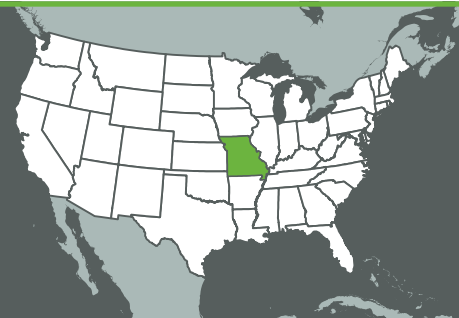


# Missouri Connections: Japan



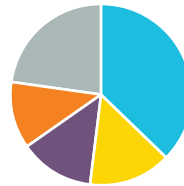
**Missouri's exports to Japan in 2018: \$533,036,589<sup>1</sup>**



- Food manufactures
- Transportation equipment
- Chemicals
- Computers and electronics
- All Others



**Missouri's imports from Japan in 2018: \$418,867,652<sup>1</sup>**



- Electrical equipment/components
- Machinery, except electrical
- Fabricated metal products
- Chemicals
- All Others



**2,600 Missourians born in Japan<sup>2</sup>**



**2,800 Missourians who speak Japanese<sup>2</sup>**



**4 educational institutions with Japanese programs**

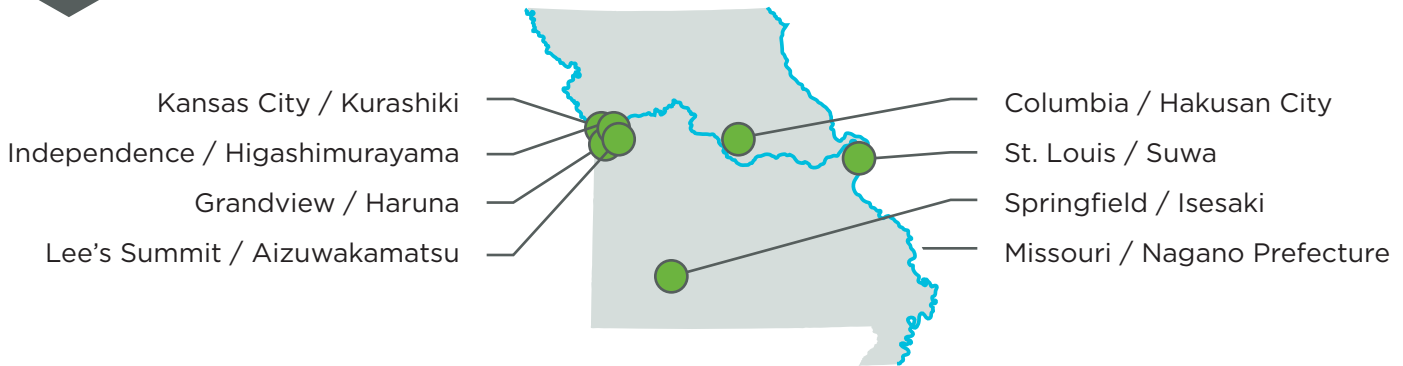


**58 Japanese companies in Missouri, including:**





## Sister cities & states



## Cultural organizations

- Japanese Council of Greater Kansas City<sup>3</sup>
- Japan America Society of St. Louis<sup>4</sup>
- Heart of America Japan-America Society<sup>5</sup>
- University of Missouri Asian Affairs Center<sup>6</sup>
- St. Louis Language Immersion Schools<sup>7</sup>



## Recent investments

Ajinomoto Windsor, Inc. opened a new plant in Joplin, MO in 2018. The plant brought 120 new jobs to the community.

US Paint (owned by Japan-based Kansai Paint) announced plans to build a new \$5 million warehouse in St. Louis in 2017.

Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing Corp. recently expanded their Maryville plant, bringing the plant's total floor space to around 900,000 square feet. The expansion is expected to create 30 new jobs.

In 2013, Tokyo-based Toray Industries Inc. purchased St. Louis-based Zoltek Companies Inc. for \$584 million. Zoltek is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Toray and operates as a separate business.



## 27 Missouri companies in Japan

<sup>1</sup> International Trade Administration

<sup>2</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey, 1-Year Estimates

<sup>3</sup> <http://japanCouncil.org/>

<sup>4</sup> <http://jasstl.org/>

<sup>5</sup> <https://kcjas.org/>

<sup>6</sup> <https://asia.missouri.edu/>

<sup>7</sup> <http://www.sllis.org/>

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