

Government of Japan

Relief Operations following Tohoku-Pacific Earthquake and Tsunami

A massive relief effort is currently under way to deal with the aftermath of this unprecedented disaster. Some key statistics indicating the scale of the challenge as well as what has been achieved so far, correct as of 2 April 2011, are as follows:

No. of dead: 12,020

No. of people whose whereabouts are unknown: 15,512

No. of people rescued: 26, 632

No. of confirmed displaced persons: 165,282

The relief operation has principally involved people and equipment from these organisations:

Self-Defence Force (SDF)

No. of personnel: about 106,900

No. of aircraft: 534 (209 helicopters, 325 fixed-wing)

No. of ships: 51

Police

No. of officers: 2,690

No. of aircraft: 10

Fire service

No. of personnel: 1,555

No. of teams: 449

Maritime Safety Agency

No. of vessels: 54

No. of aircraft: 19

The latest situation concerning the distribution of emergency supplies is shown below:

Distribution of emergency supplies (as of 2 April 2011, 00:00 hours)

	Item type	Delivered		In transit/being prepared for transport
			Compared with same time previous day	
Foodstuffs /water	(single meal portions)			
	bread	5,202,705	+150,000	2,264,000
	instant noodles	1,764,146	+100,000	184,380
	onigiri, mochi, cooked rice	2,416,009	+30,141	432,016
	polished rice	2,575,398	+33,333	523,334
	other items (canned goods, etc)	3,489,221	+350,200	417,408
	Foodstuffs total	15,447,479	+663,674	3,821,138
	drinking water (bottles)	5,954,742	+192,160	472,956
Everyday items	toilet paper (rolls)	307,936	+0	80,000
	nappies (individual)	266,462	+0	0
	ordinary medicines (boxes)	229,284	+600	0
	masks (individual)	3,251,222	+0	100,000
Fuel	petrol, etc. (litres)	14,548,000	+2,562,000	261,000