The Consulate General of Japan in Detroit annually surveys Japanese-owned facilities and Japanese nationals in Ohio. As the 2017 data indicate, Japanese investment contributes significantly to state and local economies.

- 484 Japanese owned facilities in Ohio
- 77,073 direct jobs; highest total in the Midwest
- Annual employment growth since 2010
- Japan remains Ohio’s leading foreign investor

**FACILITIES**

The majority of Japanese facilities (271) are manufacturers, 50% of which are automotive-related. There are 108 commercial trade operations, accounting for 22% of all facilities.

**EMPLOYMENT**

98% of jobs at Japanese businesses in Ohio are held by local residents, 57% of which are in manufacturing. Total employment has grown 36% since the Great Recession, surpassing the pre-recession peak in 2012 and continuing to grow in the years since.

**GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION**

Central Ohio’s 139 facilities, which provide 31,415 (40% of total) jobs, are mostly automotive production related. Other areas of the state, such as the southwest and northeast, are home to Japanese businesses in a diverse range of sectors including chemicals, pharmaceuticals and rubber.

**JAPANESE POPULATION**

As of January 2018, there are 13,564 Japanese nationals in Ohio, most of whom reside in the central region of the state.