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History of Kagoshima Airport

1933	June	Japan Air Transport Co. announced plans to build an airport either in Kagoshima or in Fukuoka for the Japan-Taiwan service.
1938	March	Started construction in the Kamoike area for an amphibious civil airport.
1940		Renovated for use as Kagoshima Naval Air Base
1943	April	Establishment of Kagoshima Naval Air Service.
1945	August	After WW2, Japanese aircraft were banned from flying, and the main airports in Japan were seized by Allied Forces.
1949	June	Establishment of the Air Security Administration.
1953	May	The Ministry of Transportation announced the establishment of Kagoshima Airport (Kamoike Airport).
1956	April	At the same time as the enactment of the Airport Development Law, Kamoike Airport was designated as a class 2 airport.
	October	Started maintenance work in order to finish the runways, offices, and communication systems at the airport by March of the following year.
1957	July	American forces returned air-traffic control to the Japanese and the long awaited 'Kagoshima airport' is finally opened.
1958		Approximately 12,000 passengers used the airport this year. The runways, taxiways, and tarmac are repaved and night time lighting equipment is added.
1962	March	Appointed as customs airport after Tokyo, Osaka and Fukuoka.
1963	September	In order to build a new, larger airport, the 'New Kagoshima Airport Committee' was established. It consisted of representatives from Kagoshima's financial community, various organizations and experts of civil aviation companies. Out of 6 possible locations for the new airport, which were Yokoihara, Fukiagehama, Jusantsukabaru (present day Mizobe), Tiran, Taniyama and Kanoya, the committee selected 'Yokoihara and Jusantsukabaru' as the most suitable.
1964	October December	At the cost of 2 hundred million yen, a new three story terminal building with a basement was constructed. While the best location for the new airport is still being considered, construction work begins at Kagoshima (Kamoike) Airport to extend the runway.
1967		1,600m x45m runway completed. The united organization between the government and community, 'Kagoshima Large Airport Promotion Council' was established.
1968	June December	After further investigation of the two possible sites for the new airport, Jusantsukabaru (present day Mizobe) was selected. Established the 'New Airport Construction Branch Office.' The purchase of land for the airport, excluding the land needed for the sloped perimeter was completed.
1969	April	ANA (All Nippon Airways): Resumed B737 flights between Tokyo and Kagoshima
1970	March	Established the 'New Airport Construction main office' and preparation for construction of the new airport began.
1971		Construction of the new airport began.
1971		The number of passengers reached 1,496,467. Following Tokyo, Osaka, Fukuoka, and Chitose Airport, Kagashima Airport became the 5th largest airport in Japan.
1972	March	Kagoshima Airport' is shut down.



1972~1979

History of Kagoshima airport 1972-1979

1972	April	Kagoshima Airport opening ceremony. (The number of passengers was about 1,720,000.
	May	The arrival of the first foreign airline (Cathay Pacific) at the Kagoshima Airport.
	June	TDA (Toa Domestic Airlines) established a new flight route between Kagoshima and Tanegashima.
		JAL (Japan Airlines) established Hong Kong - Kagoshima route.
	September	TDA started to fly jet planes on Kagoshima - Oita - Tokyo route.
	October	TDA upgraded jets on the Kagoshima - Fukuoka route.
	December	TDA established a new route between Kagoshima and Okinoerabu.
		Nauru National Airlines established Kagoshima-Nauru route.
1973	December	ANA established Kagoshima - Nagasaki route.
1976	May	The first charter plane from Kagoshima (Taiwan-China Airlines) flew to Taipei.
	July	TDA established Kagoshima - Tokunoshima route.
1977	January	New Guinea Airlines established Kagoshima - Port Moresby route.
	July	ANA established Kagoshima - Hiroshima route.
1978	March	TDA established Kagoshima - Yoron route.
	December	TDA established Kagoshima - Matsuyama route.
1979	April	Use of the Super Jumbo jet plane began on Kagoshima - Tokyo route.
	November	TDA established Kagoshima - Yakushima route.
	December	Nauru National Airlines established Kagoshima - Guam route.



Picture of new Kagoshima airport of 1972 (30s time of opening airport)

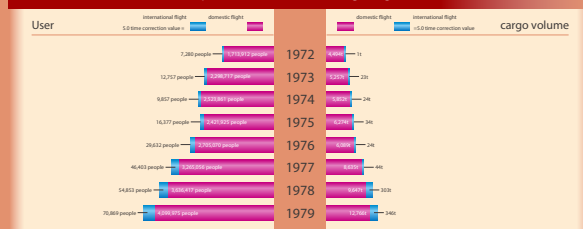


Picture of old Kagoshima "Samurai" airport



New Kagoshima airport terminal building of 1972 (30s time of opening airport)

Transition of number of airport users and handling cargo volume of 1972-1979



Riding airline



Domestic flight going into service chart of 1979



International flight going into service chart of the 1970's



1980~1989

History of Kagoshima airport 1980~1989

1980	April	JAL established Kagoshima - Singapore route.
	July	TDA established Kagoshima - Osaka route.
		TDA established Kagoshima - Okayama route.
	October	Runway extended to 3000m.
1981	March	TDA introduced the latest Airbus A300 on Kagoshima - Tokyo and Kagoshima - Fukuoka route.
	April	JAL extended the flight from Hong Kong to Kagoshima to include Bangkok.
1982	April	International terminal building was completed and opened to the public.
	June	JAL established Narita - Kagoshima route. (layover program)
1983	July	Establishment of Japan Air Commuter Ltd. (Head office at Kagoshima Airport.)
1986	July	JAL established Kagoshima - Tokyo route.
1987	May	Dragonair flew its first charter flight.
	July	Air Nippon established Kagoshima - Fukuoka route.
1988	May	Dragonair established Hong Kong - Kagoshima route.
	October	A new cargo building was constructed and opened.
1989	December	A commemorative ceremony was held at Kagoshima Airport for serving 5 million passengers a year.



Kagoshima building across where new flight building and freight

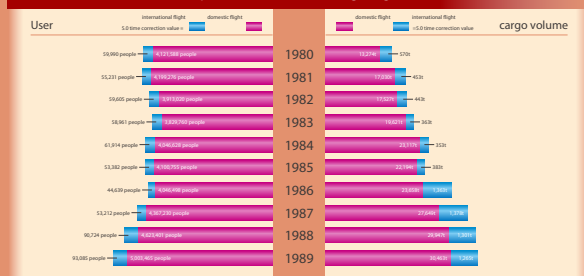


International flight terminal building (1982)



Cargo building across where old freight building was removed

Transition of number of airport users and handling cargo volume of 1980~1989



Riding airline



Domestic flight going into service chart of 1989



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1990~1999

History of Kagoshima airport 1990~1999

1990	May	Korean Air Lines established Kagoshima - Seoul route.
1991	September	JAL established Kagoshima - Osaka route.
	October	ANA established Kagoshima - Sapporo route.
1992	July	JAL established Kagoshima - Nagoya route.
	November	China Airlines established regular charter services on Kagoshima - Taiwan route.
1993	April	Nansei Airlines (Japan Transocean Air) established Kagoshima - Okinawa route.
	August	Due to a torrential downpour, 1,700 people were forced to stay at Kagoshima Airport on August 1st and 6th. (700 on Aug.1, 1,000 on Aug.6.)
1994	February	The H2, A full size rocket made entirely in Japan, was successfully launched at Tanegashima Space Center.
1995	April	Japan Air Commuter established Kagoshima - Kikajima route..
	June	JAL established Kagoshima - Kansai route.
	November	Air Nippon established Kagoshima - Komatsu route, and Kagoshima - Sendai route.
		ANA (All Nippon Airways) placed B777 in service on Kagoshima - Tokyo route.
		Expansion construction on the National Terminal Building was completed
1996	March	Kagoshima airport surpassed a total of one hundred million passengers.
	April	Japan Air Commuter established Kagoshima - Takamatsu route..
		Japan Air System (JAS) placed MD-90 in service on Kagoshima - Tokyo route.
		JAL placed B777 in service on Kagoshima - Tokyo route.
	August	The 10th anniversary of JAL's Kagoshima-Tokyo route
		Korean Air Lines established regular charter services on Kagoshima - Pusan route.
1997	September	Sora no Hi' (The Sky Day) festival was held at Kagoshima Airport as a main site.
	October	J-Air established Kagoshima - Hirosimanishi route.
		Japan Air Commuter established Kagoshima - Hirosimanishi route.
	December	Expansion construction on the International Terminal Building was completed
1998	August	JAL placed B777-300 in service on Kagoshima - Tokyo route.
	September	ANA placed B777-300 in service on Kagoshima - Tokyo route.
1999	March	Control Systems and other facilities moved to a new building

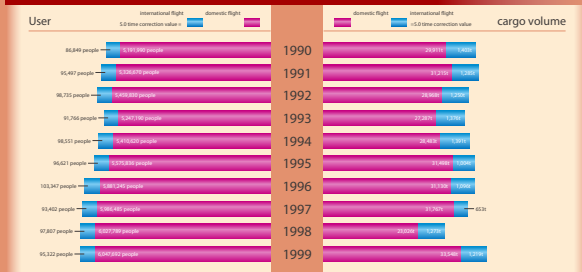


Domestic flight terminal building that was extended a building and replaced



New public office building where it provided with new control tower

Transition of number of airport users and handling cargo volume of 1990-1999



Riding airline



Domestic flight going into service chart of 1999



International flight going into service chart of the 1990's



2000~2010

History of Kagoshima airport 2000~2010

2001	April	The Fair Inc. (IBEX Airlines) established Kagoshima - Hiroshimanishi route.
	August	Oriental Air Bridge established Kagoshima - Nagasaki route.
2002	April	Skymark Airlines established Kagoshima - Tokyo route.
	August	China Eastern Airlines established Kagoshima - Shanghai route.
2003	February	Japan Air Commuter placed the Q400 in service.
2004	April	Japan Air System became Japan Airlines Japan
		Every Air Nippon became ANA.
2005	August	JAL and Korean Air began code sharing.
	December	Opening of a natural spa footbath 'OYATTOSA.'
2006	February	Ana established Kagoshima - Kobe route.
		JAL established Kagoshima - Kobe route and Kagoshima - Okinawa route.
	September	The last flight of the YS-11, an all Japanese produced passenger airplane. (Okinerabu to Kagoshima)
	November	The first flight of Airbus A380.
2007	April	Changed the name of the observation deck from 'KANGEI (welcome) DECK' to 'TENBO (observation) DECK,' and introduced free admission.
	September	Skynet Asia Airways established Kagoshima - Tokyo route.
2008	March	Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd. decided to develop the first Japanese-made passenger jet plane, 'MRJ.'
	April	Hong Kong Express Airways established Kagoshima - Hong Kong route.
2009	February	Skynet Asia Airways established Kagoshima - Okinawa route.
	July	Fuji Dream Airlines established Kagoshima - Shizuoka route.
	November	ANA and Oriental Air Bridge set code-share flight between Kagoshima and Nagasaki.
2010	September	Skymark Airlines established Kagoshima - Kobe route.



December Departure YS-11 that retired from commercial flight for Kagoshima on the end



Airport building interior where new Hongki building old Hongki



Kagoshima airport of 2010

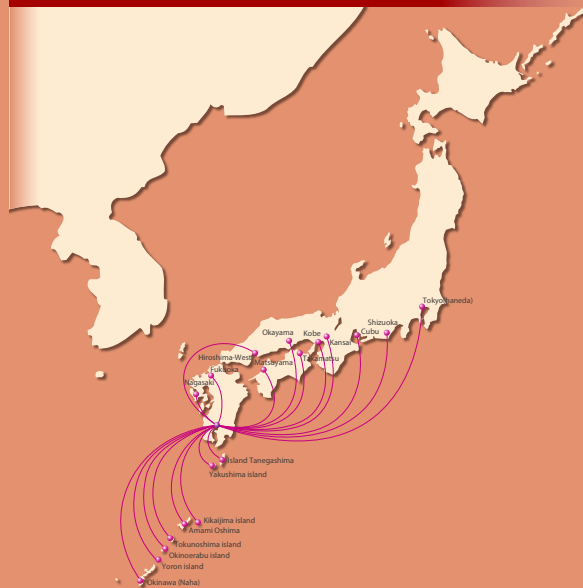
Transition of number of airport users and handling cargo volume of 2000-2009



Riding airline



Domestic flight going into service chart of 2010



International flight going into service chart of the 2010

