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Current Status and Recent Trends with Fires

Looking at the number of fires over the past ten years reveals that this number has largely been trending downwards since 2004, when the number was 60,387. The number of fires that occurred in 2014 came to 43,741, falling by 4,354 (9.1%) compared to the previous year, which is 72.4% of the number from ten years prior (the number of fires in 2004). Furthermore, the number of fatalities from fires has also largely been trending downward since 2005, when the number registered came to 2,195. The number of fatalities from fires in 2014 came to 1,678, an increase of 53 (3.3%) compared with the previous year. However, this was 83.7% of the number from ten years prior (the number of fatalities in 2004) (**Fig. 1-1-1**, Table 1-1-1).



Fig. 1-1-1 Changes in the number of fires and their trends

2 See the left axes for the "No. of fires," "No. of fatalities," "Comparison for the No. of fires," "Comparison for the building floor area burned, "Comparison for the No. of fatalities," and "Comparison for the amount of damages," and see the right axes for the "Building floor area burned" and "Amount of damages."

3 For the "Comparison of the No. of fires," "Comparison for the building floor area burned, "Comparison for the No. of fatalities," and "Comparison for the amount of damages" the figures from 2004 were taken as 100.

Table 1-1-1 Status of fires

					([During each year)
Classification	Unit	2004	2013 (A)	2014 (B)	Change (B)-(A) (C)	Rate of change (C)/(A)×100 (%)
No. of fires	Fires	60,387	48,095	43,741	-4,354	-9.1
Building fires		33,325	25,053	23,641	-1,412	-5.6
Forest fires		2,592	2,020	1,494	-526	-26.0
Vehicle fires		7,077	4,586	4,467	-119	-2.6
Ship fires		132	91	86	-5	-5.5
Aircraft fires		10	3	1	-2	-66.7
Other fires		17,251	16,342	14,052	-2,290	-14.0
No. of buildings burned	Buildings	46,018	35,031	33,380	-1,651	-4.7
Totally destroyed		10,609	8,036	7,411	-625	-7.8
Half destroyed		3,517	2,113	2,021	-92	-4.4
Partially destroyed		13,754	9,564	9,019	-545	-5.7
Minor fire		18,138	15,318	14,929	-389	-2.5
Building floor area burned	m ₂	1,574,582	1,183,724	1,108,150	-75,574	-6.4
Building surface area burned	m ₂	158,292	120,615	118,684	-1,931	-1.6
Forest area burned	а	156,779	97,079	106,182	9,103	9.4
Fatalities	People	2,004	1,625	1,678	53	3.3
Injured	People	8,641	6,858	6,560	-298	-4.3
No. of households affected	Households	29,793	21,369	20,788	-581	-2.7
Totally destroyed		7,021	4,863	4,569	-294	-6.0
Half destroyed		2,461	1,559	1,425	-134	-8.6
Partially destroyed		20,311	14,947	14,794	-153	-1.0
No. of people affected	People	76,960	49,676	47,726	-1,950	-3.9
Amount of damages	Millions	135,327	90,782	85,319	-5,463	-6.0
Building fires		126,529	82,320	77,656	-4,664	-5.7
Forest fires		809	233	1,369	1,136	487.6
Vehicle fires		3,376	3,668	2,625	-1,043	-28.4
Ship fires		627	299	241	-58	-19.4
Aircraft fires		141	5	0	-5	-100.0
Other fires		2,746	2,209	2,820	611	27.7
Explosions		1,099	2,049	608	-1,441	-70.3
Fire outbreak rate	Fires/10,000	4.8	3.7	3.4	-0.3	_

(Notes)

1 Prepared from Fire Reports

2 The figures for each year are calculations of the fires that occurred between January - December. The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise noted.

3 "Building fires" refer to fires that burn buildings or the contents contained therein. The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise noted.

4 "Vehicle fires" refer to fires that burn automotive vehicles, railway vehicles, trailer vehicles, or their cargo. The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise noted.

5 "Forest fires" refer to fires that burn forests, wilderness, or grassland. The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise noted.

6 "Ship fires" refer to fires that burn ships or their cargo. The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise noted.

7 "Aircraft fires" refer to fires that burn aircraft or their cargo. The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise noted.
8 "Other fires" refer to fires other than building fires, vehicle fires, Forest fires, and aircraft fires (fires involving vacant land, fields, roads, flood plains, waste collection sites, outdoor item collection sites, train tracks, utility poles, etc.). The same holds true in this section

Patalities includes those people who were injured by fires and passed away within 48 hours. The same holds true in this section

hereafter unless otherwise noted. 10 The fire outbreak rate refers to the number of fires per 10,000 people. The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise

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The symbol "--" indicates negative numbers. The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise noted.
 Rate of change was found by rounding up less than whole numbers with the displayed units. The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise noted.

14 The populations for 2004 and 2013 were found from the Basic Resident Register as of March 31 for each year, while the population for 2014 was found from a survey of the current status of fire prevention and earthquake countermeasures as of March 31.

15 If a fire is spread across more than two types of fires, it is aggregated into the number of fires based on which type had the larger amount of damages. For the amount of damages, this is aggregated for each type of fire by the objects damaged in the fire (building, vehicle, forest, ship, aircraft, or other). The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise noted.

16 The amount of damages from "Explosions" is posted to "Explosions" within "Amount of damages" without regard to the type of fire. The figures in the total column may not align with the totals for each figure due to rounding. The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise noted.

Current Status of Fire Prevention Administration

Current Status of Residential Fire Prevention Measures

The number of residential fires in 2014 (11,855, excluding those from arson) accounted for roughly 50% of the number of building fires (21,620, excluding those from arson). What is more, the number of fatalities from residential fires (1,006, excluding suicides by arson), accounts for roughly 90% of the number of fatalities from building fires (1,127, excluding suicides by arson), with this trend holding steady for more than ten years. In addition, elderly people age 65 or older account for approximately 70% of the fatalities from residential fires.

The revision of the Fire Services Act in 2004 mandated that residential fire alarms be installed in newly-built residences starting from June 2006. As for existing residences, it mandated that said alarms be installed in them within all municipalities nationwide based on the ordinances in each municipality by June 2011. The Fire and Disaster Management Agency (FDMA) held the Committee on Measures to Install Residential Fire Alarms. Based on the basic policy established at this committee, various initiatives were deployed to ensure that residential fire alarms were thoroughly installed and maintained. This was done by the fire defense headquarters throughout Japan in cooperation with volunteer fire corps, women's (female) firefighting clubs, voluntary disaster prevention organizations, and others. As of June 1, 2015, the nationwide installation rate was 81.0% and the ordinance compliance rate was 66.4%. When viewed by prefecture, Fukui Prefecture had both the highest installation rate and ordinance compliance rate.

2. Fire Prevention Properties

The Fire Services Act defines the primary properties that are eligible for fire prevention administration, such as architectural structures, as "fire prevention properties." It also mandates that personnel structures for fire prevention be established, fire defence equipment etc.*¹ be installed, and flame retardant goods be used at those fire prevention properties listed in Appended Table I of the Ordinance of Enforcement for the Fire Services Act according to their purpose, size, and so forth.

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	(As of March 31, 2015)									
Cla	assification of fire prevention properties	Nationwide	21 major cities	Percentage (%)	Classification of fire prevention properties		Nationwide	21 major cities	Percentage (%)	
(1)	a. Theaters, etc.	4,364	647	14.8	(9)	a.	Special bathhouses	1,605	677	42.2
(1)	b. Public halls, etc.	66,403	6,216	9.4	(9)	b.	General bathhouses	5,002	1,329	26.6
	a. Cabarets, etc.	1,012	122	12.1	(10)		Railroad depots	3,859	1,381	35.8
	b. Game centers, etc.	11,081	2,061	18.6	(11)		Temples and shrines, etc.	56,718	11,710	20.6
(2)	c. Stores engaged in sex-related businesses, etc.	206	116	56.3	(12)	a.	Factories, etc.	496,345	69,894	14.1
	d. Karaoke box and stores, etc.	2,815	672	23.9	(12)	b.	Studios	391	130	33.2
(2)	a. Restaurants, etc.	3,575	582	16.3	(13)	a.	Parking lots, etc.	50,937	15,000	29.4
(3)	b. Eating and drinking houses	83,505	16,762	20.1	(13)	b.	Aircraft hangars	696	107	15.4
(4)	Department stores, etc.	157,972	27,092	17.1	(14)		Warehouses	325,223	52,192	16.0
	a. Hotels, etc.	58,998	5,871	10.0	(15)		Offices, etc.	458,462	106,337	23.2
(5)	b. Apartment houses, etc.	1,281,786	474,318	37.0	(16)	a.	Specified multipurpose fire prevention properties	363,794	133,663	36.7
	a. Hospitals, etc.	64,495	12,286	19.0	(10)	b.	Unspecified multipurpose fire prevention properties	254,195	117,435	46.2
(6)	 Special elderly nursing homes, etc. 	41,048	6,623	16.1	(16-2)		Underground malls	64	55	85.9
	 Elderly daycare centers, etc. 	68,078	11,082	16.3	(16-3)		Semi-underground malls	7	6	85.7
	d. Kindergartens, etc.	18,597	4,235	22.8	(17)		Cultural properties	8,590	1,575	18.3
(7)	Schools	129,298	28,623	22.1	(18)		Arcades	1,332	475	35.7
(8)	Libraries, etc.	7,536	850	11.3	(19)		Mountain forests	0	0	
								4,027,989	1,110,124	27.6

Table. 1-1-27Number of fire prevention properties

(Notes) 1 Prepared based on the Survey on the Actual Conditions of Fire Prevention Properties (targeting those fire prevention properties listed in Appended Table I of the Ordinance of Enforcement for the Fire Services Act that are listed in (1) through (16-3) and have a total area of 150m² or larger, and those listed in (17) through (19); the same hereafter).

2 The 21 major cities refer to the 23 wards of Tokyo and 20 ordinance-designated cities (Sapporo City, Sendai City, Saitama City, Chiba City, Yokohama City, Kawasaki City, Sagamihara City, Niigata City, Shizuoka City, Hamamatsu City, Nagoya City, Kyoto City, Osaka City, Sakai City, Kobe City, Okayama City, Hiroshima City, Kitakyushu City, Fukuoka City, and Kumamoto City).

*1 Fire defence equipment etc.: Equipment for extinguishing fires, evacuation, and other fire protection activities (fire extinguishers, sprinkler systems, automatic fire alarms, fire escape equipment, guide lights, etc.)

As of March 31, 2015, the number of fire prevention properties throughout Japan came to 4,027,989 (this is the number obtained from the Survey on the Actual Conditions of Fire Prevention Properties (targeting those fire prevention properties listed in Appended Table I of the Ordinance of Enforcement for the Fire Services Act that are listed in (1) through (16-3) and have a total area of 150m² or larger, and those listed in (17) through (19)); the same hereafter).

Moreover, the number of fire prevention properties in the 21 major cities (special wards of Tokyo and ordinance-designated cities) came to 1,110,124, accounting for 27.6% of the total fire prevention properties throughout Japan. Those properties that are particularly concentrated in urban areas include underground malls (85.9% of the national total), semi-underground malls^{*2} (85.7% of the national total), stores engaged in sex-related businesses (56.3% of the national total), and so on (Table 1-1-27).

3. Fire Prevention Management System

(1) Fire Protection Managers

The Fire Services Act mandates that people with authority when it comes to managing fire prevention properties that contain large numbers of people (hereafter referred to as "management officials") undertake the operations necessary for fire protection management. These include appointing the fire protection managers*³ that form the core of voluntary fire protection management structures, as well as preparing firefighting plans for fire protection management*⁴ that include stipulations on firefighting, reporting, and holding disaster drills.

As of March 31, 2015, the number of fire prevention properties that were legally required to establish fire protection management structures and appoint fire protection managers came to 1,064,933 nationwide. Of these, 854,731 properties, which corresponds to 80.3%, have appointed fire protection managers and have notified firefighting agencies to this effect. However, 210,202 fire prevention properties have yet to appoint a fire protection manager. Firefighting agencies are providing the management officials at these fire prevention properties with guidance and instructions in an effort to rectify this.

Additionally, the number of fire prevention properties where the fire protection manager has prepared firefighting plans for fire protection management in order to carry out the proper fire protection management operations for their own offices and so forth and notified firefighting agencies to this effect came to 790,585, for 74.2% of the total (Table 1-1-28).

(2) Supervisors of Fire Protection Management

For properties like high-rise buildings (buildings that are taller than 31 m high), underground malls, semi-underground malls, and other specified properties under fire prevention at or above a certain size^{*5} where management authority has been divided up, the Fire Services Act stipulates that fire protection managers are to be appointed and carry out fire protection management for each of the various areas which they have management authority over. Conversely, it also states that supervisors of fire protection management are to be appointed in consultation with them in order to carry out fire protection management for the building as a whole in an integrated manner. It mandates that the management officials strive to prevent fires and maintain the safety of the fire prevention properties as a whole by preparing firefighting plans for fire protection management for said properties on the whole, as well as extinguishing fires, issuing reports, and holding evacuation drills (Supervisory Fire protection management System: enacted April 1, 2014).

This was preceded by the former joint fire protection management consultation system (whereby fire protection management was carried out jointly by establishing joint fire protection management consultative committees with the major management officials at the fire prevention properties serving as representatives, and where they established items related to preparing firefighting plans for fire protection management and other necessary operations through consultations). With this system the roles and authorities of the supervisors of fire protection management were not clearly defined in law, which made it impossible to establish a system whereby fire protection management could be carried out autonomously and in an integrated manner. Therefore, the Act for Partial Revision of the Fire Services Act (2012; Law No. 38) mandated that supervisors of fire protection management be appointed and that they be granted the authority to issue instructions to the fire protection managers.

^{*&}lt;sup>2</sup> Semi-underground mall: A combination of an underground passage and shops established in the basement of a building that stand in a row facing this underground passage.

^{*&}lt;sup>3</sup> Fire protection managers: People who have been appointed from among those management officials who have certain qualifications, such as having completed a training course on fire protection management for fire prevention properties, and who are in a managerial or supervisory position where they can appropriately carry out the operations necessary for fire protection management at said properties.

^{*4} Firefighting plans for fire protection management: These are plans that establish matters which are necessary for fire protection management. Said plans are prepared by fire protection management, with fire protection management operations carried out on the basis of said plans.

^{*5} Specified properties under fire prevention measures: Certain properties under fire prevention measures that include department stores, restaurants, and other properties that can accommodate large numbers of people, as well as hospitals, nursing homes for the elderly, kindergartens, and other properties used by people who would require assistance during a disaster.

As of March 31, 2015, the number of fire prevention properties that were required to appoint supervisors of fire protection management came to 88,474 nationwide. Of these, 39,950, which corresponds to 45.2%, have appointed supervisors of fire protection management and notified firefighting agencies to this effect. What is more, the number of fire prevention properties that have prepared overall fire prevention plans for the sake of carrying out fire protection management for the building as a whole in an integrated manner and that have notified firefighting agencies to this effect came to 39,528. This represents a notification rate of 44.7% (Table 1-1-29).

(3) Periodic Inspection and Reporting System for Fire Prevention Properties

To prevent fires from occurring and mitigate the damage they do, it is important for not only firefighting agencies but also personnel from the fire prevention properties, to perform maintenance for fire prevention with said properties and strive to comply with fire prevention laws and ordinances.

Therefore, the Fire Services Act mandates that management officials at fire prevention properties with certain purposes or structures or the like have people with expert knowledge when it comes to fire prevention (hereafter referred to as "qualified inspectors of fire prevention properties") perform inspections and report the results of these to firefighting agencies once a year.

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		Item of properties under measures	No. of properties that must perform fire protection management	No of fire prevention properties that have appointed fire protection managers	Appointment rate (%)	No. of fire prevention properties that have prepared firefighting plans for fire protection management	Preparation rate (%)
(1)	а	Theaters, etc.	3,377	3,052	90.4	2,941	87.1
(1)	b	Public halls, etc.	60,771	48,658	80.1	45,091	74.2
	а	Cabarets, etc.	824	483	58.6	407	49.4
(2)	b	Game centers, etc.	9,746	9,018	92.5	8,559	87.8
(2)	С	Stores engaged in sex-related businesses, etc.	150	115	76.7	114	76.0
	d	Karaoke box and stores, etc.	2,648	2,435	92.0	2,320	87.6
(3)	а	Restaurants, etc.	2,781	2,432	87.5	2,196	79.0
. ,	b	Eating and drinking houses	75,005	58,827	78.4	53,711	71.6
(4)		Department stores, etc.	103,196	81,964	79.4	76,331	74.0
(5)	а	Hotels, etc.	36,985	34,627	93.6	33,300	90.0
(3)	b	Apartment houses, etc.	177,148	134,015	75.7	122,281	69.0
	а	Hospitals, etc.	23,454	21,264	90.7	20,503	87.4
(6)	b	Special elderly nursing homes, etc.	32,964	31,164	94.5	30,355	92.1
	С	Elderly daycare centers, etc.	42,312	40,052	94.7	39,068	92.3
	d	Kindergartens, etc.	11,919	11,532	96.8	11,237	94.3
(7)		Schools	44,327	42,471	95.8	41,191	92.9
(8)		Libraries, etc.	4,950	4,560	92.1	4,367	88.2
(9)	а	Special bathhouses	1,376	1,243	90.3	1,180	85.8
(9)	b	General bathhouses	3,033	2,764	91.1	2,585	85.2
(10)		Railroad depots, etc.	684	527	77.0	481	70.3
(11)		Temples and shrines, etc.	24,406	19,618	80.4	17,670	72.4
(12)	а	Factories, etc.	39,978	34,678	86.7	32,063	80.2
(12)	b	Studios	307	251	81.8	236	76.9
(13)	а	Parking lots, etc.	1,354	1,084	80.1	977	72.2
(13)	b	Aircraft hangars	66	48	72.7	43	65.2
(14)		Warehouses	10,067	7,766	77.1	7,080	70.3
(15)		Offices, etc.	98,121	80,129	81.7	74,020	75.4
	а	Specified multipurpose fire prevention properties	210,491	149,363 (25,803)	71.0 (12.3)	132,901 (27,716)	63.1 (13.2)
(16)	b	Unspecified multipurpose fire prevention properties	41,119	29,330 (4,507)	71.3 (11.0)	26,222 (4,817)	63.8 (11.7)
(16-2)		Underground malls	64	51	79.7	45	70.3
(17)		Cultural properties	1.310	1.210	92.4	1.110	84.7
()		Total	1,064,933	854,731	80.3	790,585	74.2

Table 1-1-28 Nationwide fire prevention implementation status

(Notes)

1 Prepared based on the Survey on the Actual Conditions of Fire Prevention Properties.

2 When a property under fire prevention measures has multiple management officials, they are only all counted when all of them are involved in the appointment of the fire protection manager or preparing firefighting plans for fire protection management. The numbers in parenthesis are the figures for fire prevention properties where said managers are appointed and plans are prepared only by some of them.

3 The classification of fire prevention properties is the classification pursuant to Appended Table I of the Ordinance of Enforcement for the Fire Services Act. The facility names are illustrations of this. The same holds true in this section hereafter unless otherwise noted. These qualified inspectors of fire prevention properties consist of people with a certain level of knowledge of fire prevention, such as fire protection engineers*⁶ with three or more years of practical experience with construction work for fire defence equipment etc., or people with three or more years of practical experience as fire protection managers. They must also complete a training course offered by a corporation that has been registered by the Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications, and have been issued a certificate attesting that they have acquired the necessary knowledge and skills when it comes to inspections for fire prevention properties.

What is more, these inspectors are obligated to undergo re-training every five years for new knowledge and skills that they must learn. As of March 31, 2015, the number of such inspectors came to 28,112. Those fire prevention properties for which periodic inspection reports have been mandated and which have been carrying out management for three or more years continuously are exempt from the duty to perform three-year inspections and reports if they meet a certain criteria. This criteria is that they have been acknowledged as having excellent compliance with the standards from fire prevention laws and ordinances as a result of inspections carried out by a firefighting agency on the basis of an application from the management officials from said property under fire prevention measures.

Fire prevention properties that have been acknowledged as being in compliance with the inspection standards by the inspectors for these properties may display a "Fire Prevention Standard Inspection Certificate of Completion." Those that have been acknowledged as having excellent compliance with the standards in fire prevention laws and ordinances by firefighting agencies may display a "Fire Prevention Certificate of Excellence."

						(As e	of March 31, 2015)
Classification under fire p			No. of properties that must perform supervisory fire protection management	No of fire prevention properties that have been appointed supervisors of fire protection management	Appointment rate	No. of fire prevention properties that have prepared overall fire prevention plans	Preparation rate (%)
(1)	а	Theaters, etc.	24	18	75.0	10	41.7
(1)	b	Public halls, etc.	66	23	34.8	23	34.8
	а	Cabarets, etc.	79	12	15.2	12	15.2
	b	Game centers, etc.	96	51	53.1	45	46.9
(2)	с	Stores engaged in sex-related businesses, etc.	37	28	75.7	18	48.6
	d	Karaoke box and stores, etc.	25	10	40.0	5	20.0
(2)	a.	Restaurants, etc.	4	0	0.0	0	0.0
(3)	b	Eating and drinking houses	2,447	1,018	41.6	992	40.5
(4)		Department stores, etc.	922	278	30.2	260	28.2
(5)	а	Hotels, etc.	187	110	58.8	109	58.3
	а	Hospitals, etc.	194	96	49.5	94	48.5
	b	Special elderly nursing homes, etc.	126	63	50.0	54	42.9
(6)	c.	Elderly daycare centers, etc.	154	48	31.2	48	31.2
	d.	Kindergartens, etc.	20	4	20.0	3	15.0
(9)	a.	Special bathhouses	67	33	49.3	32	47.8
(16)	а	Specified multipurpose fire prevention properties	57,518	25,572	44.5	25,375	44.1
(16)	b	Unspecified multipurpose fire prevention properties	7,595	2,806	36.9	2,747	36.2
(16-2)		Underground malls	55	45	81.8	45	81.8
(16-3)		Semi-underground malls	4	3	75.0	3	75.0
		High-rise buildings	18,854	9,732	51.6	9,653	51.2
		Total	88,474	39,950	45.2	39,528	44.7

Table 1-1-29 Nationwide supervisory fire protection management implementation status

(Notes) 1 Prepared based on the Survey on the Actual Conditions of Fire Prevention Properties.

2 High-rise buildings (buildings that are taller than 31 meters) are not classified within Appended Table I of the Ordinance of Enforcement for the Fire Services Act. Moreover, fire prevention properties that correspond to high-rise buildings were counted in the "High-rise buildings" field within the "Classification of fire prevention properties" column.

*6 Fire protection engineer: A person with expert knowledge of fire defence equipment etc. who has been issued a fire protection engineer certification

4. Disaster Prevention Management System

(1) Disaster Protection Managers

In order to handle imminent threats such as major earthquakes, the revisions to the Fire Services Act from June 2007 mandated that those people with authority for the management of large-scale and high-rise buildings and the like (hereafter referred to as "management officials") are to establish fire defense organizations for self protection.*⁷ Such organizations prepare firefighting plans for disaster protection management*⁸ suited to earthquake and other disasters, and appoint disaster protection managers*⁹ responsible for emergency response structures concerning significant damage when earthquakes strike and for holding evacuation drills. In addition, they carry out the necessary operations in order to mitigate the damage from fires and other disasters.

As of March 31, 2015, the number of properties under disaster prevention measures that were legally required to establish disaster protection management systems and appoint disaster protection managers came to 9,616 throughout Japan. Of these, 7,793, which corresponds to 81.0%, have appointed disaster protection managers and notified firefighting agencies to this effect.

What is more, the number of properties under disaster prevention measures at which the disaster protection manager has prepared firefighting plans for disaster protection management, in order to carry out the appropriate disaster protection management operations at their own offices and other establishments, and notified firefighting agencies to this effect came to 7,226, or 75.1% of the total. The number of said properties that have established fire defense organizations for self-protection came to 8,161, or 84.9% of the total.

(2) Supervisors of Disaster Protection Management

For those buildings that require disaster protection management where management authority has been divided up, the Fire Services Act stipulates that disaster protection managers are to be appointed and carry out disaster protection management for each of the various areas which they have management authority over. Conversely, it also stipulates that supervisors of disaster protection management are to be appointed in consultation with them in order to carry out disaster protection management for the building as a whole in an integrated manner. It mandates that the management officials establish fire and disaster safety for the disaster prevention properties as a whole (supervisory disaster protection management system: enacted April 1, 2014).

As of March 31, 2015, the number of fire prevention properties that were required to appoint supervisors of disaster protection management came to 2,685 nationwide. Of these, 2,492, which corresponds to 92.8%, have appointed supervisors of disaster protection management and notified firefighting agencies to this effect. What is more, the number of disaster prevention properties that have prepared firefighting plans for the sake of carrying out disaster protection management for the building as a whole in an integrated manner and that have notified firefighting agencies to this effect, came to 2,191. This represents a notification rate of 81.6%.

5. Onsite Inspections and Corrections of Violations

(1) Current Status for Onsite Inspections and Corrections of Violations

Firefighting agencies enter fire prevention properties to perform onsite inspections pursuant to the regulations of Article 4 of the Fire Services Act when it is necessary to do so for the sake of fire prevention.

The number of times onsite inspections were carried out by firefighting agencies throughout Japan in FY2014 came to 867,276.

Fire chiefs or fire station chiefs may order measures that must be taken with respect to deficiencies in fire protection management at the fire prevention properties, fire defence equipment etc. that has not been installed at such properties, or other problems brought to light through the onsite inspections. Such measures include appointing fire protection managers and installing fire defence equipment etc. or special fire defence equipment etc., pursuant to the regulations in Article 8, Article 8-2, or Article 17-4 of the Fire Services Act. In cases where this is recognized as posing a hazard for fire prevention, they can order that the necessary measures be taken, such as repairing or relocating the fire prevention properties in question or removing the hazards from them, or else question or removing the hazards from them, or else prohibiting or restricting their use, pursuant to the regulations in Article 5, Article 5-2, or Article 5-3 of the Fire Services Act. The act states that they must publicly announce when they issue orders such as these.

^{*7} Fire defense organizations for self protection: These are personal organizations comprised of people like employees at properties under fire prevention measures. They carry out the operations necessary in order to mitigate the damage from fires and other disasters when they occur based on the roles established in the firefighting plan.

^{*8} Firefighting plans for disaster protection management: These are plans that establish matters which are necessary for disaster protection management. Said plans are prepared by disaster protection managers, with disaster protection management operations carried out on the basis of said plans.

^{*9} Disaster protection managers: People who have been appointed from among those management officials who have certain qualifications, such as having completed a training course on disaster protection management, and who are in a managerial or supervisory position where they can appropriately carry out the operations necessary for disaster protection management at disaster prevention properties.

In cases where violations of fire prevention laws or ordinances are discovered as a result of these onsite inspections, the fire chief or fire station chief work to redress these violations to bring them back into legal compliance, such as by issuing warnings or other remedial instructions, orders, and so on.

Particularly for specified violating properties (this refers to specified fire prevention properties with a floor area of 1,500 m² or more or unspecified fire prevention properties with 11 or more floors, excluding the basement, where sprinkler systems, indoor fire hydrants, or automatic fire alarms have not been installed in a majority of the sections where such equipment must be installed), strict guidance is imposed based on the severity of the violation, such as those that pose a significant hazard to human life in the event that a fire should break out.

As of March 31, 2015, there were 331 specified violating properties, and so therefore it is necessary to continue working to thoroughly correct these violations in a focused manner.

(2) Initiation of the New Fire Safety Certification Mark System

This new labeling system, which fire defense headquarters throughout Japan were notified of in October 2013, provides users with information on a building's compliance with laws and ordinances related to fire prevention and construction. Applications began being tendered and received on April 1, 2014, and hotels, Japanese-style hotels, and other facilities began sequentially putting the marks out on display starting from August 1. Visitors to the FDMA's homepage can check to confirm hotels that have been issued the Fire Safety Certification Mark throughout Japan (reference URL: http://www.fdma.go.jp/kasai_yobo/hyoujiseido/index.html).

(3) Initiation of a System for Publicly Announcing Violating Properties

The System for Publicly Announcing Violating Properties, which came about through a notification from December 2013, is a system for announcing the details of legal violations on the homepages of municipal governments based on the ordinances of said municipalities. This is aimed at fire prevention properties that have unspecified large numbers of people coming and going that have not yet installed sprinkler systems, indoor fire hydrants, or automatic fire alarms, despite being obligated to do so. This announcement system was initiated in all ordinance-designated cities starting from April 2015.

6. Fire Defence Equipment etc.

(1) Current Status of Fire Prevention Approval

Fire prevention approval is a system that was established with the goal of boosting the safety of buildings by having personnel from firefighting agencies get involved in fire prevention for buildings starting from the design stage in their capacity as experts on fire prevention.

When it comes to the operation of this system, the firefighting agencies offer finely-detailed examinations and instructions based on legal regulations related to building fire prevention from the perspective of fire prevention safety and firefighting activities. They also work to enhance structures and strengthen cooperation for ensuring that this work is handled promptly.

The number of cases processed regarding fire prevention approval work throughout Japan in FY2014 came to 244,681, with only 37 of these failing to receive approval (Table 1-1-35).

(2) Current Status for the Installation of Fire Defence Equipment etc.

The Fire Services Act states that the relevant personnel from fire prevention properties must install and properly maintain the necessary fire defence equipment etc. according to the purpose, size, structure, and capacity of the property in question.

A look at the installation status for primary fire defence equipment etc. in specified fire prevention properties throughout Japan reveals that, as of March 31, 2015, the installation rate for sprinkler systems (number installed/number that needs to be installed) was 99.6%, while that for automatic fire alarms was 98.0% (Table 1-1-36).

Table 1-1-35 Fire prevention approval processing status

						(Cases)	
Breakdown	Appr	oved	Unapp	roved	Total		
Gist of application	FY2013	FY2014	FY2013	FY2014	FY2013	FY2014	
New construction	235,838	215,359	33	29	235,871	215,388	
Enlargement	23,296	20,858	10	5	23,306	20,863	
Reconstruction	1,149	928	2	1	1,151	929	
Relocation	137	143	0	0	137	143	
Repair	98	115	0	0	98	115	
Remodeling	147	126	0	0	147	126	
Change of purpose	3,414	3,807	7	2	3,421	3,809	
Other	3,770	3,308	1	0	3,771	3,308	
Total	267,849	244,644	53	37	267,902	244,681	

(Notes) Prepared based on the Survey on the Actual Conditions of Fire Prevention Properties

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	Equipment type		Sprinkl	er systems		Automatic fire alarms			
Classification o under fire preve	f properties Equipment condition	No. that needs to be installed	No. installed	No. of violations	installation rate(%)	No. that needs to be installed	No. installed	No. of violations	installation rate(%)
(4)	a. Theaters, etc.	766	762	4	99.5	3,676	3,661	15	99.6
(1)	b. Public halls, etc.	549	546	3	99.5	31,249	31,151	98	99.7
	a. Cabarets, etc.	5	4	1	80.0	491	465	26	94.7
	b. Game centers, etc.	695	684	11	98.4	9,919	9,880	39	99.6
(2)	 c. Stores engaged in sex-related businesses, etc. 	0	0	0		175	171	4	97.7
	d. Karaoke box and stores, etc.	12	12	0	100.0	2,775	2,698	77	97.2
(2)	a. Restaurants, etc.	6	6	0	100.0	2,379	2,294	85	96.4
(3)	b. Eating and drinking houses	103	102	1	99.0	35,311	34,418	893	97.5
(4)	Department stores, etc.	7,417	7,366	51	99.3	88,017	86,541	1,476	98.3
(5)	a. Hotels, etc.	1,996	1,988	8	99.6	45,089	44,689	400	99.1
	a. Hospitals, etc.	6,979	6,967	12	99.8	40,578	40,418	160	99.6
(6)	b. Special elderly nursing homes, etc.	33,832	33,722	110	99.7	41,112	40,942	170	99.6
	c. Elderly daycare centers, etc.	1,439	1,438	1	99.9	46,771	46,641	130	99.7
	d. Kindergartens, etc.	190	189	1	99.5	15,927	15,875	52	99.7
(9)	a. Special bathhouses	14	14	0	100.0	1,452	1,443	9	99.4
(16)	 Specified multipurpose fire prevention properties 	16,751	16,673	78	99.5	191,230	183,790	7,440	96.1
(16-2)	Underground malls	60	60	0	100.0	64	64	0	100.0
(16-3)	Semi-underground malls	4	4	0	100.0	5	5	0	100.0
	Total	70,818	70,537	281	99.6	556,220	545,146	11,074	98.0

Table 1-1-36 Installation status for sprinkler systems and automatic fire alarms in specified fire prevention properties throughout Japan (As of March 31, 2015)

(Notes) 1 Prepared based on the Survey on the Actual Conditions of Fire prevention Properties.

2 Because of the influence of the Great East Japan Earthquake, the numbers for the Fire Defense Headquarters of Rikuzentakata City of lwate Prefecture and the Fire Defense Headquarters of the Inter-municipal Association of the Futaba Region in Fukushima Prefecture were excluded from the calculation.

With respect to the technical standards pertaining to fire defence equipment etc., regulations are being successively set in place in accordance with technological progress and societal demands. Recently, a fire occurred at a group home for elderly people with dementia in Nagasaki City, Nagasaki Prefecture in February 2013 (that left five people dead and seven injured). In light of this, it was mandated that social welfare facilities that mainly house people who would have difficulty evacuating on their own must install sprinkler systems as a general rule, regardless of their floor area. The installation of these sprinkler systems has been carried out since April 1, 2015 as a result of the Partial Revision of the Order for Enforcement of the Fire Service Act (promulgated on December 27, 2013) and other legislation. To carry this out, transitional measures were established, which state that these are to be installed on existing facilities by March 31, 2018.

Moreover, a fire occurred at a medical clinic with beds in Fukuoka City, Fukuoka Prefecture in October 2013 (which left ten people dead and five injured). In light of this, it was mandated that medical clinics with beds and hospitals with patients that require assistance in order to evacuate must also install sprinkler systems as a general rule, regardless of their floor area. The installation of these sprinkler systems has been carried out since April 1, 2016 as a result of the Partial Revision of the Order for Enforcement of the Fire Service Act (promulgated on October 16, 2014) and other legislation. To carry this out, transitional measures were established which state that these are to be installed on existing facilities by June 30, 2025.

For properties in violation of fire prevention laws and ordinances, such as those in violation of the obligation to install fire defence equipment etc., orders for them to take measures pursuant to the Fire Services Act are proactively issued and the prompt and effective remediation of the violation is further promoted.

(3) Fire Protection Engineers and Fire Protection Inspectors

Efforts are made to ensure the performance of fire defence equipment etc. via inspection system for fire protection machinery and tools. However, if there are deficiencies or defects at the installation stage, then such equipment will be rendered incapable of performing properly when a fire does occur. To prevent such circumstances, the installation and maintenance of certain fire defence equipment etc. can only be performed by fire protection engineers.

What is more, fire defence equipment etc. must be properly maintained on a daily basis to ensure that it is capable of performing at any and all times. As a result, it has been mandated that periodic inspections be performed and the results of these be reported. These inspections premised on maintaining the equipment require knowledge and skills with regards to the fire defence equipment etc.. Therefore, the relevant personnel from the fire prevention properties must have fire protection engineers or fire protection inspectors (people who have completed certain training courses offered by corporations that have been registered by the Commissioner of the FDMA and been issued a fire protection inspector certificate) perform the inspections on the fire defence equipment etc..

Efforts are made to improve the quality of these fire protection engineers and fire protection inspectors by mandating that they undergo re-training at certain fixed intervals after they have received their license in order for them to acquire new knowledge and skills concerning the fire defence equipment etc.. Moreover, these people will be ordered to return their license or face a similar punishment in the event that they violate any of the fire prevention laws or ordinances.

As of March 31, 2015, the total number of fire protection engineers came to 1,089,877. In addition, the number of special fire protection inspectors came to 652 special inspectors (for special fire defence equipment etc.), 146,533 Class 1 inspectors (for mechanical systems) and 138,202 Class 2 inspectors (for electrical systems).

Programs for displaying that inspections have been performed, in which inspection certificates of completion verifying that inspections of fire defence equipment etc. have been properly carried out are posted, have been independently instituted at the prefectural level. This is done in an effort to clarify the responsibilities for performing inspections and have the relevant personnel from fire prevention properties perform the proper inspections.

(4) Flame Retardancy Regulations

A. Usage Status for Flame Retardant Goods

Using goods that resist catching fire for various objects that tend to be easily flammable within buildings prevents fires from breaking out and simultaneously checks the spread of fires during their initial stages when they do occur. As such, this is extremely effective when it comes to preventing fires. Therefore, fire prevention properties that must give forethought to fire prevention due to their structural features or configuration, such as high-rise buildings and underground malls, as well as fire prevention properties like theaters, hotels, and hospitals that are used by large unspecified numbers of people and people requiring special consideration have been designated as "flame retardancy and fire prevention properties." The Fire Services Act mandates that these properties use goods with the prescribed flame retardant performance (hereafter referred to as "flame retardant goods") for the curtains, stage curtains, plywood display boards, carpets, and other goods used (hereafter referred to as "goods under the flame retardancy requirement").

As of March 31, 2015, the number of flame retardancy and fire prevention properties came to 980,031. The conformance rate (share of the flame retardancy and fire prevention properties where flame retardant goods are used for all of the goods under the flame retardancy requirements at said properties) at flame retardancy and fire prevention properties using curtains and stage curtains came to 87.5%, while it was 86.6% at those using carpets, and 83.7% at those using plywood display boards.

B. Public Awareness of Flame Retardant Goods for

Bedding and Other Goods

Aside from those goods under the flame retardancy requirement stipulated in the Fire Services Act such as curtains and carpets, using fireproof goods for futons, pajamas, the body covers for automobiles and motorcycles, and more is also extremely effective for preventing fires. Therefore, the FDMA spreads public awareness of these by uploading videos detailing the effects from these flame retardant goods to its homepage (reference URL:

http://www.fdma.go.jp/html/life/yobou_contents/mater ials/).

(5) Regulations for Equipment and Tools that Use Fire

From the perspective of fire prevention, the location, construction, management, and handling of equipment and tools that use fire, including home gas burners, stoves, hot-water heaters, fireplaces, kitchen equipment, and sauna equipment, are regulated via the fire prevention ordinances established by each municipality. These are established pursuant to the Ministerial Ordinance Establishing Standards for Enacting Ordinances on the Location, Construction, and Management of Eligible Equipment that Uses Fire and the Handling of Eligible Tools that Use Fire (2002 Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications Ministerial Ordinance No. 24; hereafter referred to as the "Ministerial Ordinance on Eligible Equipment and Tools that Use Fire").

In November 2015, the Ministerial Ordinance on Eligible Equipment and Tools that Use Fire was revised on account of the circulation of new equipment and tools like high output IH cookware. For this, the decision was made to newly establish standards regarding the safe distance for fire prevention (offset distance) that should be maintained between flammable objects and the like when such equipment and tools are installed (entered into force on April 1, 2016).

7. Inspection System for Fire Protection Machinery and Tools etc.

(1) Inspections

Fire protection machinery or tools that are subject to inspection (hereafter referred to as "machinery and tools subject to inspection") are prohibited from being sold, displayed for commercial purposes, and so forth unless they pass inspections and include a label indicating this pursuant to the regulations of Article 21-2 of the Fire Services Act.

The machinery and tools subject to inspection include the 12 items stipulated in Article 37 of the Order for Enforcement of the Fire Services Act, including fire extinguishers and enclosed sprinkler heads.

These inspections consist of "model approval" (approval indicating that the shape and other factors of the machinery and fools conform with the technical specifications established in ministerial ordinances) and "model compliance inspections" (inspections conducted to confirm that the shape and other factors of the individual machinery and tools subject to inspection are identical to the shape and so forth for models of said equipment that have received model approval) (Table 1-1-39). Moreover, for machinery and tools subject to inspection with regard to the development of new technologies, inspections can be carried out via the technical specifications established by the Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications for those items that conform to the technical standards established by said ministerial ordinance in terms of their shape or the like, or those acknowledged as having performance that meets or exceeds this level. Through this, the aim is to enhance the inspection system so as to promote technological innovation with these machinery and tools subject to inspection.

Regarding the inspection system, it came to light that cases of misconduct occurred in October 2008, including test samples being secretly switched out during model compliance inspections for fire hoses. Moreover, in March 2010 it was discovered that fire-extinguishing foam used in the compressed air foam apparatuses on fire trucks that had not been inspected was being sold. As part of the public service corporation program review carried out in May 2010, evaluation results were issued to the effect that reassessments were to be made with a view towards expanding both voluntary screenings and the increased involvement of the private sector when it comes to inspections.

Table 1-1-39 Inspection application status

					(FY2014)
Classification		No. of model test applications (applications)	No. of model alteration test applications (applications)	No. of model compliance inspection applications (items)	No. of passing model compliance inspections (items)
(1) Fire	Large	12	3	38,839	39,997
extinguishers	Small	77	7	6,119,246	5,428,900
(2) Fire extinguishing	For large ones	14		1,932	2,043
agent for fire extinguishers	For small ones	14	_	257,542	277,998
(3) Fire-extinguish	ning foam	12	-	2,086,000	2,071,240
(4) Fire alarms	Detectors	70	2	7,049,084	6,945,599
(4) File alditis	Sounders	8	2	319,490	334,103
(5) Code Transmi	tter	24	2	446,564	447,613
(6) Control Panel		19	11	516,348	521,709
(7) Residential fire	e alarms	135	7	3,303,812	2,549,647
(8) Enclosed sprin	nkler heads	6	6	2,891,321	2,826,220
(9) Water flow det	tectors	9	9	32,213	31,930
(10) Deluge valve		6	0	21,812	21,094
(11) Metal evacua	(11) Metal evacuation ladders		2	147,004	151,539
(12) Escape sling	s	0	0	6,077	5,570
Tota	I	399	51	23,237,284	21,655,202

(Notes) 1 Prepared based on the Japan Fire Equipment Inspection Institute.

2 Model tests (model alteration tests): These are tests conducted by the Japan Fire Equipment Inspection Institute or registered inspection bodies on whether or not machinery and tools subject to inspection which are trying to receive model approval conform to the technical standards.

Based on this, the Act for Partial Revision of the Fire Services Act was promulgated on June 27, 2012. This established collection orders via the Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications and strengthened penal provisions in cases where machinery and tools subject to inspection not in compliance with the standards or which lacked labels indicating their compliance were circulating on the market. It also relaxed requirements in order to promote the entry of private companies into the registered inspection body market, among its other stipulations.

Moreover, the Partial Revision of the Order for the Enforcement of the Fire Services Act (promulgated on March 27, 2013) made machinery and tools subject to inspections, mainly the fire hoses and couplers used by firefighting agencies and the electric leak alarms, for which there has been declining need due to changes in the configurations of buildings, items that are subject to self-labeling. At the same time, it also newly added residential fire alarms, which are required to be installed in all homes, to the machinery and tools subject to inspection (entered into force on April 1, 2014).

(2) Self-labeling

With the self-labeling system, it is the responsibility of the manufacturers to confirm their compliance with specifications on their own according to the regulations in Article 21-16 (3) of the Fire Services Act. The system also gives approval for labeling models that have been reported to the Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications in advance. The number of reports from manufacturers in FY2014 came to 11 for power fire pumps, 589 for fire hoses, 4 for fire suction hoses, 399 for couplers, 3 for disposable aerosol fire extinguishers, and 66 for electric leak alarms. Machinery and tools that are subject to self-labeling (hereafter referred to as "machinery and tools subject to self-labeling") are prohibited from being sold, displayed for commercial purposes, and so forth unless they include a label pursuant to the regulations of Article 21-16 (2) of the Fire Services Act. Similar to machinery and tools subject to inspection, the Act for Partial Revision of the Fire Services Act (promulgated on June 27, 2012) established collection orders via the Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications and strengthened penal provisions for machinery and tools subject to self-labeling not in compliance with the standards or which lacked labels indicating their compliance.

Items that fall under the category of machinery and tools subject to self-labeling include power fire pumps and fire suction hoses. Furthermore, as a result of the Partial Revision of the Order for Enforcement of the Fire Services Act (promulgated on March 27, 2013) and other legislation, the fire hoses, couplers, and electric leak alarms that had previously been counted as machinery and tools subject to inspection, as well as the disposable aerosol fire extinguishers that are generally in widespread circulation but which frequently suffer from rupture accidents and the like, were newly added to this category (entered into force on April 1, 2014).

8. Performance Inspections of Technical Standard for Fire Defence Equipment etc.

When it comes to the technical standards for fire defence equipment etc., oftentimes details like materials or dimensions are prescribed in specification documents or the like. This makes it difficult for new technologies to gain acceptance, even when they offer satisfactory performance. Therefore, technical development for the fields of fire and other disaster prevention is promoted and performance regulations are adopted to ensure that even more effective fire prevention and safety measures can be established.

The basic philosophy behind this is to judge whether equipment offers performance that is at or above the level of performance of the installed fire defence equipment etc. based on the conventional technical standards. Equipment that has been confirmed to be at or above the conventional performance level is approved for installation in place of the existing fire defence equipment etc..

The performance demanded of fire defence equipment etc. is divided up into three categories.

These are "initial spread inhibition performance," which is performance for inhibiting the spread of fires during the initial stages, "evacuation safety support performance," which is performance that supports safely evacuating during fires, and "firefighting activity support performance," which is performance that supports the activities of firefighting teams. A certain body of knowledge has been gained regarding these, on which their equivalence is evaluated via objective verification methods (methods of objectively and impartially verifying newly developed technologies and technical innovations) and so forth.

At the same time, a certification system via the Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications has been established aimed at equipment for which evaluations of its equivalence cannot be performed solely through the existing objective verification methods (such as special fire defence equipment etc.). Under this system, applications are made for each property under fire prevention measures regarding special fire defence equipment etc. for which general inspection standards have not have established. The Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications will then perform an examination based on the evaluation results from a performance evaluation agency (the Japan Fire Equipment Inspection Institute or a registered inspection body), and equipment that has been acknowledged as having the necessary level of performance can be installed. As of March 31, 2015, 58 cases have received certification thus far as special fire defence equipment etc..

The expectation is that, by applying these regulations, new equipment that uses new technologies will be proactively developed and disseminated.

9. Current Status of Investigations into the Causes of Fires

Advances in science and technology have brought about increasing sophistication for industry and changes in social conditions. This has resulted in a tendency for fires that are large in scale and which assume aspects of complexity to occur with great frequency, and so investigating the causes behind these requires sophisticated expertise. What is more, investigating the causes of fires and illuminating the extent of the damage caused by both fires and firefighting are crucial when it comes to examining modalities for subsequent fire prevention administration. Investigating the causes of fires is unequivocally the role of local governments, but it is the duty of the national government to complement them in this. In cases where there has been a request from a firefighting agency, or the Commissioner of the FDMA has deemed that there is a particular necessity in doing so, an investigation into the causes of a fire can be carried out by the Commissioner of the FDMA (see White Paper P285). Investigation teams formed from personnel from the FDMA according to the type of fire carry out the investigations into the causes of the fire through this system in coordination with firefighting agencies. Reviews are conducted based on the knowledge and data obtained from the investigations, and this is reflected in policies for fire defense administration. Cases where responses such as revising fire prevention laws and ordinances were carried out based on the results of investigations into the causes of fires by the Commissioner of the FDMA that were carried out recently are shown in Table 1-1-41.

In an effort to improve the effectiveness of investigations into the causes of fires regarding product fires, the Act for Partial Revision of the Fire Services Act (Law No. 38 from 2012) granted firefighting agencies the right to issue an order to submit materials to manufacturers and importers and the right to collect information from them (entered into force on April 1, 2013).

Table 1-1-41 Investigations into the causes of fires by the Commissioner of the FDMA that were recently conducted and responses based on the results of these

Nº	Date of fire	Location	Building purpose, etc	Responses by FDMA
1	May 13, 2012	Fukuyama City, Hiroshima Prefecture	Hotel (10 casualties)	Revised the Order for Enforcement of the Fire Services Act and other legislation, and strengthened installation standards for automatic fire alarms. Also restructured and began applying a labeling system that provides users with information on buildings that conform to the fire prevention standards in fire prevention laws and ordinances.
2	February 8, 2013	Nagasaki City, Nagasaki Prefecture	Group home (12 casualties)	Revised the Order for Enforcement of the Fire Services Act and other legislation. Strengthened installation standards for sprinkler systems and mandated that automatic fire alarms and fire notification alarms be interlinked.
3	August 15, 2013	Fukuchiyama City, Kyoto Prefecture	Fireworks festival (59 casualties)	Revised the Order for Enforcement of the Fire Services Act and the Fire Prevention Ordinance (Example). Mandated the submission of plans related to operations necessary for fire prevention at outdoor event venues at or above a certain size, and mandated that fire extinguishers be prepared.
4	October 11, 2013	Fukuoka City, Fukuoka Prefecture	Medical clinic (15 casualties)	Revised the Order for Enforcement of the Fire Services Act and other legislation. Reassessed the installation standards for fire extinguishing equipment, indoor fire hydrants, sprinkler systems, power fire pump equipment, and fire alarms that notify firefighting agencies.

10. Promoting Countermeasures to Product Fires

In recent years, as the causes of fires has grown extremely diverse, the products close to the general public in their daily lives have begun causing fires as well, including automobiles and other vehicles, electronic appliances, and burning appliances. Given the strong demands to ensure consumer safety and peace of mind, the FDMA has been strengthening its initiatives to combat these product fires.

For such fires, the FDMA has established a structure whereby it collects fire information from firefighting agencies in a comprehensive manner and aggregates the number of fires for each type of product which serve as the ignition source. It then provides the public with warnings and alerts quickly and effectively by announcing information like the names of faulty products and their manufacturers every quarter.

The fires involving automobiles and other vehicles, as well as electronic appliances and burning appliances, that occurred in 2014 (January - December 2014) were aggregated based on what was reported by firefighting agencies. From this, it was discovered that of the total of 857 product fires, 174 were fires deemed to have been caused by product defects, 526 were fires where the cause could not be identified, and 157 were fires that are still currently under investigation.

The results of these investigations are reported to firefighting agencies throughout Japan. Furthermore, the collected fire information is shared between the Consumer Affairs Agency, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, and the National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE), which work together to promote countermeasures to product fires.

What is more, with respect to investigations into the causes of fires carried out by firefighting agencies throughout Japan, efforts are also being made to improve the investigation skills of the firefighting agencies. Examples of this include providing them with technical support such as scientific investigation based on the expert knowledge and equipment and materials of the National Research Institute of Fire and Disaster and so forth. In addition to working to enhance investigations into the causes of fires and the structures for this, the FDMA also strives to proactively collect information on product fires and strengthen collaborations with the relevant agencies. Through this, it is moving forward with ensuring consumer safety and peace of mind, while also preventing fire accidents caused by products.

11. Promoting Fire Prevention Measures at Outdoor Event Venues

In August 15, 2013, a fire broke out at the venue for a fireworks show in Fukuchiyama City, Kyoto, that involved enormous human suffering in the sense that 3 people died and 56 were injured. Following this, the Order for Enforcement of the Fire Services Act was revised in December 2013 and the Fire Prevention Ordinance (Example) was revised in January 2014 in order to promote fire prevention measures at outdoor event venues. These mandated initiatives like preparing fire extinguishers when handling equipment that use fire at outdoor event venues and the like, and appointing managers for fire prevention at those large-scale outdoor and similar events that have been specially designated by fire chiefs. It also mandated that plans for the operations necessary for fire prevention be prepared and submitted.

Countermeasures to Disasters at Facilities for Hazardous Materials

Current Status of and Recent Trends in Disasters at

Facilities for Hazardous Materials

Accidents at facilities for hazardous materials are broadly classified into fires (including explosions) and spills of hazardous materials. The number of fire and spillage accidents at facilities for hazardous materials have been trending upward since 1994. In 2014 (January 1 - December 31, 2014), there were 203 fires and 396 spills for a total of 599 accidents. This is 35 more accidents than the previous year, which means that accidents are still holding steady at a high level (Fig. 1-2-1).



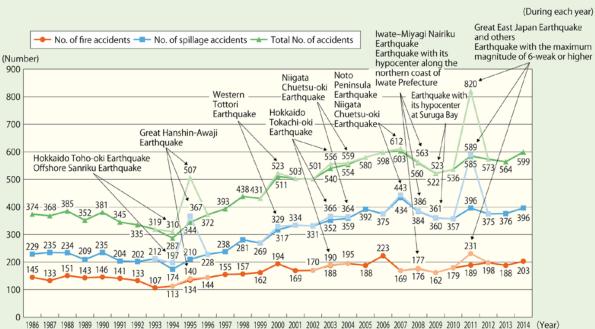
The number of fire accidents that occurred at facilities for hazardous materials in 2014 rose by roughly 1.9-times compared with the 107 such accidents in 1993, which had the lowest number of fire accidents since 1989, despite the fact that the number of facilities for hazardous materials has decreased. Accidents attributable to human factors such as inadequate maintenance and inadequate operating checks account for the majority of the primary causes for these. However, accidents caused by physical factors such as design defects are also on an upswing.

(1) Number of Fire Accidents at Facilities for Hazardous Materials and the Damage Done

The number of fire accidents that occurred at facilities for hazardous materials in 2014 came to 203 (an increase of 15 year-on-year), the amount of damages came to 2,140 million yen (a decrease of 2,194 million yen year-on-year), and they left 1 person dead (a decrease of 6 people year-on-year) and 64 people injured (an increase of 9 people year-on-year) (Fig. 1-2-2).

Moreover, looking at the number of fire accidents that occurred by type of facility for hazardous materials reveals that the majority occurred at general outlets, followed by manufacturing facilities and fuel supply depots in that order. The total for these 3 facility classifications account for 92.6% of the total accidents (Fig. 1-2-3). Conversely, of the 203 fire accidents 116 (or 57.1% of the total) were cases where a hazardous material served as the causative agent for the fire (Fig. 1-2-4).

Fig. 1-2-1 Trends in the number of fire and spillage accidents at facilities for hazardous materials



(Notes) 1 Prepared based on Accident Reports on Hazardous Materials.

2 In order to determine the trends in the number of accidents that occurred by year, these are denoted by dividing the number of accidents that occurred as a result of earthquakes with a magnitude of 6-weak or higher (or a magnitude of 6 or higher for dates prior to September 1996) and the number from all others.

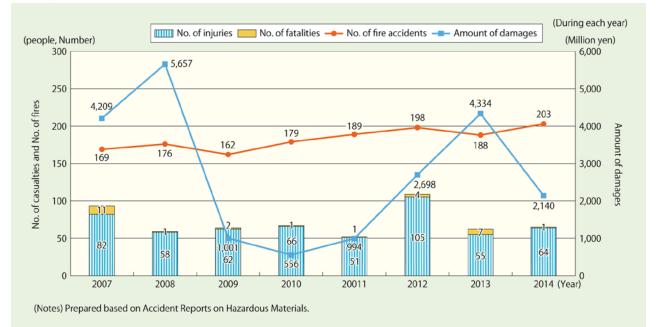
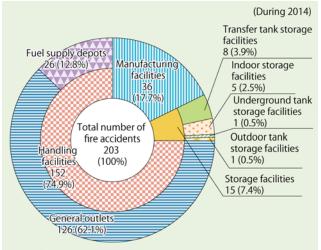


Fig. 1-2-2 Number of fire accidents at facilities for hazardous materials and the extent of the damage done

Fig. 1-2-3 Number of fire accidents by type of facility for hazardous materials



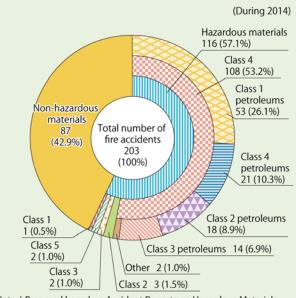
(Notes) Prepared based on Accident Reports on Hazardous Materials.

(2) Causative Factors behind the Fire Accidents at Facilities for Hazardous Materials

A look at the causative factors behind the fire accidents at facilities for hazardous materials that occurred in 2014 reveals that human factors accounted for 61.1%; physical factors accounted for 28.1%; and the total for other causes, unknown, and under investigation came to 10.8% (Fig. 1-2-5).

When viewed by ignition source, those ignited by static electricity sparks were most common at 42 (an increase of 7 year-on-year), followed by 33 from high-temperature surface heat (an increase of 14 year-on-year) and 22 from ignition due to overheating (a decrease of 6 year-on-year) (Fig. 1-2-6).

Fig. 1-2-4 Number of fire accidents by causative agent for the fire



(Notes) Prepared based on Accident Reports on Hazardous Materials.

(3) Fire Accidents at Unauthorized Facilities

The number of fire accidents that occurred at facilities which were supposed to receive authorization as facilities for hazardous materials yet which failed to do so (hereafter referred to as "unauthorized facilities") in 2014 came to six (an increase of one year-on-year), and they left one person dead (a decrease of one year-on-year) and five injured (the same year-on-year).

Fig. 1-2-5 Number of fire accidents by causative factor

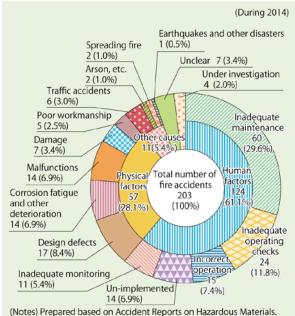
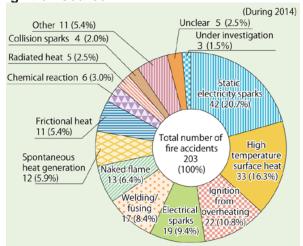


Fig. 1-2-6 Number of fire accidents by ignition source



(Notes) Prepared based on Accident Reports on Hazardous Materials.

(4) Fire Accidents during the Transportation of Hazardous Materials

No fire accidents during the transportation of hazardous materials occurred in 2014.

(5) Fire Accidents during Temporary Storage or Handling

Continuing on from 2013, no fire accidents during the temporary storage or handling of hazardous materials occurred in 2014.

2. Spillage Accidents

The number of spillage accidents involving hazardous materials that occurred at facilities for hazardous materials in 2014 rose by roughly 2.3-times compared with the 174 such accidents in 1994, which had the lowest number of spillage accidents since 1989, despite the fact that the number of facilities for hazardous materials has decreased. As for the primary causative factors, accidents attributable to human factors and those caused by physical factors both occur in large numbers. However, of those accidents caused by physical factors, the number caused by age-related deterioration, such as corrosion fatigue, in particular are on the rise.

(1) Number of Spillage Accidents at Facilities for Hazardous Materials and the Damage Done

The number of spillage accidents involving hazardous materials that occurred at facilities for hazardous materials (which did not turn into fires) in 2014 came to 396 (an increase of 20 year-on-year), the amount of damages came to 424 million yen (a decrease of 15 million yen year-on-year), and they resulted in no death (the same year-on-year) but left 25 people injured (an increase of 7 people year-on-year) (Fig. 1-2-7).

Moreover, looking at the number of spillage accidents that occurred by type of facility for hazardous materials reveals that the majority occurred at general outlets, followed by transfer storage tanks and outdoor storage tanks in that order (Fig. 1-2-8).

Conversely, 98.2% of the number of spillage accidents at facilities for hazardous materials involved spills of Class 4 hazardous materials, which consist primarily of petroleum products. Viewing this item type reveals that Class 2 petroleums (light oil, etc.) accounts for most of these, followed by Class 3 petroleums (heavy oil, etc.), Class 1 petroleums (gasoline, etc.), and Class 4 petroleums (gear oil, etc.) in that order (Fig. 1-2-9).

(2) Causative Factors behind the Spillage Accidents at Facilities for Hazardous Materials

A look at the causative factors behind the spillage accidents at facilities for hazardous materials that occurred in 2014 reveals that human factors accounted for 31.6%; physical factors accounted for 57.3%; and the total for other causes, unknown, and under investigation came to 11.1% (Fig. 1-2-10).

When viewed by causative factor, those caused by deterioration such as corrosion fatigue were most common at 148 (an increase of 7 year-on-year), followed by 53 from inadequate operating checks (an increase of 6 year-on-year) and 38 from damage (an increase of 7 year-on-year) (Fig. 1-2-10).

(3) Spillage Accidents at Unauthorized Facilities

The number of spillage accidents that occurred at unauthorized facilities in 2014 came to three (a decrease of one year-on-year), with no casualties (same number of dead and injured people year-on-year).

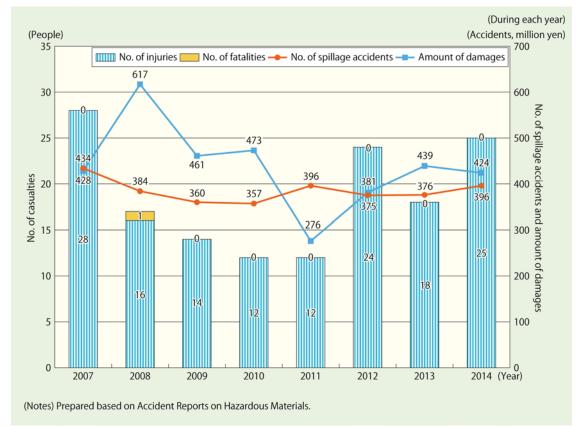


Fig. 1-2-7 Number of spillage accidents at facilities for hazardous materials and the extent of the damage done

Fig. 1-2-8 Number of spillage accidents by type of facility for hazardous materials

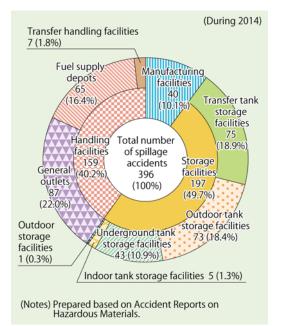
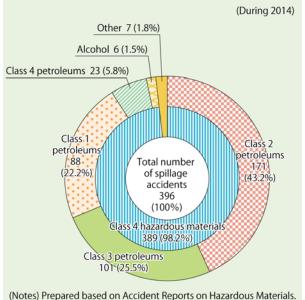


Fig. 1-2-9 Number of spillage accidents by material spilled



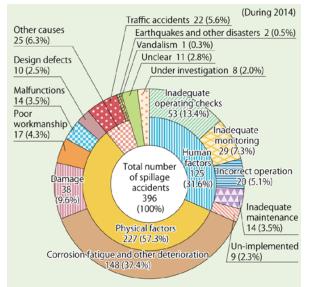


Fig. 1-2-10 Number of spillage accidents by causative factor

(Notes) Prepared based on Accident Reports on Hazardous Materials.

(4) Spillage Accidents during the Transportation of Hazardous Materials

The number of spillage accidents that occurred during the transportation of hazardous materials in 2014 came to 12 (a decrease of 3 year-on-year), and while there were no deaths (the same year-on-year) five people were injured (an increase of 5 year-on-year).

Current Status of Hazardous Materials Administration

1. Regulations on Hazardous Materials

(1) Regulatory Structure for Hazardous Materials

The Fire Services Act designates substances with properties such as: (1) Carrying a significant risk of causing a fire, (2) Carrying a significant risk of spreading a fire once one starts, and (3) Being difficult to extinguish when a fire does break out, as "hazardous materials."*¹⁰ Enacting safety regulations for the storage, handling and transportation of these hazardous materials has been posited as contributing to the promotion of social welfare by preventing fires; protecting the lives, health, and property of the public from fires; and mitigating the damage from fires. Regulations concerning hazardous materials have been instituted in a uniform manner throughout Japan through the partial revisions to the Fire Services Act of 1959 and by enacting cabinet orders on regulations for hazardous materials. Since then, efforts like revising the relevant legislation to ensure that it contains content like establishing necessary and sufficient technical standards that are safer for facilities for hazardous materials*11 have sequentially

¹⁰ Hazardous materials: The Fire Services Act (Article 2-7) defines them as such: "The term 'hazardous materials' means the materials listed in the Names of Items column of Appended Table 1, which have the properties listed in the Nature column of said table according to the Categories specified in said table." Moreover, the properties of each hazardous material are defined for each type in the "Remarks" to Appended Table I of the Fire Services Act.

Hazardous materials listed in Appended Table I and their characteristics]								
Category	Nature	Properties	Representative substances					
Category 1	Oxidizing solids	These are solids that do not burn themselves, but which have the property of causing other substances to oxidize powerfully. When mixed with inflammable materials, they degrade as a result of heat, impacts, or friction, and give rise to extremely intense combustion.	Sodium chlorate, potassium nitrate, ammonium nitrate					
Category 2	Combustible solids	These are solids that easily ignite from fire or solids that easily catch fire at relatively low temperatures (less than 40°C). They easily catch fire, are quick to combust, and are difficult to extinguish.	Red phosphorous, sulfur, iron powder, solid alcohol, lacquer putty					
Category 3	Spontaneously combustible substances and water-reactive substances	These substances spontaneously combust when exposed to air, or either combust or generate combustible gasses when they come into contact with water.	Sodium, alkyl aluminum, yellow phosphorous					
Category 4	Inflammable liquids	These are liquids that are inflammable.	Gasoline, kerosene, light oil, heavy oil, acetone, methanol					
Category 5	Self-reactive substances	These are solids or liquids that generate large quantities of heat at relatively low temperatures or promote explosive reactions as a result of thermolysis and other reactions.	Nitroglycerin, trinitrotoluen, hydroxylamine					
Category 6	Oxidizing liquids	These are liquids that do not burn themselves, but which have the property of promoting the combustion of other flammable substances they are mixed with.	Perchloric acid, hydrogen peroxide, nitric acid					

*¹¹ Facilities for hazardous materials: These are facilities that have received authorization from municipal mayors and similar officials as facilities that store or handle hazardous materials at or above the quantities specified in the Fire Services Act. As described below, they are classified into three types: manufacturing facilities, storage facilities, and handling facilities.

C	Classification	Details						
Manut	acturing facilities	Facilities that manufacture hazardous materials (Ex.: Chemical plants, oil refineries)						
	Indoor storage facilities	Store hazardous materials inside buildings						
	Outdoor storage tanks	Store hazardous materials in tanks located outdoors (Ex.: oil tanks)						
	Indoor storage tanks	Store hazardous materials in tanks located indoors						
Storage facilities	Underground storage tanks	Store hazardous materials in tanks located below the ground's surface						
g	Simple storage tanks	Stores hazardous materials in small tanks less than 600 L						
	Transfer storage tanks	Store hazardous materials in tanks that have been affixed to vehicles (Ex.: Tanker trucks)						
	Outdoor storage facilities	Store certain hazardous materials in containers in outdoor locations						
	Fuel supply depots	Handling facilities that fuel vehicles and the like (Ex.: Gas stations)						
	Sales handling facilities	Stores that sell containers full of hazardous materials						
Handling facilities	Transfer handling facilities	Handling facilities that transfer hazardous materials through pipes (Ex.: Pipelines)						
	General outlets	Handling facilities other than the three types of handling facilities above (Ex.: Boilers, private power generators)						

been carried out in striving to thoroughly ensure safety at such facilities.

An overview of the regulations on hazardous materials is shown below (Fig. 1-2-11).

 Hazardous materials of volumes at or above the designated quantities (the quantity at which authorization is necessary to store or handle a material as designated by the Fire Services Act) cannot be stored or handled at locations other than facilities for hazardous materials. Persons attempting to establish a facility for hazardous materials must ensure it is in compliance with the standards

Fig. 1-2-11 Regulatory structure

regarding its location, structure, and equipment specified by law, and receive authorization from the municipal mayor for this.

- The transportation of hazardous materials must be carried out in accordance with the standards for ensuring safety specified in law, regardless of how large or small the quantity is.
- Standards for the storage and handling of hazardous materials in volumes less than the designated quantities are to be established via municipal ordinances.



(2) Recent Status for Hazardous Material Regulations - Omitted

(3) Current Status of Facilities for Hazardous Materials

A. Number of Facilities for Hazardous Materials

The total number of facilities for hazardous materials (number of facilities for construction permits) as of March 31, 2015 came to 422,029 (Table 1-2-1). A look at the share of facilities by their classification reveals that storage facilities account for the majority at 68.5%, followed by handling facilities at 30.3% and then manufacturing facilities at 1.2% (Fig. 1-2-12).

B. Composition of Facilities for Hazardous Materials by Size

As for the number of facilities by size (according to the maximum storage quantity or the maximum handling quantity) of the total number of facilities for hazardous materials as of March 31, 2015, those facilities for hazardous materials that hold 50-times the designated quantities or less account for 75.9% of the total (Fig. 1-2-13).

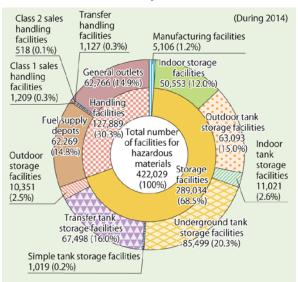
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Table 1-2-1 Trends in the number of facilities for hazardous materials

	(As of March 31 of each year)													
	Year	2011	0040	0040	2014	2015	Rate of ch	nange (%)						
Fa	acility	(A) 2012		2013	(B)	(C)	(C/A-1)×100	(C/B-1)×100						
Μ	anufacturing facilities	5,152	5,150	5,160	5,154	5,106	-0.9	-0.9						
	Indoor storage facilities	52,219	51,516	51,245	50,888	50,553	-3.2	-0.7						
Storage	Outdoor storage tanks	67,470	66,294	65,330	64,206	63,093	-6.5	-1.7						
ra	Indoor storage tanks	11,923	11,679	11,502	11,296	11,021	-7.6	-2.4						
		99,383	96,120	91,255	87,831	85,499	-14.0	-2.7						
facilities	Simple storage tanks	1,141	1,114	1,101	1,060	1,019	-10.7	-3.9						
Ĭ	Transfer storage tanks	68,746	68,299	67,916	67,665	67,498	-1.8	-0.2						
les		11,114	10,953	10,793	10,598	10,351	-6.9	-2.3						
	Subtotal	311,996	305,975	299,142	293,544	289,034	-7.4	-1.5						
-	Fuel supply depots	67,990	66,470	64,593	63,222	62,269	-8.4	-1.5						
a	Class 1 sales handling facilities	1,381	1,333	1,293	1,245	1,209	-12.5	-2.9						
Handling	Class II sales handling facilities	542	537	538	529	518	-4.4	-2.1						
bu	Transfer handling facilities	1,179	1,153	1,151	1,142	1,127	-4.4	-1.3						
	General outlets	67,589	66,659	65,041	63,705	62,766	-7.1	-1.5						
Cili	Subtotal	138,681	136,152	132,616	129,843	127,889	-7.8	-1.5						
facilities														
	Total	455,829	447,277	436,918	428,541	422,029	-7.4	-1.5						

Fig. 1-2-12 Number of facilities for hazardous materials by classification



(Notes) Prepared based on Accident Reports on Hazardous Materials.

(4) Hazardous Material Engineers

Hazardous material engineers are classified into three types. Class A engineers can handle all hazardous materials, Class B engineers can handle types of hazardous materials for which they have obtained approval, and Class C engineers can handle designated hazardous materials from among the type 4. When hazardous material engineers or someone else handles hazardous materials at facilities for hazardous materials, a Class A or Class B hazardous material engineer must be present to ensure safety. As of March 31, 2015 the (cumulative) total number of people who have passed the hazardous material engineer test since the hazardous material engineer system was launched came to 8,984,911 people. They play a significant role in ensuring safety at facilities for hazardous materials.

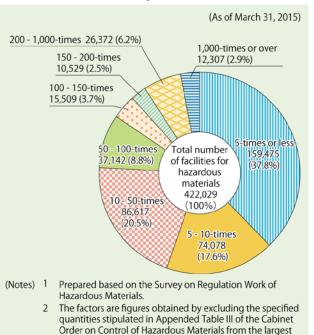
A. Hazardous Material Engineer Tests

Hazardous material engineer tests were held 547 times throughout Japan in FY2014 (an increase of 14 year-on-year). They were taken by 415,006 people (a decrease of 20,929 people year-on-year), with 158,914 people passing (a decrease of 18,246 people year-on-year) for an average pass rate of roughly 38.3% (a decrease of 2.3 points year-on-year). Viewing the situation by test type and category reveals that 66.4% of the people took the test for Class B, Type 4, followed by Class C at 9.0% of the total. These two test types accounted for 75.4% of the total. The number of people who passed these two test types accounted for 61.9% of the total.

B. Safety Training Courses

As a general rule, the hazardous material engineers engaged in handling hazardous materials at facilities for hazardous materials must take a training course on safety

Fig. 1-2-13 Composition ratio of facilities for hazardous materials by size



for handling hazardous materials offered by prefectural governors (safety training courses) within each three year period (starting from April 1, 2012, within three years from the first April 1 since the date on which the hazardous material engineer license was issued or the date they took the safety training course). In FY2014 safety training courses were held a total of 1,363 times throughout Japan (a decrease of 11 times year-on-year), and were attended by 162,977 people (a decrease of 1,319 people year-on-year).

quantities stored or the largest quantities handled.

(5) Establishment of Safety Systems at Business Establishments

As of March 31, 2015, the total number of business establishments that owned facilities for hazardous materials came to 195,210 throughout Japan. In an effort to establish safety systems at business establishments, it has been mandated that the owners of facilities for hazardous materials that store or handle hazardous materials at or above certain quantities must carry out certain obligations. These include appointing hazardous materials security superintendents, appointing safety officers for facilities for hazardous materials (1,653 business establishments), and preparing fire and disaster prevention rules (46,022 business establishments). Moreover, it has been mandated that said business establishments that own certain facilities for hazardous materials and that store or handle hazardous materials at or above certain quantities must establish fire defense organizations for self protection (76 business establishments) and appoint hazardous material safety supervising managers (200 business establishments).

(6) Safety Inspections

It has been mandated that the owners of outdoor storage tanks and transfer handling facilities at or over a certain size must undergo inspections on the safety of facilities for hazardous materials performed by municipal mayors and similar officials (safety inspections) at regular fixed intervals according to factors like the facilities' size. In FY2014, 295 safety inspections were performed, of which 286 involved outdoor storage tanks and 9 involved transfer handling facilities.

(7) Onsite Inspections and Orders

Municipal mayors and similar officials can perform onsite inspections on facilities for hazardous materials and other such facilities to ensure that their installation, construction, and establishment of equipment, as well as storage or handling of hazardous materials, are in compliance with the standards established in the Fire Services Act. These can be carried out when said official deems it necessary to prevent fires that arise consequent upon the storage or handling of hazardous materials. In FY2014, onsite inspections were carried out a total of 204,848 times at 186,854 facilities for hazardous materials. In cases where violations of the Fire Services Act were discovered as a result of the onsite inspections, these municipal mayors and other officials can issue a variety of different orders to the owners of said facilities for hazardous materials. These include orders to comply with regulations on storage and handling, orders to take measures related to standards for installing, constructing, or establishing equipment, and more.

In FY2014 municipal mayors or similar officials issued such orders to take measures in 247 cases.

2. Securing Petroleum Pipelines

(1) Safety Regulations for the Petroleum Pipeline Business

Regarding those petroleum pipelines which are used to transport petroleum in response to general demand, their operators must listen to the opinions of the Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications regarding formulating basic plans and business licenses in order to ensure safety pursuant to the Petroleum Pipeline Business Act enacted in 1972. What is more, the Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications provides licenses for construction plans, performs completion inspections, provides licenses for safety regulations, performs onsite inspections, and more. The facilities to which the Petroleum Pipeline Business Act apply currently only include the pipelines transporting airplane fuel to Narita International Airport, with other pipelines regulated as transfer handling facilities under the Fire Services Act.

(2) Ensuring the Safety of Petroleum Pipelines

Safety inspections are carried out periodically on the pipelines transporting airplane fuel to Narita International Airport pursuant to the Petroleum Pipeline Business Act. In addition, the business operators must do everything they possibly can to ensure safety, such as having maintenance and inspections carried out in accordance with the technical standards established by law. Chapter 1

Section

Countermeasures to Disasters at Petroleum Industrial Complexes

Current Status of and Recent Trends in Disasters

at Petroleum Industrial Complexes

1. Number of Accidents and Damage

The total number of accidents that occurred at specified business establishments*12 in petroleum industrial complexes and other special disaster prevention areas (see White Paper P97; hereafter referred to as "special disaster prevention areas") in 2014 came to 253. A breakdown of this reveals that there were zero accidents from earthquakes and tsunamis (hereafter referred to as "earthquake-induced accidents") and 253 accidents that were not earthquake-induced (hereafter referred to as "general accidents"). Compared to the previous year, there was an increase in both the total number and the number of general accidents. Limiting the focus to general accidents in particular reveals that these increased by 25 over the previous year (228 such accidents), marking the largest number of these to date (Fig. 1-3-1).

Looking at this by type of accident reveals there were 104 fires (an increase of 22 year-on-year), 6 explosions (an increase of 1 year-on-year), 135 leaks (an increase of 2 year-on-year), and 8 other accidents (a decrease of 1 year-on-year) (**Table 1-3-1**).

Looking at trends in the number of general accidents that have occurred reveals that these had been on a downswing since the enactment of the Act on the Prevention of Disaster in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Petroleum Facilities. However, this has been on an upswing since 1994, and the number surged in 2006. Since then, it continued to decline for two years in a row in 2008 and 2009, after which it once again swung upwards in 2010 before reaching a record high in 2014.

The number of casualties from accidents that occurred in 2014 came to 5 deaths and 76 injuries. Moreover, looking at the causes for general accidents reveals that 140 accidents (55.3%) were due to physical factors like the deterioration of facilities and malfunctions, while 98 accidents (38.7%) were due to human factors, such as those on the management or operating side.

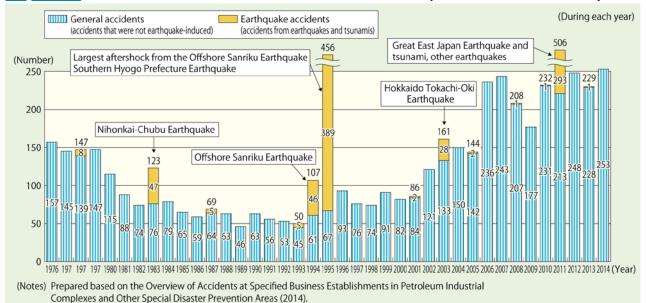


Fig. 1-3-1 Trends in the number of accidents that occurred at petroleum industrial complexes

*¹² Specified business establishments: These refer to Class 1 business establishments (business establishments where 10,000 kiloliters of petroleum or more are stored or handled, or where 2 million cubic meters of high-pressure gas or more are processed) and Class 2 business establishments (business establishments where 1,000 kiloliters of petroleum or more are stored or handled, or where 200,000 cubic meters of high-pressure gas or more are processed).

Table 1-3-1 Accidents that occurred at petroleum industrial complexes

10	Accident	000	balliou at pe			ріслов	
							(During each yea
		.	Accidents in 20	14		Accidents in 2013	3
	Туре		General accidents	Earthquake-induce d accidents		General accidents	Earthquake-induced accidents
	Fires	104 (41.1%)	104 (41.1%)		82 (35.8%)	82 (36.0%)	(—%)
Explosions		6 (2.4%)	6 (2.4%)	(—%)	5 (2.2%)	5 (2.2%)	(—%)
	Leaks	135 (53.4%)	135 (53.4%)		133 (58.1%)	132 (57.9%)	
Other	Damage	8 (3.1%)	8 (3.1%)	(—%)	9 (3.9%)	9 (3.9%)	(—%)
her	Accidents not corresponding to the above	(_%)	(—%)	(—%)	(—%)	(—%)	(—%)
	Total	253	253	—	229	228	1

(Notes) 1 Prepared based on the Overview of Accidents at Specified Business Establishments in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Special Disaster Prevention Areas (2014).

2 There was no earthquake-induced accident among the accidents from 2014.

Characteristics of Accidents

(1) Number of Accidents by the Classification of Specified Business Establishments

Looking at the number of general accidents by the classification of specified business establishments reveals that Class 1 business establishments accounted for 191 (161 of which were at layout business establishments^{*13}), which account for 75.5% of the total (Table 1-3-2).

(2) Number of Accidents at Specified Business Establishments by Business Category

As for the number of general accidents that occurred at specified business establishments by business category, there were 90 chemical industry-related accidents (35.6%), 82 petroleum and coal products manufacturing industry-related accidents (32.4%), 21 electrical industry-related accidents (8.3%), 17 steel industry-related accidents (6.7%), and 43 accidents in other business categories (17.0%).

Table 1-3-2 Number of general accidents by classification for specified business establishments

				(During 2014)
Type of business establishme	nt No. of specified business establishments (A)	No. of accidents (B)	Share of the total No. of accidents (%)	No. of accidents per business establishments (B/A)
Class 1 business establishments	376	191	75.5	0.50
Layout business establishments	183	161	63.6	0.87
Other business establishments	193	30	11.9	0.15
Class 2 business establishments	321	62	24.5	0.19
Total	697	253	100	0.36

(Notes) 1 Prepared based on the Overview of Accidents at Specified Business Establishments in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Special Disaster Prevention Areas (2014).

2 The number of business establishments is as of April 1, 2014.

Current Status of Damage Countermeasures at

Petroleum Industrial Complexes

In order to prevent disasters from occurring and spreading at petroleum industrial complexes, where large quantities of hazardous materials, high pressure gasses, and other flammable materials are concentrated, efforts are made to establish comprehensive disaster prevention structures for these. This includes by applying the various regulations from the Fire Services Act, the High Pressure Gas Safety Act, the Industrial Safety and Health Act, the Act on Prevention of Marine Pollution and Maritime Disasters, and others, as well as by applying the regulations from the Act on the Prevention of Disaster in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Petroleum Facilities regarding issues like the layouts of the various facilities and disaster prevention equipment.

1. Current Status of Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Special Disaster Prevention Areas

As of April 1, 2015, 85 areas in which large quantities of petroleum or high pressure gas at or above certain quantities have been designated as special disaster prevention areas in 104 municipalities in 33 prefectures based on the Act on the Prevention of Disaster in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Petroleum Facilities (Fig. 1-3-2). These special disaster prevention areas are under the jurisdiction of 92 fire defense headquarters. What is more, 697 business establishments serve as specified business establishments subject to the regulations of the Act on the Prevention of Disaster in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Petroleum Facilities. Of these, 370 are Class 1 business establishments (including 176 layout business establishments) and 327 are Class 2 business establishments.

(The rest is omitted.)

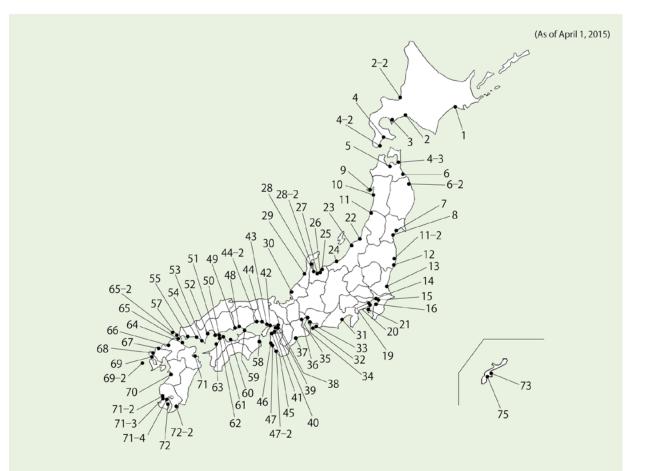


Fig. 1-3-2 Designation status for petroleum industrial complexes and other special disaster prevention areas

No.	Special disaster prevention areas	No.	Special disaster prevention areas	No.	Special disaster prevention areas	No.	Special disaster prevention areas	No.	Special disaster prevention areas
1	Kushiro	14	North Keiyo coast	33	Tahara	49	Fukuyama/Sasao ka	67	Karatsu
2	Tomakomai	15	Central Keiyo coast	34	Kinuura	50	Etajima	68	Fukushima
2-2	Ishikari	16	South Keiyo coast	35	Port of Nagoya coast	51	Nomi	69	Ainoura
3	Muroran	19	Keihin coast	36	Yokkaichi coast	52	Iwakuni/Otake	69-2	Kamigoto
4	Hokuto	20	Negishi coast	37	Owase	53	Kudamatsu	70	Yatsushiro
4-2	Shiriuchi	21	Kurihama	38	Osaka North Port	54	Shunan	71	Oita
4-3	Mutsuogawara	22	Port of Niigata (East)	39	Sakai Senboku coast	55	Ube/Onoda	71-2	Sendai
5	Aomori	23	Port of Niigata (West)	40	Kansai International 57 Mutsurejima		Mutsurejima	71-3	Kushikino
6	Hachinohe	24	Naoetsu	41	Misaki	58	Anan	71-4	Kagoshima
6-2	Kuji	25	Toyama	42	Kobe	59	Bannosu	72	Kiire
7	Shiogama	26	Fuchiyu	43	Higashiharima	60	Niihama	72-2	Shibushi
8	Sendai	27	Shinminato	44	Himeji coast	61	Namikata	73	Henza
9	Oga	28	Fushiki	44-2	Ako	62	Kikuma	75	Onaha
10	Akita	28-2	Port of Nanao, Mimuro	45	Northern coast in north Wakayama	63	Matsuyama		
11	Sakata	29	Kanazawa Port north	46	Central coast in north Wakayama	64	Buzen		
11-12	Hirono	30	Fukui coast	47	Southern coast in north Wakayama	65	Kitakyushu		
12	Iwaki	31	Shimizu	47-2	Kobo	65-2	Shirashima		
13	Kashima coast	32	Atsumi	48	Mizushima coast	66	Fukuoka		*85 areas

(Notes) In December 27 the designations for the "21 Kurihama" area (Kanagawa Prefecture) and the "67 Karatsu" area (Saga Prefecture) were eliminated.

2. Disaster Prevention Structures at Prefectures and Firefighting Agencies

(1) Establishing Disaster Prevention Schemes

The prefectures that contain special disaster prevention areas are moving forward with establishing disaster prevention structures in a comprehensive and systematic manner based on the Act on the Prevention of Disaster in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Petroleum Facilities. This is being done through concerted efforts together with relevant agencies centering primarily on disaster prevention headquarters at petroleum industrial complexes and other locations (hereafter referred to as "disaster prevention headquarters"). The disaster prevention headquarters carry out operations such as preparing disaster prevention plans for petroleum industrial complexes and other locations (hereafter referred to as "disaster prevention plans"), liaising and coordinating with relevant agencies when disasters strike, and promoting research studies on disaster prevention.

(2) Responses Measures when Disasters Occur

When disasters occur in special disaster prevention areas, response measures consist of disaster management responses carried out in a concerted manner by the prefecture, municipality, related agencies, specified business operators and others under the leadership of the disaster prevention headquarters, as stipulated by the disaster prevention plan.

When disasters occur, firefighting agencies carry out activities to curb the damage, give instructions regarding the activities of disaster prevention organizations for self-defense, and carry out other roles that are important for the disaster response measures.

(3) Maintaining the Firefighting Capabilities of Municipalities Containing Special Disaster Prevention Areas

There is the concern that disasters that occur within special disaster prevention areas will be large in scale and of a specialized type. Therefore, it is important to maintain firefighting capabilities in order to respond to said disasters. Through the Firefighting Maintenance Policies, which are based on municipal firefighting agencies, the FDMA denotes those firefighting capabilities that must be retained in order to handle disasters involving special disaster prevention areas, and strives to maintain these. As of April 1, 2015, the firefighting agencies in municipalities containing a special disaster prevention area were found to be equipped with 83 large chemical firetrucks, 63 large, elevated water trucks, 90 foam solution transport vehicles, 19 large, elevated chemical water trucks, 3,048 kl of 3% fire-extinguishing foam, 619 kl of 6% fire-extinguishing foam, 23 fireboats, and more.

What is more, 30 foam solution storage facilities, 12 portable foam cannons, and other equipment is equipped in prefectures that contain special disaster prevention areas. This is designed to complement the firefighting capability of the municipalities while also enhancing and strengthening the disaster prevention structures for the special disaster prevention areas.

3. Disaster Prevention Structures at Specified Business Establishments

(1) Establishing Disaster Prevention Organizations for Self-defense

The Act on the Prevention of Disaster in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Petroleum Facilities mandates that those operators that establish specified business establishments that contain special disaster prevention areas (specified business operators) must set up disaster prevention organizations for self-defense, equip fire defense equipment, appoint disaster protection managers, prepare disaster prevention regulations, and so forth. It also stipulates that they are to establish joint disaster prevention associations,*14 wide-area joint disaster prevention associations,*¹⁵ and special disaster prevention area councils for petroleum industrial complexes and the like (hereafter referred to as "area councils")*16 in order to establish disaster prevention structures through the combined efforts of the specified business establishments.

As of April 1, 2015, disaster prevention organizations for self-defense had been established at every specified business establishment (697 business establishments). In addition, 75 joint disaster prevention associations, 11 wide-area joint disaster prevention associations, and 56 area councils had been established. These disaster prevention organizations for self-defense, joint disaster prevention associations, and wide-area joint disaster prevention associations are constantly equipped with 5,649 disaster prevention personnel, 94 large chemical fire trucks, 54 large, elevated water trucks, 145 foam solution transport vehicles, 114 large, elevated chemical water trucks, 24 high capacity foam cannons, 24 oil recovery vessels, and more.

^{*&}lt;sup>14</sup> Joint disaster prevention associations: Disaster prevention associations jointly established by the specified business operators involved with specified business establishments containing a single special disaster prevention area in order to carry out some of the tasks of the disaster prevention organization for self-defense. *¹⁵ Wide-area joint disaster prevention associations: Joint disaster prevention associations covering a wide area jointly established by specified business operators involved with specified business establishments containing areas in which there are two or more special disaster prevention areas to carry out tasks related to disaster prevention activities by using large volume foam cannons and other equipment.

^{*16} Special disaster prevention area councils for petroleum industrial complexes: Councils jointly established by the specified business operators involved with specified business establishments containing a single special disaster prevention area for the purpose of carrying out activities like preparing voluntary standards for things like preventing disasters and holding joint disaster prevention drills.

What is more, the law states that these specified business establishments must establish embankments to prevent oil spills, outdoor water supply equipment for firefighting, and emergency notification systems according to their size. As of April 1, 2015, 149 business establishments had installed embankments to prevent oil spills, 512 had installed outdoor water supply equipment for firefighting, and 578 had installed emergency notification systems, respectively.

(2) Equipping High Capacity Foam Systems

During the Takachi-Oki Earthquake that occurred in September 2003, damage that included damage to and oil leaks from numerous outdoor storage tanks occurred at an oil refining business establishment in Tomakomai City. In addition, approximately 54 hours after the earthquake struck all of the floating roof outdoor storage tanks caught fire.

Before this disaster struck, it had been assumed that the fires that would occur at floating roof outdoor storage tanks would be ring fires.*¹⁷ But out of consideration for the risk of earthquakes occurring in Japan, the assumption that had to be made with the floating roof outdoor storage tanks was that a fire would spread to all of the tanks. In light of this, the Act on the Prevention of Disaster in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Petroleum Facilities was revised in June 2004 and the order for the enforcement of this law was revised in November 2005 to strengthen and enhance disaster prevention structures. Furthermore, it was mandated that specified business establishments must equip themselves with high capacity foam systems, which were a new type of firefighting equipment then, by November 2008 in order to respond to fires that fully envelop floating roof outdoor storage tanks.

High capacity foam systems are a type of firefighting equipment that consist of high capacity foam cannons, feed pumps, foam mixers, and hoses. They have the capacity to spray more than 10,000 liters of foam per minute. A single high capacity foam cannon is capable of spraying anywhere from three to ten times as much foam as a conventional three-part set (consisting of a large chemical firetruck, large, elevated water truck, and a foam solution transport vehicle). At present, high capacity foam systems with the capacity to spray anywhere from 10,000 to 40,000 liters per minute are stationed at 12 wide-area joint disaster prevention associations throughout Japan.



Water spraying drill using a high capacity foam system (Osaka/Wakayama wide-area joint disaster prevention council)

(3) Enhancing Disaster Prevention Structures for Self-defense

The fact that petroleum industrial complexes handle large quantities of hazardous materials and the like and have equipment that is complexly interconnected makes firefighting activities difficult, and so such carry the risk that this will result in enormous damage. Therefore, when such disasters occur, disaster prevention organizations for self-defense and joint disaster prevention associations are called upon to carry out precise firefighting activities. In addition, the disaster prevention personnel responsible for said activities require extensive knowledge and skills. The FDMA has denoted firefighting activities for disaster prevention organizations for self-defense and others in documents like Introduction to Disaster Prevention Activities for Disaster Prevention Organizations for Self-defense, Guidelines for Education and Drills for Disaster Prevention Personnel, and Disaster Prevention Activities Using High Capacity Foam Systems, in an effort to enhance disaster prevention structures for self-defense.

4. Layout Regulations for Business Establishments

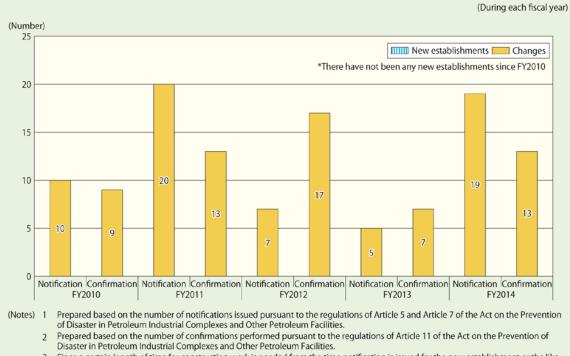
(1) Layout Regulations

Just regulating each individual facility at the business establishments that form petroleum industrial complexes as discrete units is not enough to prevent the spread of damage at such complexes. Rather, the business establishments as a whole must take measures from the perspective of preventing disasters and mitigating damage from them. Therefore, the Act on the Prevention of Disaster in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Petroleum Facilities mandates that layout business establishments must establish certain standards related to establishing facility areas on their sites and ensuring passageways. It also mandates that in cases like where business establishments are newly established or change their facility area layouts, they must provide notification of the relevant plans for this. It also says that they must undergo confirmation after these have been completed to ensure consistency with the plan (layout regulations). The quantities of oil stored and handled and the quantities of high pressure gas processed at layout business establishments came to roughly 60% and 98%, respectively, of that for the specified business establishments as a whole (as of April 1, 2015).

(2) Status for New Establishment and Other Notifications

The number of notifications for new establishments or changes in FY2014 from 176 layout business establishments (as of April 1, 2015) came to 19, while the number of confirmations in the same year came to 13 (Fig. 1-3-3).

Fig. 1-3-3 Status for the notification and confirmation of new business establishments subject to layout regulations



3 Since a certain length of time for construction work is needed from the time notification is issued for the new establishment or the like until confirmation can be performed, the number of notifications and the number of confirmations in each fiscal year do not align.

5. Other Disaster Countermeasures

(1) Establishing Disaster Response Structures

The Act on the Prevention of Disaster in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Petroleum Facilities states that specified business operators must report to firefighting agencies immediately when any abnormal phenomena occurs.*¹⁸ It also mandates that disaster prevention organizations for self-defense, joint disaster prevention associations, and wide-area joint disaster prevention associations must take the necessary measures in order to prevent disasters from occurring and spreading.

(2) Establishing Green Buffer Zones for Disaster Prevention

Regulations were established in the Act on the Prevention of Disaster in Petroleum Industrial Complexes and Other Petroleum Facilities in relation to matters like installation plans and the cost burden for green buffer zones for disaster prevention established by local governments in the vicinities around special disaster prevention areas in order to prevent damage in said areas from spreading to the surrounding regions.

^{*&}lt;sup>18</sup> Abnormal phenomena: Fires, spills of oil and other substances, and other such abnormal phenomena at specified business establishments.

Attachment 6 Extent of fire damage by prefecture

Classification				No.of fires		-				f buildings b		
Profestive	Total	Buildings	Forests	Vehicles	Ships	Aircraft	Other	Total	Totally destroye	Half destroye	Partially destroye	Minor fir
Prefecture Hokkaido	2,083	1,165	41	375	6		496	1,460	d 333	d 118	d 454	55
Aomori	2,083	291	41 58	51	3		496 181	519	333 157	38	454 158	16
Iwate	482	274	47	50	1		110	510	242	37	133	
Miyagi	846	449	44	90	1		262	708	225	26	171	28
Akita	351	199	46	29	1		76	371	121	23	130	
Yamagata	462	246	32	38			146	387	126	28	124	1(
Fukushima	678	337	43	94			204	560	222	35	135	16
Ibaraki	1,300	646	63	159	3		429	1,233	453	70	336	37
Tochigi	856	416	42	84			314	639	214	54	183	18
Gunma	944	456	37	107			344	709	197	50	203	2
Saitama	2,364	1,193	38	235			898	1,788	351	103	517	8
Chiba	2,242	1,090	93	185	4		870	1,621	406	81	414	7
Tokyo	4,830	3,014	6	334	2		1,474	3,494	110	140	656	2,5
Kanagawa	2,377	1,339	20	217			801	1,659	165	75	427	9
Niigata	632 219	415	24	74 27			119 30	699 203	207	48	196 45	2
Tomiyama Ishikawa	219	154 128	8 20	37			30 72	203 191	60 56	26 10	45 57	
Fukui	213	120	3	27	1		43	196	39	15	59	
Yamanashi	436	167	14	45			210	238	60	10	64	1
Nagano	954	445	42	93			374	650	212	56	201	1
Gifu	869	407	33	77	1		351	595	152	44	179	2
Shizuoka	1,208	589	43	124	1		451	841	193	55	221	3
Aichi	2,551	1,245	44	264	5	1	992	1,657	256	103	480	8
Mie	797	349	45	96	2		305	547	161	36	168	1
Shiga	471	245	15	53			158	332	84	17	72	1
Kyoto	537	340	13	69	1		114	480	89	25	133	2
Osaka	2,478	1,680	16	202	3		577	2,074	162	115	536	1,2
Hyogo	1,862	957	50	191	7		657	1,240	199	74	344	6
Nara	525	245	19	49	0		212	360	112	21	103	1
Wakayama Tottori	357 234	209 108	6 5	44 21	2		96 99	314 149	81 48	27 18	85 44	
Shimane	319	108	38	21	1		99 129	149	40 55	8	44 60	
Okayama	686	377	52	87			120	592	195	36	178	1
Hiroshima	873	488	47	86	5		247	734	160	44	216	3
Yamaguchi	500	263	25	58	4		150	426	123	30	122	1
Tokushima	232	144	12	30	1		45	219	63	25	61	
Kagawa	350	192	10	44	1		103	284	83	24	82	
Ehime	467	281	18	49	6		113	410	116	28	113	1
Kochi	319	169	18	23	2		107	254	84	22	64	
Fukuoka	1,507	878	46	166	2		415	1,142	198	60	339	Ę
Saga	307	142	17	29	1		118	201	56	11	72	
Nagano	458	245	20	41	8		144	361	111	27	96	
Kumamoto	595	339	29	74	2		151	537	166	33	156	1
Oita	422	219	48	48	4		103	367	111	17	118	
Miyazaki Kagoshima	488 703	237 373	41 30	47 56	2 2		161 242	357 626	114 238	19 33	111 129	2
Okinawa	516	228	30	50 66	2		189	264	238 45	24	74	1
Prefectural total	43,741	23,641	1,494	4,467	86	1	14,052	33,380	7,411	2,021	9,019	14,9
Sapporo City	545	338	1,434	97	00	1	14,032	406	32	2,021	144	2
Sendai City	334	213	1	30			90	278	30	8	55	1
Saitama City	344	198		35			111	245	28	9	70	1
Chiba City	300	167	6	23			104	207	33	9	55	
Special wards	3,553	2,309		241	2		1,001	2,644	69	79	502	1,9
Yokohama City	950	535		76			339	638	40	28	173	3
Kawasaki City	381	233		38			110	268	13	8	75	
Sagamihara City	203	112	8	15			68	142	20	5	37	
Niigata City	160	120	1	24			15	208	45	16	56	
Shizuoka City	196	88	3	28			77	120	18	7	24	
lamamatsu City	236	114	14	21			87	185	58	10	48	
Nagoya City	661	369	3	83			206	473	34	21	143	:
Kyoto City	236	166	5	29 50	~		36	231	26	16	71	
Osaka City	1,021	754		59 20	2		206	890	43	41	229	4
Sakai City Koba City	239 514	162 273	1	29 51	1		46 178	181 307	6 20	5	42	
Kobe City Okayama City	514 215	273 114	10 3	51 31	2		178 67	307 154	20 30	15 5	76 58	
Okayama City Hiroshima City	215 361	114 219	3	31 37	1		67 96	154 309	30 32	5 16	58 94	
Kitakyushu City	301	183	8	37 30			96 90	232	32	8	94 71	
Fukuoka City	304 307	213	6	30 25	2		90 61	263	22	9	79	
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Kumamoto City	181	111	1		1		48	152	20	11	52	
21 city total	11,241	6,991	72	1,022	11		3,145	8,533	652	350	2,154	5,

Attachment 6 Extent of fire damage by prefecture (continued)

Classification		Area burned		No. of cas	sualties		No, of house	holds affected	、 、	ring 2014) No. of
Prefecture	Building floor area	Building surface	Forests (a)	Fatalities	Injured	Total	Totally	Half	Minor	
<u> </u>	(m²)	area (m²)					destroyed	destroyed	destruction	
Hokkaido	63,596	8,515	5,901	81	240	805	146	68	591	1,6
Aomori	27,087	2,503	5,548	26	96	263	70	12	181	
Iwate	36,091	1,131	14,727	33	85	233	88	15	130	
Miyagi	28,783	1,578	1,345	40	120	388	91	15	282	1,
Akita	18,886	2,124	1,306	35	61	199	58	9	132	
Yamagata	20,949	1,579	1,648	19	78	185	55	16	114	
Fukushima	26,198	3,283	3,944	43	107	257	100	17	140	
Ibaraki	43,196	6,034	2,935	46	170	669	177	40	452	1,
Tochigi	31,323	3,670	8,056	45	104	326	95	38	193	
Gunma	28,309	2,671	20,504	42	149	396	111	38	247	
Saitama	39,491	6,281	872	92	287	1,123	248	71	804	2,
Chiba	46,261	3,254	656	71	370	959	259	45	655	2,
Tokyo	24,036	9,132	871	97	794	2,597	222	185	2,190	4,
Kanagawa	22,967	3,767	225	63	405	1,225	162	84	979	2,
Niigata	34,156	3,204	1,414	48	99	425	126	28	271	1,
Tomiyama	12,721	254	386	22	57	115	46	20	49	:
Ishikawa	9,765	962	201	19	36	136	50	6	80	:
Fukui	6,066	526	30	8	40	101	24	4	73	
Yamanashi	9,449	929	394	19	49	117	30	6	81	:
Nagano	29,378	2,427	1,370	33	143	331	103	28	200	
Gifu	29,430	2,970	375	22	103	339	68	35	236	:
Shizuoka	28,641	3,006	1,129	49	163	489	130	39	320	1,:
Aichi	62,468	6,016	385	63	388	1,030	184	79	767	2,4
Mie	25,712	2,021	164	29	93	237	67	24	146	
Shiga	12,304	654	329	13	74	137	38	5	94	:
Kyoto	13,457	938	134	30	102	348	52	27	269	-
Osaka	38,284	9,763	107	84	485	1,822	264	127	1,431	3,7
Hyogo	35,802	3,262	8,526	70	281	838	154	57	627	1,9
Nara	14,139	1,832	715	19	48	190	54	14	122	
Wakayama	9,066	565	60	19	53	164	45	11	108	:
Tottori	7,215	2,094	96	8	36	69	20	7	42	
Shimane	10,048	588	601	10	58	99	25	8	66	
Okayama	25,636	1,117	549	29	98	306	93	12	201	-
Hiroshima	24,203	1,708	1,093	52	130	483	116	29	338	1,0
Yamaguchi	13,898	728	311	25	73	221	75	16	130	
Tokushima	8,276	475	37	15	50	128	38	17	73	
Kagawa	16,268	709	107	13	61	151	51	10	90	:
Ehime	23,233	1,022	507	35	98	264	81	15	168	
Kochi	7,186	850	161	20	43	140	52	10	78	
Fukuoka	32,945	5,136	369	46	200	871	195	56	620	1,9
Saga	10,355	700	33	7	46	128	33	5	90	
Nagano	18,007	1,323	3,859	15	83	231	68	9	154	
Kumamoto	23,341	2,350	2,741	28	79	326	94	19	213	
Oita	14,257	1,481	7,807	20	48	204	55	7	142	4
Miyazaki	12,887	1,343	301	17	60	200	63	7	130	4
Kagoshima	26,037	1,070	1,479	47	83	383	159	19	205	-
Okinawa	6,347	1,139	1,874	11	34	140	34	16	90	
Prefectural total	1,108,150	118,684	106,182	1,678	6,560	20,788	4,569	1,425	14,794	47,7
Sapporo City	6,737	2,556	0	23	82	20,788	4,509	26	229	47,1
Sendai City	3,631	2,556	7	23 17	62 51	201 199	20	26	173	
Saitama City	2,927	400 573	0	17	40	199	20 34	11	173	
Chiba City	2,927 3,156	573 588	11	13	40 78	174	34 45	7	95	
			0	65						
Special wards Yokohama City	15,634 6,654	6,532 2,244	0	65 20	581 136	2,014 480	164 41	139 45	1,711 394	3, 1,
	-	2,244	0	20 9				45 10		
Kawasaki City	2,767	357			63 27	203	32		161	
Sagamihara City	2,175	73 727	56 117	3	37	111	11	3	97	
Niigata City	9,989 5,402	737	117	12	30	142	34	13	95 50	
Shizuoka City	5,402	322	6 716	7	29 20	87	21	7	59 57	
Hamamatsu City	5,905	846	716	11	30	94	28	9	57	
Nagoya City	7,027	2,396	0	15	119	346	45	33	268	
Kyoto City	3,725	458	15	17	53	188	18	20	150	
Osaka City	12,675	5,099	0	36	174	829	73	48	708	1,
Sakai City	733	506	4	6	33	141	13	9	119	:
Kobe City	3,368	574	56	13	85	244	29	23	192	
Okayama City	4,219	543	18	3	37	95	15	3	77	
Hiroshima City	5,445	983	678	30	62	250	44	15	191	
Kitakyushu City	5,415	1,350	100	11	39	182	36	12	134	:
Fukuoka City	3,127	1,586	3	5	57	237	44	18	175	
Kumamoto City	2 200	469	0	9	27	136	25	6	105	
Rumanoto City	3,323	469	U	Э		130	25	Ø	105	
	114,034	29,258	1,787	330	1,843	6,580	798	463	5,319	13

Attachment 6 Extent of fire damage by prefecture (continued)

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(Note) The "21 city total" is found within the prefectural total.

	As of March 31 of each (As of March 31 of each												of each	year)		
Types of						Storage	facilities						Handling	facilities		
manufacturing facilities, etc. Year	Net total	Manufac turing facilities	Subtotal	Indoor storage facilities	Outdoor tank storage facilities	Indoor tank storage facilities	Undergr ound storage facilities	Simple tank storage facilities	Transfer tank storage facilities	Outdoor storage facilities	Subtotal	Fuel supply depots	Class I sales handling facilities	Class II sales handling facilities	Transfer handling facilities	General outlets
1966	95,207	2,523	63,303	23,566	19,090	2,048	5,484	7,237	3,527	2,351	29,381	19,937	1,702			7,742
1967	213,526	3,008	140,842	34,163	48,975	8,863	23,891	4,648	15,190	5,112	69,676	42,347	2,059			25,270
1968	246,767	3,164	157,456	36,523	53,938	9,993	28,243	4,731	17,856	6,172	86,147	49,041	2,478			34,628
1969	279,012	3,309	175,150	38,880	59,504	11,172	33,142	4,793	20,556	7,103	100,553	54,060	2,907			43,586
1970	308,784	3,459	192,155	40,709	64,693	12,334	38,852	4,767	22,645	8,155	113,170	58,096	3,274			51,800
1971	346,113	3,684	213,883	43,254	71,320	13,611	45,880	4,849	25,396	9,573	128,546	62,749	3,553			62,244
1972	377,123	3,789	231,972	44,872	76,090	14,667	52,132	4,805	28,484	10,922	141,362	66,638	3,722	91		70,911
1973	410,158	3,929	251,372	46,769	81,388	15,575	58,913	4,748	32,139	11,840	154,857	71,049	3,697	163		79,948
1974	461,500	4,037	288,771	50,253	91,596	16,840	68,423	4,774	36,049	20,836	168,692	74,697	3,763	258		89,974
1975	495,161	3,961	312,009	53,239	97,846	17,534	75,642	4,578	39,364	23,806	179,191	76,879	3,727	319	1,148	97,118
1976	512,675	4,035	323,827	55,140	99,401	17,936	80,906	4,540	41,909	23,995	184,813	78,508	3,717	374	1,225	100,989
1977	527,118	4,104	333,440	56,772	99,626	18,236	85,874	4,496	44,266	24,170	189,574	79,998	3,675	464	1,229	104,208
1978	539,532	4,124	341,341	57,819	99,456	18,632	90,734	4,286	46,333	24,081	194,067	81,288	3,626	513	1,251	107,389
1979	552,597	4,184	349,777	58,528	98,984	18,929	95,823	4,194	49,427	23,892	198,636	82,900	3,538	541	1,316	110,341
1980	575,376	4,272	366,356	60,165	100,373	19,451	104,193	4,187	52,350	25,637	204,748	84,588	3,462	604	1,357	114,737
1981	587,052	4,346	373,465	61,554	97,509	19,923	109,755	4,076	54,986	25,662	209,241	86,056	3,416	647	1,366	117,756
1982	596,575	4,393	379,752	62,789	97,007	20,013	113,398	3,953	57,126	25,466	212,430	86,962	3,351	667	1,382	120,068
1983	601,905	4,435	382,914	63,440	96,341	19,955	115,724	3,871	58,662	24,921	214,556	87,678	3,284	705	1,380	121,509
1984	607,040	4,477	386,406	63,598	96,057	19,878	117,715	3,742	61,019	24,397	216,157	88,143	3,221	729	1,391	122,673
1985	613,364	4,560	390,825	63,878	95,685	19,831	119,749	3,638	64,393	23,651	217,979	88,582	3,124	744	1,400	124,129
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1986	617,540	4,598	393,419	64,081	94,998	19,621	121,254	3,531	66,998	22,936	219,523	88,882	3,040	739	1,402	125,460
1987	620,783	4,657	395,877	63,980	94,334	19,465	122,509	3,435	69,976	22,178	220,249	88,890	2,939	758	1,397	126,265
1988	574,720	4,677	397,687	63,693	93,497	19,354	123,402	3,361	72,957	21,423	172,356	89,088	2,845	766	1,381	78,276
1989	578,881	4,722	400,597	63,562	93,105	19,150	124,374	3,288	76,451	20,667	173,562	89,506	2,768	765	1,372	79,151
1990	582,911	4,775	403,577	63,426	92,778	18,955	125,630	3,199	79,308	20,281	174,559	89,814	2,696	776	1,360	79,913
1991	561,184	4,774	385,975	61,350	87,950	17,999	125,874	2,354	71,596	18,852	170,435	89,388	2,630	657	1,373	76,387
1992	562,980	4,917	387,019	61,522	87,550	17,710	126,599	2,266	73,111	18,261	171,044	89,616	2,554	640	1,369	76,865
1993	562,250	4,975	386,022	61,285	87,038	17,459	126,706	2,212	73,699	17,623	171,253	89,996	2,464	652	1,377	76,764
1994	560,790	5,013	383,979	60,862	86,272	17,168	126,543	2,169	73,704	17,261	171,798	90,647	2,395	647	1,380	76,729
1995	561,295	5,046	383,683	60,304	85,764	16,880	126,533	2,089	75,307	16,806	172,566	91,418	2,321	647	1,382	76,798
1996	561,094	5,071	382,941	59,824	85,114	16,598	126,552	2,040	76,575	16,238	173,082	92,037	2,256	660	1,378	76,751
1997	560,108	5,126	382,409	59,221	84,553	16,315	126,617	1,965	77,881	15,857	172,573	91,583	2,196	652	1,365	76,777
1998	556,647	5,159	380,337	58,697	83,902	16,133	126,218	1,906	78,184	15,297	171,151	90,226	2,146	641	1,359	76,779
1999	551,371	5,156	377,229	58,073	82,877	15,848	125,481	1,828	78,404	14,718	168,986	88,382	2,075	645	1,350	76,534
2000	546,043	5,145	374,034	57,246	81,646	15,497	124,558	1,768	79,027	14,292	166,864	86,616	2,017	638	1,343	76,250
2001	542,068	5,160	371,351	56,722	80,260	15,311	123,964	1,703	79,802	13,589	165,557	85,182	1,963	631	1,331	76,450
2002	537,825	5,183	368,561	56,010	79,264	15,022	123,096	1,646	80,356	13,167	164,081	83,869	1,876	625	1,322	76,389
2003	530,484	5,085	363,829	55,178	77,631	14,709	121,795	1,586	80,194	12,736	161,570	82,371	1,807	618	1,288	75,486
2004	523,341	5,076	358,786	54,577	76,147	14,368	119,988	1,514	79,804	12,388	159,479	80,814	1,737	611	1,262	75,055
2005	514,990	5,050	352,872	54,337	74,724	14,086	117,491	1,446	78,683	12,105	157,068	79,104	1,681	600	1,250	74,433
2006	506,245	5,058	346,532	53,770	73,428	13,803	114,564	1,384	77,630	11,953	154,655	77,642	1,632	591	1,241	73,549
2007	496,789	5,107	339,728	53,720	72,213	13,363	111,204	1,307	76,262	11,659	151,954	76,310	1,584	583	1,226	72,251
2008	486,812	5,121	332,859	53,473	70,898	12,965	108,292	1,247	74,513	11,471	148,832	74,388	1,523	567	1,215	71,139
2009	475,989	5,154	325,590	53,182	69,756	12,574	105,206	1,204	72,387	11,281	145,245	72,121	1,480	554	1,208	69,882
2010	465,685	5,164	318,562	52,637	68,606	12,287	102,417	1,170	70,232	11,213	141,959	70,005	1,428	551	1,190	68,785
2011	455,829	5,152	311,996	52,219	67,470	11,923	99,383	1,141	68,746	11,114	138,681	67,990	1,381	542	1,179	67,589
2012	447,277	5,150	305,975	51,516	66,294	11,679	96,120	1,114	68,299	10,953	136,152	66,470	1,333	537	1,153	66,659
2013	436,918	5,160	299,142	51,245	65,330	11,502	91,255	1,101	67,916	10,793	132,616	64,593	1,293	538	1,151	65,041
2014	428,541	5,154	293,544	50,888	64,206	11,296	87,831	1,060	67,665	10,598	129,843	63,222	1,245	529	1,142	63,705
2015	422,029	5,106	289,034	50,553	63,093	11,021	85,499	1,019	67,498	10,351	127,889	62,269	1,209	518	1,127	62,766

Attachment 34 Trends in the number of facilities for hazardous materials

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Prepared based on the Survey on Regulation Work of Hazardous Materials. 1959 is as of September 30. With regard to the numbers in 2011 and 2012, because of the influence of the Great East Japan Earthquake, the numbers for the Fire Defense Headquarters of Rikuzentakata City of Iwate Prefecture and the Fire Defense Headquarters of the Inter-municipal Association of the Futaba Region in Fukushima Prefecture were calculated based on the numbers at the time of last fiscal year's survey (as of March 31, 2010).