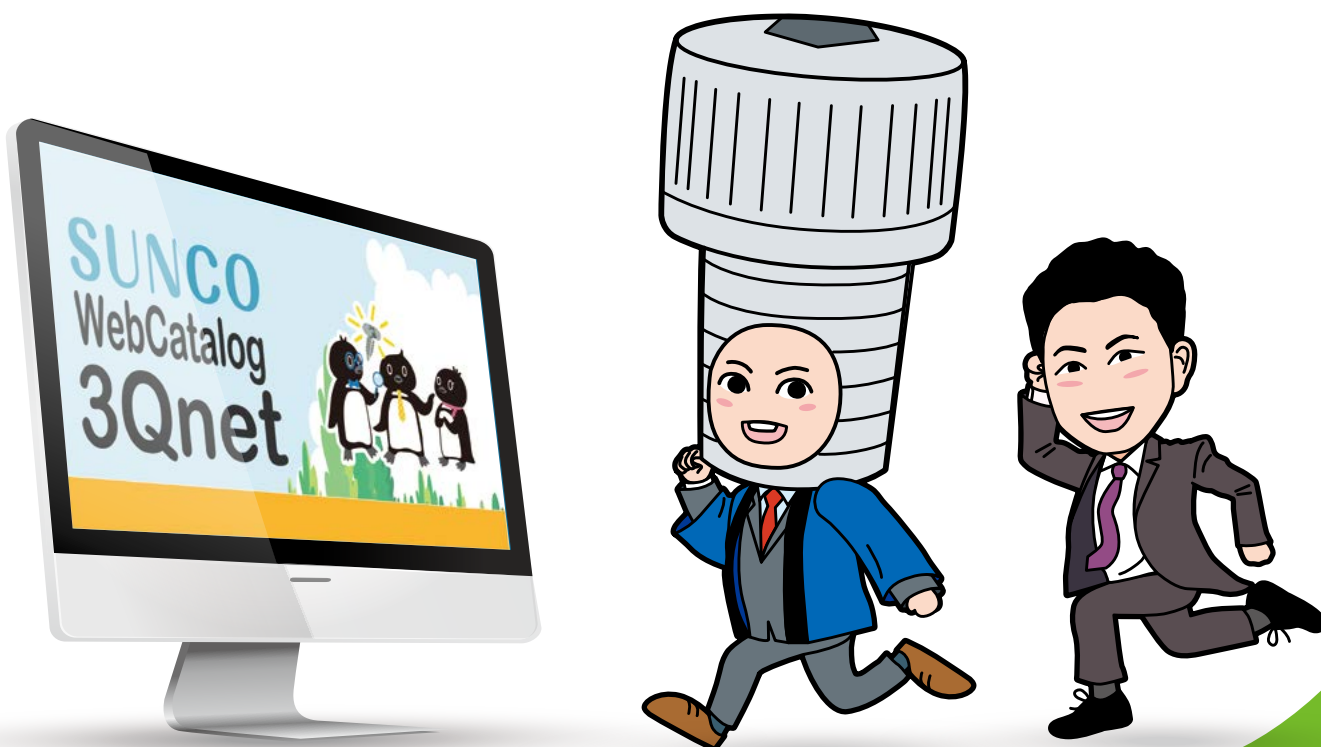
In the 'Craftsmanship Town' of Higashiosaka, a bizarre kind of sports festival is held. Not the Rugby World Cup, but the "Screw World Cup." The games consist of activities such as quickly finding combinations of nuts and bolts and picking up extremely small screws with chopsticks, all with fierce competition. Winners receive capsule toys containing real screws in an event full of screw-based fun.

It's a PR event that's been held several times a year since 2018, mainly in shopping malls, to familiarize the town and their children with screws.

It's an event where the joy of craftsmanship is everywhere, not limited to industries or professionals, but open for everyone to experience.



# What is 3Q Net?



## What is 3Q Net?

It's the best choice for finding metric fasteners with 2 million products available.



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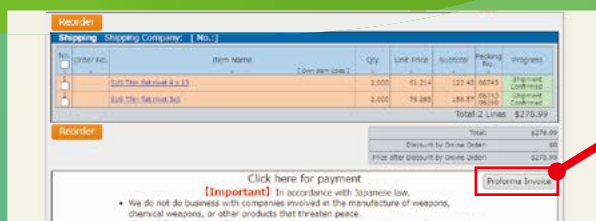


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## Explanation of payment methods



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Bank transfer

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Web catalog



Web site



Company  
information



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