

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 19 April 2011, are as follows:

No. of dead: 13,949

No. of people whose whereabouts are unknown: 13,678

No. of people rescued: 26, 669

No. of confirmed displaced persons: 136,253

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

Self-Defence Force (SDF)

No. of personnel: about 106,550

No. of aircraft: 500 (183 helicopters, 317 fixed-wing)

No. of ships: 50

Police

No. of officers: 3,500

Fire service

No. of personnel: 557

No. of teams: 159

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 18 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	9,079,705	+87,000	261,000
	instant noodles	2,420,016	+0	120,000
	onigiri, mochi, cooked rice	3,285,452	+27,500	82,500
	polished rice	3,332,236	+0	0
	other items (canned goods, etc)	6,400,372	+37,000	854,493
	Foodstuffs total	24,517,781	+151,500	1,317,993
	drinking water (bottles)	7,254,717	+0	624,816
Everyday items	toilet paper (rolls)	379,695	+0	0
	nappies (individual)	359,714	+0	0
	ordinary medicines (boxes)	229,284	+0	3,698
	masks (individual)	4,380,442	+0	0
Fuel	petrol, etc. (litres)	15,341,000	0	0