

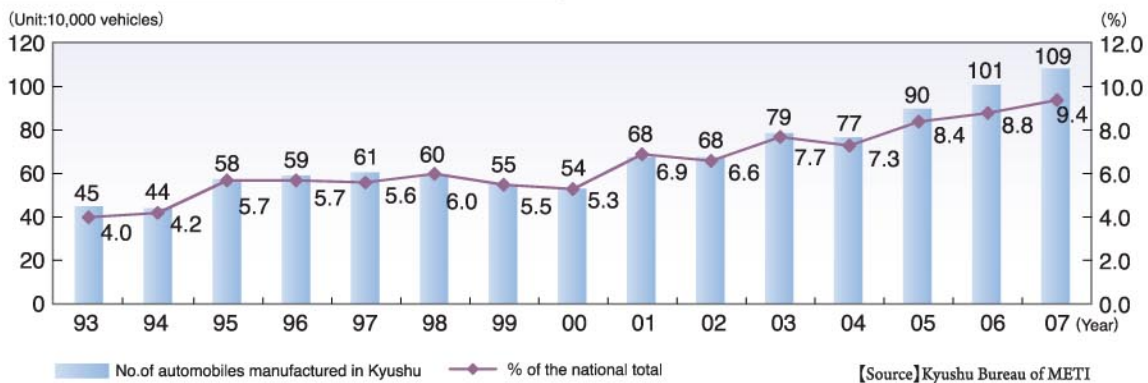


Kyushu's Manufacturing Potential — The Automobile Industry —

Business Environment in Kyushu 2009

Operating in the Kyushu region are Nissan Motor Co., Ltd., Toyota Motor Kyushu, Inc., Daihatsu Motor Kyushu Co., Ltd. and Honda Motor Co., Ltd., which manufactures two-wheel vehicles. Kyushu's annual automobile production capacity has exceeded 1 million units over the past two years, since Daihatsu Motor Kyushu and Toyota Motor Kyushu expanded their plant facilities; annual capacity is expected to exceed 1.5 million units after Nissan Shatai Kyushu Co., Ltd. constructs its new assembly plant in the Kyushu Plant of Nissan Motor in 2009. In 2008, Toyota Motor Kyushu expanded its Kanda Plant (manufacturing engines) and constructed its new Kokura Plant (manufacturing parts for hybrid cars), and Daihatsu Motor Kyushu commenced production in its new Kurume Plant (manufacturing engines). The integration of engine-related functional parts production is thus accelerating, and the companies involved are planning to construct new plants or expand existing plants. Greater integration of automobile-related industries is expected in and around the northern part of Kyushu.

Transition of Automobile Production in Kyushu



The Map of Main Automobile-related Companies in Kyushu

