JMA Tsunami Warning Services

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Organization Chart of the Government of Japan



Tectonic Setting of Japan



Time Sequence of Earthquake Information and Tsunami Warning in JMA



Seismic Network in Japan



Earthquake Data Processing System



- To process seismological data, and make and issue earthquake and tsunami information, JMA developed EPOS (Earthquake Phenomena Observations System).
- EPOS is located in Tokyo and Osaka. Tokyo-EPOS and Osaka-EPOS work in parallel, and function as back-up system one another.



Determination of Hypocenter and Magnitude

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制御(C)

地震識別

表示先頭時刻:

14:45:30,00 0 45324(3537)

N/S

45325(3538)

待機系

<< 1分

2011/03/11 14:46:40 多機能型観測点トリガ 2系 北緯38.46度 東経141.35度

<<<< 2分

P 14:46:40.376

·沂地会話表示(大地震)

< 30秒

2011/03/16 18:33:03

2分 >>>> 3分 >>>>>

1分 >>

ヘルプ(H)

7表示

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◆ 表示機関

-300 👌 表示時刻移動 180 👌 時間幅

◇ 表示GROUP

初期状態

理論(会話

emboe4tk02(tmwse4tk01:0)

30秒>

The 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake



Database for Tsunami Warning



Fault Parameter and Tsunami Source



Strike Angle (ϕ) of the Assumed Faults



Interpolation for Cases Far from the Shore



Estimation of arrival time ---> choose the severest (earliest) case

Maximum Risk Method for Cases Close to the Shore

Maximum risk method is used in case epicenter is near the coast.

It is because starting point of the fault rupture cannot be known immediately.



Estimation of Tsunami Height at the Coast



Tsunami Warning Classification



Type of Tsunami Bulletin		Estimated Tsunami Height
Tsunami	Major Tsunami	"3m", "4m", "6m", "8m", "over 10m"
warning	Tsunami	"1m", "2m"
Tsunami Advisory		"0.5m"

66 Regional Blocks for Tsunami Warning/Advisory

Tsunami Monitoring Network in Japan

Tide Gauges(on the coast) JMA (77), Others(95)	'	172
GPS Buoy		12
▲ : Tsunameter		12
JMA (6), ERI (2), JAMSTEC (4)		
Total:	'	196
Tsunameter data is under evaluation	2/05/2	2011





GPS Buoy





Tide Gauges

Tsunameter





GMD 2010 Jul 20 09:05:53

Dissemination of Tsunami Warning

and Earthquake Information



Provision of Tsunami Bulletins to countries around the Northwest Pacific and the Indian Ocean



*1) NWPTA: Northwest Pacific Tsunami Advisory*2) TWI: Tsunami Watch Information for the Indian Ocean

EEW

Concept of Earthquake Early Warning (EEW)



① The EEW System automatically calculates the earthquake epicenter and magnitude from the P-waves detected near the epicenter, then estimates the strengths of following ground shaking (seismic intensities) at numbers of cities, towns and villages. ② An EEW is provided a few seconds to a few tens of seconds before the S-wave or strong tremor arrival.

> Strong tremors may hit areas close to the earthquake focus at the same time as the Earthquake Early Warning.

Seismic Intensity Information

JMA Seismic Intensity Scale



5 lower



5 upper







6 upper





Seismic Intensity (1)

Network of Seismic Intensity Meter

: JMA	628		
: Local Government	2,844		
😑 : NIED	778		
Total:	4,250		
(2010/07/01)			



Seismic Intensity Meter



Emergency Operation Triggered by Seismic Intensity Information



Shake Map

The Iwate-Miyagi Nairiku Earthquake in 2008 M:7.2 Depth : 8km

Distribution of Seismic Intensity (observed point data) Distribution of Seismic Intensity (plane value estimated from observed data)

