

Sekisui House achieves 44,247 net-Zero Energy Houses built and accelerate implementation of ZEH for decarbonization goal

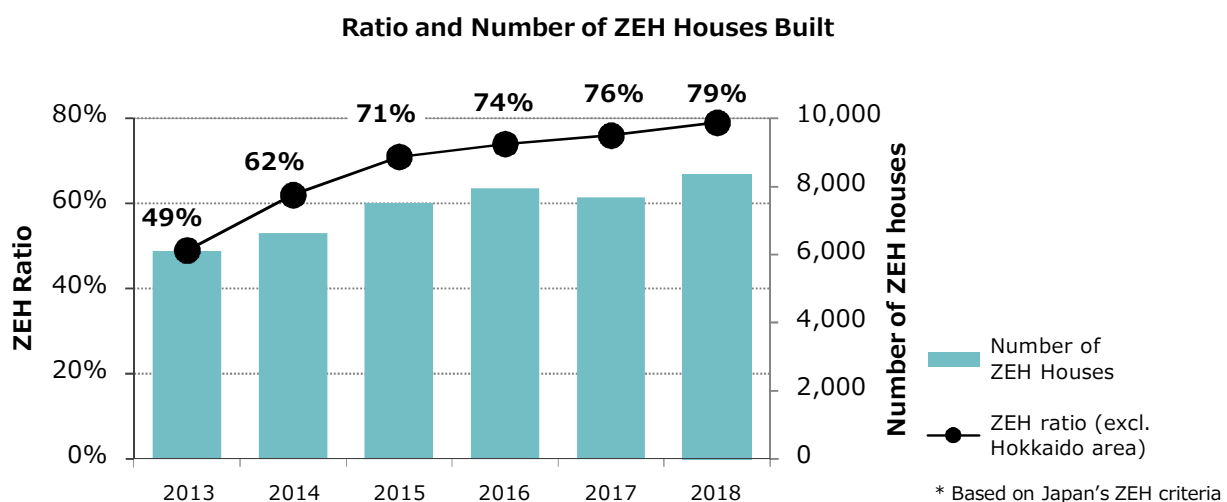
Sekisui House, Ltd. has been taking on an environmental leadership role in Japanese housing market and launched net-Zero Energy House (ZEH) products in 2013. The company achieved 79%*¹ ratio of ZEH out of all the newly built detached houses in FY 2018. Total cumulative number of ZEH - Green First ZERO homes has reached 44,247 as of March 31, 2019.

In addition, Sekisui House delivered 44 projects of ZEH-M collective housing (multi-family/condominiums) that comprise total of 231 units, bringing the cumulative total to 45 buildings and 244 units*², while to meet government ZEH standards for collective housing has been considered difficult due to relatively smaller roof space to the number of dwellings and therefore insufficient solar power to be supplied to each of them.

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The Japanese Government aims more than half of new detached houses built by housing manufacturers to be ZEH by 2020. Sekisui House has been taking a strong and company-wide initiative to promote ZEH which integrates sales, design, technology and construction capabilities and it has been exceeding the government target by far. This high ZEH ratio also paves the wave for new business models such as “Sekisui House Owner Denki”, the company’s progressive action to purchase solar power surplus back from the owners of Sekisui House homes. This will reduce anxiety and improve satisfaction of the owners facing the “Post-FIT 2019 Problem” (discontinuation of the government’s feed-in tariff system after 10 years), and enable to meet its RE100 initiative’s targets (declaration of use of 100% renewable energy by 2040).



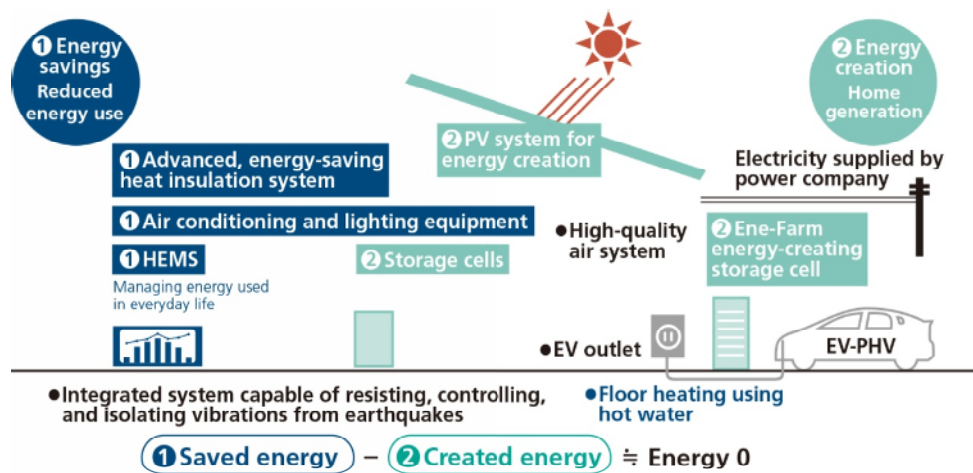
As an Eco-First Company certified by the Minister of the Environment, Sekisui House will continue to work to build a sustainable society by reducing environmental impact through low carbon housing, and will continue to strive to be a leader in ESG business management.

*1 Excluding Hokkaido area

*2 ZEH-M (criteria for ZEH collective housing) is categorized into four types ranging from “ZEH-M Oriented” to “ZEH-M” and the figure counts three types excluding “ZEH-M Oriented” which does not require solar panels.

*3 Annual reduction of residential CO₂ emissions from new dwellings compared to those of 1990 model

Sekisui House Net Zero Energy House – Green First ZERO model



About Sekisui House

Founded in 1960, Sekisui House, Ltd. is one of world's largest homebuilders and an international diversified developer, with cumulative sales of over 2 Million homes^{*1}. Based in Osaka, Sekisui House has over two-hundred consolidated subsidiaries and affiliates^{*2}, over twenty-thousand employees^{*3} and is listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange and Nagoya Stock Exchange.

Sekisui House aims to create homes and communities that improve with time and last for generations. With "Love of Humanity" as its Corporate Philosophy, Sekisui House believes that homes should offer comfort, security and peace of mind for residents, while maintaining harmony with the environment and its surroundings. Sekisui House has sustainability as a core corporate target and is now the global leader in the construction of net-zero-energy homes with more than 44,000 of them built since the product was launched in 2013. In 2009, Sekisui House expanded into several new international markets and now operates in China, Singapore, Australia, the United States and the United Kingdom.

*1 ; 2,4025,372 homes delivered

*2 ; 264 consolidated subsidiaries and affiliates

*3 ; 24,775 employees

All above figures as of January 31, 2019

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