Part EXPO 2025 CHRONOLOGY

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- The last check date of the following data is November 30, 2023 (exceptions noted).
- EXPO 2025 OSAKA, KANSAI, JAPAN is referred to as "Osaka-Kansai Expo" and The Japan Association for the International Exposition, 2025 is referred to as "Expo Association" due to space limitation.
- EXPO 2025 OSAKA, KANSAI, JAPAN is referred to as "Expo" only in "1. Chronology" due to space limitation.
- Kansai is defined as Shiga, Kyoto, Osaka, Hyogo, Nara, and Wakayama prefectures, unless otherwise noted.

1. Chronology

- OJuly 18, 2022: The Expo Association announced the nickname of the official character 1,000 days before the Expo.
- October 25, 2022: The first international meeting was held between the Expo Association and representatives of the participating countries and regions, and the construction of pavilions for each country began in earnest.
- ODecember 20, 2022: The Headquarters for the World Expo, Cabinet Secretariat revised the Action Plan for the Expo, incorporating the requests of Osaka Prefecture, Osaka City, and other related organizations.
- OApril 13, 2023: A groundbreaking ceremony was held in Yumeshima, the planned venue, two years before the opening of the Expo.
- ONovember 30, 2023: Advance ticket sales began 500 days before the Expo.

Table 1

Movements related to Expo: April 2022 - November 2023

Year	Month	Expo-Related Movements	
		8 Participation Pledges Reach 100 Countries/Regions.	
	4	18 Expo Association announces basic plans for eight core pavilions.	
		27 Expo Association releases "Expo 2025 Green Vision".	
	5	13 Tokushima Prefecture opens the Tokushima Virtual Pavilion.	
		3 The Osaka-Kansai Expo establishes the "Basic Policy for Visitor Transportation".	
	6	10 Expo Association releases license plates commemorating the Expo.	
		17 Osaka Prefecture and City released the exterior image of Osaka Pavilion.	
2022	7	Osaka Prefecture and City hold "Conference on Status of International Medical Treatment in Yumeshima".	
		7	Osaka Prefectural and City governments name the Osaka Pavilion "Osaka Health Care Pavilion: Nest for Reborn".
		18 Expo Association announces the nickname of the official character 1000 days before the Expo event.	
	_		8 Expo association selects 23 young architects to design rest areas and restrooms at Expo site.
	8	Osaka Prefecture announces that has selected eight decarbonization technology projects to present their results during the Expo.	
		The Kansai region's 7 prefectures and 41 chambers of commerce and industry have formed a working group to help build momentum for the Expo.	
	9	The Kansai 3 Airports Advisory Committee increases the limit of the number of de- 18 partures and arrivals at Kansai International Airport, Osaka International Airport, and Kobe Airport to 500,000 per year.	

		25 Expo Association holds first international meeting with representatives of participating countries and regions.
		26 Expo Association begins coordinating pavilion construction with 30 participating countries.
	10	27 Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Osaka Bureau of Industry approve 26 businesses to participate in the Osaka Pavilion.
		27 44 organizations affiliated with Kansai Science City establish the Keihanna Expo Event Preparation Committee.
		28 Expo Association signs pavilion exhibition contract with Austria.
2022	11	5 "HANAZONO EXPO" event held in Higashi-Osaka City of Osaka Prefecture, to build momentum for Expo.
		8 Seven major railroad companies in the Kansai region establish the "Kansai MaaS Council" and will start providing "MaaS" applications in the summer of 2023.
		Osaka Metro, NTT Communications, and six other companies begin demonstration tests of "Level 4" self-driving bus in Maishima.
		5 Expo Association selects companies to sign official character licensing agreements.
	12	The government's Expo Promotion Headquarters announces the "Osaka-Kansai Expo Action Plan Ver. 3".
		23 Cabinet approves FY 2023 budget proposal, which allocates JPY 2.4 billion for the construction of the Japanese Government Pavilion and other projects at the Expo.
		27 Expo Association begins accepting applications for "Advanced Air Mobility (AAM)" operators to connect the Expo site with the center of Osaka City and other areas.
	1	Expo Association introduce "Theme Weeks" at the Expo, where each theme is held for approximately one week.
		18 Expo Association announces the introduction of Artificial Intelligence (AI) multilingual translation system at the Expo venues.
		Switzerland announces the outline of its pavilion "LA SUISSE ENCHANTÉE" at the Expo.
	2	Osaka City announces FY 2023 budget plan of 13.4 billion JPY to support the Expo infrastructure and demonstration experiments.
		21 Expo Association announces the selection of five companies, including ANA Holdings and Japan Airlines, to operate "AAM".
		Osaka Prefecture and City announce the selection of three candidate sites for the takeoff and landing sites of the "AMM".
	3	14 Expo Association announces its plan to hold about 8,000 events of various sizes during the Expo.
		The Japanese government announces that 153 countries and regions (excluding Japan) and 8 international organizations have pledged their participation.
2023		6 Expo Association announces its policy to make all payment cashless at the Expo.
		12 Expo Association launches merchandise featuring official Expo character "Myaku-Myaku".
	4	The Imperial Household Agency announces the appointment of His Imperial Highness Prince Akishino as honorary president of the Expo.
		Groundbreaking ceremony is held for the pavilion and other major facilities on Yumeshima, the planned venue of the Expo.
		25 Expo Association signs pavilion exhibition contract with the US.
		17 Expo Association announces the appointment of Hiroshi Osaki, former chairman of Yoshimoto Kogyo Holdings, as co-chairman of the Event Review Committee.
	5	Osaka-Kansai Expo Kyoto Promotion Committee, co-chaired by the Governor of Kyoto Prefecture, the Mayor of Kyoto, and others, holds its first meeting.
		31 Osaka Metro announces the introduction of 65 EV buses for commuting by venue construction workers.
		5 The Netherlands announces the outlines of its pavilion "Common Ground".
	6	6 Expo Association holds International Planning Meeting (IPM) on the Expo in Osaka City.

6	7 Mayoral Alliance for EXPO 2025 announces "Expo Bento Lunchboxes" featuring ingredients from 34 cities and towns throughout Japan.
	12 Expo Association draws up an action plan to build momentum for the Expo both at home and abroad.
	12 Austria announces pavilion outline "Composing the Future".
	30 Expo Association decides to set the base price of admission tickets at JPY 7,500 for adults (18 years and older).
	The Expo Association approaches participating countries and regions with the idea of having the Japanese side construct the pavilion on their behalf (Type X).
7	Osaka Prefecture announces that "Osaka Week" will be held as part of the Expo's "Theme Weeks".
	19 Expo Association holds briefing for businesses on the status of preparations for water transportation during Expo.
	2 Expo Association announces the outline of the pavilion where 11 businesses will jointly exhibit "Cities of the Future".
8	The Mint held a ceremony to commemorate the Expo by striking the first 1,000 JPY silver coins.
	25 NPO Zeri-Japan announces outline of pavilion "Reviving the Ocean".
	Osaka Prefecture announces that children between the ages of 4 and high school age living in Osaka Prefecture will be invited to the Expo free of charge.
	6 The first official Expo store opens at Abeno Harukas Kintetsu Main Store.
9	Groundbreaking ceremony held for the "Japan Pavilion" on Yumeshima, the planned site of the Expo.
	Musician Sachiko Nakajima outlines the theme pavilion "Playground of Life: Jellyfish Pavilion".
10	Groundbreaking ceremony held for "Kansai Pavilion," a pavilion led by the Union of Kansai Governments, on Yumeshima, the planned venue of the Expo.
	19 Expo Association announces new information content to help build momentum for the Expo on its official YouTube channel.
	23 Expo Association announces concrete plans for a complete cashless payment nick- named "Myaku-pel".
	The Federation of Electric Power Companies holds a groundbreaking ceremony 26 for the pavilion "Electric Power Pavilion – Eggs of Possibilities" in Yumeshima, the planned venue of the Expo.
	30 Canada announces the outline of the pavilion, with the theme "Regeneration".
11	3 "HANAZONO EXPO", an event to build momentum for the Expo, is held in Higashi Osaka City, Osaka Prefecture.
	NTT held a groundbreaking ceremony for the pavilion "NTT Pavilion natural(Tentative)" in Yumeshima, the planned venue of the Expo.
	Nine new countries have announced their participation in the Expo, bringing the total to 160 countries and regions.
	30 500 days until the Expo opens. Expo Association begins selling advance tickets.
	7 8 9 10

Source: Prepared by APIR based on various press materials.

2. Countries, Regions and International Organizations

○ Figure 1 shows the latest status of countries and regions that have announced their participation in Osaka-Kansai Expo. As of November 14, 2023, the number of countries and regions that have officially announced their participation has reached 160, surpassing the goal of 150 countries and regions. On the other hand, the number of participating international organizations is 9, which is still short of the target (25) (Tables 2 and 3).

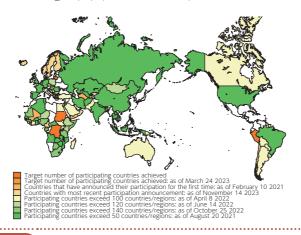


Figure 1

Map of countries/regions that have announced their participation

Source: Prepared by APIR based on Expo Association press release.

Table 2 Changes in International Organizations Declaring Participation

Total	Date	Institution
1	2021/2/10	International Fusion Energy Organization (ITER)
2	2/10	International Solar Alliance (ISA)
3	4/7	International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement
4	5/28	African Union Commission (AUC)
5	7/2	European Union (EU)
6	2022/1/7	Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Secretariat
7	4/8	Pacific Islands Forum (PIF) Secretariat
8	7/5	United Nations (UN)
9	2023/11/14	International Science and Technology Center (ISTC)

Source: Prepared by APIR based on Expo Association press release.

Table 3

Countries/regions that have announced their participation

Total	Date	Country		
7	2021/2/10	Republic of Yemen, Republic of Greece, Republic of Djibouti, Turkmenistan, People's Republic of Bangladesh, Kingdom of Bhutan, Republic of Mali		
14	3/12	Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, Republic of Uzbekistan, Republic of Senegal, Kingdom of Bahrain, Federative Republic of Brazil, Burkina Faso, Kingdom of Lesotho		
18	4/7	Republic of Qatar, Republic of Guinea-Bissau, Republic of Zimbabwe, Nepal		
19	4/13	Kingdom of Thailand		
25	4/21	Democratic People's Republic of Algeria, Republic of India, Federal Republic of Germany, French Republic, Jordan, Russian Federation		
29	5/14	Republic of Angola, Republic of Zambia, Swiss Confederation, Lao Peo- ple's Democratic Republic		
34	5/28	Islamic Republic of Iran, Republic of Ghana, Republic of Guinea, People's Republic of China, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg		
43	6/15	United Kingdom (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Kingdom of Cambodia, Republic of Cuba, State of Kuwait, Union of Comoros, Central African Republic, United Mexican States, Republic of Mozambique, Romania		
46	7/2	United Arab Emirates, Republic of Kazakhstan, Kingdom of Spain		
48	7/16	United States of America, Republic of Korea		
49	7/27	Portuguese Republic		
54	8/20	Republic of Indonesia, Arab Republic of Egypt, Kyrgyz Republic, Republic of Suriname, Socialist Republic of Viet Nam		
57	9/28	Argentine Republic, Dominican Republic, Republic of Burundi		
58	10/15	ingdom of Saudi Arabia		
63	11/17	Italian Republic, Republic of Uganda, Republic of Tajikistan, Brunei Darus- salam, Republic of South Sudan		
64	11/24	Republic of Paraguay		
67	12/14	Republic of Austria, Sultanate of Oman, Kingdom of Tonga		
72	2022/1/7	Republic of Azerbaijan, Republic of Estonia, Commonwealth of Australia, Republic of Serbia, Republic of Turkey		
78	1/28	Republic of Armenia, Canada, Saint Lucia, Independent State of Papua New Guinea, Republic of Honduras, Republic of Rwanda		
86	3/4	Republic of The Gambia, Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, Republic of Equatorial Guinea, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Islam- ic Republic of Pakistan, Kingdom of Belgium, Republic of Madagascar, Republic of Latvia		
87	3/11	Republic of Slovenia		
100	4/8	Antigua and Barbuda, Republic of El Salvador, Republic of Guyana, Republic of Cote d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Tuvalu, Republic of Togo, Republic of Vanuatu, Palestine, Republic of Benin, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Republic of the Marshall Islands		
105	4/19	Ireland, Eastern Republic of Uruguay, Republic of Guatemala, Republic of Kosovo, Malaysia		
106	5/10	Mongolia		
115	5/31	Republic of North Macedonia, Republic of Kenya, Independent State of Samoa, Republic of Singapore, Solomon Islands, Republic of Niger, Republic of Haiti, Republic of Bulgaria, Federated States of Micronesia		

119	6/7	Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Kingdom of the Netherlands, Niue, Republic of Poland
120	6/14	Republic of the Philippines
126	7/5	United Republic of Tanzania, Czech Republic, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, Republic of Palau, Belize, Montenegro
130	7/29	Hungary, Republic of Fiji, Republic of Mauritius, Islamic Republic of Mauritania
137	9/9	Kingdom of Eswatini, Republic of Gabon, Federal Republic of Somalia, Federal Republic of Nigeria, Republic of Nauru, Democratic Republic of East Timor, Republic of Botswana
142	10/25	Slovak Republic, Republic of Tunisia, Republic of Panama, Republic of Malta, Republic of South Africa
153	2023/3/24	State of Israel, Democratic Republic of Congo, Republic of Sudan, Republic of Seychelles, Vatican City State, Republic of Peru, Republic of Malawi, Principality of Monaco, Republic of Moldova, Republic of Lithuania, Republic of Liberia
160	11/14	Kingdom of Denmark, Republic of Finland, Kingdom of Norway, Iceland, Kingdom of Sweden, Republic of Croatia, Republic of Chile, Jamaica, Re- public of Cameroon (Declined) United Mexican States, Republic of Estonia

Source: Prepared by APIR based on Expo Association press release.

3. Comparison of Admission Fees for Past International Expositions

- Table 4 compares the admission fees of major international expositions held in Japan and the EXPO 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan. Admission for adults was JPY 800 for the first Expo held in Japan (Japan World Exposition Osaka 1970) and JPY 4,600 for the 2005 World Exposition, Aichi, Japan, while the admission fee for the EXPO 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan is set at JPY 7,500.
- Table 5 lists the admission fees for the EXPO 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan. The introduction of the "Summer Pass," which was not available at the 2005 World Exposition, Aichi, Japan, is a unique feature of this exposition in order to diversify the number of visitors.

Table 4 Comparison of Admission Fees for Past International Expositions

		Adult	Junior	Child	Season pass	[Reference Example] Starting salary for college graduates
1970	Japan World Exposition Osaka 1970	800JPY	600JPY (15 to 22 years old)		-	39,900JPY
2005	The 2005 World Exposition, Aichi, Japan	4,600JPY	2,500JPY (12 to 17 years old)	1,500JPY	17,500JPY	196,700JPY
2025	EXPO 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan	7,500JPY	4,200JPY (12 to 17 years old)	1,800JPY	30,000JPY	235,100JPY (2023)

Note: Children under 3 years old are free of charge, basic price (one-day ticket) is compared. Source: Prepared by APIR based on various press materials.

Table 5

List of Admission Fees for Osaka-Kansai Expo

Gro	oup	Name		Outline	Adult 18 years old over	Junior 12 to 17 years old	Child 4 to 11 years old
		Opening ticket		One entry allowed from 13/April to 26/April	4,000JPY	2,200JPY	1,000JPY
		First-ha	lf period ticket	One entry allowed from 13/April to 18/July	5,000JPY	3,000JPY	1,200JPY
befor	ts sold re the osition	One-day	Super early bird (From the start of sale until Oc- tober 6, 2024)	One entry allowed at any time during the exhibition period	6,000JPY	3,500JPY	1,500JPY
		ticket	Early bird (From October 7, 2024 until the opening of the Expo)	One entry allowed at any time during the exhibition period	6,700JPY	3,700JPY	1,700JPY
		One	e-day ticket	One entry allowed at any time during the exhibition period	7,500JPY	4,200JPY	1,800JPY
durin	Tickets sold during the exposition		ekday ticket	One entry allowed after 11:00 a.m. on weekdays, excluding weekends and holidays	6,000JPY	3,500JPY	1,500JPY
		Night ticket		One entry allowed after 5:00 p.m.	3,700JPY	2,000JPY	1,000JPY
before	ts sold during position	Special ticket		One entry allowed for the guest with a dis- ability certificate or the accompanying guest	3,700JPY	2,000JPY	1,000JPY
N	Nultiple	Summer pass		Multiple entries allowed from 19/July to 31/August after 11:00 a.m.	12,000JPY	7,000JPY	3,000JPY
en	try pass Season pass		ason pass	Multiple entries allowed from 13/April to 3/October after 11:00 a.m.	30,000JPY	17,000JPY	7,000JPY
		Group ticket		One simultaneous entry for a group of 15 or more	6,300JPY	3,500JPY	1,500JPY
Gr	Group					High School students	Kindergar- teners, el- ementary and junior high school students
		School group ticket (First half)			One simultaneous entry for a school group from 13/April to 18/July	-	2,000JPY
		School group ticket (Second half)		One simultaneous entry for a school group from 19/July to 13/October	-	2,400JPY	1,000JPY

Source: Excerpt from Expo Association press release, "Ticket Types and Prices for Admission to the 2025 Japan International Expo" (June 30, 2023).

4. Efforts by Local Governments to Host the Expo

OBased on the idea of "Greater EXPO", the Osaka-Kansai Expo is being promoted in the entire Kasai region to attract "visitors to Yumeshima" to the region, using the whole Kansai region as a virtual pavilion. Table 6 is a list of major initiatives being undertaken by the prefectures in the Kansai region.

Table 6

Initiatives in Kansai Prefectures

Municipality	Name	Details of Initiatives
Osaka Pref.	Portal site "Eyan! Osaka Shopping Street"	A portal site that disseminates information on the attractiveness of Osaka's shopping arcades and stores. The goal is to use the Expo as an opportunity to improve the attractiveness of the shopping district and increase the number of visitors.
Osaka Pref. /City	Virtual Osaka	Creating and disseminating the attractiveness of Osaka by proposing urban experiences through an urban-linked metaverse.
Hyogo Pref.	Hyogo Field Pavilion	An initiative to invite many people to see, learn, and experience the "SDGs acitivities onsite" in the region, with the local people taking the initiative in disseminating the information.
Kyoto Pref.	Osaka-Kansai Expo Kyoto Promotion Committee	The Osaka-Kansai Expo is an opportunity to promote the strengths of Kyoto's industries, as well as the culture and tourism resources of the prefecture, both domestically and internationally, and to promote exchanges that will lead to the steady development of Kyoto.
Shiga Pref.	Osaka-Kansai Expo Shiga Prefecture Basic Plan	This report summarizes Shiga Prefecture's participation in the Osaka-Kansai Expo and its significance, plans for a booth in the "Kansai Pavilion," and efforts to promote visits to Shiga Prefecture using the Expo.
Nara Pref.	Osaka-Kansai Expo 2025 x SDGs Sympo- sium	A symposium was held under the auspices of Nara Prefecture and the Nara Chamber of Commerce and Industry to deepen understanding of the SDGs.
Wakayama Pref. Let's Liven up Expo2025 in Wakayama		The Expo 2025 Wakayama Promotion Council (a joint industry-government-academia organization) will take the lead in promoting momentum within the prefecture, and in order to maximize the ripple effect of the Expo, will promote the attraction of visitors and disseminate information to businesses and other organizations.
Tokushima	Tokushima Marugoto Pavilion	The Expo site will be used as a gateway, and the entire Tokushima Prefecture will be used as a "Marugoto" pavilion, with the charms of the entire prefecture communicated to the world through video and images.
Pref.	Tokushima Virtual Pavilion	The entire charms of Tokushima, including culture, food, and cutting-edge technology, will be presented to the world. Visitors can dance with avatars of the Awa Odori dance in the "Metaverse.

Source: Prepared by APIR based on information on each prefecture's website.

5. Infrastructure Map

- On May 26, 2023, the Expo Association released the second edition of its Action Plan for Visitor Transportation (first edition in October 2022). The three main routes are (1) Osaka Metro Chuo Line, (2) JR Sakurajima Line (shuttle bus from Sakurajima Station), and (3) Yodogawa Left Bank Line (shuttle bus from Shin-Osaka Station and Osaka Station). In addition, shuttle bus transportation from major railroad stations and parking lots outside the venue and marine transportation from Osaka City and Hyogo Prefecture are also planned. Figure 2 is an excerpt of the main transportation routes.
- OSince the event will be held on an artificial island with limited access routes, a balanced transportation system is being developed to ensure the safe and smooth transportation of visitors without concentrating on specific means of transportation or routes.

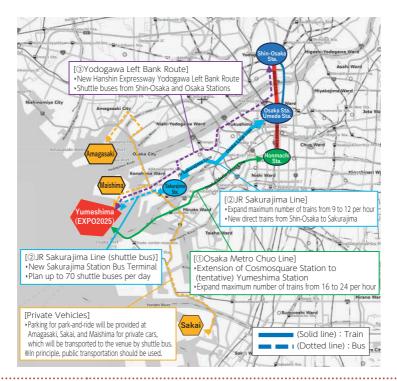


Figure 2

Map of main transportation routes to Expo site (Yumeshima)

6. Expo-related budget: Osaka-Kansai Expo

○ Tables 7-8 show the total projected costs of the Expo as of December 2023 for the national government and Osaka Prefecture and City, as well as the budget appropriations. The total cost, including future costs, is expected to be JPY 162 billion for the national government and JPY 137.77 billion for Osaka Prefecture and City.

Table 7

Government Expenditures Related to Osaka-Kansai Expo

(Unit: IPY 100 billion)

(Unit: JPY 100 billion				
	Status of appropriations Total national cost national budget to d			ons to the date
	expectations, including future	~Initial Budget for FY 2023	FY2023 Revised Budget	Total
(1) Exposition site con- struction costs by the Exposition Association. (government expense share) (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)	Up to JPY 78.3 billion (The national government, Osaka Prefecture and City, and the business community will each contribute a third of the maximum JPY 235 billion.)	121	510	631
(2) Expenses for the con- struction of the Japan Pavilion. (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)	Up to JPY 36.0 billion	92	171	263
(3) Supporting developing countries to exhibit. (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry Ministry of Foreign Affairs)	Approx. JPY 24.0 billion (Total amount of Japanese financial support for devel- oping countries pledged to the Bureau International des Expositions (BIE) as the host country.)*1	9	92	101
(4) Expenses for ensuring safety in the exhibition site. (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)"	Approx. JPY 19.9 billion	0	4	4
(5) Expenses required for Creating the Expo 2025 momentum, etc.	Approx. JPY 3.8 billion + Future expenses	5	3	38

Note 1: The total amount of Japanese support for developing countries promised to the BIE is approximately JPY 24 billion, which includes approximately JPY 5 billion of the construction cost of the venue by the Exposition Association (1/3 of the national expense). In addition to the expenses for supporting developing countries, approximately JPY 1.1 billion is forecast for expenses for supporting the UN's participation in the exhibition.

Note 2: Figures have been rounded to the nearest million yen, so some fractions may not add up to the totals. Source: Secretariat of the Headquarters for the World Expo, Cabinet Secretariat website.

Table 8

Osaka Prefecture and City Expenses for Osaka-Kansai Expo

(Unit: JPY 100 billion)

	Forecast of total cost for Osaka	Status of ap of Osaka P	the City of	
	Prefecture and City including future years*1		lget request 2024*2	Total
		Osaka Pref.	Osaka City	
(1) Construction cost of ven- ue by Osaka Prefecture and City (Osaka World Expo Promotion Bureau)	Up to approx. JPY 78.3 billion (The national government, Osaka Prefecture and City, and the business community will each contribute 1/3 of the up to JPY 235 billion)	305.9	305.9	611.8
(2) General account burden for reclamation work in Yumeshima area (Osaka World Expo Promotion Bureau)	Approx. JPY 2.14 billion (Reclamation work that was hastily constructed to improve the Expo site)	10.7	10.7	21.4
(3) Osaka Metro Chuo Line transportation capacity expansion, etc. (Osaka World Expo Promotion Bureau)	Approx. JPY 4.70 billion (including general traffic outreach TDM)	17.6	17.6	35.2
(4) Construction of Osaka Healthcare Pavilion, etc. (Osaka World Expo Promotion Bureau)	Approx. JPY 11.86 billion (Including regenerative medicine dissemination project. There is a separate sponsorship from a private company.)	54.1	54.1	108.2
(5) Promotion of participation (Osaka World Expo Promotion Bureau)	Approx. JPY 4.04 billion (Preparation for receiving volun- teers, preparation of activity bases, local government events, etc.)	6.2	6.2	12.4
(6) Creating the Expo 2025 momentum, etc. (Osaka World Expo Promotion Bureau)	Approx. JPY 3.92 billion (large scale events, city dressing in major areas, information dissemi- nation, etc.)	10.5	11.9	22.4
(7) Expenses incurred in attracting (Osaka World Expo Promotion Bureau)	Approx. JPY 420 million (Separately paid for by the business community.)	2.3	1.8	4.2
(8) Expenses other than (1) through (7) (Other departments)	Approx. JPY 5.89 billion + Approx. JPY 26.50 billion + Future expenses (Previous amount) + (Initial budget request for FY 2024 (including debt obligations, etc.))	61.2	181.1	242.3
(1)-(8) Total	Up to approx. JPY 111.27 billion + approx. JPY 26.50 billion (Previous amount) + (Initial budget request for FY 2024 (including debt obligations, etc.)) = Up to approx. JPY 137.77 billion + Future expenses	468.5	589.3	1,057.8

Note 1: Figures (1) through (7) include future expenses currently projected.

Note 2: Figures are rounded to the nearest whole number, so some fractions do not add up to the total.

Source: Osaka Prefecture and Osaka City websites.

○Table 9 shows the budgets for Expo projects in each of the prefectures in the Kansai region. Hyogo has the largest budget of JPY 920 million, followed by Wakayama with JPY 254.42 million and Mie with JPY 98.12 million.

Table 9

Budget Overview of Kansai Prefectures

(Unit: JPY million)

FY	prefecture	Project	Budget
2023	Mie	Strengthening Promotion of the Kansai Region on the Occasion of the Osaka-Kansai Expo	9,812
	Shiga	Expo 2025 Osaka-Kansai Expo exhibition	1,500
	Kyoto	Expo 2025 Osaka-Kansai Expo Kyoto Attractiveness Promotion Project	2,600
	Нуодо	Development of Hyogo Field Pavilion	25,000
		Exhibitions in the Hyogo Building (tentative name) and Hyogo Prefectural Museum of Art	6,000
		Promoting Hyogo's attractiveness through Hyogo Theme Weeks	23,000
		Implementation of projects to create momentum	37,000
		Establishment of a promotion system	1,000
	Wakayama	Promotion of Osaka-Kansai Expo	25,441.80
	Tottori	Measures to attract visitors from Japan and abroad to the Osaka-Kansai Expo	4,548
	Tokushima	Osaka-Kansai Expo Tokushima Pavilion development project	2,500
		Osaka-Kansai Expo Promotion Project	5,498

Source: Prepared by APIR based on each prefecture's website