# A Lecture on the Kyushu Economy

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## Introduction to the Kyushu Economy

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### Kyushu represents 10% of Japan

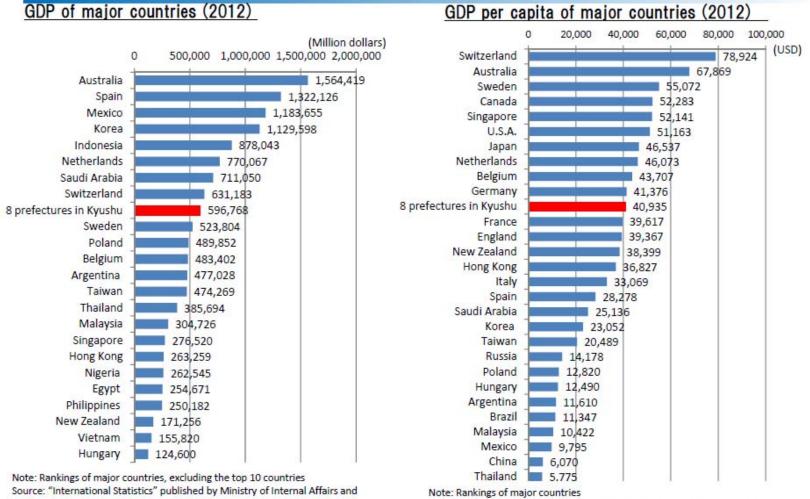
- = 10% of Japan's economy
- In terms of population and GRP, Kyushu follows three metropolitan areas (i.e. Kanto (Tokyo area), Kinki (Osaka area), and Tokai (Nagoya area)), with the highest statistics for a local area.

44,514 km <sup>2</sup>	•••11.8%	(2014)						
14.67 million	•••12.3%	(2015)						
<ul> <li>About 30% of Korea's population, about 60% of Taiwan's, about 120% of those of Hong Kong and Singapore combined, and about 90% of that of the Netherlands</li> </ul>								
51.9 trillion yen	••• 9.5%	(FY2012)						
<ul> <li>About 50% of GDP of Korea, and about 120% of that of Belgium/Taiwan</li> </ul>								
13.4 trillion yen	•••10.5%	(2013)						
17.61 million kl	•••9.9%	(FY2015)						
89 billion kWh	•••10.8%	(FY2014)						
2.4 trillion yen	••• 9.9%	(FY2013)						
97,426	•••10.9%	(2014)						
1.9 trillion yen	•••11.7%	(FY2014)						
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\*8 prefectures in Kyushu (including Okinawa)

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#### Kyushu's position in the global economy



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Source: "International Statistics" published by Ministry of Internal Affairs and

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### Kyushu leads Japan's export industries

Industries representing over 10% in terms of size in Japan– Industry groups earning foreign currencies

8 trillion yen	••• 20.5%	(2013)
67 million m <sup>3</sup>	••• 23.4%	(2014)
94,000 tons	••• 18.9%	(2013)
5.90 million tons	••• 14.4%	(2014)*
26 million gross tons	••• 32.0%	(FY2014)#
6 trillion yen	••• 27.9%	(FY2012)*
16 million vehicles	••• 11.9%	(2014)*
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Note: Figures are those for eight prefectures in Kyushu (including Okinawa). \*: Excludes Okinawa. #: Includes Yamaguchi Prefecture.



#### The export industries increases their share in Kyushu

### Kyushu's export ratio is high–Building an economic structure for achieving growth together with Asia

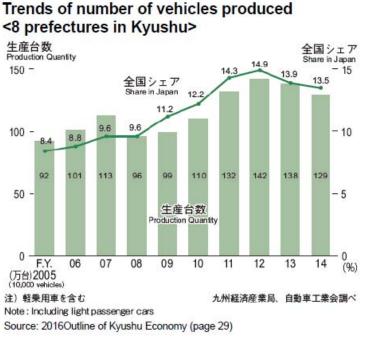
	Hokkaido	Tohoku	Kanto (Tokyo area )	Chubu (Nagoya area)	Kinki (Osaka area)	Chugoku	Shikoku	Kyushu	Okinawa	All Japan
-	北海道	東北	関東	中部	近畿	中国	四国	九州	沖縄	全国
1970	<mark>3.8</mark>	2.7	8.2	8.4	8.8	7.5	8.5	6.1	-	7.8
1975	3. <mark>9</mark>	4.1	11.3	11.1	11.0	12.3	10.9	9.1	1.2	10.6
1980	-	_	_	_	_	-	-	8.5	1.2	11.6
1985	2.1	8.8	14.8	15.2	13.2	12.0	12.4	8.5	3.1	13.3
1990	1.4	8.4	11.2	14.3	10.5	9.8	7.8	8.6	8.3	10.9
1995	2.5	8.1	12.6	14.9	10.8	11.8	12.2	12.1	13.8	12.1
2000	3.0	13.2	14.8	17.6	14.7	13.9	15.0	19.0	5.4	15.2
2005	3.1	16.3	17.1	20.9	17.4	17.9	17.6	26.5	3.5	18.4

Trends of export ratios by regional bloc (manufacturers)

Source: "Interregional Input-Output Table" published by Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

### Car Island Kyushu

- Four automotive companies (Nissan Motor Kyushu, Nissan Shatai Kyushu, Toyota Motor Kyushu, and Daihatsu Motor Kyushu) have their finished vehicle plants in Kyushu, with a total production capacity of 1.54 million vehicles.
- In 2014, 1.29 million vehicles were produced. .





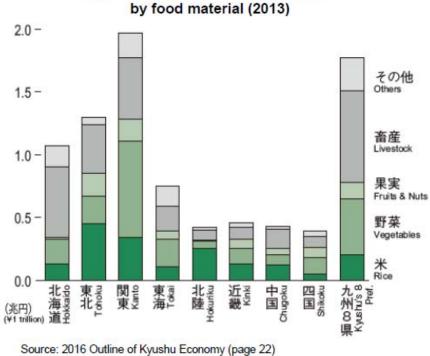
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Source: 2016Outline of Kyushu Economy (page 29)

### Food Island Kyushu

- Agricultural production amounted to 1.7 trillion yen, 20% of national production.
- South Kyushu is famous for its livestock farming, as well as forestry and fishery industries.
- · Fresh food materials are available for its prospering food industry.



Agricultural production by bloc and



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### Ito Den-emon 1

- Den-emon was born in1861 as a son of a lower-rank private detective.
- He started a coal-mining business in 1880.
- He made a great success in accordance with the state-sponsored promotion of heavy industries.
- In early 20<sup>th</sup> century, he wad called as the "King of Coal Miners."

## Ito Den-emon 2

- In 1911 at age of 50, Den-emon married Yanagihara-Byakuren (*hundred water lilies*), a famous poet, born in an aristocratic family.
- In 1921, Byakuren ran away with Miyazaki Ryusuke, a social activist and her young boy friend.
- She announced unilateral divorce to her husband through news papers, which was taken as a scandal of prestigious elite couple.
- The story was later adapted for a popular TV drama "Hanako and Anne" in 2014.

### The Toyota Production System (トヨタ生産方式 TPS)

- TPS is a *Lean Production System*, consisting of:
  - Just-In-Time to suppress inventory
  - Simultaneous engineering during development
  - Supplier system with a higher level of outsourcing.
  - Multi-level suppliers in long-term, stable relationships.

# Advantages of TSPS

- Interactions between development and manufacturing.
- Flexibility to demand changes.
- Organizational learning.

## Informational Advantage

- Inventory produces no value-carrying information.
- By reducing inventory through Just-In-Time, information is transmitted faster to each manufacturing process.
- Making non-value-adding waiting time *visible* is in the core of the TSPS.