

(Provisional translation)

Press release

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The results of radioactive substances monitoring for fresh water fish (common carp) farmed in Nagano prefecture.

The Nagano Prefectural Government implemented inspections of common carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) sampled at an aquaculture farm in Nagano Prefecture. Neither radioactive iodine nor radioactive cesium was 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		
Common carp (<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>) (farmed)	Not detectable	Not detectable	Not detectable	Saku City	14 December, 2011

Detection limit is about 3 Bq/kg for both radioactive iodine and radioactive cesium. "Not detectable" means that radioactivity is lower than the detection limit.

Date of inspection: 16 December, 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

Nagano Prefecture Government implemented the monitoring in a main production area before the end of year when demand for common carp is increasing. The Government will continue to conduct inspections on radioactive materials for the wide range of major items and main production areas in order to confirm their safety.

You can see the past monitoring results for agriculture products at following the website (in Japanese only):

<http://www.pref.nagano.lg.jp/nousei/nousei/housyanou/housyasen3.htm>