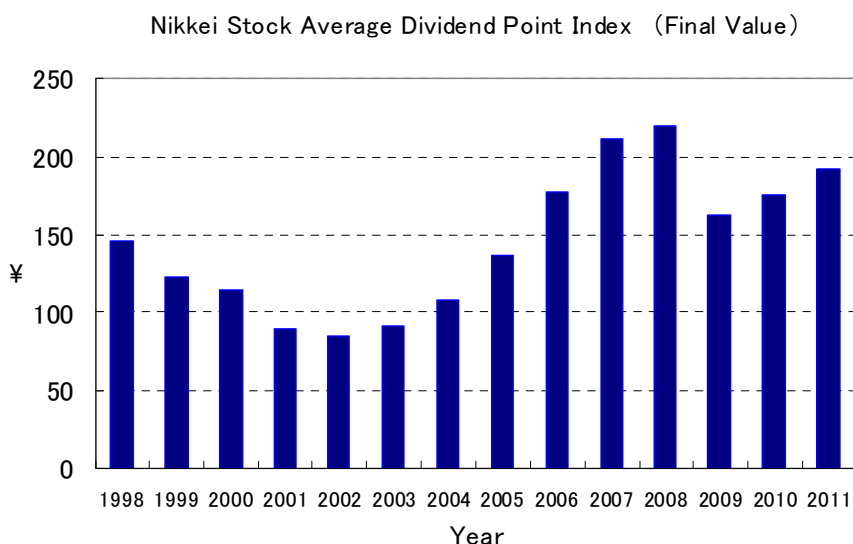


## Nikkei Dividend Index set at 192.03 in 2011

Nikkei Inc. announced on April 2 that the final value of the Nikkei Stock Average Dividend Point Index in the year of 2011 stood at 192.03, up by 9.4 percent from 175.59, the final value of the 2010 index, which is largest level for the first time since 2008 when the final value of the year was 219.73.

The index is based on the dividends that would be received from the Nikkei Stock Average constituent companies for an investor to hold them for a calendar year. The final value of the 2011 index was determined after all of the dividends in 2011 were fixed at the end of March 2012.

The final value in 2011 was the third largest, after the values in 2008 and 2007, which were compared among the final values since 1998 as many companies were increasingly returning to shareholders. In the constituents in the 2010 index, possible to compare, 89 companies increased their dividend payments in 2011 while 35 companies decreased them. The biggest contributors to the increase in the 2011 index were Fanuc Corp. (6954) and Tokyo Electron Ltd. (8035).



The index is calculated on a calendar year basis. The dividends in the accounting month of March 2012 will be included into the 2012 index in June 2012 after the annual shareholder meetings are held.