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Need Cash in Japan? Visit 7- Eleven

Beginning 11 July 2007 ATMs at 11,700 7-Eleven convenience stores all over Japan will accept foreign-issued bank cards. Cards with VISA/PLUS, MasterCard/Cirrus and American Express logos on them will all be accepted to withdraw yen from the machines. Language options for the ATM screen and receipts will include English, Korean, Chinese, and Portuguese. According to Seven Bank President, Mr. Takashi Anzai, the ATMs are located in 7-Eleven convenience stores and Ito Yokado general stores in 31 Prefectures. This is great news for business and leisure travellers, as it will make getting money so much easier anywhere in Japan! Currently only foreign banks, such as Citibank, and Post Office ATMs accept non-Japanese bank cards.

Other ATMs in Japan that accept foreign issued ATM cards

- Citibank branches in major cities. For example, Tokyo, Kyoto, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe and Kyoto.
- A useful option for travelers all over Japan, including the countryside, is Yucho, Japan's postal savings bank. 26,000 Post Office ATM's, located throughout Japan, take foreign-issued ATM cards and have English menus.
- Note that ATM's outside major cities in Japan are usually not 24-hour and may shut down at night.

For more information please visit www.sevenbank.co.jp/intlcard/index2.html