

(i) Beef

Four prefectures (Iwate, Miyagi, Fukushima, and Tochigi) inspect beef once every three months or so for each farm household. However, for farm households whose proper feeding management was confirmed by relevant local governments, inspections are conducted once every 12 months or so.

However, inspections may be omitted for cattle (i) being fed by farm households where radioactive cesium has not been detected at levels exceeding half of the standard limits for the last three years, (ii) being fed only with imported feed or feed produced in fields other than those subject to voluntary suspension of distribution and use of feed, and (iii) for which the relevant prefectural government confirms that measures are being taken to prevent use of any feed produced in fields subject to voluntary suspension of distribution and use of feed and finds that inspections are not necessary.

(ii) Milk

Inspections are conducted periodically by Fukushima Prefecture.

This does not apply to cooler stations, etc. (i) in areas where feeding management is confirmed to be appropriate, (ii) where what is handled is only raw milk produced in areas whose distribution restrictions were lifted more than three years ago, and (iii) where inspection results for the latest three years are all below half of the standard limits.

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For beef, four prefectures (Iwate, Miyagi, Fukushima, and Tochigi) conduct inspections covering all relevant farm households. However, inspections are not required for farm households for which the relevant local government confirms that measures are being taken to prevent use of any feed produced in fields subject to voluntary suspension of distribution and use of feed or otherwise feeding management is being implemented appropriately.

Additionally, milk is also inspected periodically by Fukushima Prefecture.

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