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Safety inspections of fisheries products on radioactive materials

The Gunma Prefectural Government implemented inspections of the whitespotted char sample taken from Akagi-onuma Lake on 15 September to confirm safety. The inspection results provided on 20 September showed that the radioactive cesium exceeded the provisional regulation value.

In response to this, the Gunma Prefectural Government decided to maintain its request to voluntarily refrain from catching trout in Akagi-onuma Lake.

1. Inspection area

Akagi-onuma Lake (Maebashi City)

2. Fisheries products inspected

Whitespotted char (*Salvelinus leucomaenis*), wild

3. Sampling date

15 September, 2011

4. Date of inspection result

20 September, 2011

5. Summary of the inspection results

Radioactive cesium was 563 Bq/kg for the whitespotted char sample. Radioactive iodine was not detectable.

6. Results of sampling inspection

Analysis facility: Environmental Technical Co., Ltd.

Sampling area	Fish species	Level of radioactive materials (Becquerel/kg)			
		[Detection limit: 50 Becquerel/kg]			
		Radioactive cesium			Radioactive iodine
Cs-134	Cs-137	Total			
Akagi-onuma Lake	Whitespotted char (<i>Salvelinus leucomaenis</i>)	262	301	563	Not detectable

* Provisional regulation value for fish

Radioactive cesium (combined value of Cs-134 and Cs-137) : 500 Becquerel/kg

Radioactive iodine: 2000 Becquerel/kg

*Not detectable means that radioactivity is below the detection limit of the detector. The detection limit is 50 Bq/kg for each of cesium-134, 137 and radioactive iodine.