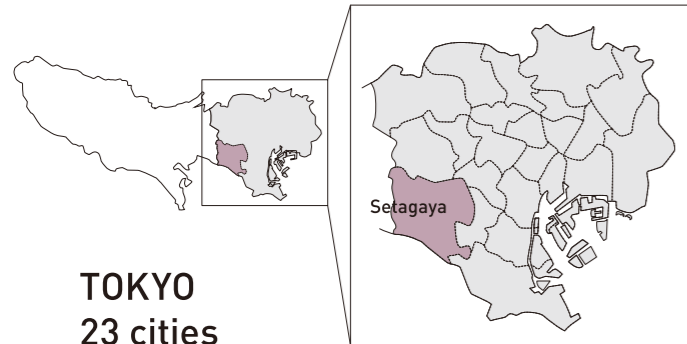


LOCATION of Setagaya



Setagaya City is located in the southwest part of Tokyo's 23 cities. The City of Setagaya is bounded by Meguro City and Shibuya City to the east, Suginami City and Mitaka City to the north, Komae City and Chofu City to the west and Ota City to the south. Across the Tama River on the south, we also face Kawasaki City, Kanagawa Prefecture. It is approximately 58km² and is the second largest city in Tokyo - after Ota City - and about six times larger than the smallest city, Taito City. The main rivers are the Tama, Nogawa, Sengawa, Yazawagawa and Marukogawa rivers. The terrain consists of plateaus and lowlands, and there is a long area with steep slopes and uneven levels along the Tama River. There are also many woods and agricultural areas, mainly near the riverside. This is a part of Tokyo with a lot of greenery.

Within the city there are expressways and avenues such as Metropolitan Expressways Route No3 and 4, Kannana-dori Avenue and Kanpachi-dori Avenue, as well as elevated and underground railways to the center of Tokyo. Setagaya is a residential city with about 60% of its land area used for residential purposes, mainly because it is close to the center of Tokyo.



5 Districts of Setagaya

Setagaya has a variety of faces, depending on which part of it one views. To promote community development efforts that highlight these unique characteristics, the city was divided into five districts-taking into consideration the everyday needs of residents, traffic concerns, and trends in the city's development-each with its own District Administration Office. The following section will introduce each of these districts.

