FY2014 Radioactive Material Monitoring of Aquatic Organisms (October to November)

1. Survey Overview

Samples of aquatic organisms (algae, aquatic insects, crustaceans, shellfish, fish, and amphibians, etc.) were collected mainly in Fukushima Prefecture and concentrations of radioactive cesium and radioactive strontium in the samples were measured (survey period: October 21, 2014, to November 15, 2014).

In order to clarify the environment of the water areas where aquatic organisms live, surveys were also conducted on general items concerning water and sediments (COD, TOC, SS, and turbidity, etc. for water samples and TOC, ignition loss, and grain size distribution, etc. for sediment samples) and activity concentrations in these water areas.

The following water areas were selected based on the results of the past Radioactive Material Monitoring of Aquatic Organisms and Radioactive Material Monitoring in the Water Environment in and around Fukushima Prefecture, as well as the results of the measurement of radioactive materials in fisheries products conducted by other relevant organizations and interviews with local fishermen.

- (i) Rivers: Abukuma River, Uda River, Mano River, Niida River, and Ota River
- (ii) Lakes: Lake Hayama, Lake Akimoto, Lake Inawashiro
- (iii) Sea areas: Off the mouth of the Abukuma River, off Soma City, off Iwaki City

\bigcirc Survey locations and dates

A	rea	Targeted water areas	Zone	Item	Survey dates	Remarks		
	А		Shinfuna Bridge to the Iinoentei	Aquatic organisms sampling	October 23, 2014	Algae,flora, aquatic insects, crustaceans, shellfish, fish, amphibians, fallen leaves, etc.		
	A		Dam; Harase River (a tributary)	Water/sediment sampling	October 21, 2014	(Water sampling) A-1, A-2 (Sediment sampling) A-1, A-2		
	в		Confluence with the Matsukawa River (a tributary) to Taisho Bridge;	Aquatic organisms sampling	November 1, 2014	Algae,flora, aquatic insects, fish, amphibians, fallen leaves, etc.		
			Sumikari River (a tributary)	Water/sediment sampling	October 21, 2014	(Water sampling) B-1-B-3 (Sediment sampling) B-1-B-3		
		UL D'	Kawahira Bridge to Horiita Bridge;	Aquatic organisms sampling	October 30, 2014	Algae,flora, aquatic insects, crustaceans, fish, amphibians, fallen leaves, etc.		
	С	Uda River	Around Tamano Bridge	Water/sediment sampling	October 22, 2014	(Water sampling) C-1—C-6 (Sediment sampling) C-1, C-2, C-4 —C-6		
River area				Aquatic organisms sampling	October 26, and 31, 2014	Algae,flora, aquatic insects, crustaceans, shellfish, fish, fallen leaves, etc.		
urea	D	Mano River	Zennami Bridge to Ochiai Bridge	Water/sediment sampling	October 23, 2014	(Water sampling) D-1-D-5 (Sediment sampling) D-1-D-3, D-4a, D-5		
	Е		Kashiwagi Bridge to Sugauchi Bridge	Aquatic organisms sampling	October 23, 24, and 29, 2014	Algae,flora, aquatic insects, crustaceans, fish, amphibians, fallen leaves, etc.		
				Water/sediment sampling	October 24, 2014	(Water sampling) E-1—E-5 (Sediment sampling) E-1, E-2a, E-3 —E-5		
	F	Ota River	Yaeyoneita Bridge to Memezawa	Aquatic organisms sampling	October 23, 25, 2014	Algae,flora, aquatic insects, crustaceans, shellfish, fish, fallen leaves, etc.		
		ola River	district	Water/sediment sampling	October 25,2014	(Water sampling) F-1-F-6 (Sediment sampling) F-1-F-5		
	G	Lake Hayama		Aquatic organisms sampling	October 27, and 28, 2014	Algae,flora, aquatic insects, crustaceans, fish, fallen leaves, etc.		
	-			Water/sediment sampling	October 27,2014	(Water sampling) G-1, G-3, G-5 (Sediment sampling) G-1-G		
	н	Lake Akimoto		Aquatic organisms sampling	October 21, 2014	Algae,flora, aquatic insects, crustaceans, shellfish, fish, amphibians, fallen leaves, etc.		
				Water/sediment sampling	October 21, 2014	(Water sampling) H-1, H-3, H-5 (Sediment sampling) H-1-		
Lake area	I		North bank	Aquatic organisms sampling	October 22, and November 15, 2014	Fish, fallen leaves, etc.		
urea	•	Lake Inawashiro		Water/sediment sampling	October 22, 2014	(Water sampling) I-1, I-3 (Sediment sampling) I-1-I-4		
	J		South bank	Aquatic organisms sampling	October 22, 25, 30, and November 4, 2014	Algae, flora, aquatic insects, crustaceans, shellfish, fish, amphibian		
			Souri bank	Water/sediment sampling	October 22, 2014	(Water sampling) J-1 (Sediment sampling) J-1		
				Aquatic organisms sampling	October 30, 2014	Crustaceans, fish		
	к		Sea area in front of the Abukuma River Estuary	Water/sediment sampling	October 30, 2014	(Water sampling) K-2 (Sediment sampling) K-1-K-3		
Sea area				Aquatic organisms sampling	October 29, 2014	Seaweed,algae, crustaceans, shellfish, fish		
rea	L	Offshore of Soma City	Matsukawaura	Water/sediment sampling	October 29, 2014	(Water sampling) L-2, L-3 (Sediment sampling) L-1-L-3		
				Aquatic organisms sampling	October 29, 2014	Seaweed,algae, echinoderm, crustaceans, shellfish, fish		
	М	Offshore of Iwaki City	Offshore of Hisanohama	Water/sediment sampling	October 29, 2014	(Water sampling) M-2 (Sediment sampling) M-1-M-3		

- 2. Survey Items and Locations, etc.
 - 2.1 Survey Items

For all samples of aquatic organisms, analysis of Cs-134 and Cs-137 was conducted. Additionally, for samples of large fish higher on the food chain, crustaceans, and organisms with structure (shellfish, etc.), analysis of Sr-90 was also conducted.

With regard to surveys of water and sediments, locations where aquatic organism samples were scheduled to be collected and where clay particles and coarse particulate organic matters (dead leaves at the bottom, etc.) are supposed to accumulate due to inflows from the surrounding environment, etc. were selected for the analysis of radioactive materials and general survey items.

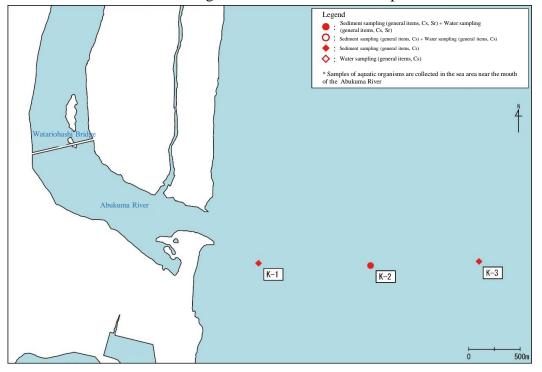
Survey items and samples for aquatic organisms, water, and sediments are as shown in the following table.

Target		Measurement item	Analyzed samples				
Aquatic	Radioactive	Radioactive cesium (Cs-134,Cs-137)	All samples				
Organisms	materials	Radioactive strontium (Sr-90)	Large fish, crustaceans, and shellfish, etc.				
	Radioactive	Radioactive cesium (Cs-134,Cs-137)	Samples collected at one to six locations for each water area				
	materials	Radioactive strontium (Sr-90)	Samples collected at one location for each water area				
		pH BPD					
Water		COD					
		DO					
	General items	Electrical conductivity	Samples collected at one to six locations for each				
		Salinity	water area				
		TOC					
		SS					
		Turbidity					
		Radioactive cesium (Cs-134,Cs-137)	Samples collected at three to five locations for each				
	Radioactive		water area				
	materials	Radioactive strontium (Sr-90)	Samples collected at one location for each water				
			area				
		рН					
Sediments		Oxidation-reduction potential					
		Water content	Samples collected at three to five locations for each				
	General items	TOC	water area				
		Ignition loss					
		Soil particle density					
		Grainsize distribution					

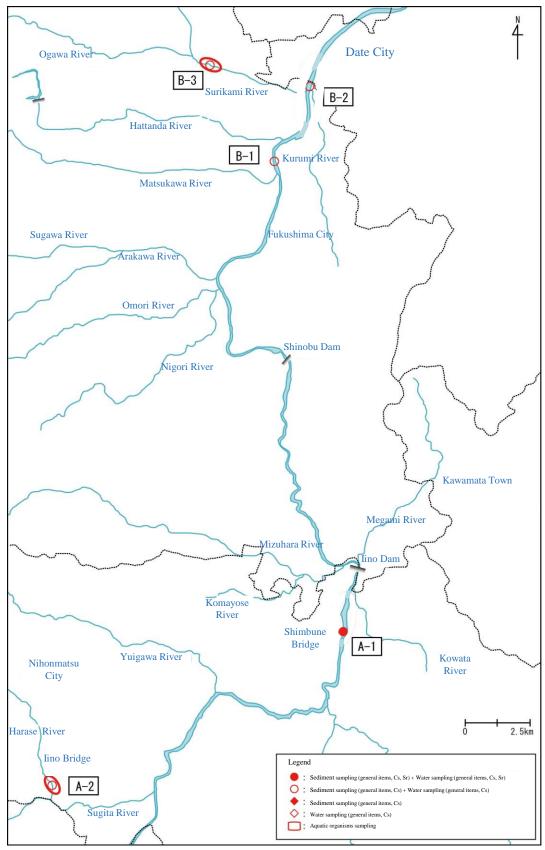
O Survey targets and items

- 2.2 Survey Locations at Respective Water Areas
- (1) Tributaries to the Abukuma River (Location A along the Abukuma River; Location B along the Abukuma River; Location K off the mouth of the Abukuma River)

As water areas where clay particles and CPOMs (dead leaves at the bottom, etc.) are supposed to accumulate topographically, Location A along the Abukuma River was set from the Harase River (a tributary to the Abukuma River) and Shinfuna Bridge (Nihonmatsu City, Fukushima Prefecture) to the Iinoentei Dam (Horai Dam), and Location B along the Abukuma River was set from the confluence with the Matsukawa River to Taisho Bridge (Date City, Fukushima Prefecture) as well as the zone where a tributary to the Surikami River inflows. Additionally, Location K was set off the mouth of the Abukuma River in order to survey the sea area in front of the mouth of the Abukuma River, where the outflow of radioactive materials through the Abukuma River is suspected.



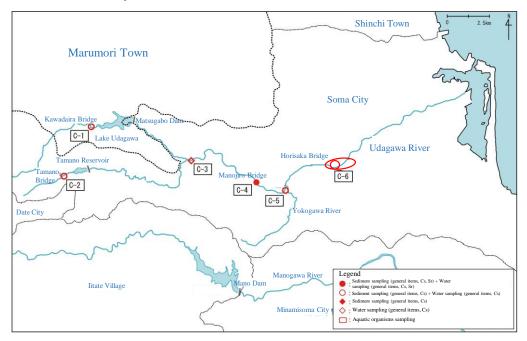
Detailed map showing Location K off the mouth of the Abukuma River



Map showing Location A and Location B along the Abukuma River

(2) Location C along the Uda River

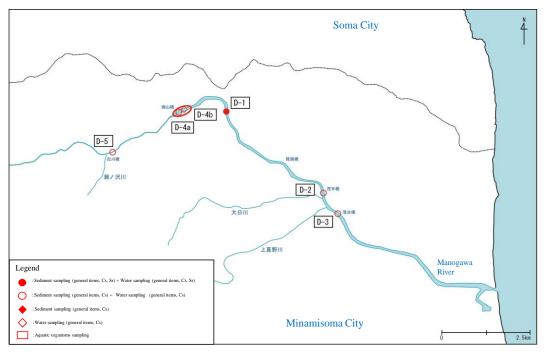
Surveys were started in the autumn term of FY2012 for the location from Kawahira Bridge to Horiita Bridge, where water flows into the Matsugafusa Dam (Lake Uda), and around Tamano Bridge, where water flows into the Tamano Reservoir (a tributary to the Tamano River).



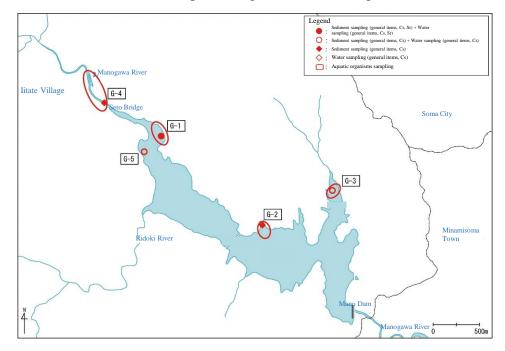
Detailed map showing Location C along the Uda River

(3) Tributaries to the Mano River (Location D along the Mano River; Location G in Lake Hayama)

Surveys were conducted at Location D along the Mano River, which covers from Yoshinami Bridge to Ochiai Bridge (Kashima Ward, Minamisoma City, Fukushima Prefecture), and at Location G in Lake Hayama, which covers the lake (Mano Dam) as a whole and inflow points.



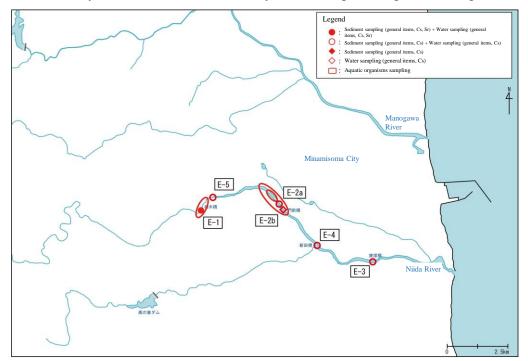
Detailed map showing Location D along the Mano River



Detailed map showing Location G in Lake Hayama (Mano Dam)

(4) Location E along the Niida River

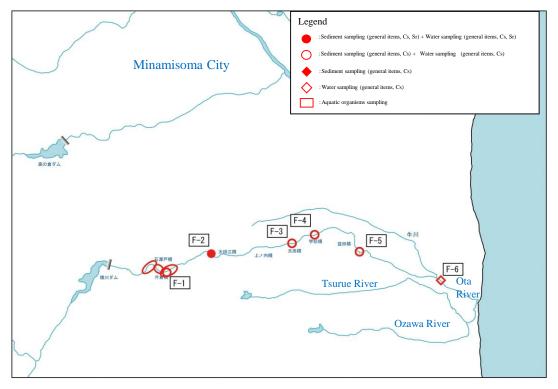
Surveys were conducted from Kayanoki Bridge to Sugauchi Bridge.



Detailed map showing Location E along the Niida River

(5) Location F along the Ota River

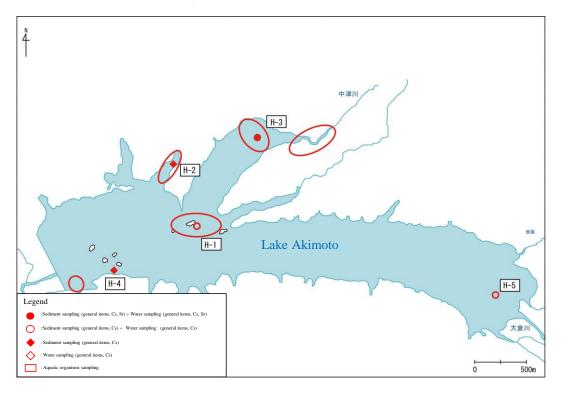
Surveys were started in the autumn term of FY2012 for the location from Yaeyonezawa Bridge to Memezawa District.



Detailed map showing Location F along the Ota River

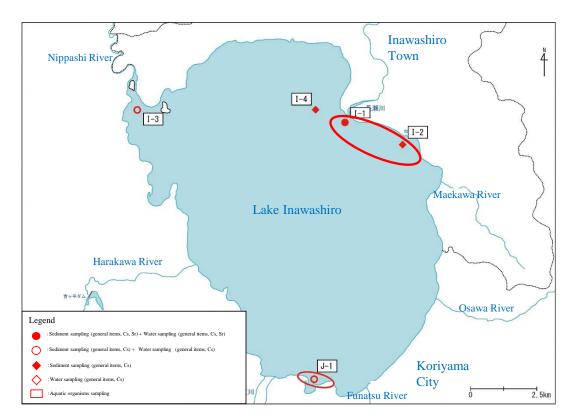
(6) Location H in Lake Akimoto

Surveys were conducted in the whole area of Lake Akimoto, the confluence with the Nakatsu River, and around Lake Akimoto.



Detailed map showing Location H in Lake Akimoto

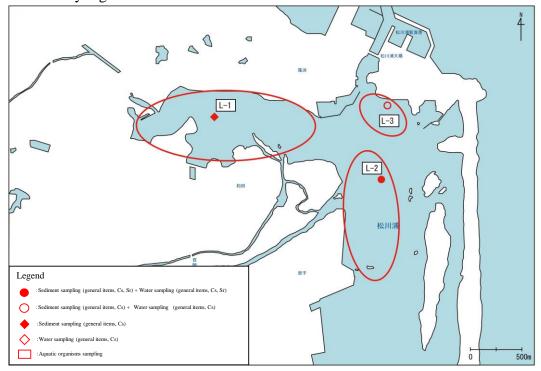
(7) Location I (North Lakeside) and Location J (South Lakeside) in Lake Inawashiro Surveys were conducted at around the point where the Nagase River inflows into Lake Inawashiro, and at around the point where lake water flows out into the Nippashi River (at the north lakeside), and at the south lakeside.



Detailed map showing Location I (north lakeside) and Location J (south lakeside) in Lake Inawashiro

(8) Location L off Soma City

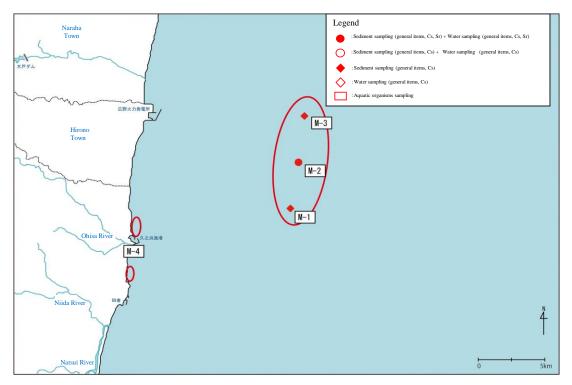
Surveys were conducted within the Matsukawaura Bay, centering on the estuary region of the Uda River.



Detailed map showing Location L off Soma City (Matsukawaura Bay)

(9) Location M off Iwaki City

Surveys were conducted off the Hisanohama Fishing Port and coastal areas in Hisanohama.



Detailed map showing Location M off Iwaki City

3. Results

Comparing concentrations of radioactive cesium in aquatic organisms in freshwater areas and seawater areas, aquatic organisms in freshwater areas showed relatively higher concentrations than those in seawater areas, as was observed in the past monitoring surveys.

Concentrations of radioactive cesium in sediment samples collected from the same river system tend to be higher for those collected at zones where water stalls (dams, etc.), and such tendency was especially notable for samples collected at points where water inflows into such zones, as was observed in the past monitoring surveys.

Concentrations of radioactive strontium in sediment samples were higher for those collected in freshwater areas, but no difference was observed between water samples collected in freshwater areas and those collected in seawater areas. This tendency was unchanged from the times of the past monitoring surveys.

(i) Rive	rs and	lakes								Unit: B	q/kg-wet
Water area		Time	Algae, Flora	Aquatic insects	Spide rs	Crustaceans	Shellfi Molluscan body	sh Shel l	Fish	Amphib ia	CPOMs (fallen leaves, etc.)
	Abuk	FY2014 OctNov.	172	75	-	27.8; 30.0 (2 species)	23.1		17.0-45 (6 species)	12.1-166 (3 species)	237
	uma River A	FY2014 AugSep.	214	21.7; 57 (2 species)	_	34.1	25.4		12.9-32.6 (7 species)	19.1-257 (3 species)	176
Abukum a River		FY2014 JunJul.	600	16; 109 (2 species)	_	36	30	-	7.0-66 (11 species)	16-274 (3 species)	313
System	Abuk	FY2014 OctNov.	119	N.D108 (5 species)	_	-	-	_	9.2-24.8 (7 species)	163	78
	uma River	FY2014 AugSep.			_	27.6	_	_	9.5-117 (22 species)	28.7-268 (3 species)	120
	В	FY2014 JunJul.	16; 202 (2 species)	7.8-132 (5 species)	—	32	—	-	6.5-51 (19 species)	11-254 (3 species)	132
		FY2014 OctNov.	199	12-114 (3 species)	_	23.9; 28.7 (2 species)	-	-	20.8-45 (4 species)	8.7	32.6
Uda Riv	ver C	FY2014 AugSep.	203	13.9-52 (3 species)	_	22.1-49 (3 species)	_	-	19.4-57 (4 species)	_	168
		FY2014 JunJul.	313	16-147 (3 species)	-	19-40 (3 species)	14	_	15-69 (8 species)	174	206
	Lake Haya	FY2014 OctNov.	22.6; 367 (2 species)	13-600 (4 species)	_	141	_	I	55-590 (6 species)	-	120
	ma G (Man o Dam)	FY2014 AugSep.	27.4; 1,480	53; 74 (2 species)	_	160	_	-	37.9-147 (4 species)	_	810
Mano		FY2014 JunJul.	104; 550 (2 species)	63; 80 (2 species)	_	_	111	_	179-1,200 (7 species)	_	640
River System	Man o River D	FY2014 OctNov.	103	26.0; 31.5 (2 species)	—	83; 89 (2 species)	104	l	61-126 (4 species)	—	116
		FY2014 AugSep.	12.8; 390 (2 species)	36.4-189 (3 species)	-	77	138	_	53; 94 (2 species)	113	317; 386 (2 species)
		FY2014 JunJul.	25; 221 (2 species)	39; 242 (2 species)	_	150-272 (3 species)	114; 202 (2 species)	_	44-293 (6 species)	50; 950 (2 species)	390
Niida River E		FY2014 OctNov.	172	25.0-550 (5 species)	_	162-187 (3 species)	-	Ι	119-280 (6 species)	43	1,180
		FY2014 AugSep.	470	111-970 (5 species)	33	229; 244 (2 species)	89	_	110-254 (7 species)	1,880	1,150
		FY2014 June-July	245	72-900 (4 species)	_	188-271 (3 species)	136	14	131-356 (6 species)	1,490	1,080
Ota River F		FY2014 OctNov.	1,860	288; 480 (2 species)	-	890; 1,010 (2 species)	404	_	118-1,830 (7 species)	-	1,040
		FY2014 AugSep.		243-820 (3 species)	-	660; 850 (2 species)	266	_	283-1,470 (6 species)	_	550
		FY2014 JunJul.	690; 1,330	404	_	770-1,160 (4 species)	212	Ι	480-2,200 (5 species)	269	_

• Outline of the measurement results of radioactive cesium (Cs-134 + Cs-137) (i) Rivers and lakes

* ND means to be below the detection limit.

* Organisms were collected in or around the targeted water areas.

* Basically, measurement was conducted for all targeted samples.
* Since the autumn term of FY2012, sampling and analysis of aquatic insects had been conducted separately for four categories (Plecoptera, Trichoptera, Odonata, and Megaloptera) (by feeding habit and type). Since the FY2014 June-July Survey, Ephemeroptera was added and sampling and analysis were conducted for five categories.

(i) Rivers and lakes (cont')

Unit: Bq/kg-wet

Water area		Time	Algae, Flora	Aquatic insects	Spide rs	Crustaceans	Shellfi Molluscan body	sh Shel 1	Fish	Amphib ia	CPOMs (fallen leaves, etc.)
Lake Akimoto H		FY2014 OctNov.	7.7; 32.7 (2 species)	28.0; 122 (2 species)	_	36.9	28.9	_	12.9-74 (8 species)	8.5; 15.2 (2 species)	72
		FY2014 AugSep.	9.7; 94 (2 species)	13.5	_	53	54	-	8.5-107 (13 species)	6.2; 46 (2 species)	61
			13; 149 (2 species)	4.4; 14 (2 species)	_	50	59	_	14-176 (13 species)	19-232 (3 species)	86
	Lake Inawas	FY2014 OctNov.	-	-	_	-	-	-	27.8-183 (4 species)	-	21.6
	hiro I (north	FY2014 AugSep.	-	-	_	-	-	_	8.5-101 (9 species)	_	31.0
Lake	lakesid e)	FY2014 JunJul.	-	_	_	-	_	_	17-148 (10 species)	_	21
Inawas hiro	Lake	FY2014 OctNov.	N.D3.47 (3 species)	2.4	_	5.1	2.88; 3.4 (2 species)	I	16.2-159 (6 species)	1.2; 9.5 (2 species)	_
	Inawas hiro J (south lakesid e)	FY2014 AugSep.	0.73-7.8	_	_	22.6	28.2	_	N.D68 (12 species)	1.9; 39 (2 species)	_
		FY2014 JunJul.	0.45-3.6 (3 species)	_	_	16	12	_	1.9-99 (10 species)	2.9-47 (4 species)	_

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(ii) Sea areas

Unit: Bq/kg-wet

Water area	Time	Seaweed, algae	Polychaet a	Sea urchin, starfish, trepang	Crustacean s	Shellf Molluscan body	ïsh Shell	Squid, octopus	Fish
Location K off	FY2014 OctNov.			_	0.28		I	I	0.43-1.5 (4 species)
the mouth of	FY2014 AugSep.			_	0.43		Ι	Ι	1.91-2.89 (3 species)
the Abukuma River	FY2014 JunJul.	Ι	Ι	_	3.2	1	Ι	0.30	2.2-3.5 (4 species)
Location L off	FY2014 OctNov.	0.46-690 (3 species)	Ι	-	7.3; 8.6 (2 species)	3.67; 3.91 (2 species)	Ι	Ι	2.3-3.6 (4 species)
Soma City (Matsukawaura	FY2014 AugSep.	0.63-105 (3 species)	-	_	N.D8.0 (5 species)	2.51; 3.53 (2 species)	-	-	N.D58 (6 species)
(Matsukawaula Bay)	FY2014 JunJul.	1.7-288 (3 species)	38	_	N.D15 (4 species)	0.85; 2.9 (2 species)	_	_	2.1-73 (3 species)
	FY2014 OctNov.	2.17	-	N.D.; 3.42 (2 species)	1.66	0.53	-	-	0.65-12.4 (15 species)
Location M off Iwaki City	FY2014 AugSep.	0.50	_	0.44; 3.08 (2 species)	0.93	0.57	_	_	1.1-30.4 (13 species)
(Hisanohama)	FY2014 JunJul.	0.71; 8.2 (2 species)	_	N.D10 (4 species)	_	3.0	_	_	0.92-55 (14 species)

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