

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 15 April 2011, are as follows:

No. of dead: 13,551

No. of people whose whereabouts are unknown: 14,563

Total number of dead and missing: 28,114

No. of people rescued: 26,668

No. of confirmed displaced persons: 139,272

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

Self-Defence Force (SDF)

No. of personnel: about 106,350

No. of aircraft: 480 (194 helicopters, 286 fixed-wing)

No. of ships: 49

Police

No. of officers: 5,020

No. of aircraft: 9

Fire service

No. of personnel: 697

No. of teams: 188

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 14 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	8,672,705	+140,000	280,000
	instant noodles	2,260,016	+40,000	80,000
	onigiri, mochi, cooked rice	3,150,452	+40,000	80,000
	polished rice	3,312,236	+10,000	20,000
	other items (canned goods, etc)	5,684,022	+205,492	577,150
	Foodstuffs total	23,079,431	+435,492	1,037,150
	drinking water (bottles)	7,026,621	+78,480	228,096
Everyday items	toilet paper (rolls)	379,695	+51,215	0
	nappies (individual)	350,658	+31,488	9,056
	ordinary medicines (boxes)	229,284	+0	3,698
	masks (individual)	4,380,442	+0	0
Fuel	petrol, etc. (litres)	15,341,000	0	0