# Business Opportunities in Osaka

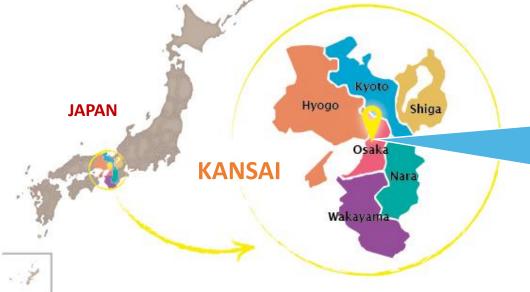
### **OSAKA CITY**

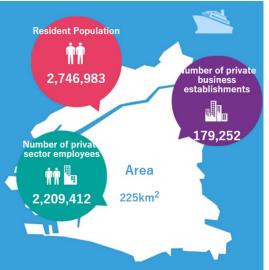
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# What about Osaka City?

#### **OSAKA CITY**





Source:

Osaka City, "The Outline of Osaka Economy, 2020" The City of Osaka official website

- · Center of the Kansai region, western Japan
- · 2.7 million residents in an area equivalent to 0.1% of Japan's landmass
- Approx. 180,000 companies densely located. (800 companies / km<sup>2</sup>)
   \*"Osaka, the ideal place where people gather," stimulating an array of active economic and social activities.

#### **Osaka in Global Rankings**

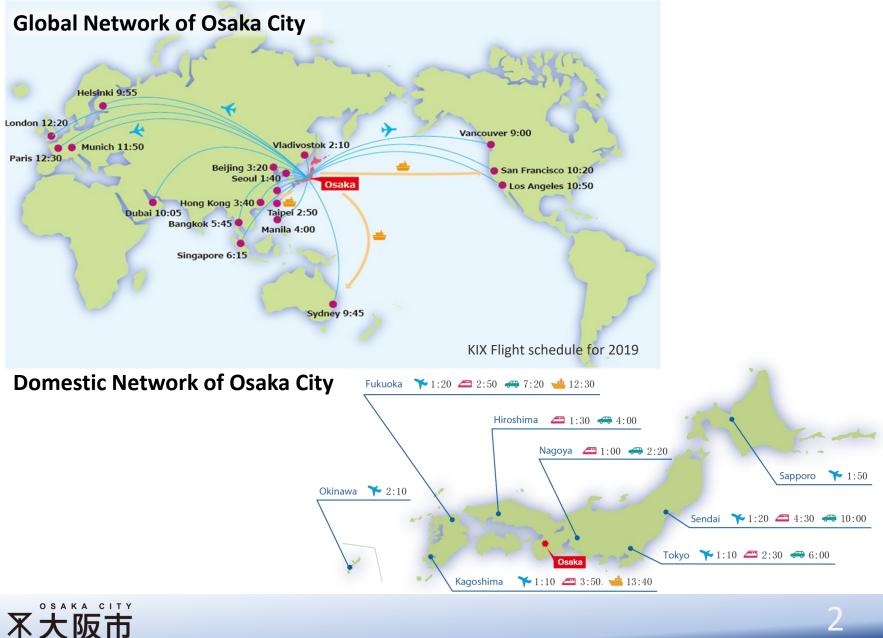
- Most livable City 2021 : 2nd (World)
- Safe City Index 2019 : <u>3rd (World)</u>

- •Global City Index 2018 : 2nd (Japan)
- Global Power City Index 2021 : <u>2<sup>nd</sup> (Japan)</u>
- Number of students in higher education : <u>2<sup>nd</sup> (Japan)</u>

★Osaka's livability, safety, diversity, and education are highly valued domestically and internationally.

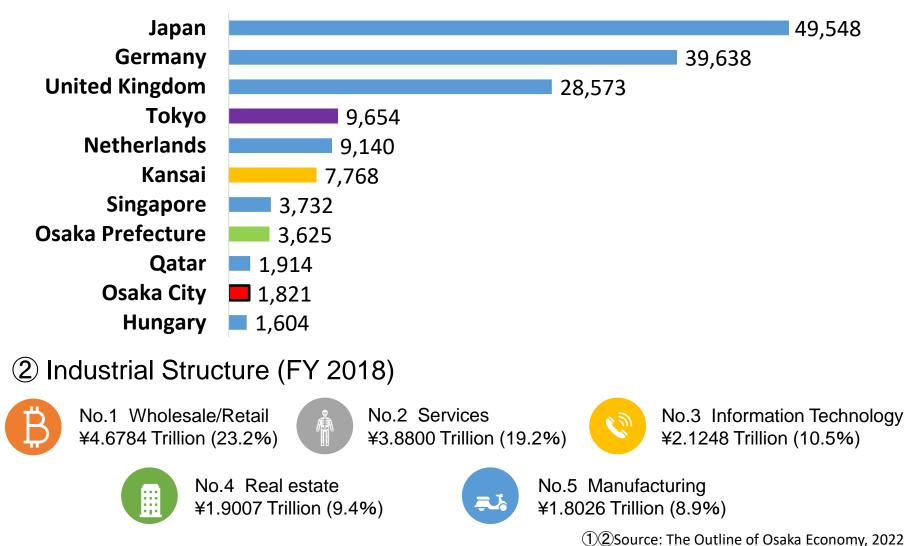


### **Excellent** Access



# Huge Market

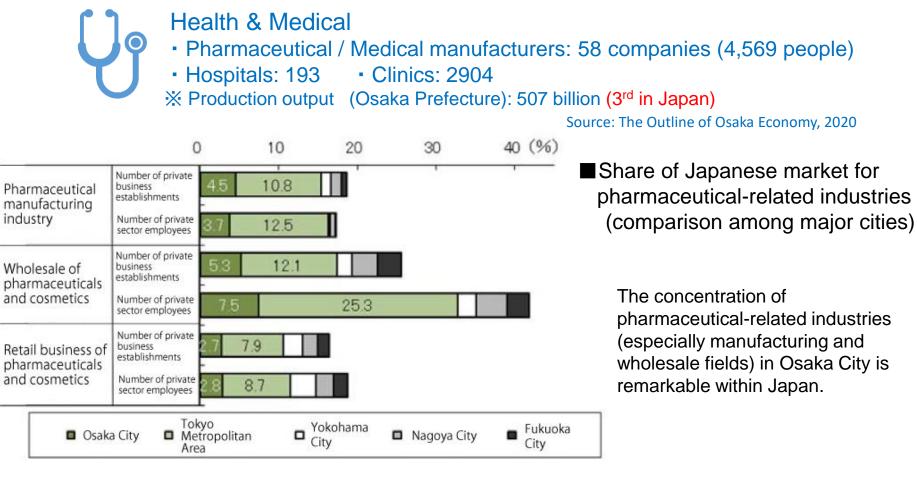
#### ① GDP Comparison (10 billion USD, 2018)



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# Huge Market

#### ③ Booming industries



Note: Created the above three categories in the industrial sub-category as pharmaceutical-related industries.

Source: Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications "Economic Census Activity Survey" 2016



## Osaka Metropolitan University (OMU)





April 1, 2022: Osaka Metropolitan University (OMU) opens its doors as a new public university OMU was created through the merger of Osaka City University and Osaka Prefecture University

- Wide variety of schools: **12** undergraduate and **15** graduate
- 16,000+ Undergraduate Students: 3<sup>rd</sup> largest in Japan
- Highest number of joint funded research projects with private companies among public universities (MEXT 2017 Industry-University Collaboration Survey)
- Cooperation with the local governments that founded the university: Osaka Prefecture and Osaka City, as well as nearby Sakai City





### Life Science and Healthcare Centers



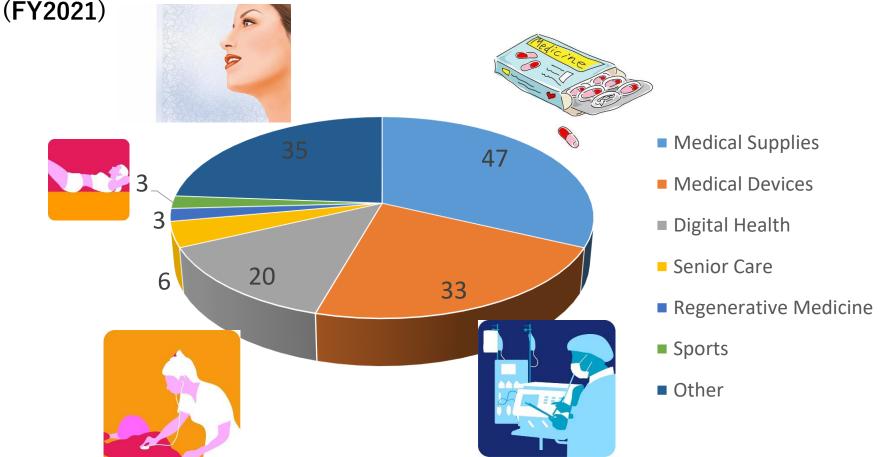
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Osaka Metropolitan University



### Number of Joint Research Projects related to life science and healthcare



**Collaboration with overseas companies is expected to progress research activities and practical application!** 



# Support to foreign companies



- $\bigstar$  Advice on company registration and visa application
- $\bigstar$  Referral to appropriate specialists
  - ·Lawyers, Accountants, Tax attorneys, Interpreters, Translators, Real estate agencies, Employment agencies etc...
- ☆ O-BIC Support Program for Foreign Companies
  •Reduction of initial expenses for foreign companies to start up.
- $\bigstar$  Free Temporary Offices
  - \* Business Support Office (BSO)

For businesses and organizations looking to establish a business base within Osaka City Contact: IBPC OSAKA <a href="https://www.investosaka.jp/eng/">https://www.investosaka.jp/eng/</a>

- ☆ Support for finding offices, residences, and other properties
- ☆ PR Support
- ☆ Networking events with local Japanese companies



Business Support Office (BSO)



### The level of excitement in Osaka keeps getting better !







Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan (Visual Concept)



#### Umekita Phase 2 Development Area

\*This visual concept was created in December 2020 and is subject to change in the future.



Advanced Healthcare Innovation Base \*This visual concept was created in November 2019.

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