









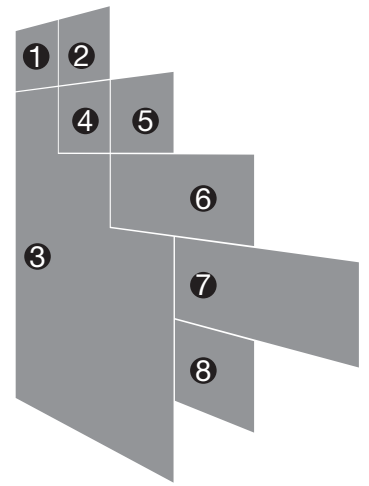
# Milestones 1907 - 2010

## History of AGC Group

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| New medium-term management plan "Grow Beyond-2012" started.   | 2010 | 2002–<br>Toward Global<br>Management<br>Scheme |   |
| Glass Company and Electronics Company established.  | 2009 |  |   |
| Management policy <b>Grow Beyond</b> introduced.  | 2008 |  |   |
| <b>AGC</b> Group brand unified as "AGC."<br>Asahi Glass Company's 100th anniversary   | 2007 |  |   |
| Electronics & Energy General Division established.  | 2005 |  |   |
| " <b>JIKKO</b> " management policy introduced.  | 2004 |  |   |
| Glaverbel made into a wholly owned subsidiary.<br>AGC Group Vision " <b>Look Beyond</b> " formulated.<br>Global In-House Company System introduced.                                 | 2002 |  |   |
| AFG Industries, Inc. of the U.S.A acquired.   | 1992 |  | 1950–2001<br>Era of Growth<br>and Expansion |
| Asahi Glass Foundation creates the "Blue Planet Prize" to honor those who help solve environmental problems.  | 1991 |  |   |
|  Asahi Glass acquires Glaverbel S.A. glass company in Belgium.                                   | 1981 |  |   |
|  Manufacture of automotive glass begins.<br>The Indo-Asahi Glass Co., Ltd. established in India. | 1956 |  |   |
|  Asahi Glass moves into the cathode-ray tube (CRT) glass bulb business.                          | 1954 |  |   |
| Asahi Glass Company incorporated.   | 1950 |  |   |
| Shoko Glass Co., Ltd. established in China.   | 1925 | 1907–1949<br>The Early Years                   |   |
|  Asahi Glass Company founded in Amagasaki, Hyogo Pref.   | 1907 |  |   |

## Products & Technologies of AGC Group

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| 2010 | Sales of <b>FONTET</b> ™, a commercial plastic optical fiber enabling the world's highest transmission speed launched.   |    |
| 2006 | Fluon® highly functional ETFE fluoropolymer film selected for the main stadium and the venue for aquatics events at the Summer Games in Beijing.                                       |    |
| 2004 | Fluon® highly functional ETFE fluoropolymer film utilized at the Munich stadium, the venue for the opening match of the football (soccer) world competition in Germany.                |    |
| 1999 | Mass production of "PD200" glass substrate for plasma display panels (PDPs) begins.  |   |
| 1998 | Mass production of a new alkali-free glass for TFT LCDs begins.  |   |
| 1990 | "CYTOP™" transparent fluoropolymer developed.  |   |
| 1980 | AZEC System of caustic soda manufacturing using ion-exchange membrane developed.   |   |
| 1975 | Production of "Asahi Guard™" fluorinated water and oil repellents and "Aflon COP" fluorinated resins begins.<br>Ion-exchange membrane method for manufacturing caustic soda developed. |   |
| 1966 | Production of float glass begins.  |    |
| 1961 | Asahi Glass moves into organic chemicals, manufacturing propylene oxide and propylene glycol.  |    |
| 1954 | Production of double-glazing units begins.   |   |
| 1938 | Production of tempered glass and laminated glass begins.   |   |
| 1933 | Caustic soda production using lime process begins.   |   |
| 1928 | Production of ordinary sheet glass using Fourcault process begins.   |   |
| 1917 | Japan's first soda ash produced using ammonium method.   |   |
| 1916 | Production of refractories begins at the Amagasaki Plant.  |    |
| 1909 | Production of Belgian-type hand-blown sheet glass, the first sheet glass successfully manufactured in Japan, begins.   |   |



- ❶ Fluoropolymer-based plastic optical fiber (FONTEX™)
- ❷ TFT LCD glass substrates
- ❸ Liège-Guillemins Station, Belgium / ©AGC Glass Europe
- ❹ Automotive glass
- ❺ Glass substrates for hard disk drive
- ❻ Fluon® ETFE Film
- ❼ Solar panels / Spain  
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- ❽ Synthetic quartz glass

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