Automobile and Transport Equipment (Western Japan)

**Kitakyushu city**
Kitakyushu City and its surrounding areas have become the center of the automobile industry.

**Shimane**
As a result of collaboration with a prefectural project, companies are increasing in the fields of DCSs and plasma heat treatments etc.

**Okayama**
The clustering of the ultra-precise manufacturing technology companies such as automobile, agricultural machinery and shipbuilding industries.

**Fukuoka**
The clustering of automobile-affiliated companies is advancing in the area, which has emerged as a major hub of production with a production capacity exceeding 1.5 million vehicles annually.

**Nagasaki**
Nagasaki is actively organizing and promoting programs to attract automobile-related industries to the prefecture.

**Hiroshima**
Many of the companies concentrated here possess the latest in sophisticated technology and fundamental technology utilized in machinery, metal processing and resin molding compound, mainly in the automobile-related industries.

**Fukui**
High-level carbon-fiber- and titanium-processing technologies are applied to automobile and medical equipment manufacturing. The oceanfront region has a cluster of chemical industries and pharmaceutical companies.

**Mie**
Mie promotes attracting hub factories with both R&D and manufacturing functions, giving instructions and providing support to other factories in the country and overseas. Support for the establishment of foreign-affiliated (advanced technology) companies' Asian production bases.

**Oita**
The plants and equipment investments by Daihatsu Kyushu, Toyota, Nissan and others accelerate the formation of automobile industry-related clusters.

**Kumamoto city**
A cluster of automobiles/two wheeled automobile production industries are a major reason Kyushu is called "Car Island".

**Kagoshima**
Advance to the world and the future.

**Hiroshima city**
A number of world class suppliers with advanced technology, centred on Mazda.

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