# Spread of Zero Carbon Cities in Kyushu

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# **About Kyushu**

Kyushu is located in the southwestern part of Japan's four main islands and is home to seven prefectures.

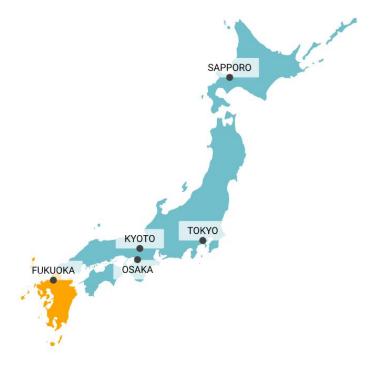
Area: 37,000 km<sup>2</sup> (2020)

■ Population: 12.8 million (2019)

■ Gross Regional Product: JPY 47 trillion (FY 2017)

All accounts for approximately 10% of Japan's total.



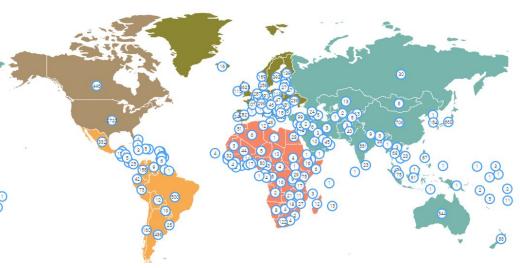


Source (Pictures): Kyushu Tourism Promotion Organization (https://www.visit-kyushu.com/en/)

## Pledge to Zero Carbon Cities

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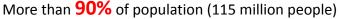
In line with the global efforts to limit warming to 1.5°C



**26,309** actors engaging in climate actions

Source: UNFCCC (https://climateaction.unfccc.int/)

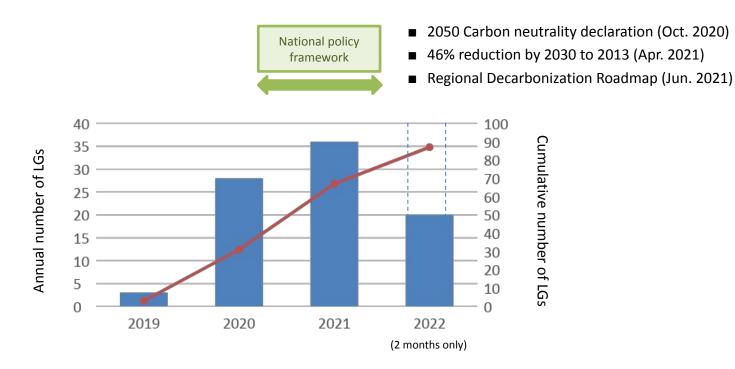
About **600** local governments





Source: MOEJ (http://www.env.go.ip/en/earth/cc/2050 zero carbon cities in japan.html)

## 2050 Zero Carbon Cities in Kyushu

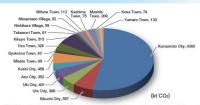


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### Early-movers' Climate Initiatives in Kyushu

#### Wide-area collaborative approach of the Kumamoto Cooperation Center Urban Area and Kumamoto Prefecture





GHG emissions (FY2016) from Kumamoto Cooperation Center Urban Area (Source: Kumamoto City)

#### Oki Town in its role as a member of the global community



Oki Town (0.01 million; 18 km<sup>2</sup>)

Mayor Sakai (left) at signing seremony of the Covenant of Mayors Japan (Photo: Oki Town)

#### Kumamoto Cooperation Center Urban Area (1.17 million; 2,838 km²)

Promoting public-private partnerships and public awareness in Kagoshima City

Kagoshima City (0.6 million; 548 km²)



Kagoshima Zero Carbon Lab for youth (Sep. 2020) (Photo: Kagoshima City) ZERO CARBON CITY KAGOSHINA PARTNERS

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Zero Carbon City Kagoshima Tram (Sep. 2020) (Phote Source: Ota & Akagi (2021) (https://www.iges.or.jp/en/pub/kyushu-zerocarbon-en/en)

Thank you for your attention.