More than 80 years of history

- 1935: Tokyo Denki Kagaku Kogyo K.K. (TDK) established for commercial production of ferrite cores
- 1937: Mass production of ferrite cores begins
- 1938: First TDK office outside Japan opens in Los Angeles
- 1951: Mass production of ceramic capacitors begins
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- 1960: TDK subsidiary established in Dusseldorf
- 1961: TDK shares listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange
- 1965: TDK Synchro Cassette Tapes introduced
- 1966: TDK shares listed on the New York Stock Exchange
- 1967: Thin-film magnetic heads from TDK enable amazingly high recording density
- 1968: The world’s first cassette tape designed by TDK specifically for music and revolutionizing entertainment
- 1970: TDK Super Avilyn Video Cassette VHS format introduced
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- 1978: High-density recording magneto-resistive (MR) heads introduced
- 1979: TDK Technical Center completed in Chiba prefecture, Japan
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- 1982: Super-advanced TDK multilayer technology sets new dimensions in miniaturization and performance
- 1986: SAE Magnetics, a Chinese magnetic head manufacturer, joins the TDK Group
- 1987: TDK shares listed in the Tokyo Stock Exchange
- 1988: Magnetic heads using amorphous materials introduced
- 1989: Company name changes to TDK Corporation
- 1990: TDK's recording media sales business transferred to Imation, a US-based data storage products manufacturer
- 1994: High-density recording magneto-resistive (MR) heads introduced
- 1995: TDK's Development of Ferrite Materials and Their Applications recognized as IEEE Milestone
- 1996: Micronas, a manufacturer of magnetic sensors, joins the TDK Group
- 1997: Hutchinson Technology, a US-based manufacturer of HDD suspension assemblies, joins the TDK Group
- 1998: InvenSense, a US-based manufacturer of inertial sensors, joins the TDK Group
- 1999: Tronics Microsystems, a French and US-based MEMS inertial sensor specialist company joins the TDK Group
- 2000: EPCOS, one of the biggest electronic components manufacturers, joins the TDK Group
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- 2020: Micronas, a manufacturer of magnetic sensors, joins the TDK Group

Four Great World-Class Innovations by TDK

Innovation 01: Ferrite

Innovation 02: Music cassette tapes

Innovation 03: Fine multilayering technology

Innovation 04: Thin-film head technology