



ADACHI Shinya Mayor of Oita



Blessed with lush green mountains, a blue sea, crystal-clear rivers, and a moderate climate, Oita City has long played an important role as a key hub in eastern Kyushu. The city actively traded with overseas countries under the leadership of Otomo Sorin, a territorial lord during the Sengoku Period (1467-1590). Oita City was designated by the national government as a new industrial city in 1964 which led to the significant growth of its industrial concentration, and later on became a core city in 1997. Through the mergers of Saganoseki and Notsuharu towns in 2005, the city has made great strides as a prefectural capital full of vitality equipped with diverse functions in various fields such as industries, education, and welfare.

Meanwhile, the city's population has continued to decline since 2017 and has been actively tackling the issues of declining birthrate. In addition, the city has been able to keep the number of fatalities caused by natural disasters at zero for the past 30 years. In response to the significant damage caused by frequently occurring natural disasters nationwide, it is necessary to establish measures for the widest possible range of risks to develop a city that can better withstand disasters. Furthermore, it has becoming more important for local governments to fully utilize the capabilities and individualities of its diverse human resources due to the significant changes in social and economic conditions such as the diversification of values in society and the progression of digitalization.

Under such circumstances, Oita City has established five major goals for development: protecting citizens, nurturing citizens, supporting citizens, providing a thriving environment for citizens, and promoting the well-being of citizens. These goals are based on the fundamental concept of approaching individual citizens with sincerity by putting them first. Thus, we are committed to managing the municipal administration to ensure Oita City's development that both current and future citizens can take pride in.

We advance city development through an understanding of the diversity of individuality and gathering the strength of a wide variety of organizations in the city into Team Oita. We look forward to your continuing encouragement and support as we work to achieve the goals of Oita City. Comprehensive support from pregnancy and childbirth through to higher education



Since April 2024, Oita City has waived childcare fees for second and subsequent children from birth to two years of age at non-accredited childcare centers for those in need



From April 2024, Oita City expanded eligibility for financial support for medical expenses for children through high school.

Establishing reliable and safe medical care and disaster response systems



In response to the increasing intensity and scale of disasters, the Oita Fire Command Center was established to unify command operations throughout the prefecture.

Terrain

Oita City is surrounded by abundant nature, with Beppu Bay to the north and Mt. Takasaki, Mt. Yoroigadake, Mt. Ryozen, Mt. Kurokui, and Mt. Mominoki in other directions. These natural landscapes and forests cover about half of the city's total area. The major rivers, Oita River and Ono River, flow through the city from north to south, winding through mountains and nourishing the central Oita Plain.

The deep northern coastal waters have attracted major Japanese companies, leading to the development of a thriving seaside industrial area. To the east, the coast facing the Hoyo Strait features a ria coastline that serves as a wonderful natural port. These geographical advantages have enabled Oita City to become an excellent urban environment where people and nature coexist in harmony.

Area: 502.39km²

North latitude: 33° 04'11" to 33° 17'24" East longitude: 131° 57'46" to 131° 25'07" East-West: 50.8km North-South: 24.4km

 Population: 473,243

 Men
 227,712

 Women
 245,531



See more statistics using this QR code.

Number of households: 232,465

Population density: 942 persons/km² (As of July 2024) Source: General Affairs Division



Honorary Citizens



FUKUDA Heihachiro (Deceased) Japanese-style painter

Order of Culture and Person of Cultural Merit recipient Elected as Oita City Honorary Citizen on December 19, 1961



UEDA Tamotsu (Deceased) Lawyer and Politician The first elected mayor of Oita Elected as Oita City Honorary Citizen on March 8, 1963



TAKAYAMA Tatsuo (Deceased) Japanese-style painter

Order of Culture and Person of Cultural Merit recipient Elected as Oita City Honorary Citizen on January 10, 1983



ANDO Tamahiko (Deceased) Teacher and Politician First mayor of the new Oita City Elected as Oita City Honorary Citizen on October 27, 1986



MURAYAMA Tomiichi ISOZAKI Arata

Politician The 81st Prime Minister Elected as Oita City Honorary Citizen on September 27, 2000



(Deceased)

Architectural Institute of Japan Award (1967, 1975) RIBA Gold Medal (1986) Venice Biennale's Golden Lion Award(1996) Pritzker Prize (2019) Elected as Oita City Honorary Citizen on July 16, 2019

Trace the origins and history of Namban culture, the unique fusion of European and Japanese influences that evolved over time.

History and Cultural Assets



Festivals Vibrant Festivals and Regional Traditions



Takasakiyama Natural Zoological Garden

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3 Tanoura Beach

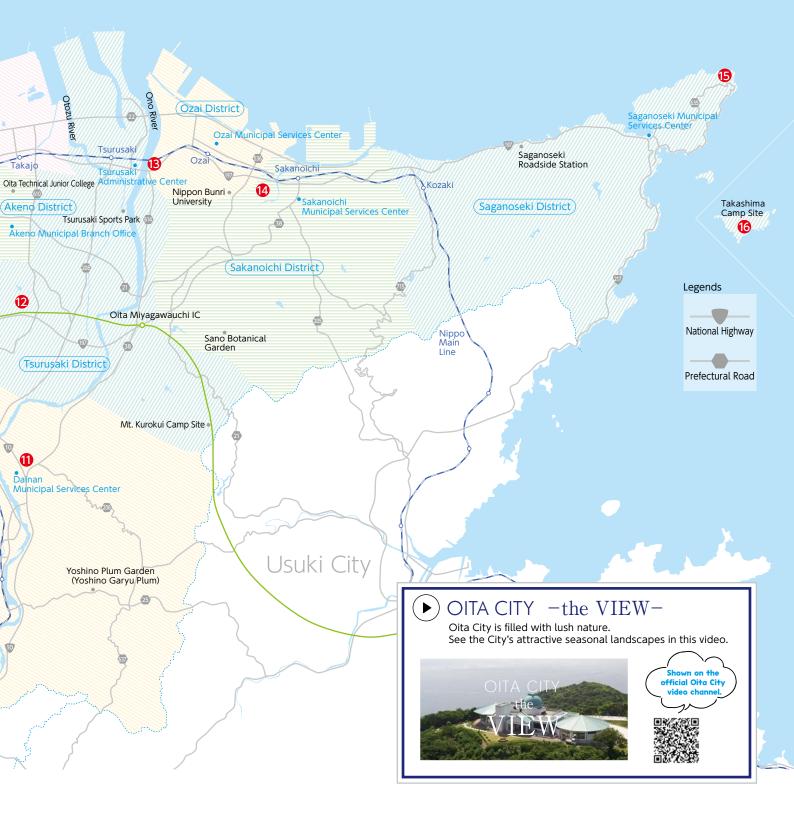
2 Oita Marine Palace Aquarium Umitamago

4 Oita Art Museum

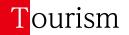




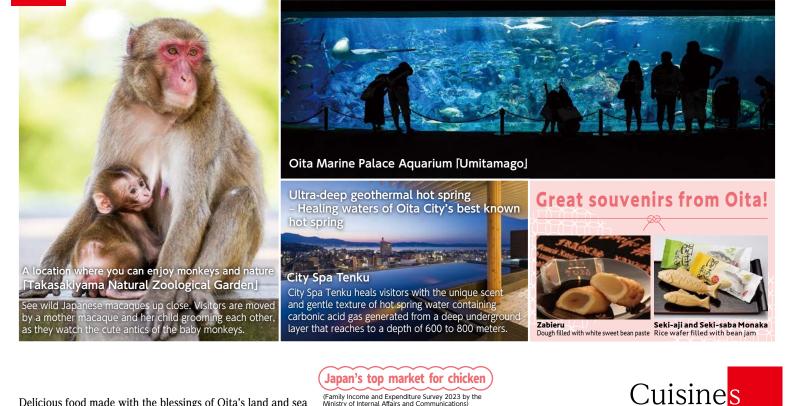








Promising visitors an experience filled with beauty, charm, wonder, excitement and unforgettable hospitality that will make them yearn to return to Oita again!



Delicious food made with the blessings of Oita's land and sea



(Family Income and Expenditure Survey 2023 by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications)

Culture and Sports

Excitement shared by everyone regardless of country, region, generation, and gender



Oita Trinita (soccer)

Vasagey Oita (futsal)

Oita B-RINGS

(baseball)

Sparkle Oita Racing Team (cycling)



Oita Miyoshi Weisse Adler (volleyball) *Currently not active



Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery

Marine and agricultural products nurtured by the fertile land and waters of Oita



Industries, Economy, and Environment

Handling a broad range of economic development, from fundamental materials to the digital industry Urban development toward the realization of a sustainable decarbonized society and a recycling-based society





Factory Night View Cruise We continue pursuing approaches to the realization of carbon neutrality and showcase businesses that are shifting to green industrial complexes to make Oita an even more attractive City.



Major Companies in Oita City

- Asahi Kasei Corporation, Oita Plant
- Asahi Kasei Medical MT Corporation
- ENEOS Corporation, Oita Refinery
- Oji Materia Co., Ltd., Oita Plant
- Oita Canon Inc., Oita Office
- Oita Canon Materials Inc., Oita Office
- Japan Semiconductor Corporation, Oita Office
- Mitsui E&S Co., Ltd., Oita Plant
- Resonac Corporation, Oita Industrial Complex
- JX Metals Corporation
- Sumitomo Chemical Co., Ltd., Oita Plant
- Sumitomo Pharma Co., Ltd., Oita Plant
- Sony Semiconductor Manufacturing Corporation, Oita Technology Center
- NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION Kyushu Works Oita Area (As of March 2024, Listed in the order of the Japanese syllabary)

S<mark>ocial Vibrancy</mark>

Vibrant and comfortable places where people gather



Oita City Insignia City Flower: Sasanqua Camellia (Camellia sasanqua)





City Tree: Woodland Elaeocarpus (Elaeocarpus Sylvestris)

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