Changes in Operating Expenses

Although there was an increase in costs attributable to restoration efforts in response to typhoon damages, operating expenses decreased by 25.7 billion yen from the previous fiscal year due to thorough cost controls resulting from, among other things, a more efficient business and use of existing property, plant and equipment.

	858.5	(24.9)	833.5	(25.7)	807.7	(Billions of yen)
	34.7	(0.4)	34.2		•••••	
		(0-11	54.2	(0.2)	34.0	Taxes and dues
	210.0	(7.0)	203.0	(4.4)	198.6	Capital Charges (depreciation and amortization costs + losses on disposa of fixed assets)
	62.8	(7.9)	54.9	(2.3)	52.5	Personnel expenses
	550.8	(9.5)	541.3	(18.8)	522.5	General expenses
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