

# Since 1929

Akebono was founded as Japan's first brake lining (friction material) manufacturer at the dawn of the Japanese automotive industry.

**1** **1960** First phase of transition  
Launched as a comprehensive brake manufacturer

**2** **1986** Second phase of transition  
First full-scale overseas expansion



**1958**  
Akebono resin brake shoes and disc brake linings are used on Japanese National Railways' Kodama express trains



**1982**  
AD Type disc brakes win the Fiscal 1981 Japan Society of Mechanical Engineers Medal



**1986**  
Establishes Ambrake Corporation as a joint venture with General Motors in the United States



**1929**  
Founded as Japan's first brake lining manufacturer at the dawn of Japan's motorization



**1960**  
Signs brake-related technical assistance agreement with a global brake manufacturer Bendix Corporation in the United States



**1996**  
Acquires equity interest in PT. Tri Dharma Wisesa in Indonesia (currently PT. Akebono Brake Astra Indonesia)  
First step to establish a business foundation in Asia

Net sales trend

