

# Corporate History

- 1896** Kawasaki Dockyard Co., Ltd., established by Shozo Kawasaki.
- 1939** Corporate name changed to Kawasaki Heavy Industries, Ltd.
- 1950** Kawasaki Steel Corporation established by separating steel division from Kawasaki Heavy Industries.  
First president, Yataro Nishiyama.
- 1951** Opened Chiba Works.
- 1953** Blast Furnace No. 1 is blown in at Chiba Works.
- 1961** Opened Mizushima Works.
- 1967** Blast Furnace No. 1 is blown in at Mizushima Works.
- 1974** Established Companhia Siderurgia de Tubarao in Brazil.
- 1976** Commenced engineering and construction operations.
- 1984** Commenced chemical operations.  
Invested in California Steel Industries, Inc., in the United States.
- 1986** Embarked on the 1st Five-Year Plan.
- 1988** Determined a new corporate philosophy.
- 1989** Established Armco Steel Co., L.P., in the United States.
- 1990** Commenced large-scale integrated circuit (LSI) operations.
- 1991** Embarked on the 2nd Five-Year Plan.  
LSI Utsunomiya Works goes on-stream.
- 1993** Revised the 2nd Five-Year Plan.
- 1994** Commenced bridge and steel structure operations.
- 1995** Finished modernization at Chiba Works.
- 1996** Embarked on Mid-Term Management Plan
- 1999** Embarked on 2nd Mid-Term Management Plan
- 2000** 50 th anniversary of establishment of Kawasaki Steel Corporation