Japan Continues to be a Close Partner of Hawaii with 150 Years of Historical Ties

Close Partnership with Japan: Good for America, Good for Hawaii

Source: Hawaii Tourism Authority (2016)

Japanese businesses located in Hawaii support 17,000 workers in the Aloha State


Spending nearly $2 billion/year, Japanese visitors are the Hawaiian tourism industry's top foreign customers

Source: Hawaii Tourism Authority (2016)

2018 marks the 150th anniversary of the first Japanese immigrants arrival in Hawaii – about 150 Japanese immigrants came to Hawaii in 1868

Source: kizunahawaii.com

Over 16,000 students study the Japanese language in Hawaii

Source: Japan Foundation (2015)

There are 24 sister state and city relationships between Hawaii and Japan

Source: Consulate General of Japan in Honolulu

The Honolulu Museum of Art has a collection of more than 10,000 Japanese ukiyo-e woodblock prints

Source: Honolulu Museum of Art

Surfing becomes an official sport for the first time at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics

Source: The Tokyo Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games

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Quick Facts about Japan and Hawaii

Total Population
126 million

Capital City
Tokyo's Population
13.7 million

Hawaii State & Okinawa Prefecture's Populations
1.4 million each

Japan Related Websites

Ministry of Foreign Affairs
http://www.mofa.go.jp/

Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO)
https://www.jetro.go.jp/usa.html

Study in JAPAN Comprehensive Guide
http://www.studyjapan.go.jp/en/

Independent Administrative Institution Japan Student Services Organization

Japan Foundation
http://www.jpf.go.jp/e/index.html

WEB Japan
http://web-japan.org/index.html

Japan National Tourism Organization (JINTO)
https://www.jinto.go.jp/eng/
Sister State & Sister City Relationships between Japan and Hawaii

**HOKKAIDO**
**Prefecture**

Since 2017

**HIROSHIMA**
**Prefecture**

Since 1997

**EHIME**
**Prefecture**

Since 2003

**FUKUOKA**
**Prefecture**

Since 1981

**OKINAWA**
**Prefecture**

Since 1985

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**HIROSHIMA**

City and County of HONOLULU:
- Hiroshima City, Hiroshima Prefecture (since 1959)
- Naha City, Okinawa Prefecture (since 1961)
- Uwajima City, Ehime Prefecture (since 2004)
- Nagasaki City, Nagata Prefecture (since 2012)
- Chigasaki City, Kanagawa Prefecture (since 2014)
- Saiki City, Oita Prefecture (since 2003) (Friendship City)

**MAUI**

County:
- Hachijo Island, Tokyo Prefecture (since 1964)
- Miyako Island, Okinawa Prefecture (since 1965)
- Fukuyama City, Hiroshima Prefecture (since 2008)

**KAUAI**

County:
- Kumejima, Okinawa Prefecture (2011)
- Oshima, Tokyo Prefecture (since 1962)—with Hilo

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**Top 5 Hawaii Nikkei Ancestral Prefectures**

1. HIROSHIMA
2. YAMAGUCHI
3. KUMAMOTO
4. OKINAWA
5. FUKUOKA

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**SHIRAHAMA BEACH** (since 2000)

City and County of HONOLULU:
- Suo-Oshima, Yamaguchi Prefecture (since 1963)
- Moriyama City, Shiga Prefecture (since 1975)
- Ishigaki City, Okinawa Prefecture (since 1999)
- Iwaki City, Fukushima Prefecture (since 2011)

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**SUO-OISHIMA**

(since 1963)

**HOKKAIDO**

Prefecture

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