

SAN DIEGO



JAPAN

PARLIAMENTARY DEMOCRACY

- Emperor Naruhito | Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi
- Bicameral National Diet (legislature)
- 47 prefectures with elected governors & assemblies

EXCHANGE RATE ¥159.30 = \$1 USD

as of August 14, 2026

TOKYO & YOKOHAMA



OSAKA



TOKYO

14.2M

population ¹

\$715.5B

GRP ³

\$50.5K

GRP per capita

YOKOHAMA

9.2M

population ¹

\$218B

GRP ³

\$23.6K

GRP per capita

OSAKA

8.8M

population ¹

\$257.8B

GRP ³

\$29.4K

GRP per capita

SAN DIEGO

3.3M

population ²

\$266.9B

GRP ⁴

\$80.9K

GRP per capita

\$5.9B venture capital raised in Japan, with 70% of funding landing in Tokyo ⁵

\$3.6B venture capital ⁵

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LIFE SCIENCES

- \$24.8B total investment (VC, greenfield, M&A) ⁶
- 72% of all \$65B inbound FDI ⁷
- 87K+ employees across 475+ medical device manufacturing firms ⁸
- 23 IPOs since 2020 (Avidity Biosciences, RayzeBio, etc.) ⁹

AEROSPACE & MARITIME

- 357K jobs at 2K firms tied to defense ^{10*}
- \$15.7B in local federal defense contracts ¹¹
- #1 in autonomous & unmanned systems federal contract allocations ¹¹

DEEP TECH

- 68K+ employees across 230+ semiconductor & electronic component firms ¹²
- #4 worldwide in patents per capita, led by Qualcomm ¹³
- \$2.2B invested in California fusion firms since 2021 ¹⁴

JAPAN

#2
international
investor into
San Diego

\$7.6B FDI from Japan
into San Diego since 2015

SAN DIEGO

32.5M
annual
visitors ²⁴

JAPAN

42.6M
annual
visitors ²⁵

Daily direct service
from SAN to NRT



JAPAN

LIFE SCIENCES

- #3 largest pharma sector, behind U.S. & China ¹⁵
- \$32B medical device market ¹⁵
- 152 publicly traded pharma & chemical companies ¹⁶

AEROSPACE & MARITIME

- #3 largest shipbuilding nation, behind China & South Korea ¹⁷
- 8% of global aerospace R&D is spent in Japan ¹⁸
- \$56.2B defense budget, with \$1.7B for unmanned systems ¹⁹
- Yokohama is HQ to JMU, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, NYK Line

DEEP TECH

- #2 industrial robotics market with 38% of global production ²⁰
- 50%+ of silicon wafers & photoresists are produced in Japan ²¹
- \$641B public funding for AI & semiconductors through 2041 ²²
- \$666M public & private funding committed to fusion in 2025 ²³

¹ Statistics Bureau of Japan, 2024

² U.S. Census Bureau, 2024

³ Cabinet Office of Japan, 2022

⁴ U.S. BEA, 2024

⁵ Pitchbook, 2025

⁶ Connect, fDi Markets, Pitchbook 2025

⁷ fDi Markets, Pitchbook 2025

⁸ EDC, Tijuana EDC, 2024

⁹ Connect, 2026

¹⁰ SDMAC, 2025

*inclusive of 143K
uniformed servicemembers

¹¹ New Localism, 2026

¹² EDC, INEGI,
Lightcast,
2024

¹³ WIPO, 2025

¹⁴ FIA, 2025

¹⁵ ITA, 2024

¹⁶ Japan Exchange
Group, 2026

¹⁷ MHI Spectra, 2026

¹⁸ Canada Trade Commission, 2025

¹⁹ Japan Ministry of Defense, 2026

²⁰ IFR, 2024

²¹ Brookings, 2024

²² Japan Times, 2026

²³ Fusion X, 2025

²⁴ EDC, 2026

²⁵ JNTO, 2026