



# Let JETRO be a part of your Japan plans 🏵

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#### **Presentation Outline**

- JETRO in North America
- 2. Successful Case Studies of Expansion into Japan
- 3. Canadian Presence in Japan
- 4. How can JETRO help?







The Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) is a Japanese governmental organization that promotes mutual trade and investment between Japan and the rest of the world

- 2 locations in Canada: Toronto and Vancouver. <u>Toronto office is the main branch looking after the entire Canadian market.</u>
- 6 locations in the United States: New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Chicago, Atlanta, Houston

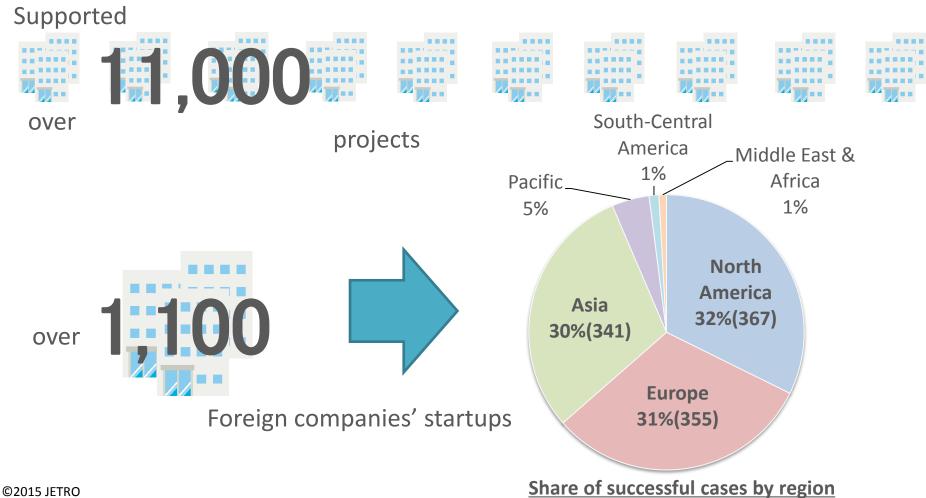






### Foreign Direct Investment

From FY2003-2013, JETRO has supported the following:





# Case Study

#### **Corporate Background**

**Industry:** Retail

Founded: 1892

**Headquartered:** Albany, Ohio

**Area Served:** Approx. 1,000 locations in 20 countries (as of

Feb 2014)

# of Employees: 7,500(all

locations)

**Business:** Casual Apparel

**Location in Japan:** 

7 total locations in Japan -

3 Abercrombie & Fitch

4 Hollister Co.

#### **Entry into Japan**

- A&F opened its first Asia flagship store in the trendy Ginza district of Tokyo in December 2009
- The flagship store aimed to transition most of its traditional brand ideals in its concept and marketing to the Japanese location
- Over 1,000 full time and part time employees were hired prior to the opening
- Currently there are 3 total locations with additional stores operating in Gotemba and Fukuoka



# Case Study

# **Corporate Background & Entry** into Japan

**Industry:** Airlines

Founded: 2006

Headquartered: Shanghai, China

**Area Served:** Destinations throughout domestic China, SE Asia, Korea and

Japan

# of Employees: 900 (all locations)

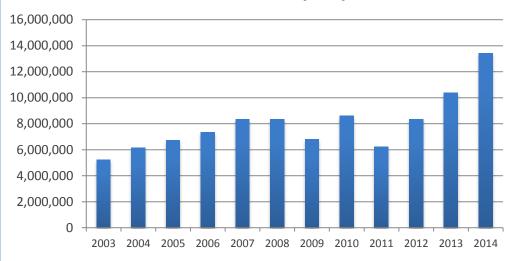
**Business:** Flight services

Location in Japan: 2 Offices: Osaka and

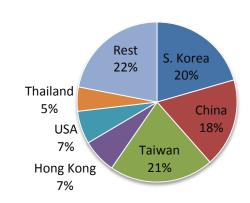
Okinawa

- Increased demand for direct flight from Shanghai to Kansai region and Okinawa led to establishing of Japanese branch offices

#### **Total Tourist Visit to Japan per Year**



**2014 Top Source of Tourist Visitors to Japan** 





### Canadian Companies in Japan

<u>Automotive / Machinery</u>

**Alcohol Countermeasure Systems** 

**ABC Group** 

Linamar

Magna International

Woodbridge

Servo-Robot etc.

Energy / Environment

Celestica

Canadian Solar

**Husky Energy** 

Solar Power Networks.

<u>Food</u>

McCain Foods

Maple Leaf Foods

Information Technologies/Multimedia

**Open Text** 

**EXFO** 

**Audiokinetics** 

Chipworks

Corel

**Smart Technologies** 

Creaform

**Vision Critical Communication** 

**ViXS** 

Startech.com

Redknee Solutions etc

Financial / Insurance

Manulife Financial

CIBC

**RBC** 

Bank of Nova Scotia etc



#### Survey of Trends in Business Activities of Foreign Affiliates, by METI

# **Top Factors inhibiting Business expansion in Japan**

- 1. High Cost of Doing Business in Japan (78.5%)
- 2. Exclusivity and Distinctiveness of Japanese Market (44.3%)
- 3. High Standard that users demand from products and services (41.7%)
- 4. Difficulty securing personnel (36.6%)
- 5. Strict regulations, permits and license system (35.9%)

#### How JETRO can help with each issue

- -Free Temporary Office Space in IBSC
- -Government/Regional Subsidy Programs
- -Specific Market Report
- -Business Consultation with Sector Experts
- -Custom industry market research and advisory service
- -HR consultation services
- -Industry experts provide clarification
- -Invest Japan Hotline

#### **Invest Japan Business Support Centre (IBSC)**



- Maximum period of use: 75 business days (free of charge up to 50 business days)
- Office hours: 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays)
- Desks, chairs, telephones, fax, high speed internet connection (telephone / fax charges borne by tenant)
- Receptionists, advisory service (on the Japanese market, industry, legal and accounting issues, human resources, etc.)
   (advisory service on appointment basis)



Private office space

- · 13.5 m² (two-person office)
- 18.0 m² (three-person office)
- · 36.0 m² (six-person office)



Conference room



Refreshment space



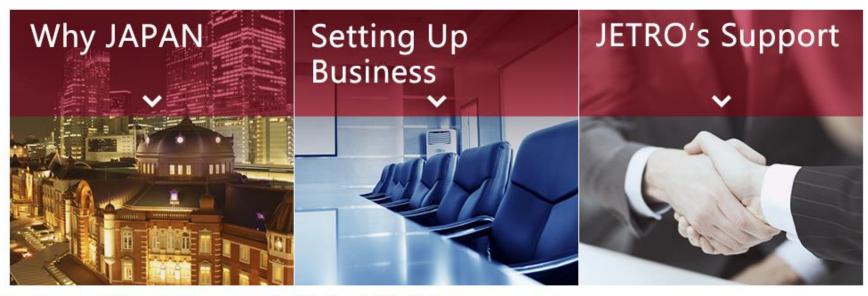




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