

Message from the Director of the Office of Institutional Research

We are pleased to present the *KYUSHU UNIVERSITY FACT BOOK 2024*. The *KYUSHU UNIVERSITY FACT BOOK* has been published annually since 2017 under the leadership of the university's Office of Institutional Research (IR Office). As you will observe in the main text, this book contains a wealth of accumulated data revealing changes over time. These data not only reflect the university's historical trajectory but also enable projections for its future. We encourage you to explore the diverse range of survey items, including university rankings, research activities across disciplines, industry-university collaborations, student demographics, and financial status. Through this information, we aim to enhance your understanding of Kyushu University's strengths and areas for improvement.

The *FACT BOOK* is intended for both internal and external audiences. Kyushu University's endeavors are sustained by the support of external stakeholders. By reviewing this publication, we hope you will gain deeper insights into our activities and continue to endorse our mission. We also welcome your feedback and guidance on aspects where further progress is needed. For members of the university community, this *FACT BOOK* serves as a resource for discussions on reforms and improvements aligned with “*KYUSHU UNIVERSITY VISION 2030*.” Policies grounded in the objective data presented here are more likely to be perceived as valid, thereby facilitating smoother consensus-building.

In addition to this PDF version, an interactive edition of the *FACT BOOK* is available, allowing users to select, display, and compare specific datasets. Please visit the IR Office website (<https://www3.ir.kyushu-u.ac.jp/>) to access this tool. Furthermore, the “*KPI Digest Edition*”—previously published to track progress toward Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) outlined in Kyushu University's Designated National University Corporation Vision and 4th Mid-term Objectives and Plans—has now been upgraded to the “*KYUSHU UNIVERSITY VISION 2030 Progress Report*.” We invite you to utilize this resource as well.

Beyond the *FACT BOOK*, the IR Office continuously aggregates and analyzes data from across the university. To strengthen our capacity for institutional evaluation and support reforms, we sincerely request your ongoing guidance and collaboration.

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