Tucked in between tall buildings and expressways are parks with lush greenery where time flows quietly. Even in this digital age, traditions and culture dating back to the Edo Period can still be glimpsed on the streets. The world-leading metropolis of Tokyo has many faces, which defy simple description. These faces of the city are constantly undergoing change by the 13 million people who live here. This booklet shows today’s Tokyo from various perspectives, including urban functions, industry, culture, environment, and everyday life. We hope it has given you an opportunity to think about the direction in which this city is heading.

Tokyo is a kaleidoscope of attractive features.

- Many were amazed that the people of Tokyo did not panic during the 2011 earthquake but followed instructions and calmly set out for home.
- Washoku (traditional Japanese food culture) is a UNESCO intangible cultural heritage.
- Tokyo has 3,620 sushi bars.
- The average longevity of Tokyo residents is 79.0 years for men and 85.5 years for women.
- Tokyo has four distinct seasons, with cherry blossoms, the beach, autumn leaves, and snow.
- It’s a comfortable place to live with average temperatures around 16.4°C (61.5°F).
- People find and turn in to the police an average 9.38 million yen in cash per day!