

● Examination schedule

	Category	Period	Eligible subjects
First examination < Finished >	Preliminary Baseline Survey In order to ascertain children's thyroid status	Oct. 2011 - March 2014	Residents who were residing in Fukushima Prefecture at the time of the earthquake and were approximately 18 years old or younger (those born from April 2, 1992, to April 1, 2011)
Second examination Third examination Fourth examination < Finished >	Full-scale Survey In order to make comparison with the results of the Initial Screening	April 2014 - March 2020	Those born from April 2, 2011, to April 1, 2012 *Once every two years until becoming 20 years old, then once every five years after becoming 25 years old, for example, at the ages of 30, 35 and so on
Fifth examination* ¹		April 2020 -	

*1 Depending on the age of residents, the examination is the fourth one. For details, access the following to check the year to receive the examination (<https://fukushima-mimamori.jp/thyroid-examination/yearsearch.html>) (in Japanese).

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Ascertaining the current thyroid status of the relevant group of people even though radiation effects are unlikely to be detected is very important for promoting their health for the long term. Therefore, the Thyroid Ultrasound Examination was conducted for all children in Fukushima Prefecture after the accident at Tokyo Electric Power Company (TEPCO)'s Fukushima Daiichi NPS over a period of approximately two and a half years from October 2011 (Preliminary Baseline Survey).

Then, in FY2014, the coverage was expanded to include those born from April 2, 2011, to April 1, 2012, and the Full-scale Survey was conducted as the second examination.

From the third examination onward, the targeted people receive examinations once every two years until they become 20 years old and once every five years thereafter.

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