

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 8 April 2011, are as follows:

No. of dead: 12,750

No. of people whose whereabouts are unknown: 14,706

Total number of dead and missing: 27,456

No. of people rescued: 26, 666

No. of confirmed displaced persons: 157,732

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

Self-Defence Force (SDF)

No. of personnel: about 105,700

No. of aircraft: 495 (206 helicopters, 289 fixed-wing)

No. of ships: 50

Police

No. of officers: 2,957

No. of aircraft: 9

Fire service

No. of personnel: 1,125

No. of teams: 321

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 7 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	6,716,705	+423,000	2,095,000
	instant noodles	1,987,030	+30,000	500,000
	onigiri, mochi, cooked rice	2,790,452	+40,000	610,000
	polished rice	3,202,036	+20,000	246,665
	other items (canned goods, etc)	4,437,671	+215,364	1,161,002
	Foodstuffs total	19,133,894	+728,364	4,612,667
	drinking water (bottles)	6,642,417	+40,276	314,388
Everyday items	toilet paper (rolls)	327,936	+0	60,000
	nappies (individual)	266,800	+0	90,000
	ordinary medicines (boxes)	229,284	+0	5,000
	masks (individual)	4,380,442	+0	100,000
Fuel	petrol, etc. (litres)	15,341,000	+66,000	0