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Forecast of International Passenger Traffic at Kansai International Airport for Golden Week 2026

Kansai Airports today announced the forecast of international passenger traffic, including both Japanese and non-Japanese passengers, at Kansai International Airport (KIX) during the upcoming Golden Week (12 days from Wednesday, 29 April, to Sunday, 10 May).

International passenger forecast during Golden Week 2026

	Passengers	Daily Average	Change vs 2025
Departure	387,000	32,250	77%
Arrival	392,800	32,730	87%
Total	779,800	64,980	82%

*Golden Week 2025 was 12 days from 25 April to 6 May.

Peak departure & arrival forecast

	Departure		Arrival	
	No. 1	Saturday, 2 May	37,700 pax	Thursday, 30 April
No. 2	Sunday, 3 May	37,500 pax	Tuesday, 5 May	34,500 pax
No. 3	Friday, 1 May	36,200 pax	Sunday, 10 May	33,800 pax

Top 3 popular destinations based on departing passenger traffic forecast

	2026 Forecast (12-day total)		2025 Actual (12-day total)	
	No. 1	South Korea	135,400 pax (109%)	China
No. 2	Southeast Asia	76,400 pax (116%)	South Korea	123,960 pax
No. 3	China	48,500 pax (31%)	Southeast Asia	65,650 pax

Note: Figures for Golden Week 2025 are sourced from the Osaka Regional Immigration Bureau.

International departure passenger numbers include both Japanese and non-Japanese travelers

Figures in parentheses indicate the percentage change compared with Golden Week 2025.



Kansai Airports was established by a consortium made up of VINCI Airports and ORIX Corporation as its core members. Kansai Airports took over the operations of Kansai International Airport (“KIX”) and Osaka Itami Airport (“ITAMI”) from New Kansai International Airport Company (“NKIAC”) and has been operating the two airports since 1 April 2016.

Kansai Airports Kobe, Kansai Airports’ wholly-owned subsidiary, took over the operations of Kobe Airport (“KOBE”) from Kobe City and started its business as an operating company on 1 April 2018.

Under the concept of “One Kansai Airports Group”, Kansai Airports group strives to continuously improve its services for all airport guests through appropriate investments and efficient operations, with safety and security being the top priority. Kansai Airports group aims to maximize the potential of the three airports, for the benefit of the communities they serve.

For more information, please visit : <http://www.kansai-airports.co.jp/en/>

Kansai Airports

Location	1-banchi, Senshu-kuko kita, Izumisano-shi, Osaka	Shareholders	ORIX 40%, VINCI Airports 40%, Other investors 20% ¹
Company Representatives	Representative Director and CEO:Yoshiyuki Yamaya Representative Director and Co-CEO: Benoit Rulleau		
Business Scope	Operation and management services, etc. of Kansai International Airport and Osaka Itami Airport		

Kansai Airports Kobe

Location	1-ban, Kobe-kuko, Chuo-ku, Kobe-shi, Hyogo	Shareholder	Kansai Airports 100%
Company Representatives	Representative Director and CEO: Yoshiyuki Yamaya Representative Director and Co-CEO: Benoit Rulleau		
Business Scope	Operation and management services, etc. of Kobe Airport		



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For more information: www.vinci-airports.com

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