

NAGASAKI PREFECTURE



Prefecture's Flag

Main City: Nagasaki

Population: 1,398,000 people, ranking 29/47 prefectures (2013) [1]

Area: 4,105 km² [2]



Geographical / Landscape description

Nagasaki Prefecture is located in the north-western part of Kyushu. It borders Saga Prefecture in the east and is otherwise surrounded by water. The prefecture also includes a very large number of small islands (588). The sea area under the control of the prefectural government is about 25 times the land area itself. [2]

Climate

The marine climate is warm and rainy except for the mountainous regions. [2]

Time zone

GMT +7 in summer (+8 in winter)

International dialling code: 0081

Recent history, culture

Due to its position, the prefecture has historical links with nearby Korea and China. It was also the only place in Japan allowed to maintain contact with foreigners (mostly Dutch people) during the nearly 250 years of the Edo period in which Japan was completely isolated from the outside. Therefore Nagasaki acted as a door to western culture and technology.

Nagasaki is also known for being the most Christianized area in Japan. It hosted the first Roman Catholic missions as early as the 16th century. [2][3]

Economic overview

Nagasaki has developed a solid foundation for manufacturing with large companies operating in the shipbuilding, semiconductor and digital camera sectors having their manufacturing plants located in the prefecture. Due to a lack of diversity among the local business, the prefecture is making efforts to shift the local industrial structure to one that will provide more job opportunities. The prefecture is also home of many call centres and administrative processing centres (insurance, travel reservation services...). [4]

Economic Indicators

	Nagasaki Prefecture	All Japan
Population (2013) [1]	1,398,000	127,350,000
Unemployment rate (2012) [5]	4.4%	4.3%
GPD (2010) [6]	0.8% of Japan's	495 trillion Yen

Infrastructure

Road/railways

The Nagasaki Shinkansen (bullet train) line is under development and should be completed in 2022. [3]

Shipping

The prefecture's leading ports are Nagasaki Port, Sasebo Port, Izuhara Port, Fukue Port, and Gonoura Port. Nagasaki Port maintains routes to Korea and China. [7]

Civil Aviation

Nagasaki Airport operates international routes to China and Korea. [8]

Living Environment

Nagasaki Prefecture flourishes as a renowned tourist destination, supported by an impressive array of sightseeing facilities, sites of historical interest, vacation resorts throughout the prefecture, as well as outstanding air route and expressway networks. Nagasaki likewise provides a well-developed environment for corporate activities and workforce. Another outstanding attraction is the prefecture's near-total absence of earthquakes (unique in the earthquake-prone nation of Japan). [9]

Major type of activities of the economy

Agriculture, natural resources

The prefecture is rich of agricultural resources with a strong fishery sector thanks to its large sea area. [3]

Manufacturing

Shipbuilding is the leading manufacturing industry of the prefecture.

In 2011, the manufacturing industry's shipment value was principally composed of transport machinery (30.3%), general-purpose machinery (17.9%) and food and related products (13.6%). [10]

R&D, Innovation, Scientific research

Various prefectural managed centres are in existence such as the Nagasaki Industrial Technology Center promoting R&D in various fields, the Environmental Health Research Center supporting improvement in quality of life through environmental protection, food safety and security and the Ceramic Research Center.

Opportunities for EU Investors / Exporters / Importers

Promising sectors for cooperation

Long-established industries: shipbuilding, general machinery, electronic parts, fisheries, tourism, ceramic. [3] [4]

Financial/logistic support

No recent and verified incentive-related information found in the English web pages. Data available only in Japanese.

More information: <http://www.joho-nagasaki.or.jp/invest/nagasaki/006/>

Setting up a business in Nagasaki

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Ceramic Research Center
<http://www.pref.nagasaki.jp/yogyo/>
Environmental Health Research Center
<http://www.pref.nagasaki.jp/section/kankyo-c/index.html>
Nagasaki Industrial Technology Center
<http://www.pref.nagasaki.jp/section/kogyo-c/>
Nagasaki Prefectural Tourism Federation
<http://www.nagasaki-tabinet.com/mlang/english/>

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Meganebashi (spectacle bridge) in Nagasaki



Nagasaki City



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