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1. Overview

1.1 World's 2nd Largest Short Video Platform & China's 3rd Largest App⁽¹⁾

Large and highly engaged user community with **700 million average MAUs** and nearly 125 mins average daily time spent per DAU in Q4

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Continuously identified and magnified content with unique vertical strengths. By the end of 2023, nearly 1,000 Kuaishou Astral Short Plays launched, including over 300 blockbusters⁽²⁾. Postings and views for Three Rural content vertical increased significantly

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Continuous optimization of monetization models, driving solid revenue growth across business segments with YoY and QoQ increase in revenue contribution from online marketing services and other services (including e-commerce) with higher margin

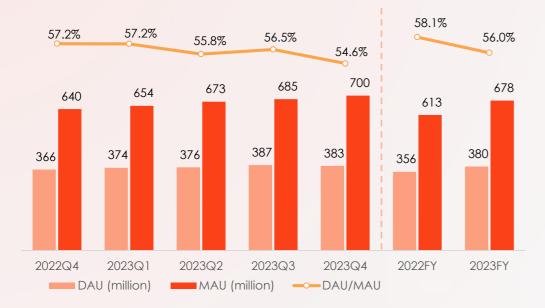
Continuously amplified profitability with a group-level net profit of RMB3.6 billion in Q4, while adjusted net profit increased QoQ to RMB4.4 billion; total revenue surpassed RMB100 billion, while adjusted net profit exceeded RMB10 billion in 2023



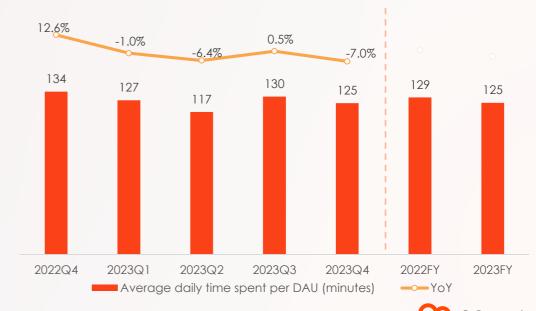
1.2 Setting a New Record in User Community Scale

- Optimized user growth strategies, built more scenarios for app opening, and refined algorithms, promoting high-value user growth;
- In 4Q23, average DAUs were 383 million, up 4.5% YoY; average daily time spent per DAU was 124.5 minutes; Average MAUs for the first time surpassed 700 million, up 9.4% YoY and 2.3% QoQ.

DAU, MAU and DAU/MAU Ratio

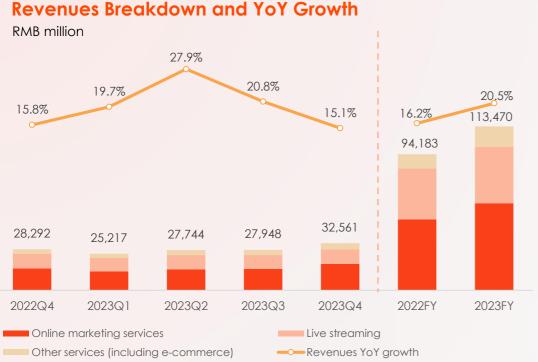


Average Daily Time Spent Per DAU and YoY Growth

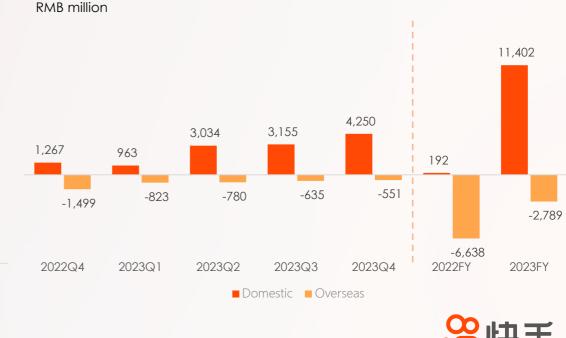


1.3 Tremendous Revenue Growth with Margin Expansion

- 4Q23 revenues grew by 15.1% YoY. Specifically, online marketing services revenue grew by 20.6% YoY, other services revenue (including e-commerce) grew by 36.2% YoY;
- Domestic business achieved an operating profit for 7 consecutive quarters, primarily due to tremendous revenue growth and enhanced operating efficiency. Operating loss in overseas business narrowed by 63.2% YoY.



Operating Profit(loss) by Segment





2. Business Development

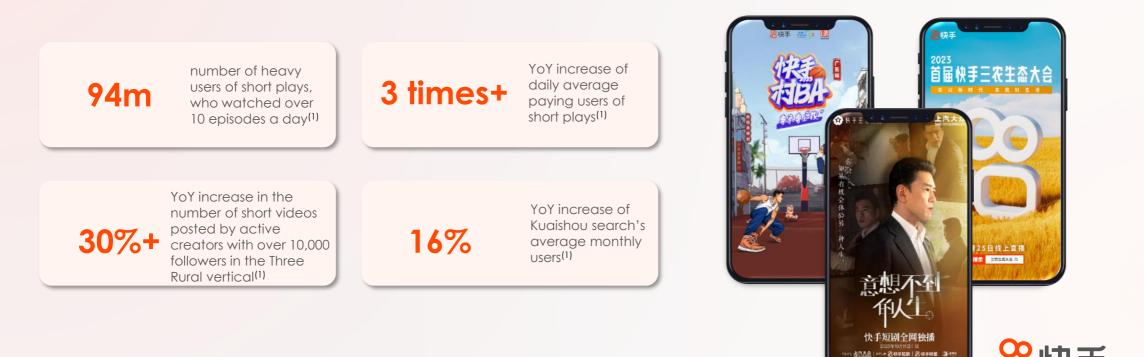
2.1 Operating Highlights



4. Transactions on our platform or directed to our partners through our platform.

2.2 Rich Content Supply, Optimized Search Function

- Continued to deepen the distinctive content supply ecosystem, illustrated by our Astral Short Plays that frequently turn into blockbusters, elevating users' willingness to pay. Active content creation in Three Rural content category, with fair traffic distribution driving short video postings and views growth;
- Improved the construction of the "search after watching" scenario to enhance user growth and activity; consistent advancement in search commercialization, with revenue from search marketing services doubled.



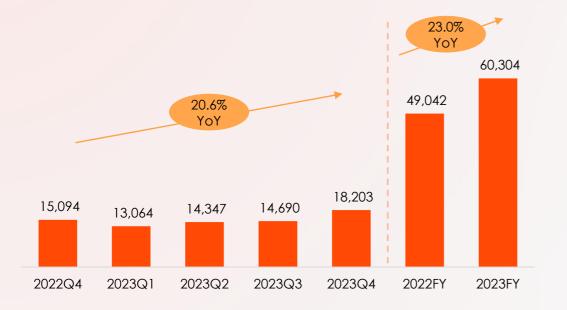
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2.3 Outperforming Online Marketing Service with Improved Monetization Efficiency

- In 4Q23, revenue from online marketing services reached 18.2 billion, up 20.6% YoY, the number of active marketing clients increased by more than 160% YoY;
- Continued to upgrade smart marketing placement products, optimize algorithms, and deepen refined industry-specific operations; the unleashed clients' budget at the year-end also contributed to the solid revenue growth in online marketing services.

Revenue from Online Marketing Services

RMB million



Key Highlights

Native marketing services driven by the continued growth of ecommerce business, with 'Omni-platform Market Solution' feature enhancements enabling full exploration of high-quality traffic. Smart hosting products expanded into various scenarios, lowering the placement threshold for small and medium-sized merchants and boosting marketing consumption and performance.

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Continuous growth of external marketing services, especially within media information, education and training, and gaming industries. Use of UAL and AIGC technology for optimized marketing materials enhanced placement stability. Promoted native marketing material creation for 'marketing as content' realization.

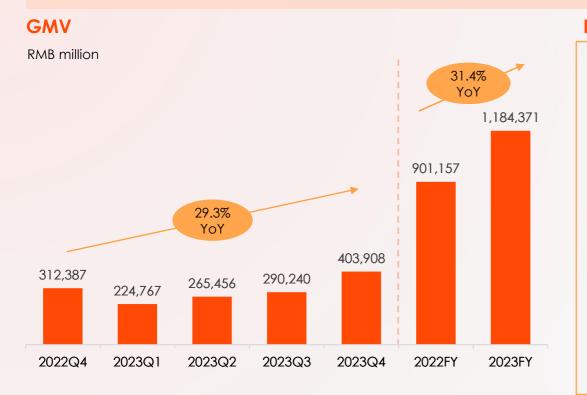


Brand marketing revenue increased significantly, boosted by key promotion events and our own marketing programs. The integrated marketing solutions in the automotive industry promoted in-depth collaborations with leading brands. Astral short plays attracted brands across various sectors for marketing placements, leading to a more than six-fold increase in sponsorship revenue QoQ.



2.4 Robust E-commerce Growth with Ongoing Brands' Development

- 4Q23 GMV increased by 29.3% YoY to RMB403.9 billion, outpacing the industry, continuously gaining market share;
- Continued to enrich shopping scenarios and upgrade marketing product features, resulting in a record high of over 130 million average monthly paying users. Refined smart subsidies and strengthened governance of the e-commerce ecosystem led to sustained YoY increase in both monthly purchasing frequency and ARPPU.



Key Highlights

Continuous improvement on the supply side: Multiple policies assisted with new merchants' cold start; service centers in the industry zones supported small and medium-sized merchants. **Brands GMV** showed robust growth, with the Stream Initiative strengthening self-operated live streaming. Continued to focus on the health of **KOL ecosystem**, synergizing short videos with live streaming to stimulate KOLs' selling enthusiasm

Shelf-based and short video e-commerce grew rapidly. Shelf-based ecommerce GMV accounted for 20%+ of total GMV. The shopping mall homepage tab expanded traffic with algorithm optimization reinforcing users' shopping mindset; Conversion efficiency in search scenarios continues to improve; During sales promotion period, short videos helped merchants increase exposure and improve content quality and its GMV more than doubled YoY.

E-commerce ecosystem infrastructure continued to strengthen. Enhanced pricing capabilities and labeling optimization. Stepped up efforts to refine labeling for new merchandise and blockbusters, upgraded the scoring system and heightened traffic allocation efficiency.



2.4 Continued Prosperity on Both Supply and Demand Sides

Supply side

~50%

YoY increase of average monthly active merchants in 4Q23

Merchant development and support:

- Over one million merchants participated in the Double 11 Sales Promotion
- Merchant Training Camp and Uplift Initiative assisted merchants' cold-start stage
- Service centers and product selection centers in the industry zones provided localized operations and training tailored to small and medium-sized merchants.

Brand e-commerce:

- The sales promotion drove a 155% YoY increase in GMV from brands, with nearly 2,500 brands doubling their GMV.
- GMV from well-known brands' self-operated live-streaming increased more than two-fold YoY, primarily driven by brand-intensive industries including consumer electronics, home appliances, men's apparel and sports.

KOL ecosystem:

- Spark Initiative encouraged new KOLs to live streaming, leveraging short videos for product recommendations, adding shopping links, and optimizing shop window displays to synergize with their live streaming.
- On the distribution side, stimulated KOLs' selling enthusiasm through precise matching services and promotional events.

Demand side

130m+

Number of average monthly paying users in 4Q23

Enhanced users' experience:

- The average number of monthly paying users exceeded 130 million, with the MAU penetration rate increasing to 18.6%.
- Beyond the Kwai Shop's Money-Saving Monthly Card, introduced the Ecommerce Black Card membership for top users, further boosting highvalue users' engagement and purchase frequency.
- Refined smart subsidies and strengthened the governance of ecommerce ecosystem. Bolstered by the Double 11 and Double 12 Sales Promotions, both monthly purchasing frequency and ARPPU maintained a YoY increase.



2.5 Live Streaming Maintained Healthy Momentum

- Live streaming revenue reached RMB10.0 billion in 4Q23, remained stable YoY, up 3.4% QoQ, attributable to a steadfast commitment to long-term ecosystem health and high-quality content;
- Continued to explore and cultivate high-quality live-streaming content and streamers, leading to a nearly 40% YoY increase in streamers on Kuaishou managed by talent agencies and over 30% YoY in average daily live-streaming time of streamers in Q4.

Revenue from Live Streaming



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Key Highlights

Broadened cooperation with regional talent agencies and local operations, surpassing 1,300 collaborated regional talent agencies by Q4. Continued to develop new content, interactive scenarios and features.

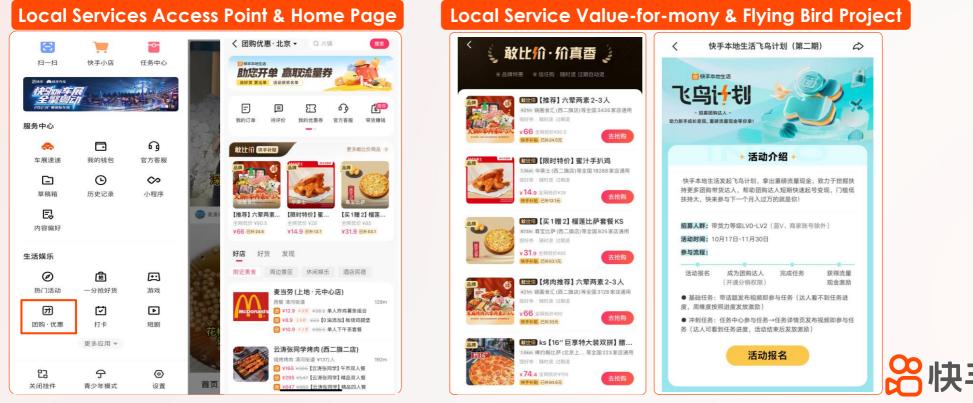
Distinctive category strategies boosted traditional culture verticals, like opera and folk music, with traditional cultural streamers surpassing 190,000 in 2023. The 2023 Annual Grand Ceremony supported more mid-tier streamers' growth, and the proportion of streamers with professional talents and abilities consistently increased.

"Live streaming+" services empowered traditional industries with average daily resume submissions on Kwai Hire's (快聘) growing by 200%+ YoY, while the daily average number of users submitting resumes growing by 100%+ YoY in Q4; Ideal Housing (理想家) achieved cumulative GTV of RMB16+ billion.



2.6 New Initiative with Rapid Growth: Local Services

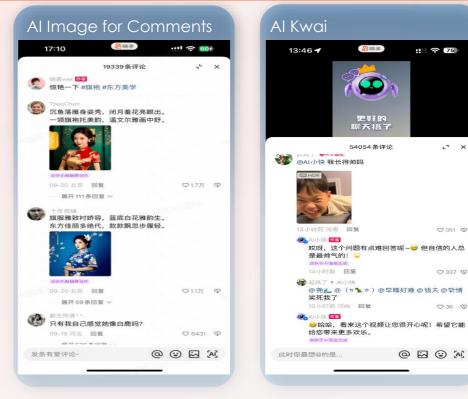
- Deepened our focus on core cities, created blockbuster cases and supported KOLs. In Q4, the number of average daily active merchants up nearly 40% QoQ;
- Leveraging core competitive advantage in best value-for-money, optimized the traffic distribution system, boosting matching efficiency and elevating user experience. In Q4, local services' average daily paying users rose by 40%+ QoQ.



2.7 AI LLM to Empower More Business Scenarios

- For Self-developed LLMs, following the KwaiYii 13 billion and 66 billion models, we focused on developing and training the 175 billion model in Q4, which significantly surpassed GPT-3.5 in overall performance. The overall performance of AI text-to-image LLM, "KeTu", has exceeded Midjourney V5;
- Promoted the application of LLMs in digital human live streaming in Q4, such as auto-generating live streaming script and LLM smart assistant; explored deep integration between LLMs and use scenarios within the Kuaishou App, rapidly iterating features like "AI Kwai", "AI Image for Comments" and "AI Search Dialogue" for enhanced user experiences.

User scenarios within the Kuaishou App



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Digital Human Livestreaming



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3. Financial Results

3.1 Financial Highlights



4Q23

Positive adjusted net profit at the group level for 4 consecutive quarters, with adjusted NPM of 13.4%

Operating net cash inflow ~ RMB8.9 billion, achieving a new record high, with total available funds increasing QoQ for 6 consecutive quarters

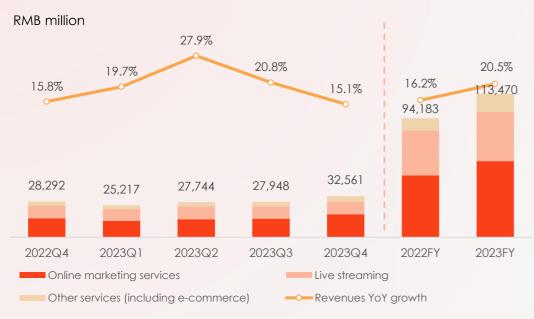
Operating profit of domestic business reaching RMB4.25 billion, profitability continues to improve

Overseas revenue increased by nearly 2 times YoY, operating net loss narrowed 63.2% YoY

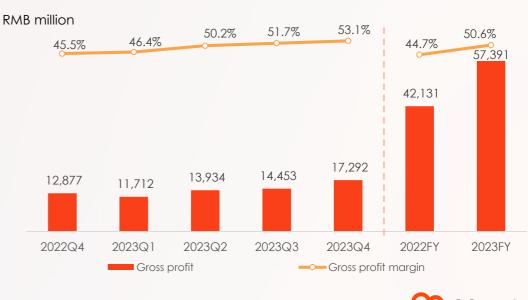


3.2 Steady Revenue Growth, Continuous GPM Improvement

- 4Q23 revenues grew by 15.1% YoY, including 55.9% from online marketing services, 30.9% from live streaming and 13.2% from other services (including e-commerce);
- In 4Q23, online marketing services revenue grew by 20.6% YoY, live streaming revenue remained stable YoY, other services revenue grew by 36.2% YoY;
- Benefitting from robust revenue growth and continuous improvements in operating efficiency, drove growth of 7.6 ppts YoY in GPM in 4Q23.



Revenues Breakdown and YoY Growth



GP and GPM

3.3 Significant Cost Reductions and Productivity Enhancements Led to Consistently Improving Operating Efficiency

- S&M as a percentage of revenue decreased by 3.1 ppts YoY to 31.3%, mainly due to more efficient spending on user acquisition and retention:
- R&D expenses as a percentage of revenue decreased by 2.1 ppts YoY to 10.1%; Administrative expenses as a percentage of revenue decreased by 1.4 ppts YoY to 2.3%.

Selling and Marketing Expenses

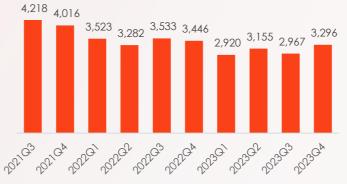
RMB million



-----Ratio of selling and marketing expenses to revenue

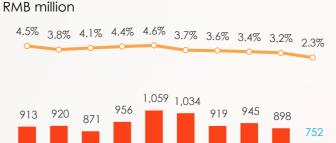
Research and Development Expenses

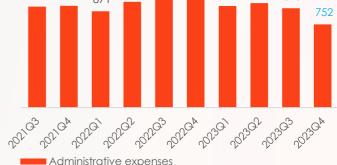
RMB million 20.6% 16.4% 16.7% 15.1% 15.3% 12.2% 11.6%



Research and development expenses ——Ratio of research and development expenses to revenue

Administrative Expenses





----Ratio of administrative expenses to revenue



3.4 Improved Profitability for Domestic Business and Continuously Narrowing Overseas Loss

- 4Q23 Domestic business operating profit was RMB4.25 billion, profitability significantly improved;
- 4Q23 Overseas DAUs and user time spent in our core overseas markets including Brazil and Indonesia continued to steadily grow YoY thanks to the strategic focus on core overseas markets. With deepened monetization capabilities and enhanced operational efficiency, overseas revenue increased by nearly 2 times, and operating loss narrowed by 63.2% YoY and 13.2% QoQ in 4Q23.

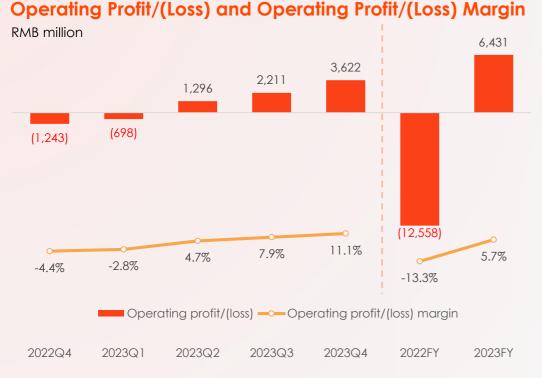
2022Q4	Domestic	Overseas	Unallocated items	Total
Revenues	28,008	285	-	28,293
Cost of revenues and operating expenses	(26,741)	(1,784)	-	(28,525)
Unallocated items ⁽¹⁾	-	-	(1,011)	(1,011)
Operating profit/(loss)	1,267	(1,499)	(1,011)	(1,243)
2023Q3	Domestic	Overseas	Unallocated items	Total
Revenues Cost of revenues and operating expenses Unallocated items Operating profit/(loss)	27,296 (24,141) - 3,155	652 (1,287) - (635)	- (309) (309)	27,948 (25,428) (309) 2,211
2023Q4	Domestic	Overseas	Unallocated items	Total
Revenues	31,714	847	-	32,561
Cost of revenues and operating expenses	(27,464)	(1,398)	-	(28,862)
Unallocated items	-	-	(77)	(77)
Operating profit/(loss)	4,250	(551)	(77)	3,622

Note: (1) Unallocated items include SBC, other income and other gains/(losses), net, comparable to industry practice

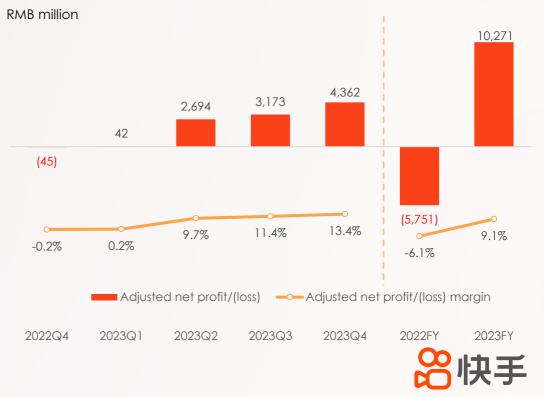
RMB million

3.5 Continuous YoY & QoQ Growth in Group-Level Operating Profit and Adjusted Net profit

- Continuous improvement in group level operating profit and net profit, with operating profit reaching RMB3.62 billion at a margin of 11.1% and net profit reaching RMB3.61 billion at a margin of 11.1%;
- The group's adjusted net profit increased QoQ to RMB4.36 billion, with adjusted net profit margin of 13.4%.



Adjusted Net Profit/(Loss) and Adjusted Net Profit/(Loss) Margin





4. Appendix

Income Statement

RMB million	2022Q4	% of revenue	2023Q3	% of revenue	2023Q4	% of revenue	YoY change	QoQ change
Revenues	28,293	100.0%	27,948	100.0%	32,561	100.0%	15.1%	16.5%
Cost of revenues	(15,417)	(54.5%)	(13,495)	(48.3%)	(15,269)	(46.9%)	(1.0%)	13.1%
Gross profit	12,876	45.5%	14,453	51.7%	17,292	53.1%	34.3%	19.6%
Selling and marketing expenses	(9,740)	(34.4%)	(8,939)	(32.0%)	(10,198)	(31.3%)	4.7%	14.1%
Administrative expenses	(1,034)	(3.7%)	(898)	(3.2%)	(752)	(2.3%)	(27.3%)	(16.3%)
Research and development expenses	(3,446)	(12.2%)	(2,967)	(10.6%)	(3,296)	(10.1%)	(4.4%)	11.1%
Other income	450	1.6%	434	1.6%	379	1.2%	(15.8%)	(12.7%)
Other gains/(losses), net	(349)	(1.2%)	128	0.4%	197	0.5%	N/A	53.9%
Operating profit/(loss)	(1,243)	(4.4%)	2,211	7.9%	3,622	11.1%	N/A	63.8%
Finance income, net	107	0.4%	135	0.5%	135	0.5%	26.2%	0.0%
Share of losses of investments accounted for using the equity method	(27)	(0.1%)	(26)	(0.1%)	(23)	(0.1%)	(14.8%)	(11.5%)
Profit/(loss) before income tax	(1,163)	(4.1%)	2,320	8.3%	3,734	11.5%	N/A	60.9%
Income tax (expenses)/benefits	(384)	(1.4%)	(138)	(0.5%)	(122)	(0.4%)	(68.2%)	(11.6%)
Profit/(loss) for the period	(1,547)	(5.5%)	2,182	7.8%	3,612	11.1%	N/A	65.5%
Non-IFRS financial measures:								
Adjusted net profit/(loss)	(45)	(0.2%)	3,173	11.4%	4,362	13.4%	N/A	37.5%
Adjusted EBITDA	1,936	6.8%	4,980	17.8%	6,132	18.8%	216.7%	23.1%



Adjusted Net Profit/(Loss) and Adjusted EBITDA

RMB million	2022Q4	2023Q3	2023Q4
Profit/(loss) for the period	(1,547)	2,182	3,612
Add:			
SBC	1,112	871	653
Net fair value changes on investments	390	120	97
Adjusted net profit/(loss)	(45)	3,173	4,362
Adjusted net profit/(loss) margin	(0.2%)	11.4%	13.4%
Adjusted net profit/(loss)	(45)	3,173	4,362
Add:			
Income tax (benefits)/expenses	384	138	122
Depreciation of property and equipment	891	1,029	1,018
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	776	737	732
Amortization of intangible assets	37	38	33
Finance income, net	(107)	(135)	(135)
Adjusted EBITDA	1,936	4,980	6,132
Adjusted EBITDA margin	6.8%	17.8%	18.8%



Balance Sheet

RMB million	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	RMB million	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
ASSETS			EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Non-current assets			Share capital	0	0
Property and equipment	12,356	13,215	Share premium	273,459	274,473
Right-of-use assets	10,399	10,806	Treasury shares	(88)	-
Intangible assets	1,073	1,123	Other reserves	33,183	29,239
Investments accounted for using the equity method	214	268	Accumulated losses	(257,491)	(263,882)
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	5,245	3,626	Non-controlling interests	11	8
Deferred tax assets	6,108	5,095	Total equity	49,074	39,838
Long-term time deposits	9,765	7,870	LIABILITIES		
Other financial assets at amortized cost	283	670	Non-current liabilities		
Other non-current assets	492	776	Lease liabilities	8,405	8,721
Total non-current assets	45,935	43,449	Deferred tax liabilities	18	23
Current assets			Other non-current liabilities	21	16
Trade receivables	6,457	6,288	Total non-current liabilities	8,444	8,760
Prepayments, other receivables and other current	4,919	4,106	Current liabilities		
assets			Accounts payables	23,601	22,868
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	25,128		Other payables and accruals	16,592	10,190
Short-term time deposits	9,874		Advances from customers	4,036	3,240
Other financial assets at amortized cost	950	726	Income tax liabilities	1,222	936
Restricted cash	128	59	Lease liabilities	3,327	3,475
Cash and cash equivalents	12,905	13,274	Total current liabilities	48,778	40,709
Total current assets	60,361	45,858	Total liabilities	57,222	49,469
Total assets	106,296	89,307	Total equity and liabilities	106,296	89,307





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