Japanese Financial Institutions

# Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group (MUFG)

\*\*Japanese Name\*\*: 株式会社三菱UFJフィナンシャル・グループ

\*\*Major Industries\*\*: Banking, Securities, Trust Banking, Asset Management, Leasing, Consumer Finance

\*\*Year Founded\*\*: 2005

\*\*Notable Acquisitions\*\*: Acquired Union Bank in the United States in 2008

\*\*Related Businesses\*\*: Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation, Mitsubishi UFJ Securities Holdings

\*\*Fun Fact\*\*: MUFG is the largest financial group in Japan and one of the largest in the world.

# Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group (SMFG)

\*\*Japanese Name\*\*: 株式会社三井住友フィナンシャルグループ

\*\*Major Industries\*\*: Banking, Leasing, Securities, Consumer Finance, Asset Management

\*\*Year Founded\*\*: 2002

\*\*Notable Acquisitions\*\*: Acquired Nikko Cordial Securities in 2009

\*\*Related Businesses\*\*: Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, SMBC Nikko Securities, Sumitomo Mitsui Card Company

\*\*Fun Fact\*\*: SMFG is known for its strong presence in the retail banking sector and extensive international operations.

# Mizuho Financial Group

\*\*Japanese Name\*\*: 株式会社みずほフィナンシャルグループ

\*\*Major Industries\*\*: Banking, Securities, Trust Banking, Asset Management

\*\*Year Founded\*\*: 2000

\*\*Notable Acquisitions\*\*: Acquired a stake in Merrill Lynch Japan in 2006

\*\*Related Businesses\*\*: Mizuho Bank, Mizuho Trust & Banking, Mizuho Securities

\*\*Fun Fact\*\*: Mizuho Financial Group was formed from the merger of three of Japan's largest banks: Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, Fuji Bank, and the Industrial Bank of Japan.

# Nomura Holdings

\*\*Japanese Name\*\*: 野村ホールディングス株式会社

\*\*Major Industries\*\*: Investment Banking, Asset Management, Retail Brokerage

\*\*Year Founded\*\*: 1925

\*\*Notable Acquisitions\*\*: Acquired Lehman Brothers' Asian operations in 2008

\*\*Related Businesses\*\*: Nomura Securities, Nomura Asset Management

\*\*Fun Fact\*\*: Nomura is the largest investment bank in Japan and one of the leading financial services groups globally.

# Daiwa Securities Group

\*\*Japanese Name\*\*: 大和証券グループ本社株式会社

\*\*Major Industries\*\*: Securities, Investment Banking, Asset Management, Research

\*\*Year Founded\*\*: 1902

\*\*Notable Acquisitions\*\*: Acquired Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank's brokerage operations in 2016

\*\*Related Businesses\*\*: Daiwa Securities, Daiwa Asset Management, Daiwa Institute of Research

\*\*Fun Fact\*\*: Daiwa Securities Group was one of the first Japanese firms to establish a significant presence in overseas markets.

# Resona Holdings

\*\*Japanese Name\*\*: 株式会社りそなホールディングス

\*\*Major Industries\*\*: Banking, Trust Banking

\*\*Year Founded\*\*: 2001

\*\*Notable Acquisitions\*\*: Merged with Daiwa Bank and Asahi Bank in 2003

\*\*Related Businesses\*\*: Resona Bank, Saitama Resona Bank, Kansai Urban Banking Corporation

\*\*Fun Fact\*\*: Resona Holdings received a significant capital injection from the Japanese government during the financial crisis in the early 2000s.

# ORIX Corporation

\*\*Japanese Name\*\*: オリックス株式会社

\*\*Major Industries\*\*: Leasing, Real Estate, Investment Banking, Insurance, Asset Management

\*\*Year Founded\*\*: 1964

\*\*Notable Acquisitions\*\*: Acquired Robeco Group (a Dutch asset management firm) in 2013

\*\*Related Businesses\*\*: ORIX Bank, ORIX Life Insurance, ORIX Real Estate

\*\*Fun Fact\*\*: ORIX started as a leasing company and has since diversified into various financial services and real estate.

# Japan Post Bank

\*\*Japanese Name\*\*: 株式会社ゆうちょ銀行

\*\*Major Industries\*\*: Banking, Savings, Insurance

\*\*Year Founded\*\*: 2006

\*\*Notable Acquisitions\*\*: None

\*\*Related Businesses\*\*: Japan Post Holdings, Japan Post Insurance

\*\*Fun Fact\*\*: Japan Post Bank is one of the largest holders of personal savings in Japan due to its extensive postal savings system.

# Shinsei Bank

\*\*Japanese Name\*\*: 株式会社新生銀行

\*\*Major Industries\*\*: Banking, Consumer Finance, Investment Banking

\*\*Year Founded\*\*: 2000

\*\*Notable Acquisitions\*\*: Acquired GE Capital's Japanese business in 2008

\*\*Related Businesses\*\*: Shinsei Financial, Showa Leasing

\*\*Fun Fact\*\*: Shinsei Bank was created from the ashes of the Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan, which went bankrupt during the Japanese financial crisis in the 1990s.

# Fukuoka Financial Group

\*\*Japanese Name\*\*: 株式会社ふくおかフィナンシャルグループ

\*\*Major Industries\*\*: Regional Banking, Consumer Finance

\*\*Year Founded\*\*: 2007

\*\*Notable Acquisitions\*\*: Merged with Kumamoto Family Bank in 2008

\*\*Related Businesses\*\*: Bank of Fukuoka, Kumamoto Bank, Juhachi-Shinwa Bank

\*\*Fun Fact\*\*: Fukuoka Financial Group is the largest regional bank holding company in Japan, serving primarily the Kyushu region.