

(Provisional translation)

Press release

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The Nagano Prefectural Government has implemented inspections of freshwater fish (Japanese smelt) produced in Nagano Prefecture. The results of the inspections show that radioactive materials are not detectable in the sample.

The Nagano Prefectural Government has implemented inspections of Japanese smelt that will have peak fishing season in upcoming months. The result of the inspection shows that both radioactive iodine and radioactive cesium are not detectable in the sample. The Nagano Prefectural Government will continue to implement inspections on agricultural products periodically, in order to ensure security of the residents of Nagano Prefecture.

Result of the inspection

Sample	Radioactive iodine (I-131)	Radioactive cesium		Sampling site	Sampling date
		Cs-134	Cs-137		
Japanese smelt (<i>Hypomesus nipponensis</i>)	Not detectable	Not detectable	Not detectable	Suwa Lake	31 August, 2011

Detection limit is about 3 Bq/kg. "Not detectable" means that radioactivity is lower than the detection limit.

Date of inspection: 31 August, 2011

Inspection facility: Nagano Environmental Conservation Research Institute

[Provisional Regulation Value]

Fish- Radioactive iodine (I-131): 2,000 Bq/kg, Radioactive cesium: 500 Bq/kg