

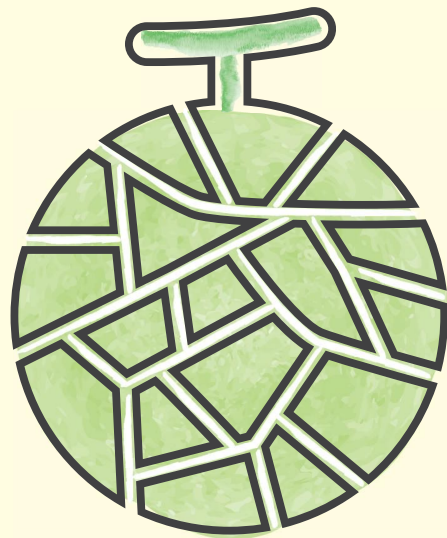
# LIVING in KUNNEPPU



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# VISITING KUNNEPPU



KUNNEPPU  here!★

It is sold at popular convenience stores, too!



Kunneppu sauce pork  
cutlet rice bowl

**Sauce**

is the secret!

Famous pork cutlet rice bowl  
with rich and sweet  
soy sauce-based flavor.



Kunneppu sauce cutlet brand ambassador  
Pork Cutlet Girl KURUNE



You can enjoy the  
special pork cutlet at...



## Restaurant "Fukuyoshi"

Sauce pork cutlet was born here! You can also  
try Kunneppu pudding.



Address:  
37 Motomachi, Kunneppu  
Open: 11:00-14:00, 17:00-20:30  
Closed on Sunday

## Cafe "Ekichaya"

Super-sized!

Address: 170 Omachi, Kunneppu  
Open: 11:00-15:00, 17:00-20:00  
(Sundays and national holidays:  
11:00-15:00)  
Closed on Thursday  
(open if national holiday)



## Pub "Kita no Akachochin · Ogi"



Local pork with exclusive  
sauce!

Address:  
27 Asahimachi, Kunneppu  
Open from 17:00  
Closed on Sunday

## Restaurant "Musashi"



Also popular for dinner  
events!

Address:  
82 Omachi, Kunneppu  
Open: 17:00-23:00  
Closed on Sunday

## Soba Shop "Shimizuya"

Soba(buckwheat noodles) and Udon(thick Japanese  
noodles) combo is popular!



Address:  
5 Omachi, Kunneppu  
Open: 11:00-15:00, 17:00-20:00  
Closed every 2nd and 4th  
Saturday

## Pub "Fuji"

Tasty aged sauce and super sized Gyoza  
(Chinese meat dumplings) are famous!



Address:  
54 Motomachi, Kunneppu  
Open: 11:00-13:30, 17:00-23:00  
Closed during lunchtime on  
Wednesday

# Activities

Admission fees at the public facilities are so reasonable!

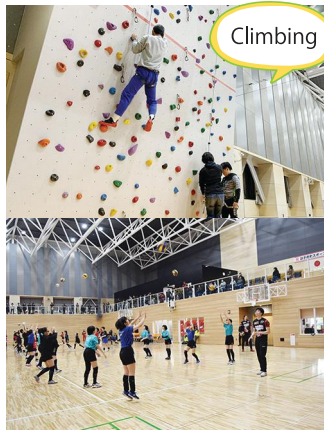
## Sports Center

The new Sports Center was opened in April 2019. This is where you can enjoy various sports with an arena, a training gym with various kinds of equipment, and a 6-meter-high climbing wall.

Admission fee is only ¥100.



Training equipment



Climbing

Address: 400 Higashimachi, Kunneppu  
Closed on Monday (when Monday is a national holiday, it is closed the next day) and during the New Year's holidays (Dec 30-Jan 4)

## Swimming Pool KAPPA

There are also a kids pool, a lazy river, and a water slide.



Address: 400 Higashimachi, Kunneppu (next to the Sports Center)  
Open from Apr 29-Nov 10  
Admission fee: adults ¥300, high school students and senior citizen ¥200, elementary and junior high school students ¥100

## Recreation Park

There is an observation deck where you can see the entire town from, a BBQ house, a park with playground equipment, a water fountain, a baseball diamond, and a ski slope. There are also three sculptures so it is enjoyable for art lovers as well.

You can enjoy cherry blossoms in full bloom from Sakura no oka in early May.



(However, it depends on the temperature.)

Sculptures in nature



Sculpture 2019 "Something Getting Up"



The water play area is open from early in June to the middle of September.

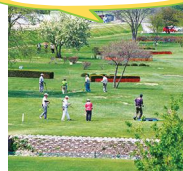


The ski slope is open from the middle of December to late in February. The lift is free of charge.

Address: Kyosei, Kunneppu

## Park Golf Course

Admission ¥300/day



54 holes, 2,516 meters



Address: Kiyozumi, Kunneppu (next to the riverbed of Tokoro River)  
Open from Apr 29-Nov 3



# Enjoy Fun events in Kunneppu

July Town Festival "Furusato Matsuri"



This summer festival is held mainly at the riverbed of Tokoro River. Many people visit the night before for the lantern parade and fireworks, and the main festival the next day with various unique events and stands.

September Autumn Festival "Aki Matsuri"



To celebrate the harvest, this festival is held in fall. Don't miss many stands of yo-yo fishing, shooting games, tasty grilled chicken, Takoyaki (octopus dumplings), chocolate bananas, and more. Also, you'll enjoy kids dance and brass band performances on stage.

February Freezing Festival "Samusamu Matsuri"



This is the winter festival by the locals for kids and adults. Don't miss snow sculptures, ice slides that kids love, a tug of war contest, character shows on top of the snow stage, and more!

# Relax

100% pure natural hot spring

Spa



Address: 69 Honami, Kunneppu

Open from Noon to 22:00

Closed on Monday and New Year's Day

(when Monday is a national holiday, it is closed the next day)

Admission fee: Adults ¥ 390, Kids ¥ 140

# Lodging

Tabi no Yado Kunneppu Inn



Address: 81 Omachi, Kunneppu

Fukushi Inn



Address:

79 Motomachi, Kunneppu



# Special souvenirs from Kunneppu

Don't forget to look for the following at CITY mart Kunneppu, A-COOP Kunneppu, or other local supermarkets.

## Hinode-men Udon noodles

Everybody's favorite! You'll be addicted to its chewy texture similar to Japanese rice cake.



Address: 262 Hinode, Kunneppu  
Open from 8:30 to when production is finished  
Closed on Saturday, Sunday, national holidays, and some other weekdays

## Ota Brewery MISO (soybean paste)

- "Suzuran Miso" • • Handmade with the sweet taste of malted rice.
- "Sagohachi" • • • Ingredient of fermented malted rice.
- "Shirokoji" • • • Ingredient for sweet sake.
- "Kotobuki shoyu" • • Store brand soy sauce.



Address: 32 Higashimachi, Kunneppu  
Open: 8:00-17:00 Closed on Sunday

## Kanno Honey Farm

## Honey

With a long history of four generations, they've sold pure natural honey for many years.



### Record of Awards

- 2000 • • Prize of excellence from the Daily Agriculture Record Awards by The Mainichi Newspaper
- 2011 • • Winner of the Mayor of Sapporo Award from the COOP Sapporo Agriculture Awards
- 2015 • • "Award acknowledging great activity for the promotion of food education in Hokkaido" by the government of Hokkaido  
Chosen as "Northern High Grade Food Product +2015"

Address: 34 Nakamachi, Kunneppu  
Open 9:00-18:00 Ask the shop about days off

## Kirakira Hompo Shiso (Japanese herb) juice

This is made from shiso harvested in Kunneppu. No water or additives are added. This juice is made with sugar and two kinds of vinegar.



Get this juice at Cafe Tampopo in the town hall  
Address: 398 Higashimachi, Kunneppu  
Open 10:00-15:00  
Closed on Saturday, Sunday and national holidays

# More and more people are moving into Kunneppu

## Living Support

### ■ Maximum subsidy ¥3,000,000

#### ■ Counterplan subsidy for settling vacant houses

If you buy or rent a house in order to move into Kunneppu, you can get up to ¥3,000,000 to buy or renovate. Please ask the staff of the town government for more details.



## Elderly Support

### ■ Transport support for elderly

Taxi . . . ¥300 Bus . . . ¥300

Elderly who are 75 years old or older can use a taxi or bus for ¥300.

※Taxi fee is applied only inside the town.  
Bus fee is applied in certain sections.



※Amounts of Living and Work Support are examples for when conditions are met.

## Child Rearing Support

### ■ For 0 to 15-year-old citizens, fees for medical treatment are

**FREE!** (exceptions apply)

### ■ Childcare fee for 3 to 5-year-old children is

**FREE!** (Kindergarten)  
(except the lunch fee)

### ■ Free childcare tickets for 3-month to 1-year-old children can be issued.

## Working Support

### ■ Startup farming support project

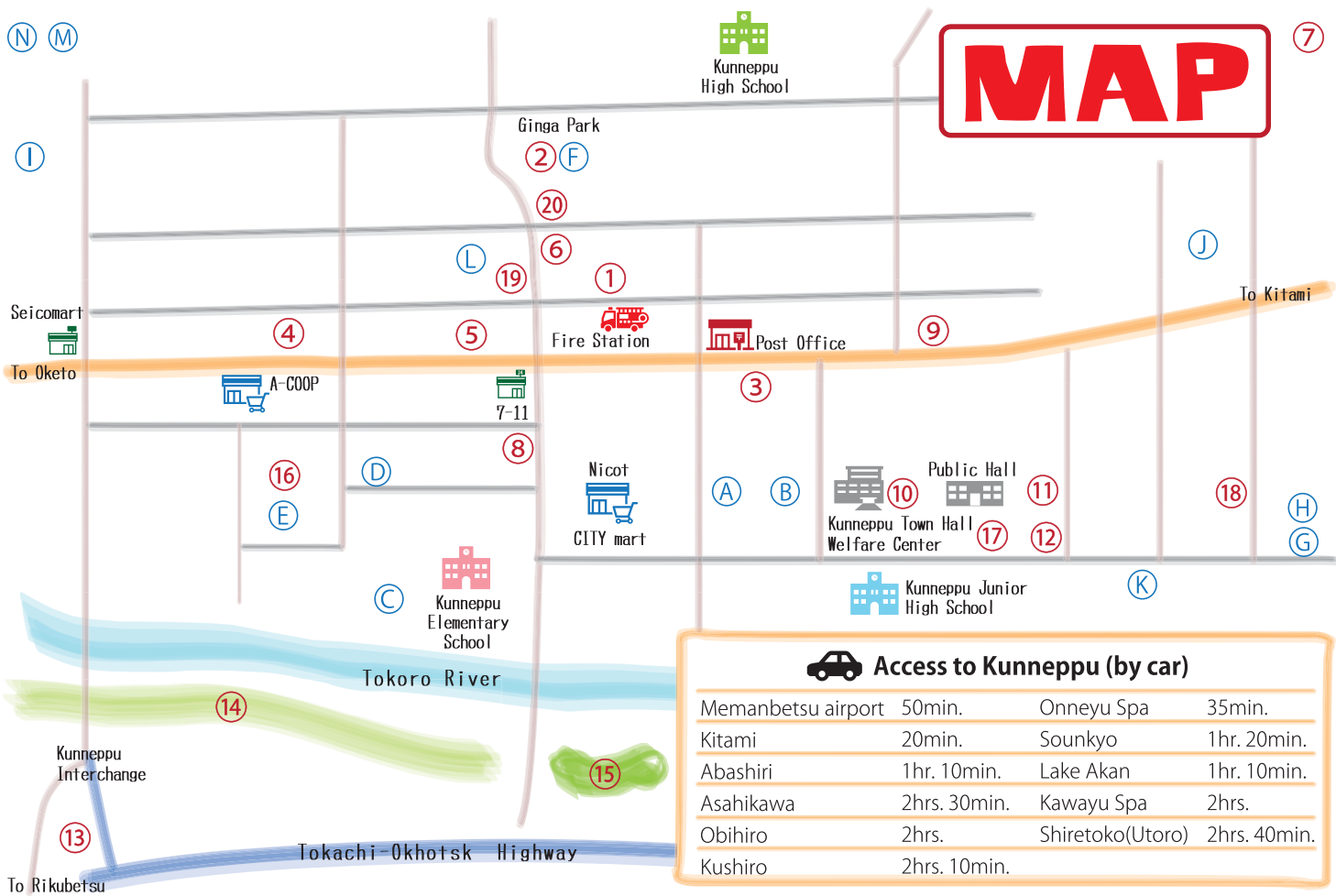
Settlement fund Up to ¥1,000,000  
Working capital Up to ¥1,200,000

### ■ Startup business support project

2/3 of expenses up to ¥3,000,000 if you buy or put up a building to start a new business in town.

### ■ Shop renewal support project

1/2 of expenses up to ¥500,000 if you renovate your shop .



### Access to Kunneppu (by car)

Memambetsu airport	50min.	Onneyu Spa	35min.
Kitami	20min.	Sounkyo	1hr. 20min.
Abashiri	1hr. 10min.	Lake Akan	1hr. 10min.
Asahikawa	2hrs. 30min.	Kawayu Spa	2hrs.
Obihiro	2hrs.	Shiretoko(Utoro)	2hrs. 40min.
Kushiro	2hrs. 10min.		

### Food

- ① Fukuyoshi
- ② Ekichaya
- ③ Kita no Akachochin
- ④ Musashi
- ⑤ Shimizuya
- ⑥ Fuji

### Shopping

- ⑦ Hinode-men
- ⑧ Kanno Honey Farm
- ⑨ Ota Brewery
- ⑩ Cafe Tampopo (inside the town hall)

### Activities

- ⑪ Sports Center
- ⑫ Swimming Pool
- ⑬ Recreation Park
- ⑭ Park Golf Course

### Enjoy

- ⑮ Town Festival site
- ⑯ Autumn Festival site
- ⑰ Freezing Festival site

### Relax

- ⑱ Spa

### Lodging

- ⑲ Tabi no Yado Kunneppu Inn
- ⑳ Fukushi Inn

### Education

- Ⓐ Child rearing support center "Hidamari"
- Ⓑ Kindergarten "Wakuwakuen"
- Ⓒ Child Center "Yumeyumekan"
- Ⓓ Public library
- Ⓔ Kunneppu History Museum
- Ⓕ Interactive agriculture center "Kuru Neppu"

### Welfare

- Ⓖ Retirement home "Kunneppu Seijuen"

- Ⓗ Nursing home "Honami"

- Ⓘ Welfare institution for the disabled "Mori no Kaze"
- Ⓙ Group home "Haruru"

### Industry

- Ⓚ Ajinomoto Food Hokkaido Inc.
- Ⓛ Kunneppu Lime Industry Inc.

### Research

- Ⓜ Kitami Agricultural Experiment Station
- Ⓝ Hokuren Kunneppu Demonstration Farm



# Welfare

## Enhanced welfare facilities

The town government has been trying to enhance the welfare system so that everyone can live in peace and safety. Starting with the opening of “Kunneppu Seijuen”, in April 1990 “Honami”, “Haruru”, and “Mori no Kaze” were opened to make the town more people friendly.

### Retirement home “Kunneppu Seijuen”



The very first welfare facility in Kunneppu. There is a retirement home, short stay service, and day service.

■ Capacity  
Retirement home • • 60  
Short stay service • • 10  
Address: 69 Honami, Kunneppu

### Nursing home “Honami”



This facility is for people who are 60 or older and have difficulties with family support.

■ Capacity: 17  
Address: 69 Honami, Kunneppu

### Group home “Haruru”



This facility is for elderly people who have dementia. They can live together with a small group of others.

■ Capacity: 18  
Address: 67 Honami, Kunneppu

### Welfare institution for the disabled “Mori no Kaze”



This is the very first disabled welfare facility in Kunneppu.

■ Capacity • • 10 each male and female (including 1 each for short stay service)  
Address: 75 Wakabamachi, Kunneppu

# Industry

## Companies and research institutions that support Kunneppu

### Ajinomoto Food Hokkaido Inc.



Established in 1969  
Capital: ¥ 50,000,000  
Number of employees:  
Around 150  
Address: 423 Higashimachi,  
Kunneppu

### Kunneppu Lime Industry Inc.



Established in 1950  
Capital: ¥ 20,000,000  
Number of employees: 60  
Address: 86 Omachi, Kunneppu

# Research

### Hokkaido Research Organization, Agricultural Research Department Kitami Agricultural Experiment Station



Established in 1907  
(moved from Kitami in 1959)  
Number of employees: 38  
Address: 52 Yayoi, Kunneppu

### Hokuren Kunneppu Demonstration Farm



Established in 1963  
Number of employees: 51  
(including temporary employees  
and students)  
Address: 184 Komasato,  
Kunneppu



## Child rearing support center “Hidamari”

This facility provides information and consultation to pregnant women and parents of young children. This facility also provides childcare services.



Address: 71 Asahimachi, Kunneppu

Closed on Sunday, national holidays, and Dec 30-Jan 4

This facility is for pre-elementary school children and their parents who live in Kunneppu.

## Child center “Yumeyumekan”

This facility is for children who are home alone after school (Kids Club members) and any children who wants to come and play together.



Address: 147 Sakaemachi, Kunneppu

Closed on Sunday, national holidays, and Dec 30-Jan 4

This facility is for children who are in the 1st grade-6th grade of elementary school.

## Public library

This library provides a wide range of books as “A library for everyone”.



Address: 42 Nakamachi, Kunneppu

Closed on Sunday, national holidays, and Dec 30-Jan 4

Open from 10:00 to 18:00 (Mon-Fri), 10:00 to 15:00(Sat)

※Open until 19:00 on Wednesday from May-October.

## Kunneppu History Museum

You can learn Kunneppu's history, life, and culture through the exhibits.



Address: 50 Nakamachi, Kunneppu

Before visiting, please ask the staff of the town hall.

## Interactive agriculture center “Kuru Neppu”

This is located adjacent to the former train station. You can try processing food which are harvested at nearby farms.



Address: 92 Motomachi, Kunneppu



Building community through individual development.

## Kindergarten "Wakuwakuen"

Opened in April 2016, it has capacity for 200 children under the age of 1 to pre-primary school. They offer both care and education. Larch from Kunneppu and Japanese cypress from its sister town Tsuno are used in the building, and by taking advantage of natural energy the atmosphere is really warm.



It is really helpful because we parents work on Saturdays as well as New Year holidays.

### Other voices (up to 2018)

- Not only homeroom teachers but also the whole staff is considerate.
- Every child is well taken care of.
- Teachers and parents have good communication.
- We appreciate teachers because they help the children to tidy their lives and promote their growth by letting them spend time in a group and great atmosphere.
- The teachers are so kind.
- They always see from parents' point of view in every situation.
- Every event is so exciting!
- My kids are leaving soon, and we already miss the teachers because they have been so good to us.



**Childcare fee is FREE**  
**( for children 3-years-old or older)**

The fee is decided based on the income-based tax amount. For tax exempt families and for families with an income-based tax amount below ¥97,000, childcare is free.

#### ■ Childcare fee for children 2-years-old and younger (per month)

For those with:

Childcare certification (until 16:30): ¥25,740-¥47,070

Childcare certification (until 18:30): ¥28,600-¥52,300

#### ■ School lunch fee (per month)

※**Not charged for 2-year-old and younger children**

Regardless of the the income-based tax amount, the fee will be the following.

For those with:

Educational certification (until 13:00): ¥4,200

Educational certification + Additional childcare (until 16:30): ¥5,800

Childcare certification(both until 16:30 and until 18:30): ¥5,800  
(special case as described)

※**if there are two or more children enrolled in the kindergarten, the childcare fee and the lunch fee could be exempted based on the application.**



Address : 75 Asahimachi, Kunneppu

Closed on Sundays, national holidays, and New Years holidays

Open from 7:30 to 18:30

(Dec 30- Jan 4)

Qualification: from 6-month-old to preschool children







# Agriculture

Agriculture and produce for the people and the environment

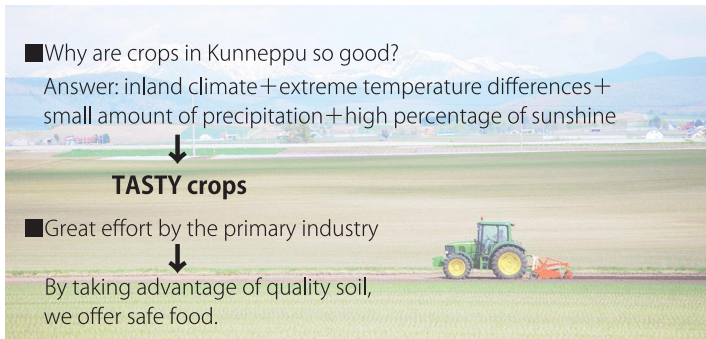
■ Why are crops in Kunneppu so good?

Answer: inland climate + extreme temperature differences + small amount of precipitation + high percentage of sunshine

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**TASTY crops**

■ Great effort by the primary industry

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By taking advantage of quality soil, we offer safe food.



Rice, onions, and potatoes used for the school lunch are all harvested in Kunneppu.

## Very Popular Kunneppu Melon



Here is the trick to growing our melons

**Patience + Love + Temperature difference**

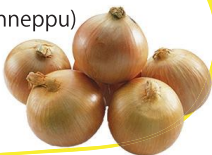
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**Sweet and mellow flavor**



## Amount of onions produced is **No.1 in Japan**

(Kitami district including Kunneppu)

Around 150 farmers grow onions with all their heart



## Amount of raw milk produced is over **30,000 tons**

There are eight free stall barns out of 39 milk farms in Kunneppu. Because of recent increases in size and to save labor, five farms have installed mechanical milking. There have been prosperous improvement in dairy cattle and they are shown at the All Hokkaido Fair.



## Agriculture in Kunneppu Big news in 2019

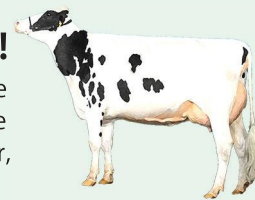
### New potato chips were released!

Potato chips made from potatoes called "Snow March" which were harvested in Kitami district were released nationwide. "Snow March" was named after the season which snow is starting to fall until the 3rd month of the year during which sweetness increases.



### A brilliant first achievement for Kunneppu!

A dairy cow from Kunneppu won the Reserve Intermediate Champion at the 17th Hokkaido General Livestock Fair, milk cow division (Holstein).



"Eli Valiant Angel Chang" won the Reserve Intermediate Champion.



Check out the chart below and try some vegetables when in season. These vegetables are perfect for gifts as well.

Harvest Time	June	July	August	September	October	November
onions			[Blue bar]			
potatoes			[Blue bar]			
autumn wheat		[Blue bar]	from late July (for about a week)			
spring wheat			[Blue bar]	from early August (for about a week)		
beet root					[Blue bar]	
sweet corn ※1			[Blue bar]			
paddy rice				[Blue bar]		
melon	[Blue bar]					

※1 Part of the crops are used for Ajinomoto Food Hokkaido Inc.





# A town being developed by townspeople.



Kunneppu Town is located in the center of the Okhotsk area. Our town is full of nature, experiences drastic changes in temperature from being in a basin, and possesses productive soil along the Tokoro River. So Kunneppu has been developed with agriculture at its heart to be abundant and highly livable.



**AREA**  
**190.95 km<sup>2</sup>**

Nearly **56%** → Mountain forest  
Nearly **40%** → Cultivated land  
Nearly **4%** → Housing lot

**POPULATION**  
**4,888**

(January 1, 2020)

## ECONOMY

- General account settlement amount in 2017(expenditure)  
¥5,331,490,000    ¥1,061,205/resident
- Flotation of loans(debt • general account) balance  
¥4,743,380,000    ¥944,145/resident (year of 2017)
- Fund (saving • general account) balance (year of 2017)  
¥4,357,900,000    ¥867,416/resident

## INDUSTRY

### 【Agriculture】

- Number of farmers 275(Members of agricultural cooperative February 2019)
- Major products ※( ) • •planted acreage in 2018  
Onion(1,407ha), Potato(775ha), Wheat(963ha), Sugar beet (857ha), Paddy rice(66ha), Melon(7ha)
- Gross production of agriculture: ¥ 14,705,950,000 (Agricultural cooperative 2018)
- Cultivated farm area: 5,928ha

### 【Dairy/Livestock farming】 (February 2019)

- Number of farms: 52
- Number of dairy/beef cattle: 6,545
- Quantity of milk per cattle: 9,659kg (year of 2018)
- Number of horses and chickens: 1,330

### 【Commerce】

- Retailers: 34
- Gross sales amount in a year: ¥1,405,880,000(year of 2016)

### 【Mining and manufacturing industry】

- Mainly agricultural materials and food manufacturing
- Production shipment value: ¥ 5,231,230,000(year of 2017)

### 【Water and sewage services】 (year of 2018)

- Diffusion rate: 96.4% (based on number of residents)
- Supply amount in a year: 807,414 m<sup>3</sup>
- Supply rate of sewerage: 83.8%(based on number of houses)



From a town questionnaire  
(March, 2017)



- An easy place to live!
- We are not affected by large disasters. etc...

**People feel that Kunneppu is safe and have few disasters.**

## Clean water • Fresh food

- The tap water is amazingly clean!
- The food is fresh and delicious! etc...

