



GKN Driveline in Japan



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Partners in performance

GKN Driveline is a premier partner of the automotive industry worldwide. Producing driveline components for leading vehicle manufacturers from 49 locations in 31 countries. 21,000 GKN Driveline people focus their energy and imagination on finding new ways to provide added value for customers, drawing on the world's widest range of driveline components and technologies to engineer total systems that deliver improved performance, for many vehicle configurations.

Our roots in the Japanese automotive market go deep. Forging strong partnerships based on supply reliability, product integrity and quality consistency. Today, we share our unique application capability with our customers to develop dedicated driveline solutions that meet the challenge of improved environmental performance, greater efficiency, lighter weight and enhanced reliability.



Fukushima

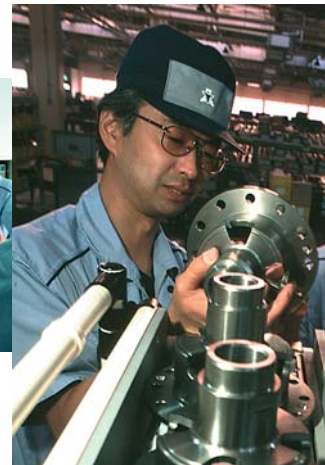
Fukushima was established by TFS in 1992 and produces Limited-Slip Differentials and free running differentials.



Partners in progress

Our commitment to the automotive industry in Japan continues to find better ways, new technologies, improved products.

GKN Driveline: partners in performance;
partners in progress; partners in Japan.



Nagoya

GKN Toyota Driveshafts was established in 1999 as a joint venture company between GKN Driveline and Toyoda Machine Works (TMW). It manufactures Sideshafts for the Japanese market.



A separate TFS manufacturing location in Nagoya (acquired from Mitsubishi in 2001) also produces Final Drive Units and Power Transfer Units.



Osaka

GKN Driveline Osaka was established in 1973 to support the commercial, purchasing and engineering functions in delivering driveline solutions to our business partners.

Oyama

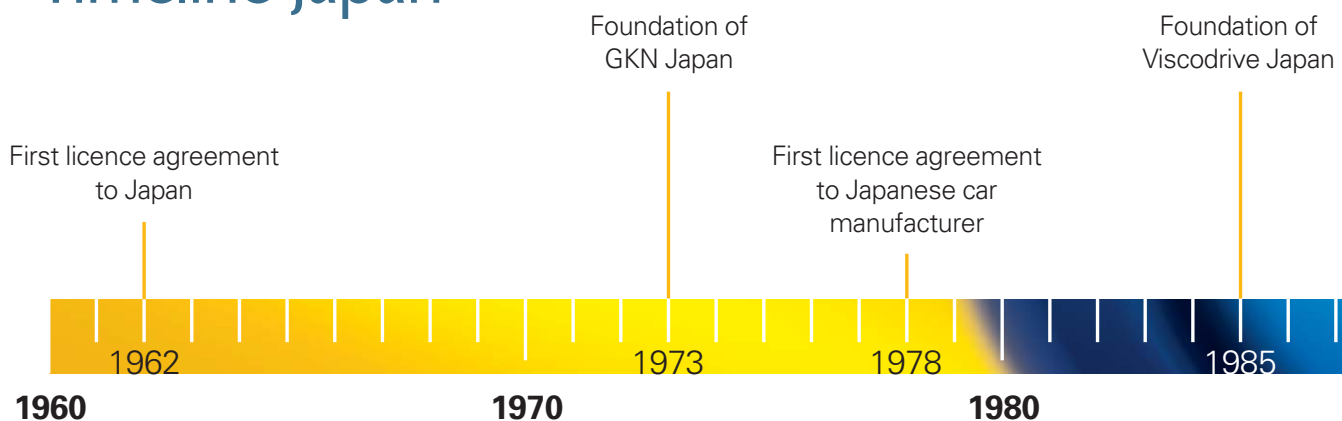
GKN Driveline's Research and Product Development Centre in Oyama is dedicated to improving the performance of automotive driveline systems. A team of specialist engineers share with customers the challenges of value engineering, reducing weight, economising on fuel, and developing systems that contribute positively to more reliable motoring.



Established in 1985 Viscodrive Japan was created to combine state of the art technology with high quality mass production of Viscodrive products.

Both facilities are located together.

GKN Driveline Timeline Japan



Tokyo

GKN Driveline Tokyo was set up in 1985 to promptly serve customers in the Tokyo area.

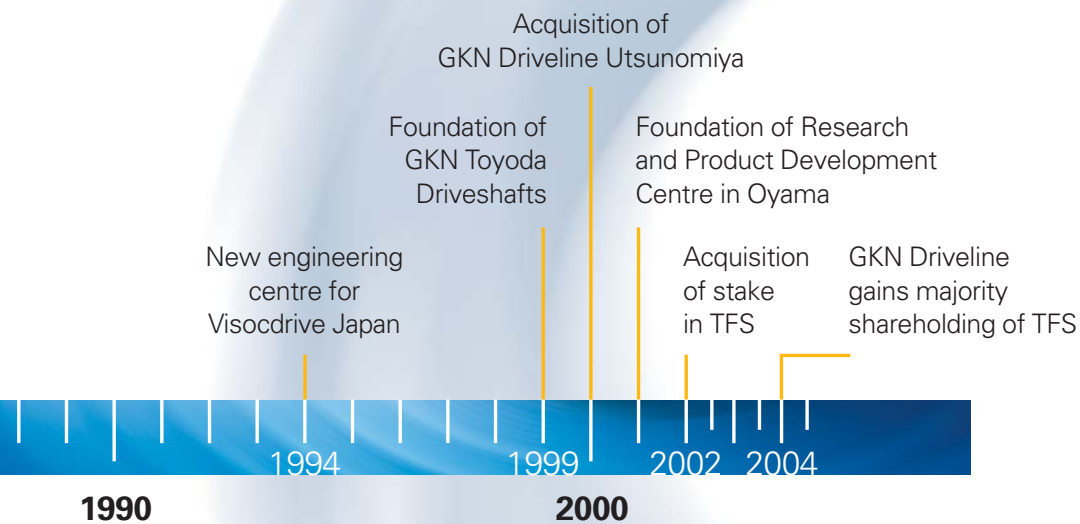
Tochigi

Tochigi Fuji Sangyo (TFS) was founded in 1952. Tochigi specialises in the design and manufacture of driveline components.



Utsunomiya

GKN Driveline Utsunomiya was acquired from Nissan in 2000 and produces Sideshafts for the Japanese vehicle market as well as for customers outside Japan.



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Together, GKN Driveline and TFS supply the widest range of products across the vehicle driveline.

GKN Driveline and TFS have significant histories in Japan. In 1952 TFS was formed, and in 1962 the first GKN Driveline products were manufactured under licence in Japan.

GKN Driveline and TFS started working together in 1985 with the establishment of the joint venture, Viscodrive Japan, which manufactures viscous couplings.

In 2002 an alliance was formed when GKN Driveline acquired a stake in TFS. The relationship was strengthened in 2004 when GKN Driveline increased its shareholding.

Today we command a leading position in the Japanese market.

Working in partnership, we serve our customers from seven manufacturing locations in Japan and a dedicated research and product development centre in Oyama.



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