150th Anniversary of the Opening of the Port

City of Yokohama
22. 5. 2009
Harbor City

Yokohama
Land Area: 434.98 km²
Population: 3.6 million
(second largest after Tokyo)
History

17th century
Closed-door policy established

National isolation

1858

1859

Closed-door policy ends

Amity and Commerce Treaty

Yokohama Port opened

Quiet village
Starting Point of Japan’s Modernization

- Beer (1870)
- Railway (1872)
- Ice cream (1869)
- Water supply (1887)
Path to Modernized City
Major Devastations (1) Earthquake 1923

Date: 1 September 1923
Magnitude: 7.9
Deaths: Total 105,000, Yokohama 23,000
Houses destroyed: Total 212,000, Yokohama 80,000
Major Devastations (2) World War II

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US occupation (1947)
Reconstruction and Urban Sprawl

Kannai Area (old downtown)

Yokohama Station

urbanized area
railways
Yokohama’s problem

population (as of 01/10/2005)

- Yokohama’s problem
- Population (thousand)
- Daytime/nighttime ratio (%)

Yokohama's registered population compared to other cities.

- Sapporo
- 23 cities of Tokyo
- Nagoya
- Kyoto
- Osaka
- Kobe
- Fukuoka

- Registered population
- Daytime
- Daytime/nighttime ratio

Graph showing Yokohama’s population compared to other cities.
Minato Mirai 21 Project

- Mitsubishi Dockyard (est. 1889)
- Shibuya, Tokyo’s major downtown (35 minutes)

1980

Yokohama Station

1983

old downtown

2006

Pacifico Yokohama

World's largest-class convention complex

Yokohama Sta.

Minato Mirai Sta.

63,000 working
“Zo no hana” (elephant’s trunk) Pier

birthplace of Yokohama Port

refurbished as “Zo no hana Park”

open to public on 2 June 2009
A Grand Exposition for Yokohama’s 150th Year
For 2009.4.28〜9.27

The Theme is “Set Sail!”
150th Anniversary Projects

- Celebratory events
  - Expo Y150
    - April 28 – September 27, 2009

- Infrastructure projects
  - Zo no hana refurbishment

- Look back the history
- Deepen the love for Yokohama
- Aim for the future

- Convention city
  - Creative city of Art and Culture
Convention City

150th “Happy Birthday” Project

establish a premium convention city

2008 2009 2010

TICAD IV
(The 4th Tokyo International Conference on African Development)

APEC
(Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation)

(looked) 8,000 participants from 21 economies

3,000 participants incl. Heads of states and governments of 41 African countries
Creative City of Art and Culture

Yokohama Creative City Center

La Machine Parade (2009)

Koganecho Bazaar (2008)

Zo no hana (elephant’s trunk) Park

Before

now

increase the attractiveness of city center
“TANEMARU”, the spirit of the camphor tree in the courtyard of the Yokohama Archives of History, “sets sail” into the next 150 years.