

A Message to All Consumers

Miyagi Prefecture

Here in Miyagi Prefecture, we are inspecting radiation levels in agricultural, forestry and fishery products with the cooperation of the prefectural municipalities, Japan Agricultural Cooperatives, farmers' markets, fish markets and other concerned institutions. We will only allow safe products to be shipped out for sale.

Furthermore, all institutions concerned are carrying out their own individual inspections in order to confirm the safety of distributed food products.

Please enjoy the wonderful agricultural and marine products our Food Kingdom Miyagi has to offer without any concerns.



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Governor of Miyagi Prefecture Yoshihiro Murai

▶ During FY 2023, we conducted thorough inspections on 195 varieties of products (6,303 items), screened 1 varieties of products (5,587 items) and non-destructive tested 5 varieties of products (2,890 items), thus inspecting a total of 196 varieties of products (14,780 items).

Those products confirmed through testing to have radiation levels below the allowed standards (100 Bq/kg for general foods, 50 Bq/kg for raw milk) are sent to market for consumption.

The main products that were inspected are as follows. We will continue into FY 2024 to inspect the products based on the directions issued by the national government and ensure the safety of our food products.

◆ **Agricultural Products: 52 varieties of products, 308 items inspected**

Grains: rice, barley(two-rowed barley,six-rowed barley), wheat, soy beans, summer buckwheat, fall buckwheat

Vegetables: strawberries, cucumbers, cabbage, potatoes, Japanese white radishes, onions, tomatoes, eggplants, green onions, Chinese cabbage, spinach, etc.

Fruits: plums, persimmons, Asian pears, apples, etc.

◆ **Forestry Products: 40 varieties of products, 3,416 items inspected**

Mushrooms: log-cultivated shiitake (outdoor), bed-cultivated shiitake, etc.

Wild vegetables and plants: ostrich ferns, bamboo shoots, Japanese angelica sprouts, leafy wasabi, Japanese butterburs, brackens, etc.

◆ **Livestock Products: 2 varieties of products, 5,599 items inspected**

raw milk, beef (dry cow screened)

◆ **Fishery Products: 102 varieties of products, 5,457 items inspected**

Saltwater fishery products: fat greenling, Japanese littleneck clams, flatfish, Japanese common squid, flounders, yellowtail, chub mackerel, Pacific cod, farm-raised coho salmon, farm-raised Pacific oyster, farm-raised hoyo (sea pineapple), farm-raised wakame, etc.

▶ You can also check the results of all inspections conducted from March 2011 up until this point on the following websites:

Miyagi nuclear power Information : <https://www.r-info-miyagi.jp/r-info/>

*You can check the radioactivity measurement results of each production area on the map.

Miyagi Prefecture Food Industry Promotion Division:

<https://www.pref.miyagi.jp/soshiki/syokushin/nuclear-index.html>

*You can obtain the necessary information from the uploaded Excel documents.

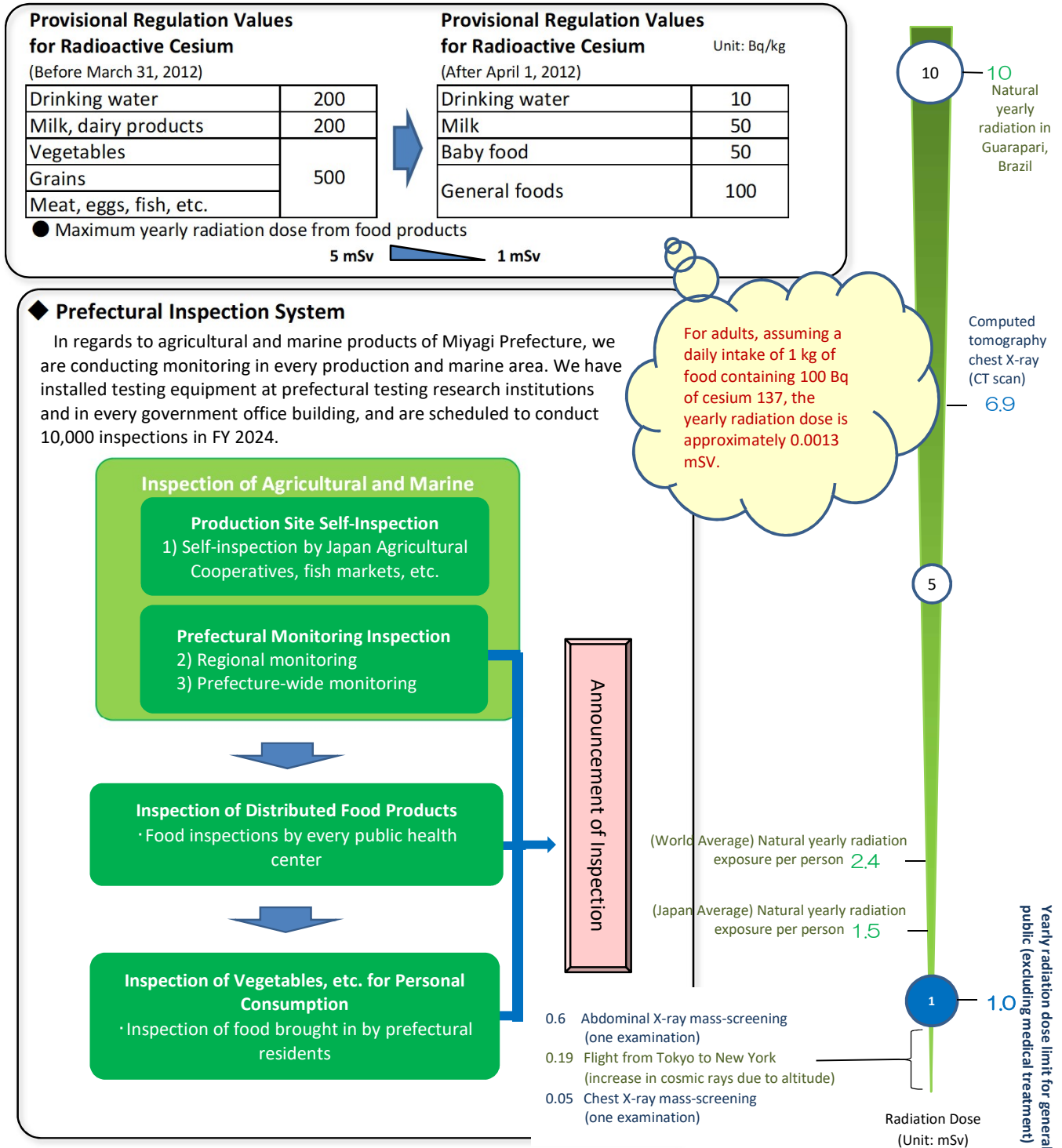


Ensuring Food Product Safety

◆ Concerning Permissible Levels of Radiation

While food products adhering to previous provisional regulations have been regarded to have no negative effects on health, in order to further ensure food product safety, the radiation dose limit from consumption of foods which contain radioactive materials has been lowered from 5 mSv to 1 mSv per year, and new permissible levels of radiation have been established based on this.

Within Miyagi Prefecture, we have developed an inspection system based on the new permissible levels of radiation. Conducting inspections at each stage of the production and distribution process, we will work to ensure food product safety.



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