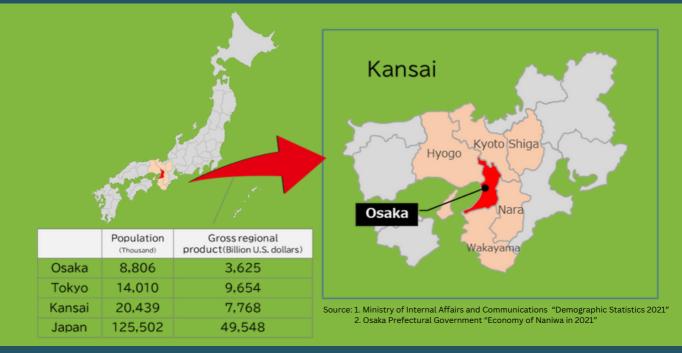


## MARKET REPORT OF OSAKA



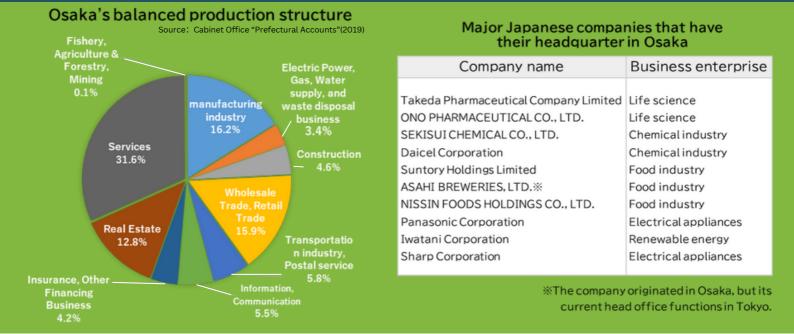


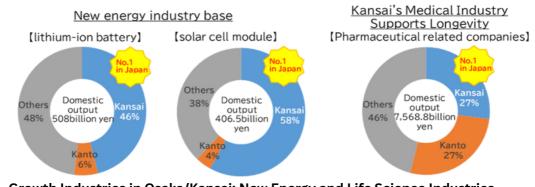


Osaka is the second largest city in Japan and the largest city in western part of the country. With a population of 8.8 million and a gross regional product (GRP) of approximately US\$ 362.5 billion, Osaka has a market equal in size to the GDP of Singapore. It has a long history as a capital city and as a gateway for international exchange. Since the modern era, the city has flourished as a center of commerce and finance and has played a major role in the development of Japan's industrial economy.

Osaka is also a center of the Kansai region with a population of 20.44 million. The Kansai region has a huge market with a GRP of approximately US\$766.8 billion, and many companies are actively engaged in business activities in a wide range of industrial fields. There are also numerous universities, institutions and colleges engaged in high-level research and technological development.

Osaka has a good balance of manufacturing industries such as electronics, pharmaceuticals, industrial machinery, devices, chemicals, food, and construction, as well as distribution and logistics industries such as trading companies and department stores, and service industries such as finance. In addition, high-tech industries such as biotechnology, IT, and sports-related and game content industries are concentrated here as well. Osaka is perfect to build a business partnership with a wide variety of companies from small and medium-sized enterprises to global companies that boast unique technologies and have a high global market share in their particular field.



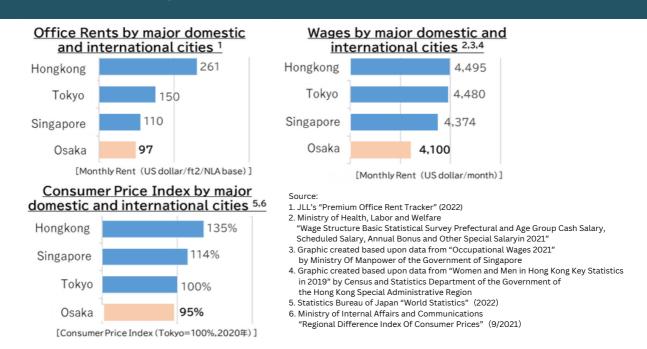


Growth Industries in Osaka/Kansai: New Energy and Life Science Industries Source: Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry "2016 Economic Census for Business Activity"

The current growth industries in Osaka and Kansai are the new energy and life science industries, where all related companies are interacting and developing new technologies and products.

Osaka is the second largest business center in Japan after Tokyo, and while it has an extensive urban infrastructure, including a transportation network, it offers a favorable business environment with relatively low business and living costs compared to Tokyo and other major cities in Asia.

In recent years, Osaka consistently ranks as the top Asian most liveable city. In 2022 it also ranked the 10th place of the most liveable cities in the world, according to the Economist.



At the World Expo 2025 to be held in Osaka in 2025, based on the concept "People's Living Lab", there will be The Future Society Showcase Project cuttingedge technologies and social systems such as carbon neutrality, digital technology, and next-generation mobility in venues, operations, and exhibits will be shown. Along with this, numerous of experiments of new technologies and innovations have been started, and various projects such as infrastructure development including urban development have been launched. Osaka opens the door to future business investment opportunities! Come and expand your business in Osaka!



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