

# Investor Information (As of March 31, 2004)

**Founded:**

September 1905

**Incorporated:**

June 1911

**Employees:**

8,586 (Consolidated 26,179)

**Fiscal Year:**

April 1— March 31

**General Meeting:**

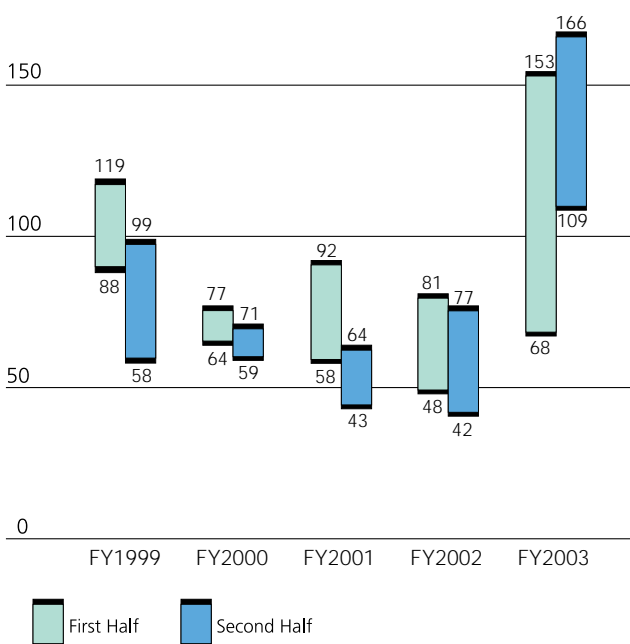
The ordinary general meeting of the Company's stockholders is usually held in Kobe, Japan in June of each year.

**Distribution of Shares:**

	Number of stockholders	Thousands of shares
Japanese financial institutions	139	1,219,519
Japanese securities companies	91	25,157
Other Japanese corporations	1,610	506,215
Japanese individuals and others	171,033	912,773
Foreign investors	327	261,359
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>173,200</b>	<b>2,925,023</b>

**Common Stock Price Range:**

(Yen) (Tokyo Stock Exchange)



**Listings and Quotations:**

Kobe Steel is listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, the Osaka Securities Exchange and the Nagoya Stock Exchange in Japan. American Depositary Receipts for common stock are traded over the counter in the United States.

**Depository for American Depositary Receipts:**

The Bank of New York Company, Inc.  
 101 Barclay Street, New York, NY 10286, U.S.A.  
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 URL: <http://www.adrbny.com>

**Public Notices:**

The Nihon Keizai Shimbun  
 The Kobe Shimbun

**Transfer Agent & Office:**

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