

Minamisoma City: Current Situation and Initiatives for Development



View of Haramachi District from Mount Kunimi



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About Minamisoma City



Population : 54,383 (Registered as of March 31, 2026)

No. of households : 24,304

Area : 398.27 km² ※¹

(Forest: approx. 55%; farmland: approx. 17%※²)

- Established on Jan. 1, 2006, via merger of Kashima Town, Haramachi City, and Odaka Town (now Districts of Minamisoma)
- A major city in the Hamadori region located between Iwaki City and Sendai City (Miyagi Prefecture.)



※¹" Area Survey of Prefectures, Municipalities, and Districts" by the Geospatial Information Authority of Japan (GSI)

※²Cited from Minamisoma City Third National Land Use Plan

Outline of Minamisoma City



Kitaizumi Beach (Haramachi District)

Industry and economy:

This garden city is the largest industrial and economic cluster in the northern Hamadori region. The city aims for the comprehensive economic development of agriculture, commerce, and industry, focusing on the production of rice, electric machinery, general machinery, and paper/pulp.



Broccoli

Natural conditions:

Moderate climate with an average annual temperature of around 12°C. It is cool in the summer and snows little in the winter. The city is blessed with abundant nature in its mountains, the rivers, and the sea.



Soma Nomaoui



Sunrise from Kunimi Mountain

Tourism and culture:

Minamisoma is home to plenty of cultural properties, including the nationally designated Important Intangible Folk Cultural Property *Soma Nomaoui* with its history of over 1,000 years. The coastal area is a good spot for swimming and surfing, with activities centered around Kitaizumi Seaside Park.



Daihisen Stone Buddhas (Odaka District)



Wind Farm and Mano River Fishing Harbor
(Kashima District)

Fukushima Nuclear Disaster: Main Series of Events①

Date and Time		Event
March 11, 2011	14:46	Earthquake measured at 6- (seismic intensity scale) in Minamisoma
	Approx. 15:35	Tsunami reached land (Kashima Coast: reached 20.8m upstream)
March 12	5:44	Evacuation order declared for all residents within a 10km radius of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant Station
	15:36	Hydrogen explosion in reactor 1 Suppliers unable to enter the area due to the nuclear accident; shortage in daily necessities
	18:25	Evacuation order expanded to residents within a 20km radius of the power plant Odaka residents evacuated to Haramachi (many went to the Ishigami area evacuation site)
March 14	11:01	Hydrogen explosion in reactor 3 atomic reactor room
	18:22	Insufficient coolant in power plant unit 2, fuel rod completely exposed Chaos from aftershocks on March 14 and the hydrogen explosion along with insufficient supplies led to the start of evacuating the entire city
March 15	11:00	Shelter-in-place order declared for residents within a 20-30km radius of the power plant.
March 15-17		City-orchestrated buses took people from city evacuation sites to evacuation sites outside the city (1,939 people)
March 16	5:45	Fire broke out the northwest of power plant reactor 4
	8:34	Large amounts of white smoke spouted from reactor 3
March 18-20		Mass evacuations initiated via city-orchestrated buses (2,725 people)
March 25		Mass evacuations initiated via city-orchestrated buses (142 people)



[Tsunami]



[Tsunami damages]



[JSDF disaster relief]



[Evac site (Yume Hatto)]



[Mass evacuation]

Fukushima Nuclear Disaster: Main Series of Events②

Date and Time		Event
April 21, 2011	11:00	Area within a 20km radius of the power plant declared hazard zone (starting April 22, 0:00)
April 22	9:44	Shelter-indoors order for area within a 20-30km radius from power plant cancelled; set as planned evacuation zone and emergency evacuation prepared zone
July 21	12:30	57 sites (59 households) set as special evacuation-recommended sites
August 3	12:00	65 sites (72 households) added as special evacuation-recommended sites
Sept. 30	18:11	Emergency evacuation prepared zone cancelled
Nov. 25	10:00	20 sites (22 households) added as special evacuation-recommended sites
April 16, 2012	0:00	Hazard zone and planned evacuation zone reevaluated as preparation area for lift of evacuation orders, restricted-residence zone, and difficult-to-return zone
Dec. 28, 2014	0:00	Specific Spots Recommended for Evacuation cancelled
July 12, 2016	0:00	Preparation area for lift of evacuation orders and restricted-residence zone cancelled
March 18, 2025		Certification of the Reconstruction and Revitalization Plan for Specified Return-Residence Areas



[Hazard zone 4/21/2011]



[Screening test 5/7/2011]



[Removing guide signs 4/16/2012]

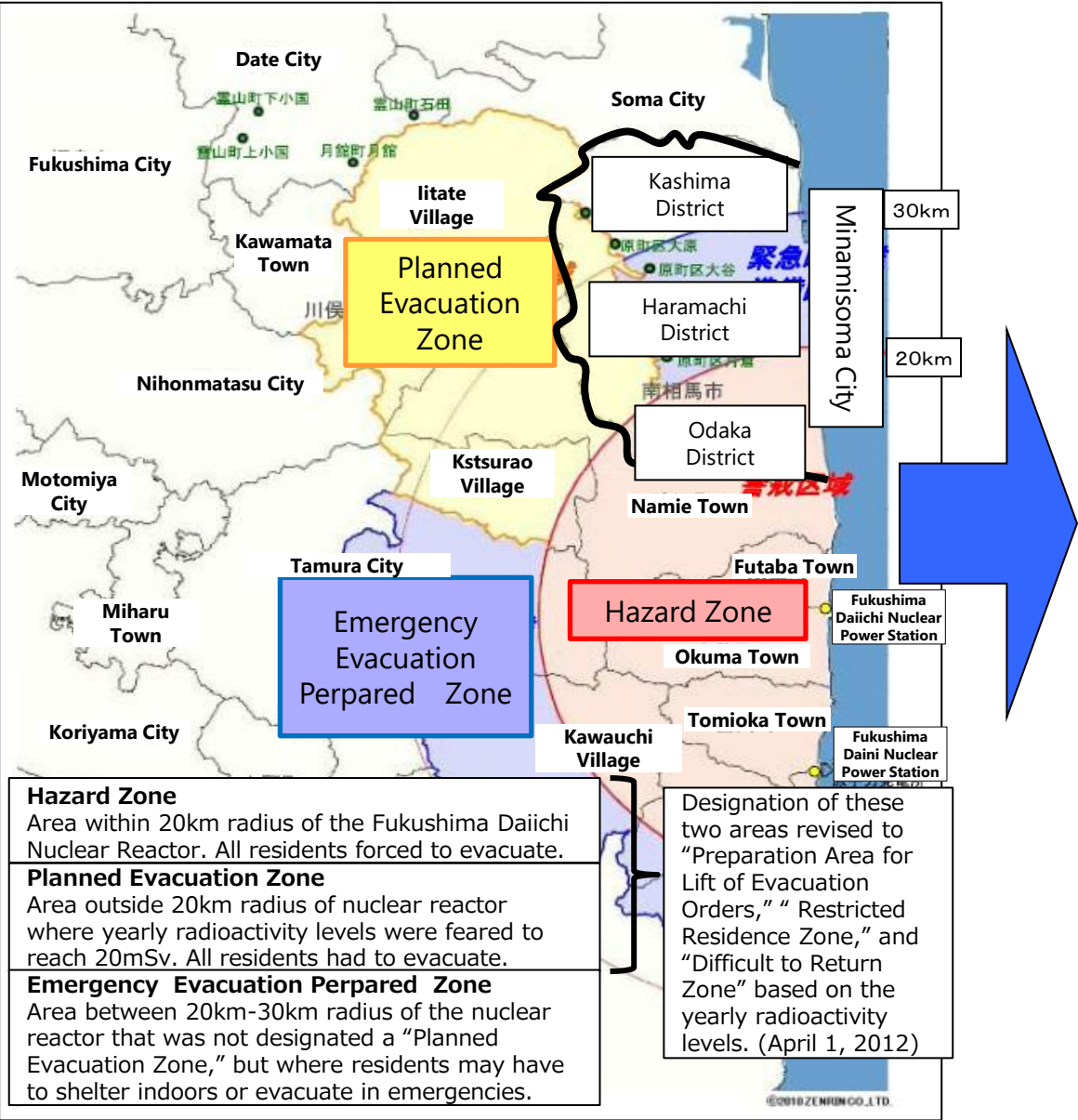


[Odaka Station ceremony for lifting evac. orders 7/12/2016]

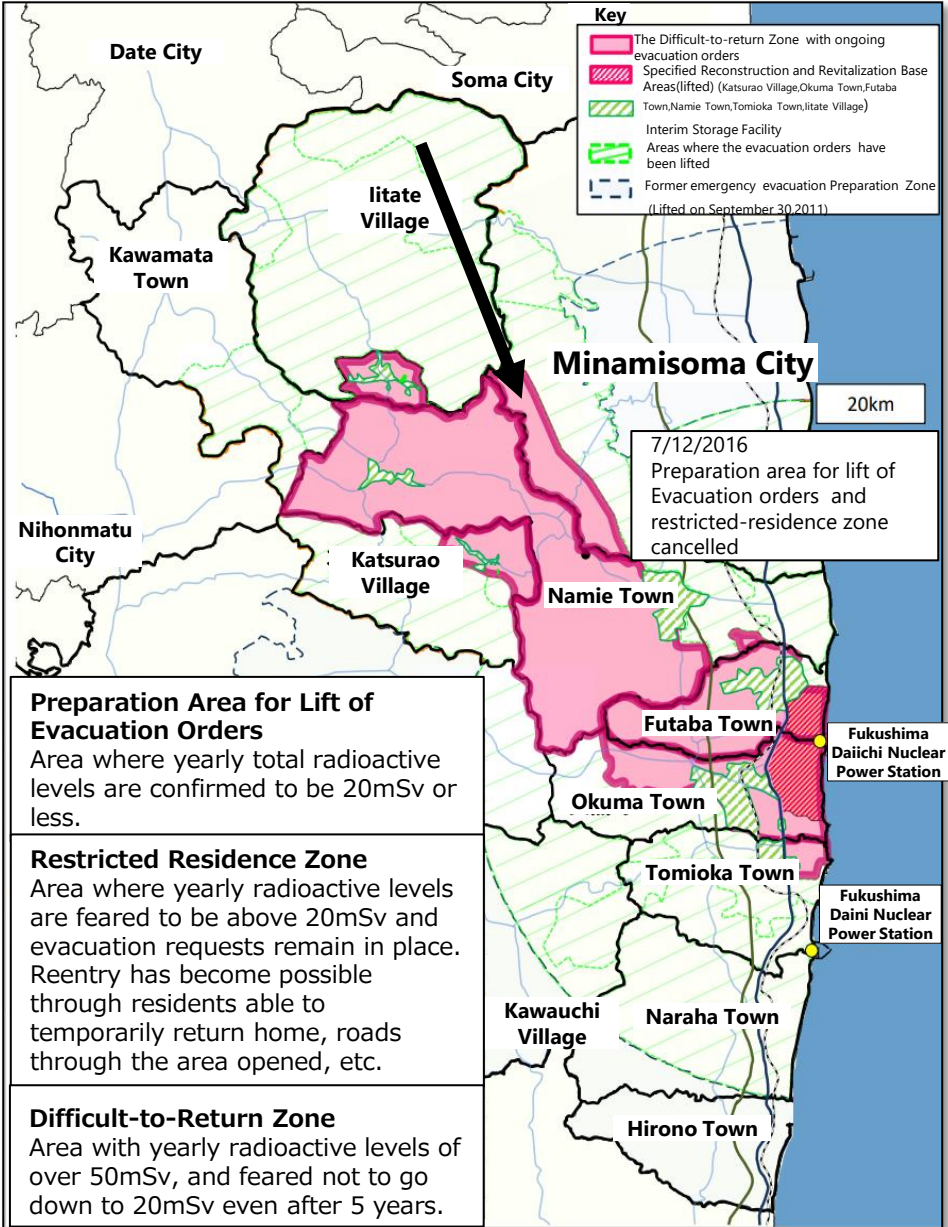
Reevaluating Minamisoma's Areas Post-Disaster



Post-Disaster Zone (September 2011)



July 12, 2016 Lifting Evacuation Orders

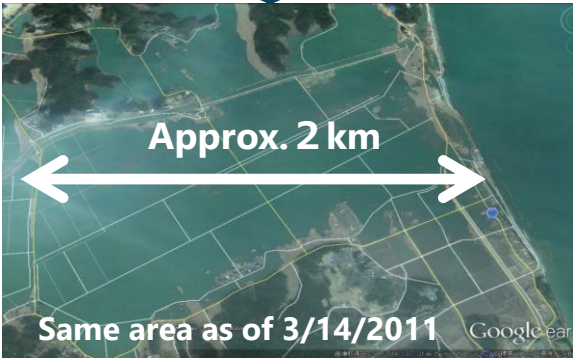


Cited from Fukushima Restoration Station Evacuation Order Concept Map

Damage by 3.11 (1) [Tsunami]

【Tsunami-damaged area】

Ward	District	Area
Kashima Ward	Yasawa	5.0 km ²
	Minamiebi - Karasuzaki	10.8 km ²
	Subtotal	15.8 km ²
Haramachi Ward	Kanezawa・Kitaizumi	1.6 km ²
	Izumi - Shidoke	9.1 km ²
	Kobama - Kozawa	3.8 km ²
	Subtotal	14.5 km ²
Odaka Ward	Tsukabara - Tsunobeuchi	5.6 km ²
	Idagawa - Urajiri	4.9 km ²
	Subtotal	10.5 km ²
Total		40.8 km ²

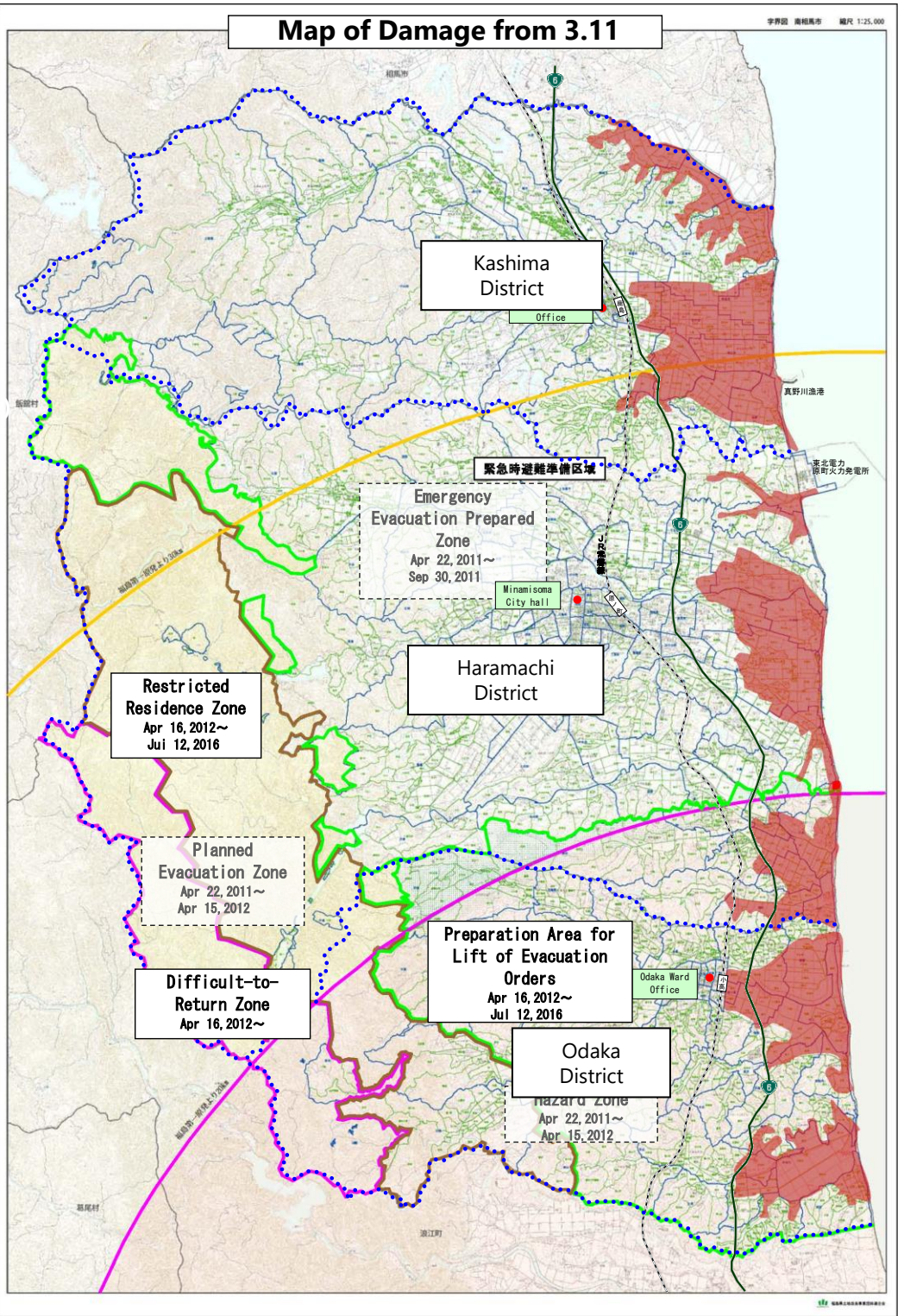


【Tsunami damage to farmland】

The tsunami caused devastating damage, and approximately 30% of the arable land in the city was washed out or submerged. Many facilities were damaged, including drainage pump stations, reservoirs, drainage canals and farm roads.

Area of arable land (2010)	Farmland washout, submergence, etc.		Estimated damaged area based on field type	
	Estimated damaged area	Rate of damaged area	Rice field	Crop field
8,400ha	2,722ha	32.40%	2,642ha	80ha

Made from documents published by Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Minister Secretariat, Statistics Department, Rural Development Office



【Personal Damage】 (As of March 31, 2026)

(Unit: person)

Death	1,158
(Directly caused death)	636
(Disaster-related death)	522
Missing*	0
Injured	59
(Severely injured)	2
(Slightly injured)	57

*Those presumed dead are not included among the missing.



Search operation



Piles of rubble (Haramachi District)



A coastal community
(Kashima District)

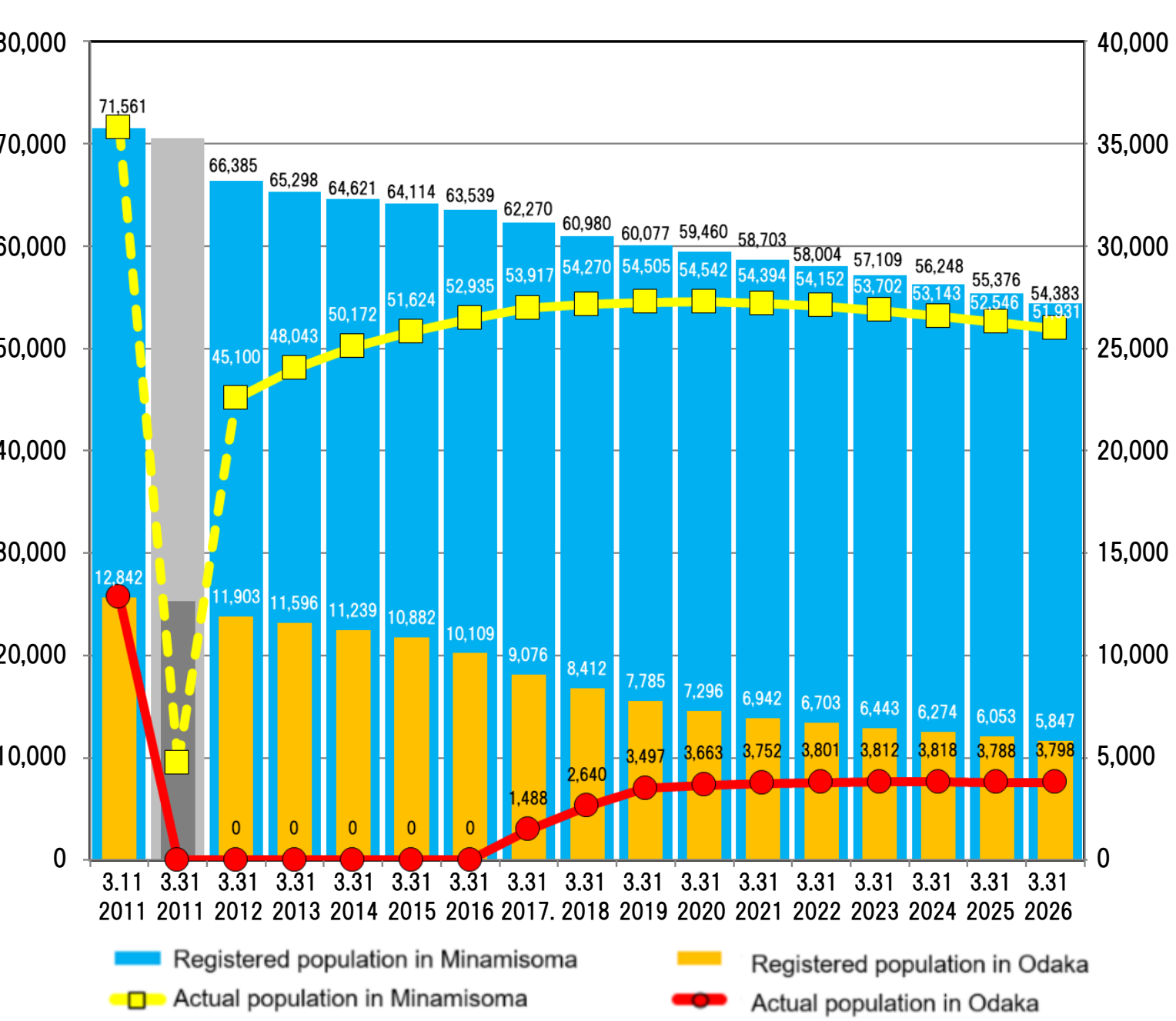


Many buildings were totally or
partially destroyed (Odaka District)

【Housing Damage】 (As of March 31, 2026)

(Unit: household)

Districts	Total no. of households	No. of damaged households	Completely destroyed		Largely destroyed		Partially destroyed		Partial damage	
			Tsunami	Earthquake	Tsunami	Earthquake	Tsunami	Earthquake	Tsunami	Earthquake
Odaka District	3,771	2,234	319	89	34	62	66	837	35	792
Kashima District	3,460	1,051	411	18	14	19	43	66	31	449
Haramachi District	16,667	2,027	434	6	35	14	62	116	31	1,329
Total	23,898	5,312	1,164	113	83	95	171	1,019	97	2,570



(Unit: person)

Population in Resident Register

Date	Minamisoma	Odaka District
3/11/2011	71,561	12,842
3/31/2012	66,385	11,903
3/31/2013	65,298	11,596
3/31/2014	64,621	11,239
3/31/2015	64,114	10,882
3/31/2016	63,539	10,109
3/31/2017	62,270	9,076
3/31/2018	60,980	8,412
3/31/2019	60,077	7,785
3/31/2020	59,460	7,296
3/31/2021	58,703	6,942
3/31/2022	58,004	6,703
3/31/2023	57,109	6,443
3/31/2024	56,248	6,274
3/31/2025	55,376	6,053
3/31/2026	54,383	5,847

Actual Population

Date	Minamisoma	Odaka District
3/11/2011	71,561	12,842
3/31/2012	45,100	0
3/31/2013	48,043	0
3/31/2014	50,172	0
3/31/2015	51,624	0
3/31/2016	52,935	0
3/31/2017	53,917	1,488
3/31/2018	54,270	2,640
3/31/2019	54,505	3,497
3/31/2020	54,542	3,663
3/31/2021	54,394	3,752
3/31/2022	54,152	3,801
3/31/2023	53,702	3,812
3/31/2024	53,143	3,818
3/31/2025	52,546	3,788
3/31/2026	51,931	3,798

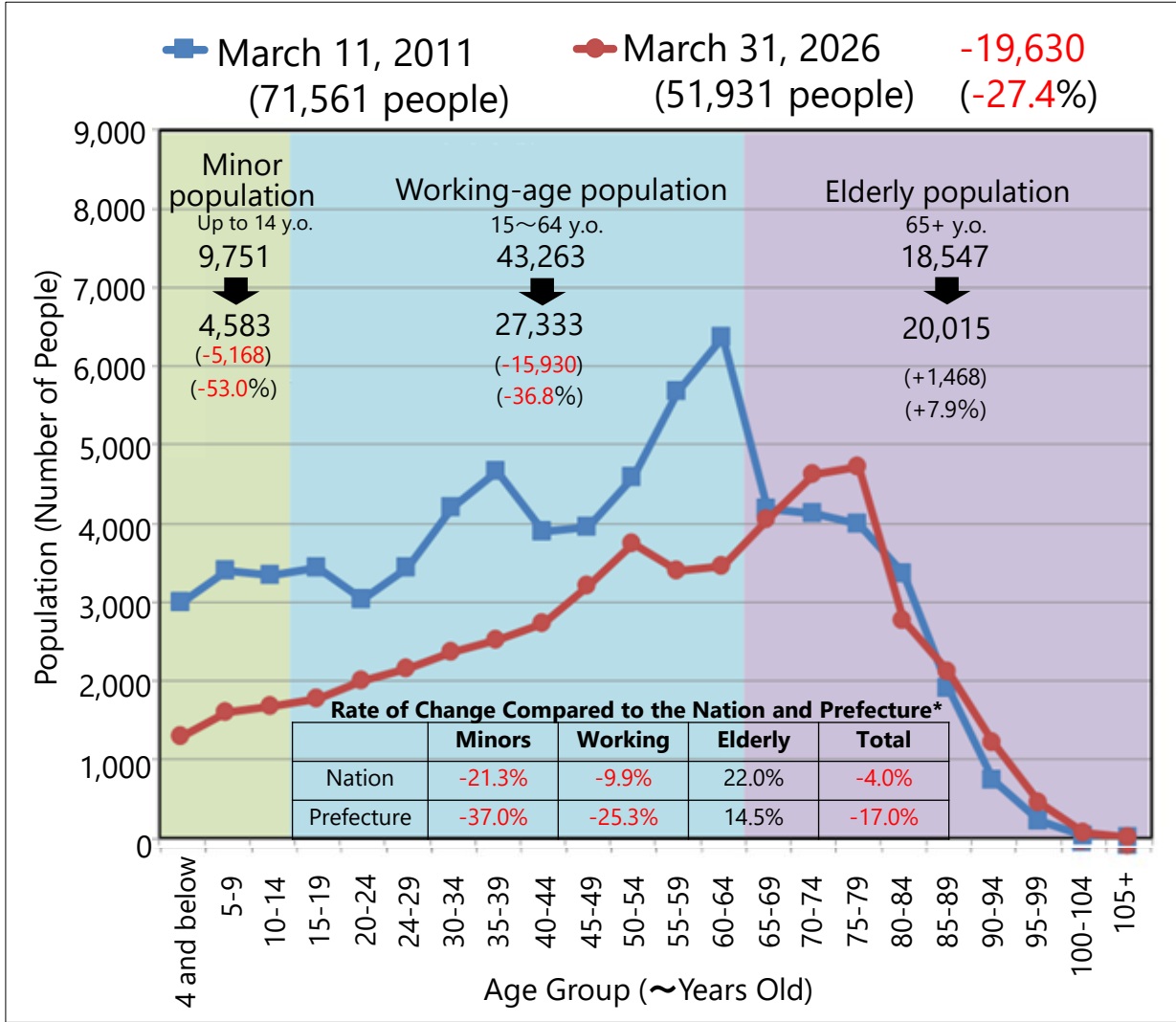
*Actual population numbers calculated based on evacuee information.

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Current Situation

[Comparing the City's Pre-Disaster Population to Now]

Population of Entire City



The working-age population has fallen by around 16,000 people compared to before the earthquake (around 30%), leading to a chronic labor shortage

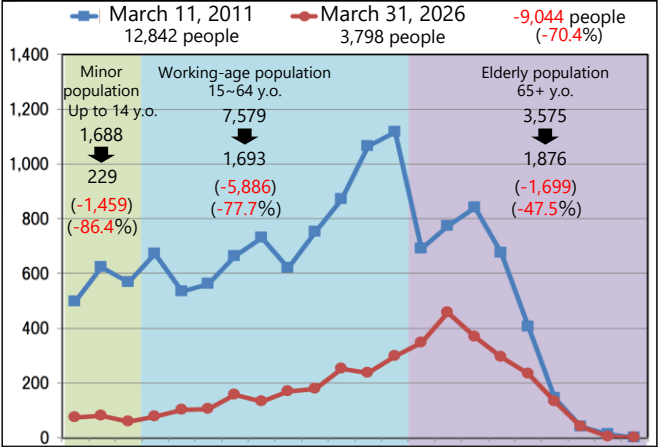
• Operations at commercial, industrial, medical, and welfare institutions have not returned to their pre-disaster levels

*Compared to national and prefectural estimates as of March 1, 2026.
Modified and used "Population Estimates" (Statistics Bureau) (<https://www.stat.go.jp/data/jinsui/pdf/202603.pdf>), and Fukushima population census by age (5 tiers), creative commons license 2.1 Japan (<https://www.pref.fukushima.lg.jp/sec/11045b/15846.html>).

Working-age population by district

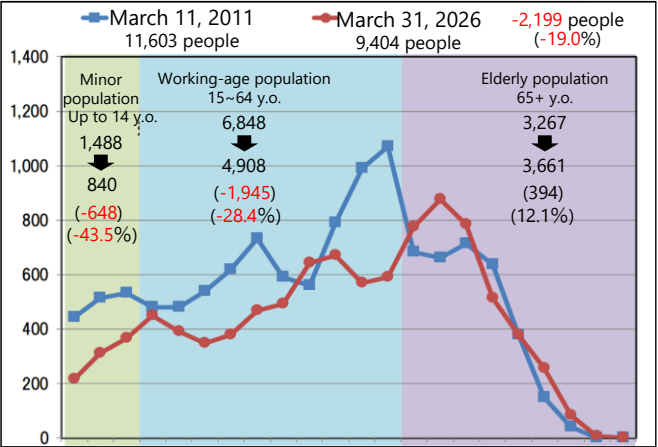
[Odaka District]

7,579
↓
1,693
(-5,886) (-77.7%)



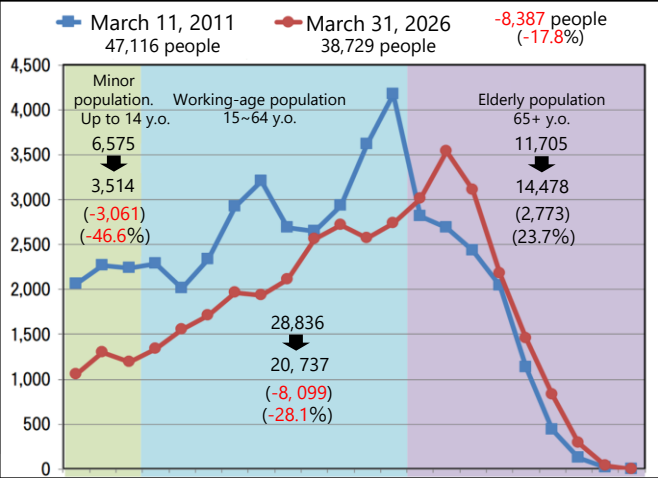
[Kashima District]

6,848
↓
4,903
(-1,945) (-28.4%)



[Haramachi District]

28,836
↓
20,737
(-8,099) (-28.1%)



【Implementation Status of Decontamination】

【Residential Land and Farmland Decontamination】

Minamisoma City and the national government completed their decontamination plan in March 2017, as shown in the map to the right.

Decontamination Zones

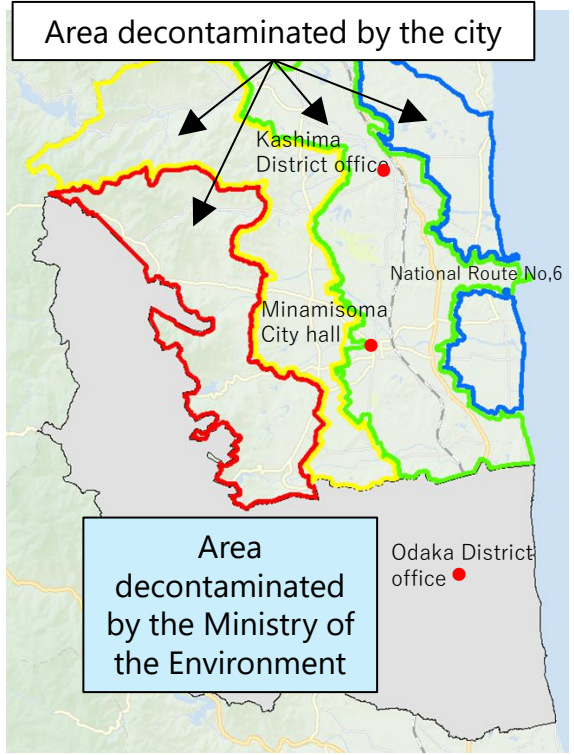
Area that includes "specific Spots Recommended for Evacuation"

Area that includes spots with annual doses of over 5 mSv

West of Route 6

East of Route 6

*Outside 20km radius



Residential land

Cleaning and washing gutters

Pressure washing roofs

Pressure washing garden pavement and side ditches

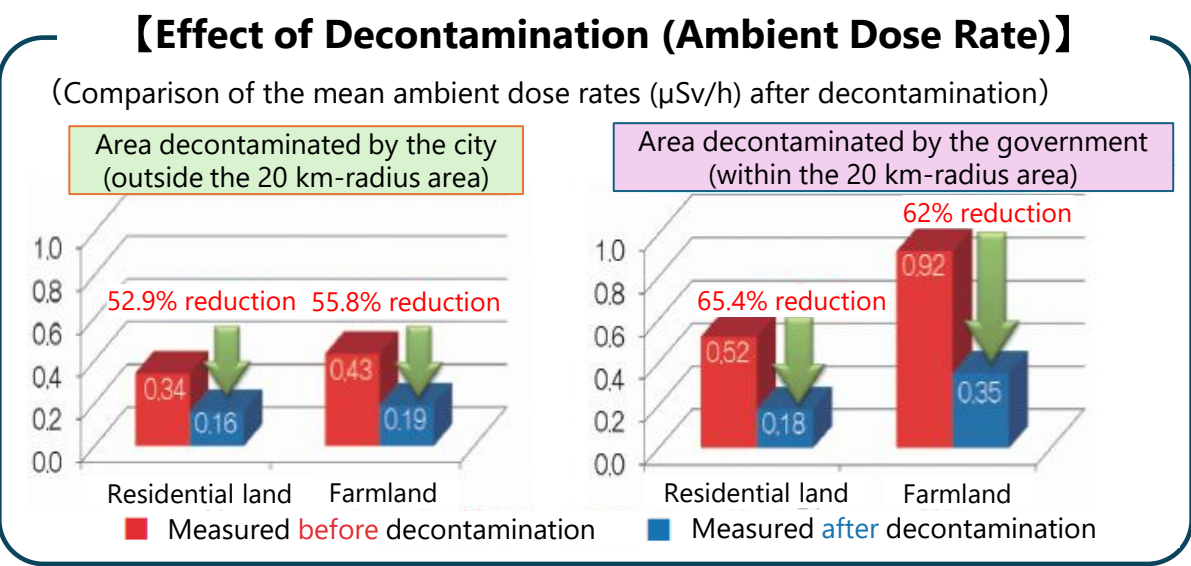
Surface soil/gravel removal and refilling in gardens

Farmland

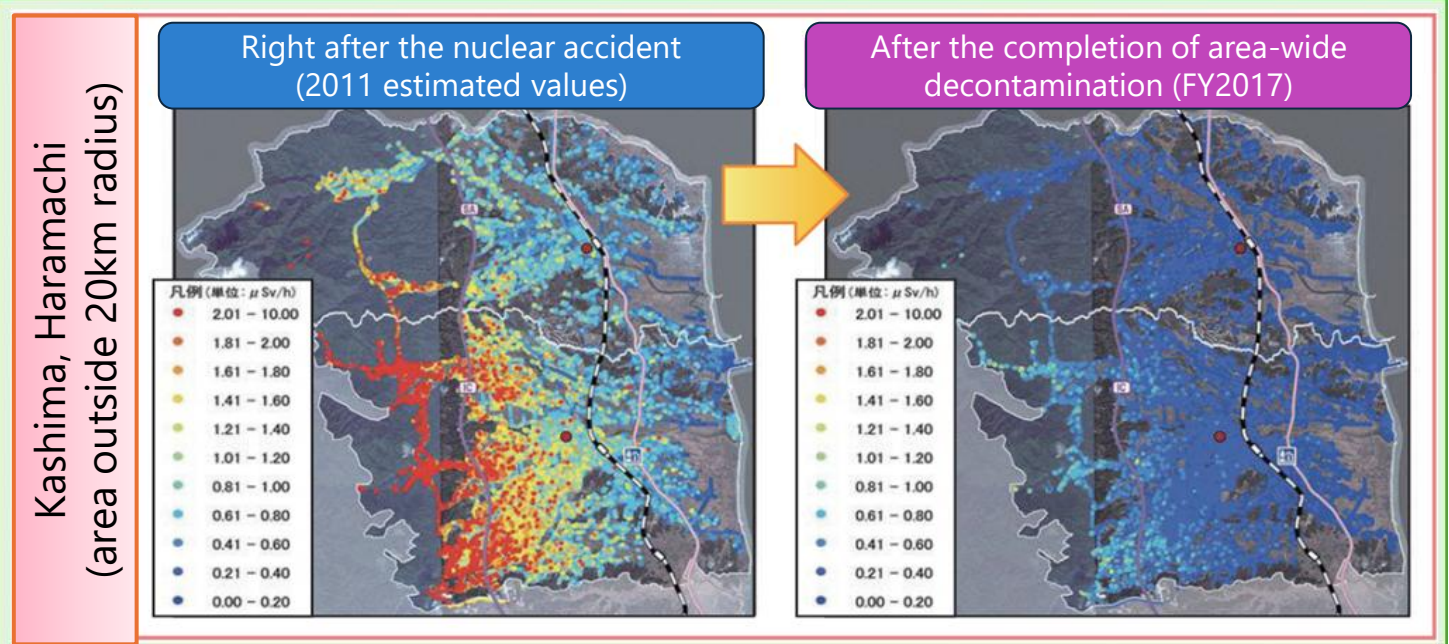
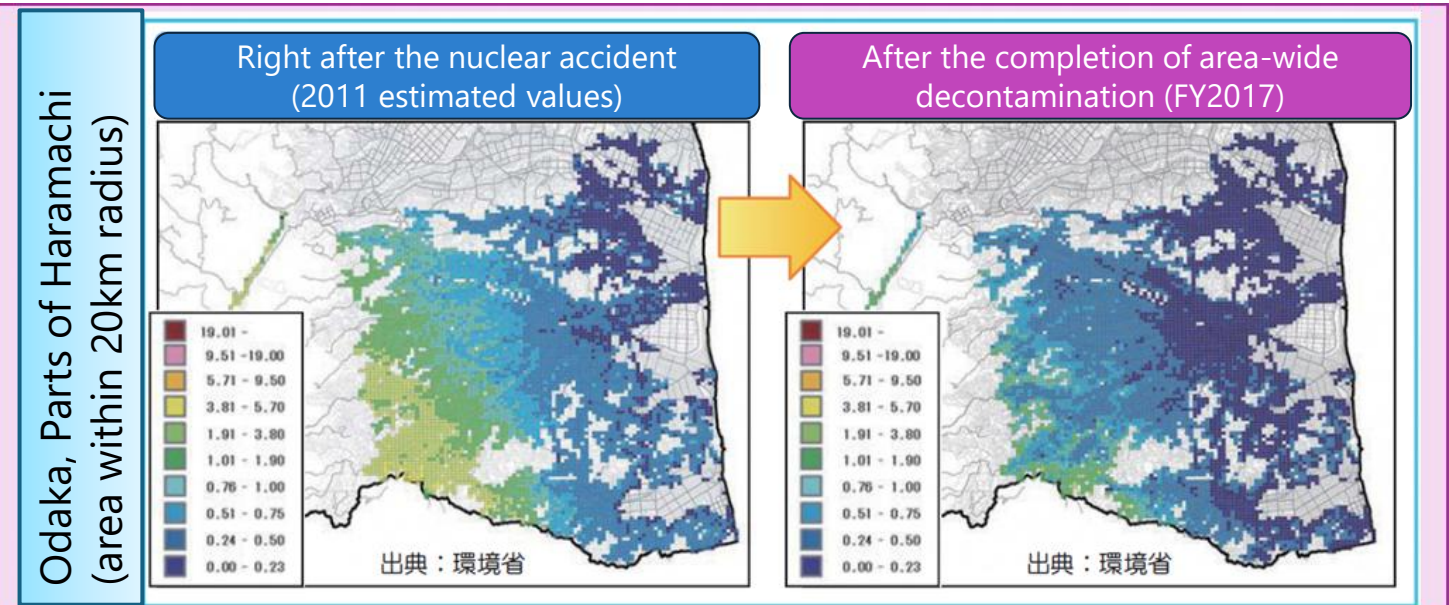
Surface soil removal and soil dressing

Deep/reversal tillage

Sediment removal in agricultural canals



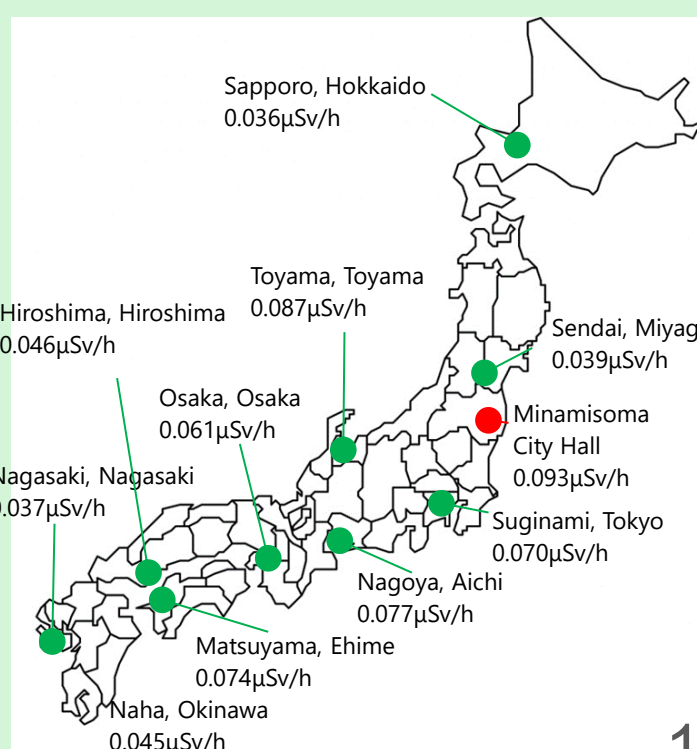
【Changes in Ambient Dose Rates】 Deep blue areas have become wider, which means the ambient dose rate is decreasing. Post-contamination environmental recovery is in progress.



【Comparison of Ambient Dose Rates (March 2026)】

No major difference was discovered in a comparison between ambient dose rates in Minamisoma and those in municipalities across Japan.

March 2026 (Suginami Ward's value is from Feb.)
Approx. values from 1m above ground or 1m height
Source: Nuclear Regulation Authority
Radiation monitoring information
Municipal websites



Location	Ambient Dose Rate (μSv/h)
Sapporo, Hokkaido	0.036
Toyama, Toyama	0.087
Hiroshima, Hiroshima	0.046
Osaka, Osaka	0.061
Nagasaki, Nagasaki	0.037
Matsuyama, Ehime	0.074
Naha, Okinawa	0.045
Nagoya, Aichi	0.077
Suginami, Tokyo	0.070
Minamisoma City Hall	0.093
Sendai, Miyagi	0.039

Current Situation [Medical Care]

【Medical Institutions】

(As of March 31, 2026)

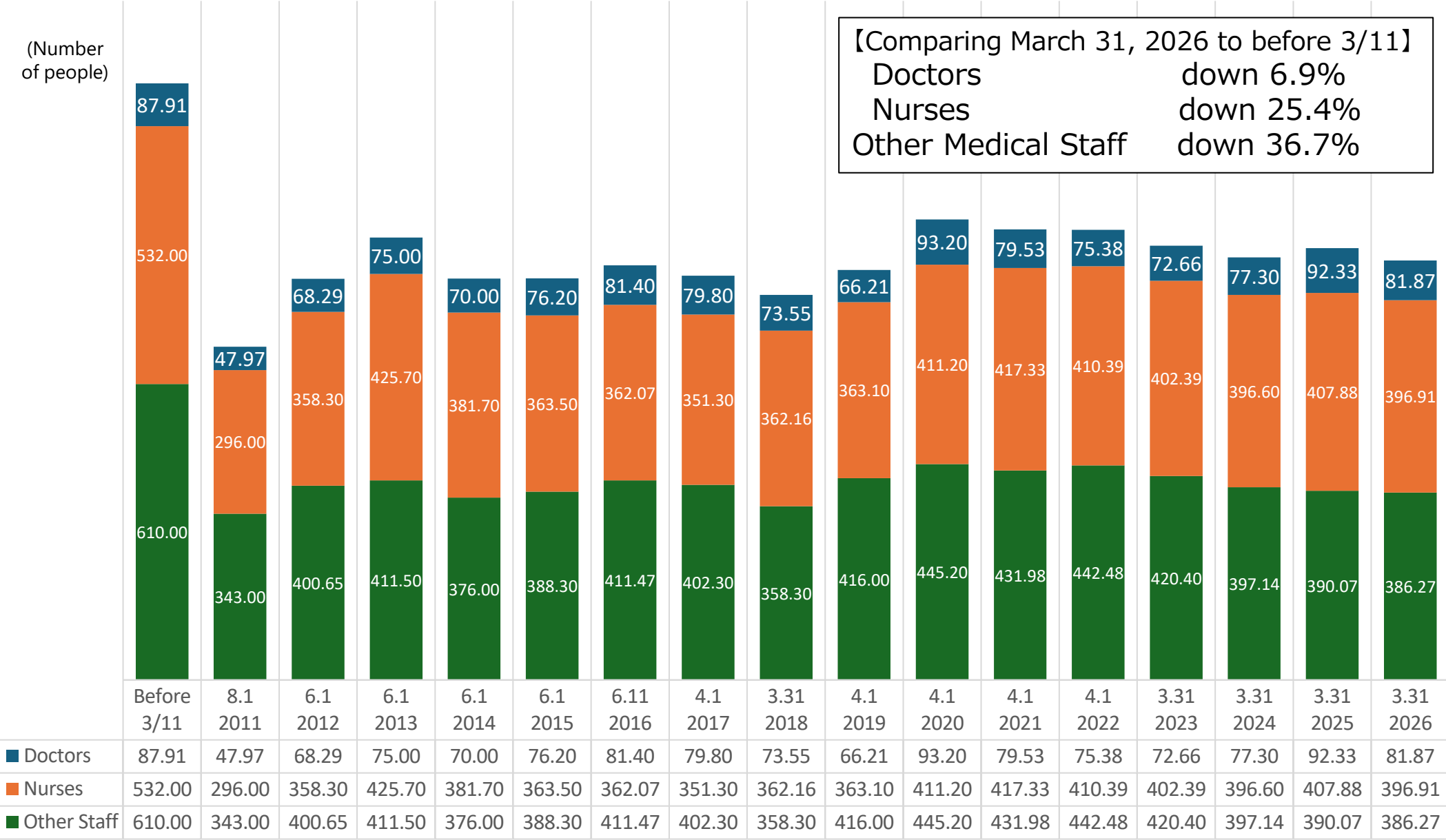
Type of Institution			Before 3/11	After 3/11			Now in Operation
				New/Expanded	Suspended	Closed	
Hospital	No. of institutions		8	—	1	2	5
	No. of beds	General	695	40	175	290	270
		Long-term care	276	60	50	142	144
		Psychiatric	358	—	272	26	60
	Total		1,329	100	497	458	474

【Hospital and Clinics】

Type of Institution			Before 3/11	After 3/11			Now in Operation
				New/Reopened	Suspended	Closed	
Clinics	No. of beds	Odaka Ward	7	1/(3)	1	3	4
		Kashima Ward	3	2	—	2	3
		Haramachi Ward	29	6/(1)	—	10	25
	Total		39	9/(4)	1	15	32
Dental Clinics	No. of beds	Odaka Ward	5	1	0	5	1
		Kashima Ward	5	—	0	2	3
		Haramachi Ward	23	1	1	5	18
	Total		33	2	1	12	22

※Numbers in parentheses were reopened, and thus not included in the total.

Current Situation [Changes in Number of Medical Staff]



*Equivalent number of doctors and nurses calculated by converting the total actual workload into the number of full-time workers that would reach that workload (Percentage of fully-employed doctors as of 2026/3/31: 70.8%)

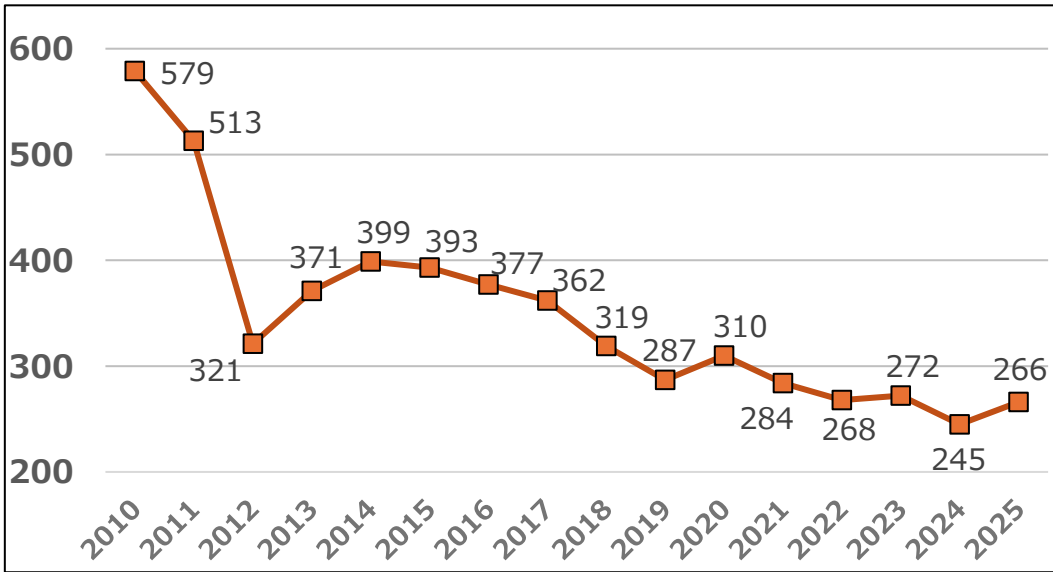
【People Requiring Help and Long-Term Care】 (preliminary figures as of March 31, 2026)

	Requiring help level 1	Requiring help level 2	Long-term care level 1	Long-term care level 2	Long-term care level 3	Long-term care level 4	Long-term care level 5	Total
End of Feb. 2011	262	328	360	461	348	535	467	2,761
End of March 2026	643	602	663	518	480	537	325	3,768
Increase/Decrease	381	274	303	57	132	2	-142	1,007

【Nursing Facilities (Nursing Home Services)】 (As of March 31, 2026)

Type of Institution		Before 3/11	After 3/11			Operational Facilities	Actual Operation
			New/Expanded	Suspended	Closed		
Nursing Care Facility for the Elderly (Specialized Nursing Home)	No of facilities	5	1	—	—	6	—
	no of beds	300	114	—	—	414	404
Nursing and Rehabilitation Facility (Nursing and Rehab Facility for the Elderly)	No of facilities	3	—	—	—	3	—
	no of beds	258	42	20	—	280	268
Nursing Care-Type Medical Facility	No of facilities	0	1	—	—	1	—
	no of beds	0	53	—	—	53	53
Dementia-Friendly Communal Living Care (Group Home for the Elderly with Dementia)	No of facilities	5	2	—	1	6	—
	no of beds	81	36	—	18	99	99
Total	No of facilities	13	4	0	1	16	—
	no of beds	639	245	20	18	846	824
Nusing care facilities (Home Services) Total	No of facilities	81	47	3	46	79	
	no of beds						

【Birth Rates】 (As of December 31, 2025)



“Fukushima Prefecture Current Population Census”

Birth rates dramatically decreased directly after the 3/11 disaster. For a while they were on an upward trajectory, but afterwards have been gradually decreasing, leading to a lower birth rate now than directly after the disaster. There were 27 children's facilities such as preschools and kindergartens open before the disaster, but directly following it 15 facilities suspended activity or closed, and the number of students fell by roughly 40%. We provide significant reassurance to those of child-rearing age through the implementation of various support measures, such as free school lunches, childcare, and medical care. The city has earned high acclaim for its excellent childcare environment, notably receiving the "2023 Japan Child Care Advocate Grand Prize" and ranking first nationwide in the "Best Rural Areas to Live Ranking."



Check out our webpage ↓



【Number of Facilities and Students】 (As of March 31, 2026)

Type of Facility		Before 3/11	After 3/11			Operational Facilities
			New/Expanded	Suspended	Closed	
Certified Childcare Center	No. of Facilities	—	5※1	—	—	5
	No. of Students	—	—	—	—	518
Preschool	No. of Facilities	10	1	0	5※1	6
	No. of Students	1,142	—	—	—	530
Kindergarten	No. of Facilities	17	—	0	13	4
	No. of Students	1,198	—	—	—	247
Small-Scale Preschool	No. of Facilities	—	4	—	—	4
	No. of Students	—	—	—	—	64
Total	No. of Facilities	27	10※1	0	18※1	19
	No. of Students	2,340※2	—	—	—	1,359

Take a look! / Minamisoma Child and Child-rearing Support Measures



medical care, childcare, school lunches +
3 things completely free of charge +



from pregnancy to adulthood
seamless support



diverse study support
enriched educational environment



improving play areas and exercise facilities
enhanced childcare facilities



settlement support from outside the region
support for relocation and return



creating opportunities to support child-rearing
whole community child-rearing

※1 Including 1 preschool that became a certified childcare center.
※2 Number had that planned to enter in April 2011.

Current Situation [School Education]

【Number of enrollments】

(As of April 10, 2026)

Ward		Expected (2011)	Actual (Apr.22,2011)		Actual (Apr.4,2026)
		A	B	B/A	
Elementary School	Haramachi	2,716	786	29%	1,603
	Kashima	625	402	64%	370
	Odaka	717	43	6%	106
	計	4,058	1,231	30%	2,079
Junior High School	Haramachi	1,295	555	43%	736
	Kashima	324	238	73%	214
	Odaka	324	52	15%	30
	計	1,963	845	43%	980
合計		6,021	2,076	34%	3,059

(Unit: person)

- 3/11/2011 The Great East Japan Earthquake
Mano ES suffered damage from the great tsunami.
- 4/22/2011 ES and JHS resumed classes (using ES buildings in Kashima District).
- 8/25/2011 Simple unit-type classrooms established on the premises of ES and JHS in Kashima District
- 10/17/2011 ES and JHS in Haramachi District resumed classes in original locations (Haramachi 1st and 3rd ES, Omika ES, Haramachi 1st and 2nd JHS).
- 11/21/2011 Temporary school buildings established and offered (Kashima ES and Kashima JHS)
- 1/10/2012 ES in Haramachi District resumed classes in original locations (Haramachi 2nd ES, Takahira ES, Ota ES)
- 2/27/2012 ES and JHS in Haramachi District resumed classes in original locations (Ishigami 1st and 2nd ES, Haramachi 3rd JHS, Ishigami JHS)
- 4/1/2014 Mano ES integrated into Kashima ES
- 4/1/2016 4 Elementary schools in Odaka District started joint operation.
- 4/1/2017 Odaka ES and Odaka JHS resumed classes in original locations.
- 4/1/2021 Odaka's 4 ES (Odaka, Fuku-ura, Kanabusa, Hatsupara) unified and reopened as Odaka ES
- 11/2023 Installation of International Baccalaureate education
- 4/1/2024 Yasawa ES merges with Kashima Elementary School
- 8/2025 Haramachi Third Elementary School is certified as an International Baccalaureate (IB) PYP Candidate School.



Classes in a gymnasium
(April 22, 2011)



Memorial ceremony for the closing of
Odaka's 4 elementary schools
(April 1, 2021)



Installation of International
Baccalaureate education
(November 2023)



Introduction of Phonics
(April 2024)
(※English phonics-based play activities
have been introduced from the nursery
school level.)

Current Situation [Primary Industry]

【Recovery Situation of Tsunami-Damaged Farmland (Construction Area)】

Out of the 2,722 hectares of farmland damaged by the tsunami, 2,150 hectares had been recovered for farming by 2025. Recovery of 2,178 hectares of farmland is planned in the 2026 fiscal year.

In addition, portions of the affected farmland are being utilized for industrial parks, solar power facilities, and other purposes to promote regional recovery. The total area of farmland designated for development under the Reconstruction Development Plan is (planned) 428 hectares city-wide.

Area of tsunami-damaged farmland	Total (including planned areas)	Area of recovered farmland	
		~2025 fiscal year	2026 fiscal year (planned)
2,722ha	2,178ha (80.0%)	2,150ha (79.0%)	28ha (1.0%)



Tsunami-damaged drainage pump station and submerged farmland



Farming resumed in Odaka District

【Situation of Paddy Rice Cropping Resumption】

2012: Test trial cropping
2013: Cultivation demonstration (Outside the areas under evacuation orders)
2014: Resumption of crop cultivation

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
No. of farmers	3,063	0	109	158	88	236	469	492	482	474	472	467	434	404	384	385
	In Odaka District	879	0	3	7	7	7	11	17	17	22	28	34	37	34	35
Rice acreage	5,030	0	15	123	106	729	1,763	2,186	2,523	2,740	3,041	3,236	3,370	3,408	3,644	3,768
	In Odaka District	1,230	0	1	0.9	4	7	5	21	61	102	197	229	328	424	509

(Source: Minamisoma City Restoration Council Paddy Field Ledger)

Farm consolidation and the aging of farmers is progressing, resulting in the average planting area per farming household expanding from 1.6 hectares in FY2010 to 9.8 hectares in FY2025, reflecting an accelerating trend toward large-scale farming operations in agriculture. Against this backdrop, the city launched the "Mirai (Future) Agricultural School" in April 2024. Through a curriculum designed to provide essential skills for employment in farming, the school is cultivating the capable people who will carry the future of agriculture in the Hamadori region of Fukushima.

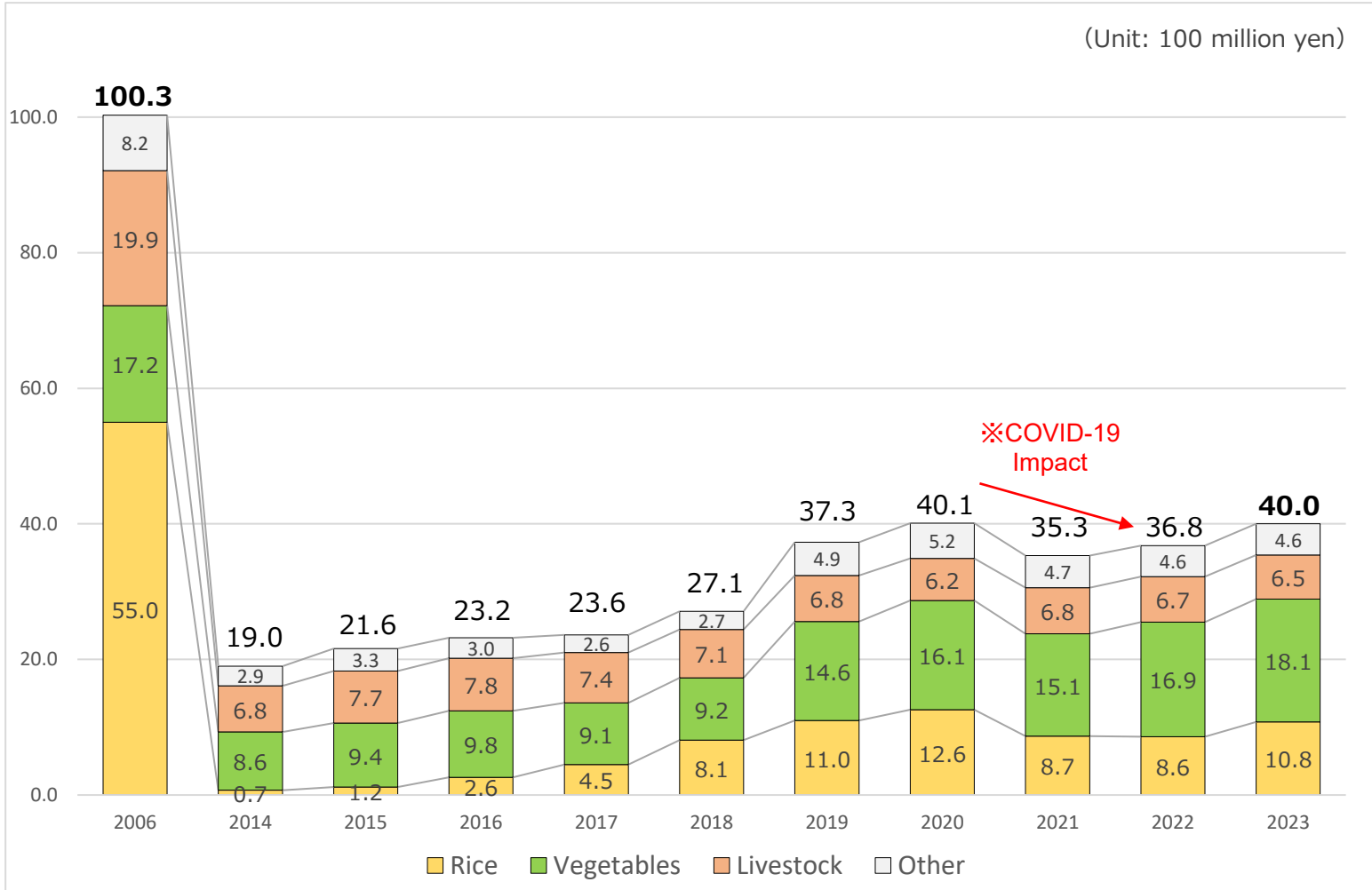


Opening of the "Mirai Agricultural School"

Current Situation [Primary Industry]

【Amount of Agricultural Output】

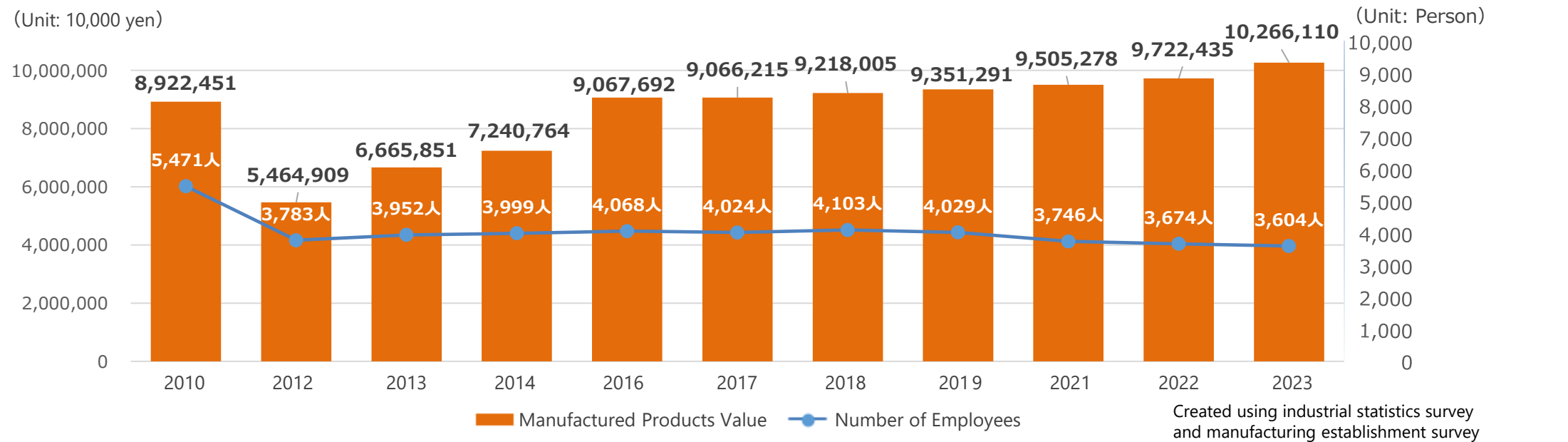
The nuclear disaster led to strict limits on the planting of agricultural products and the shipping of agricultural, forestry, and marine products, causing a large drop in agricultural output. Efforts were made to restore field area for planting through agricultural machinery, the installation of facilities and other structures, and the production of garden crops (broccoli, green onions, onions, cucumbers), but output has stopped at 40% of output levels before the disaster. The city is currently working to develop facilities for the processing and distribution of agricultural products for the purpose of stabilizing farming income as well as maintaining and advancing motivation for farming.



From the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries: Municipality Agricultural Output (Estimate). ※Calculation method contains differences in 2006 and 2014 onward.

Current Situation [Secondary Industry]

【Shift in Amount of Manufactured Products Value and Number of Employees】

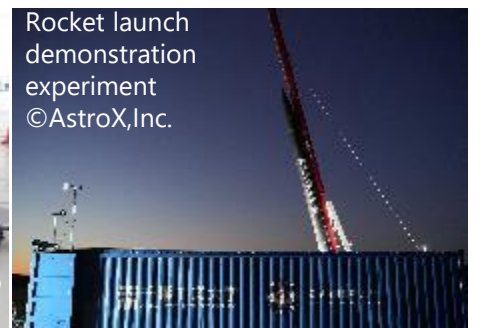


【Establishment of Industrial Parks, etc.】 (As of March 31, 2026)

The amount of shipping of industrial products fell drastically directly after the disaster, but briefly overtook pre-disaster levels due to efforts such as reopening business offices, establishing industrial parks, and advancing the initiative to attract enterprises. While devising the coordination between local businesses and start-up companies, "Robot Town Minamisoma" aims for further development centered around robot-related companies. In addition, efforts are being made toward the accumulation of space-related industries, and demonstration experiments by advancing companies are underway.

In the Odaka District, the city is developing the Odaka Reconstruction Industrial Park (Frontier Park) to increase the resident population and further promote businesses.

	Shidazawa Industrial Park	Shimo-Ota Industrial Park	Reconstruction Industrial Park	Iizaki Industrial Park	Incubation Center
Offer of use opened	2008	2014	2019	2024	2020
Moved-in businesses	7 (4 of which moved in post-disaster)	12	6	2	15
Lots available	no empty lots	2 lots	2 lots (0.8ha)	no empty lots	1 lot

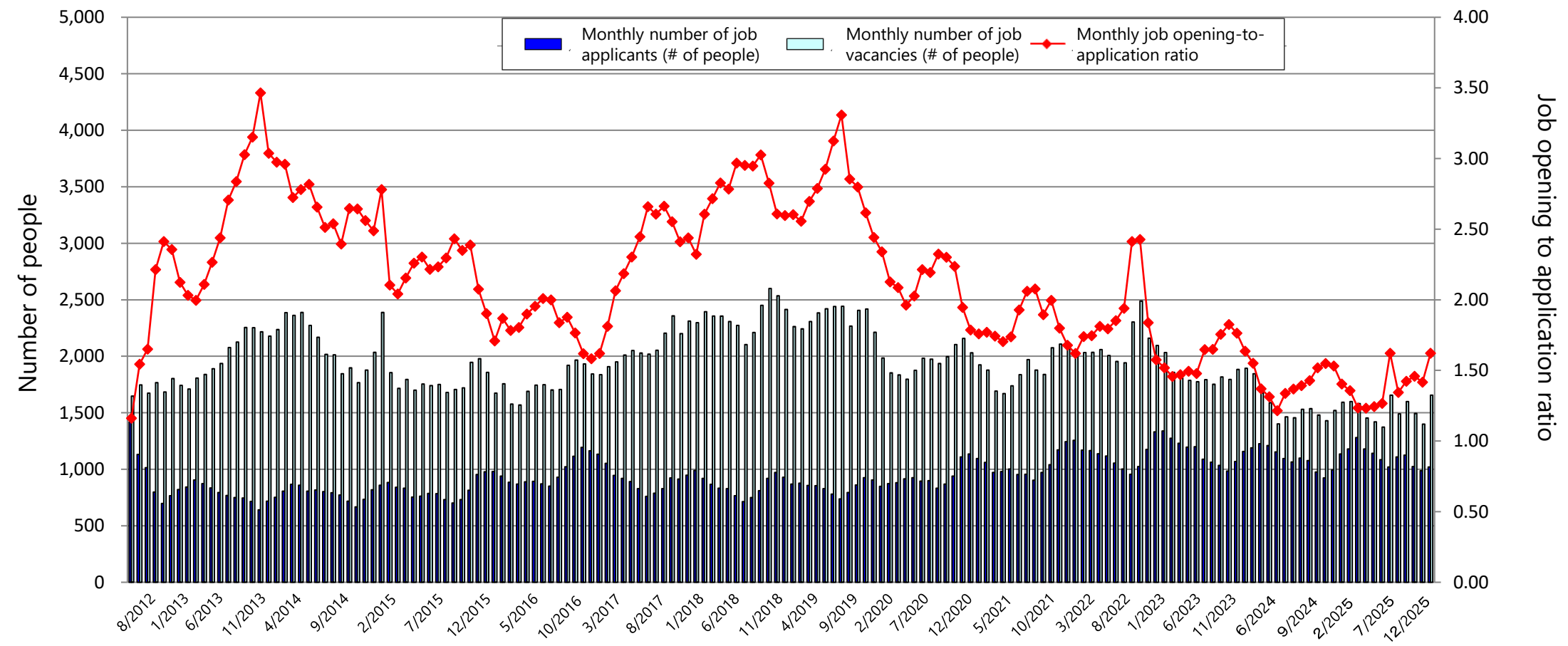


Current Situation [Employment]

【Changes to the Ratio of job Openings to Job Applicants】

• Perspective going forward: While the employment situation remains resilient in terms of job openings, improvements appear to have slowed. It continues to be necessary to pay close attention to the impact of rising prices and other factors on the labor market.

◆ Job vacancies exceed applicants in areas such as specialty/engineering (e.g. architecture, civil engineering, nursing, medical technology), marketing (e.g. merchandise marketing, trade), service (e.g. caregiving, customer service), safety (traffic directing), transporting, and construction, while applicants exceed job vacancies in areas such as office work, delivery, and cleaning, displaying a mismatch amongst types of occupation.



Source: Hello Work So-So Investigation (Parts of the above data includes job vacancies in litate Village)

Current Situation [Housing Reconstruction]

【Temporary Housing】

30 locations within Minamisoma, 8 locations outside the city (Soma City, Shinchi Town) Total of 3,300 houses were built

Current residents: 0 (allowance finished at end of March 2020)

※30 locations within Minamisoma demolished

【Mass Relocation】

Housing complexes developed in 11 districts (124 households) in Kashima District and 10 districts (180 households) in Haramachi District

【Disaster Response Public Housing】

District	Area	Housing Type	Number of Units	Entry start date
Kashima District	Nishikawara	Wooden 1&2F buildings	2DK : 18 / 3DK : 10	Apr. 2014
	Nishimachi	Reinforced concrete 3F	2DK : 15 / 4DK : 15	Oct. 2014
	Nishikawara-2	Reinforced concrete 2F	2DK : 20 / 3DK : 12	Apr. 2016
Haramachi District	East Omachi	Reinforced concrete 5F	2DK : 28 / 3DK : 32	Apr. 2015
		Long wooden 1F building	2DK : 20	Apr. 2015
	West Omachi	Reinforced concrete 5F	2DK : 20 / 3DK : 20	Apr. 2015
	South Omachi	Reinforced concrete 3&5F	2DK : 17 / 3DK : 12	Apr. 2016
	Kaibama	Steel 1F/wooden 2F	2DK : 28 / 3DK : 10	Apr. 2016
	Sakaecho	Steel 3F	2DK : 21 / 3DK : 12	Apr. 2016
Odaka District	Higashimachi	Wood 1&2F	2DK : 14 / 3DK : 6	Jul. 2016
	Mangasaku	Long wooden 1F building	3DK : 2	Jul. 2016
	Kamimachi	Long wooden 1&2F	2DK : 8 / 3DK : 10	Jul. 2016

【Reconstruction Public Housing】

District	Area	Housing Type	Number of Units	Progress
Kashima District	Nishimachi	Wood	50	Complete
Haramachi District	Kitahara	Reinforced Concrete	264	Complete
	Kamimachi	Reinforced Concrete	182	Complete
	Ushigoe	Reinforced Concrete	179	Complete
	Minamimachi	Reinforced Concrete	255	Complete
Total			927	



Mass relocation site (Ogawa-cho)



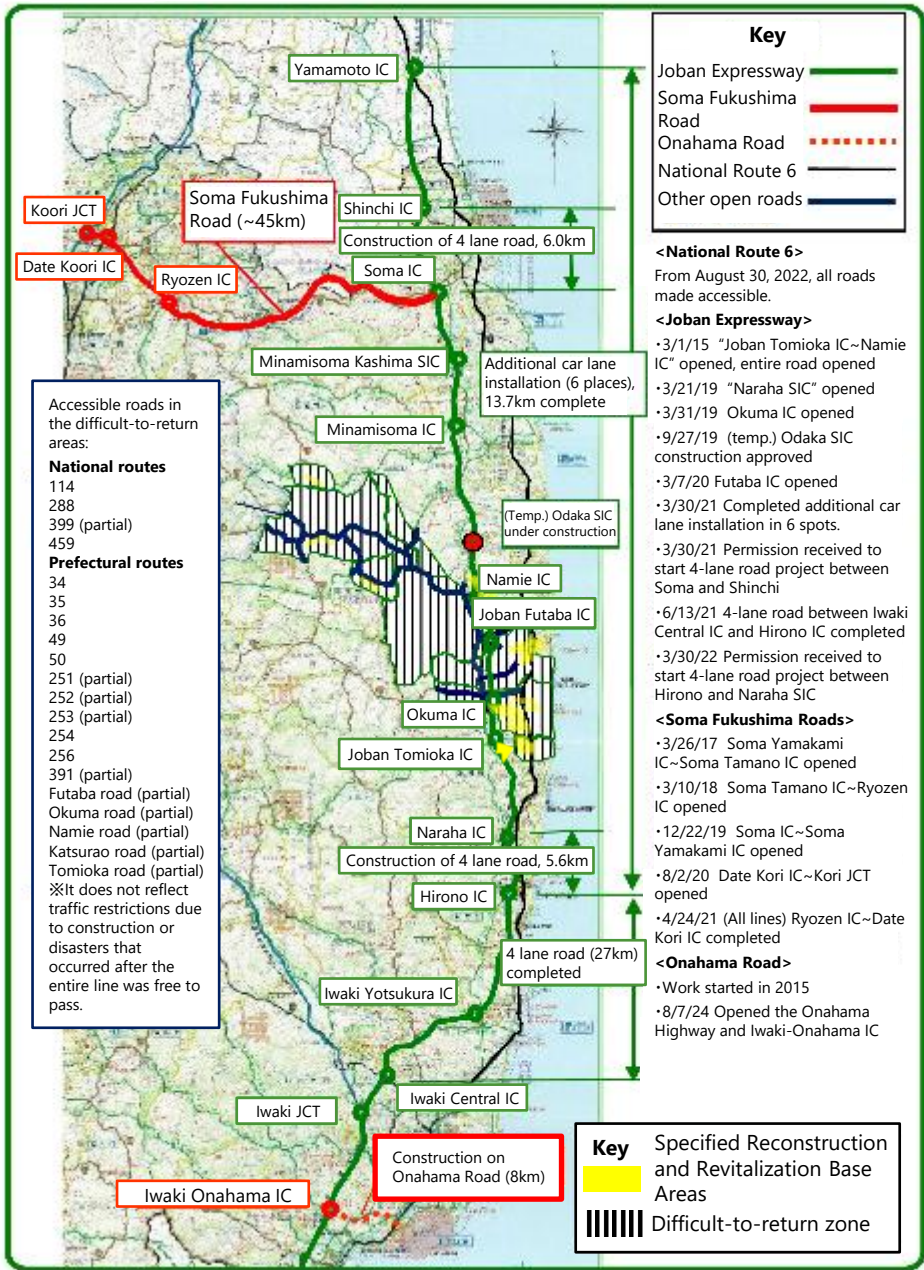
Disaster response public housing (East Omachi)



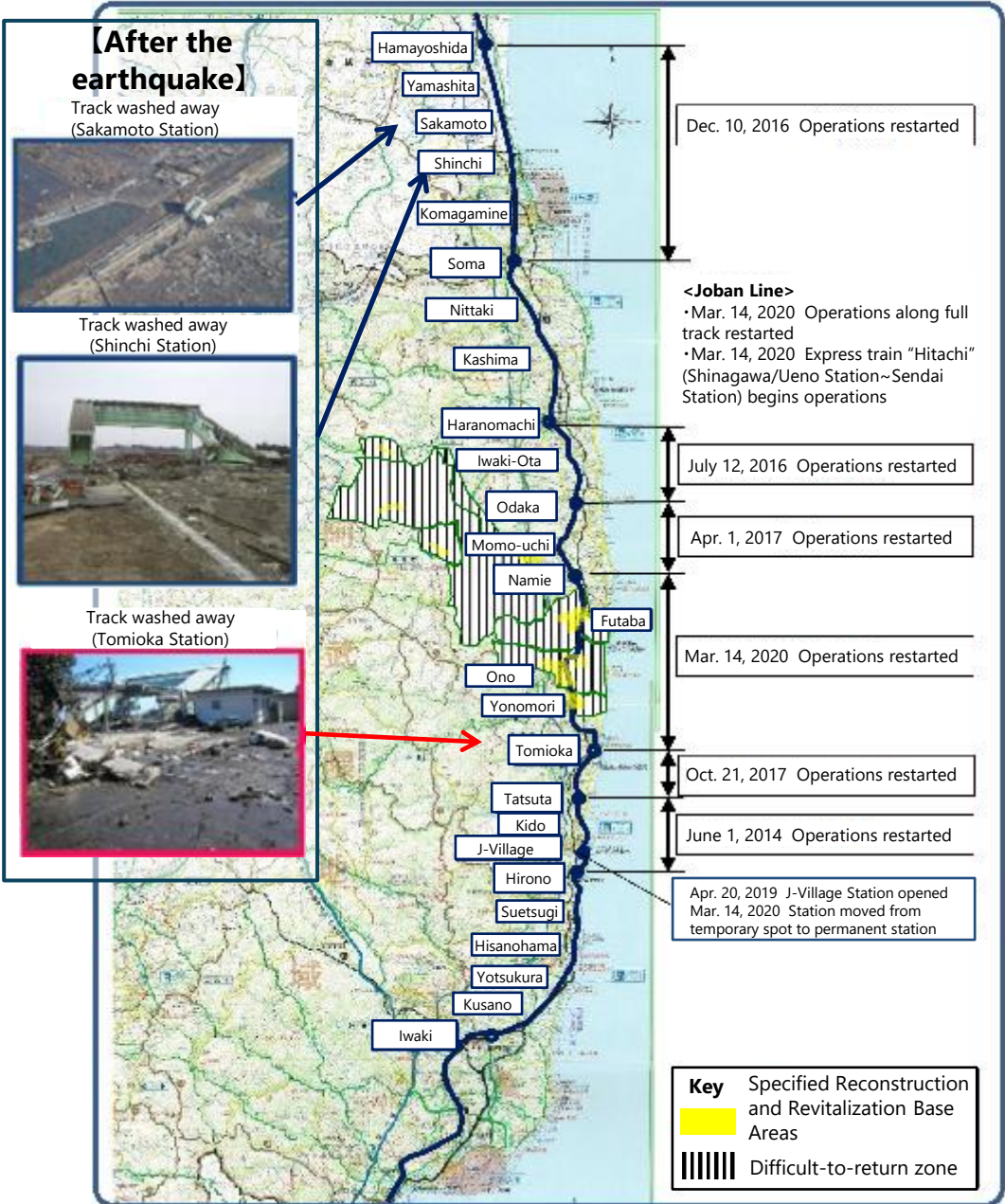
Prefectural reconstruction public housing 22

Current Situation [Infrastructure Reconstruction]

Roads



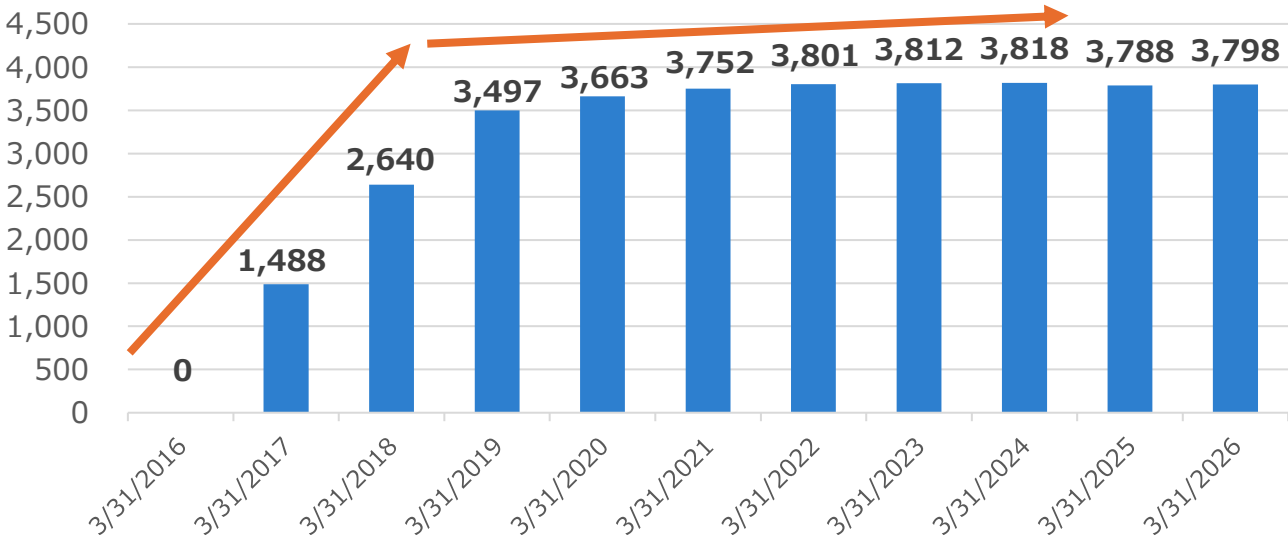
Railway (JR Joban Line)



Efforts to Revitalize Zone Formerly Under Evacuation Orders

(Situation in Odaka District)

【Residential Population Trends in Odaka District】



○The city has been working to improve the living environment for returnees by developing facilities such as the Odaka Store (a publicly-owned, privately-operated supermarket), Odaka Nintei Kodomo-en (a certified center for early childhood education and care), and various playgrounds for children. Furthermore, in collaboration with municipalities where evacuees currently reside, the city has been implementing initiatives to facilitate return, including holding outreach consultation sessions for those living outside the city.

○ Mid-to-long-term measures are still required to recover from the nuclear disaster.

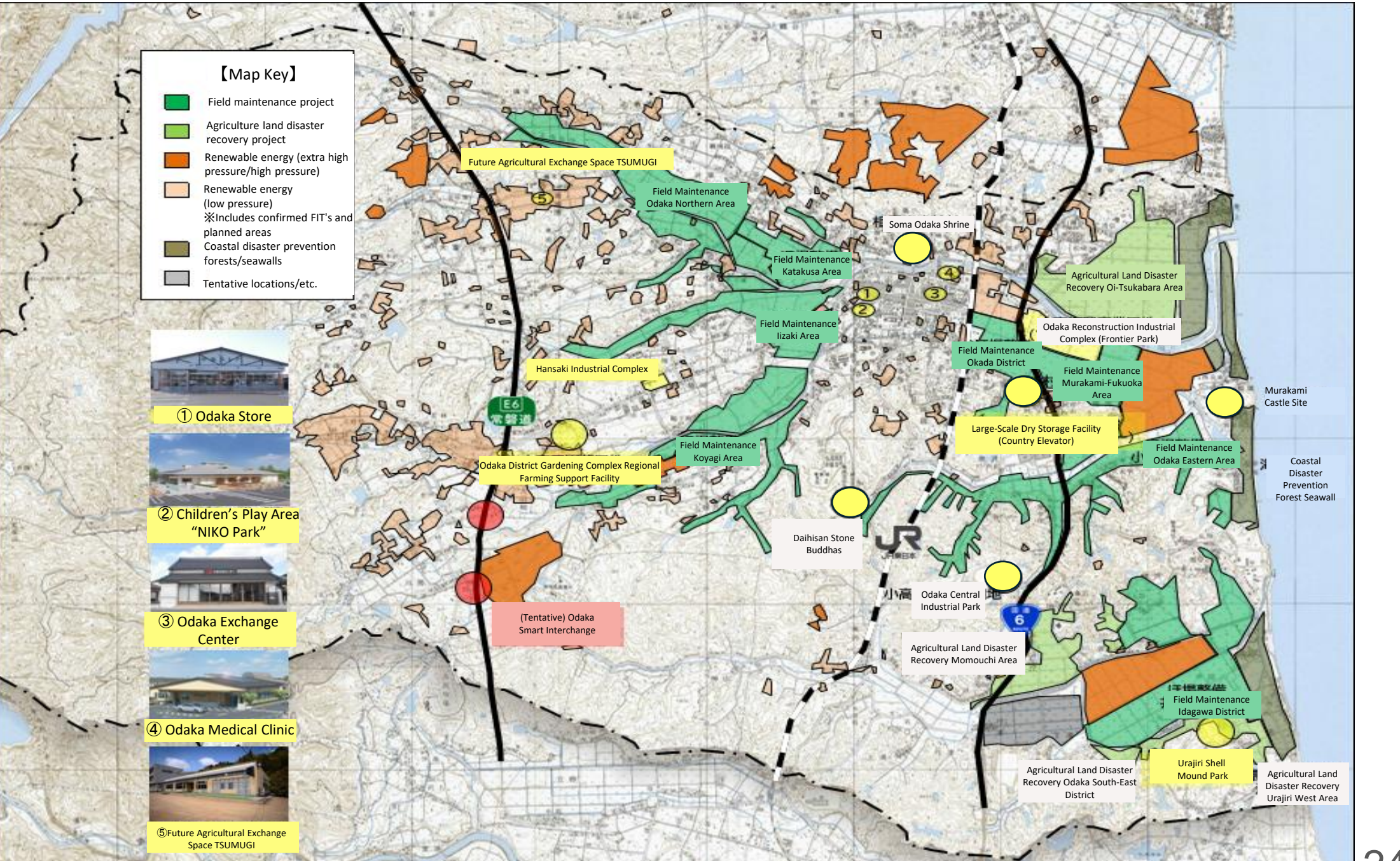
【Status of Maintenance of Major Facilities in Odaka District】

	Events
July 12, 2016	Restricted Residence Zone and Preparation Area for Lift of Evacuation Orders lifted JR Joban line between Haranomachi Station and Odaka station resumes operation for first time in 5 years
April 1, 2017	Odaka ES and Odaka JHS reopen
December 6, 2018	Opening of Odaka Store
January 26, 2019	Reconstruction Base Facility Odaka Exchange Center opens
April 1, 2020	Odaka Certified Childcare Center reopens
April 3, 2021	Children’s Playground NIKO Park opens
December 16, 2021	Odaka Medical Clinic opens
April 11, 2024	Future Agricultural Exchange Space TSUMUGI opens, Future Agricultural School opens



Efforts to Revitalize Zone Under Former Evacuation Orders

(Land Usage Situation)



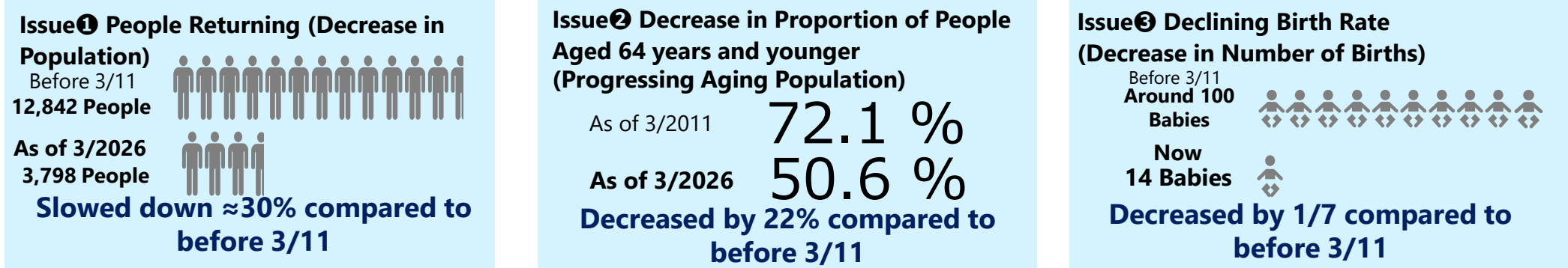
Efforts to Revitalize Zone Under Former Evacuation Orders

(Response to Issues)



The population has only recovered to about 30% of its pre-earthquake levels, and the proportion of elderly returnees is high. This drastic deviation in the composition of the population has led to many problems.

【Current Situation and Issues for the Future of Odaka District】



【Community】

- **Reorganization of administrative districts**
- **Difficulties maintaining local organizations**
Ratio where the proportion of elderly people (65 and older) exceeds half: approx. 62%
※21 administrative districts out of a total of 34 administrative districts (As of March 2026)
- **Lack of interaction between residents from before and new immigrants**

【Land Management】

- **Utilization of vacant houses and lots**
Total number of vacant houses and lots registered in Odaka : 272
Total number of contracts : 82 Contract rate approx. 30%
(Haramachi District: approx. 34%) (As of March 2026)
- **Overcrowding of solar panels**
Locations of approved solar-power generation business plans per 1km²
Odaka District: 24.2 Fukushima Prefecture: 2.13 (As of March 2026)
- **Rate of resumption of rice cultivation**
Approx. 40% in Odaka District
(Kashima District: 90%, Haramachi District: 80%) (2025 fiscal year)

【Living Environment】

- **Decrease in commercial facilities**
Odaka Society of Commerce and Industry membership resumption rate: approx. 64.8% (As of March 2026)
- **Frequent occurrence of harmful wildlife damage (within the city area)**
Cases of capturing harmful wildlife FY2010: 188 $\Rightarrow$ FY2024: 3,325
- **Illegal dumping of garbage**
It has become difficult to keep an eye on the area, and garbage is being illegally dumped, mainly along the main roads

【Child-Rearing, Education, and Medical Care】

- **Decrease of a younger population**
Percentage of elderly population:
March 11, 2011: approx. 28% $\Rightarrow$ End of March 2026: approx. 49%
- **Shortage of medical facilities**
Number of medical facilities (including dental clinics)
Before 3/11: 12 facilities $\Rightarrow$ End of March 2026: 5 facilities
- **Creating an environment that is easy to raise children in**
There are no pediatricians/OBGYNs.
There are few areas in the local vicinity where you can attend cram school and other lessons.

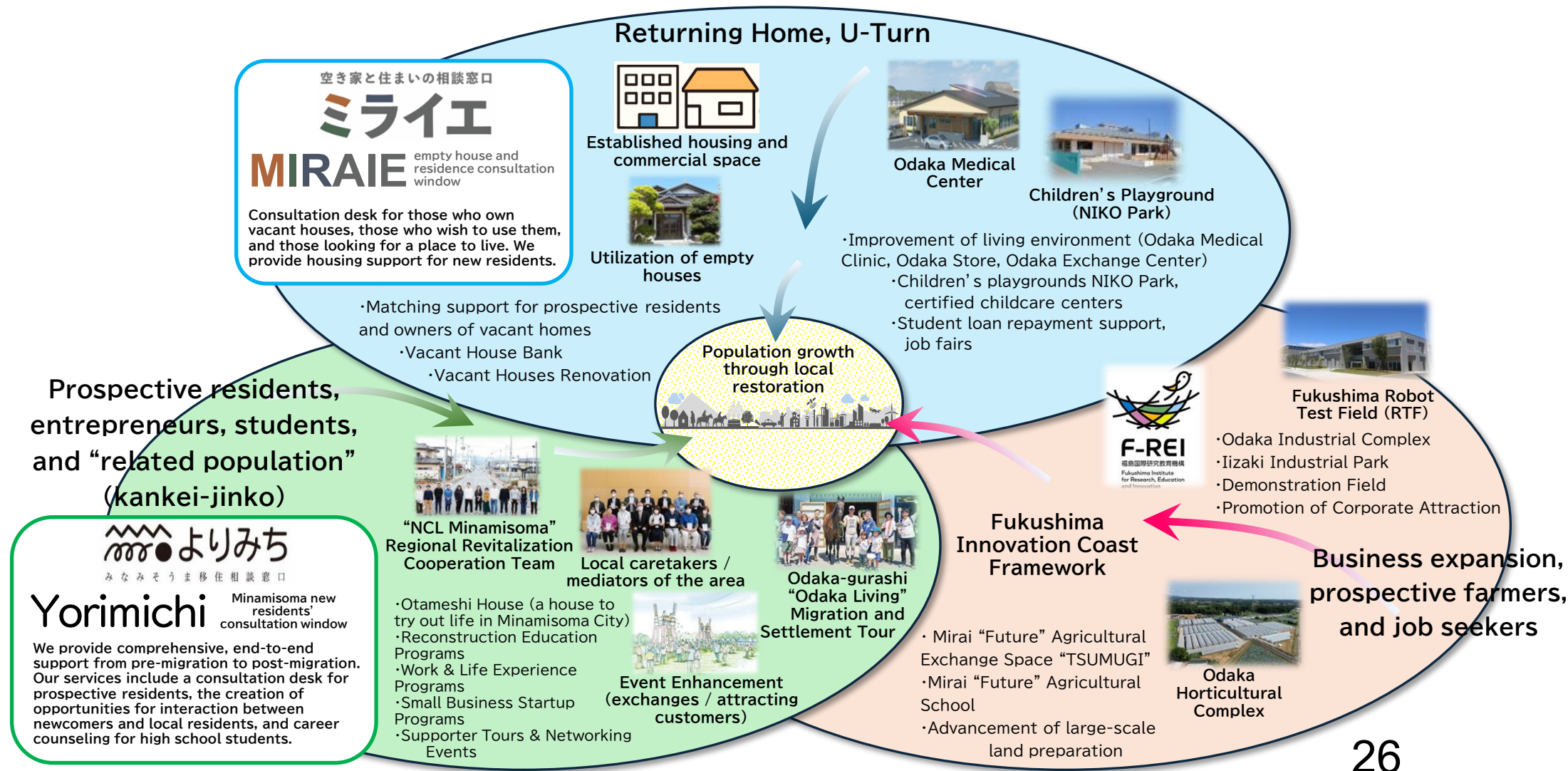
Efforts to Revitalize Zone Under Former Evacuation Orders

(Response to Issues)

■ Community Development by Promoting Migration and Settlement

Strengthen cooperation with related organizations, etc., strengthen information dissemination, conduct socializing activities, expand various support systems, etc., to support work, housing, and integration into the community, and attract new energy and vitality needed in the community.

Flow of Migration and Settlement in Odaka District (Image)



Initiatives for 100-Year Community Development

(Advancing the Fukushima Innovation Coast Framework)

■ Fukushima Innovation Coast Framework (Fukushima International Research/Industry City Initiative)

The Fukushima Innovation Coast Framework is a national project aimed at building a new industrial foundation to revitalize industries in the Hamadori and nearby regions (the "Innovation Coast") that were devastated by the Great East Japan Earthquake and nuclear disaster.

The initiative strives to achieve autonomous and sustainable industrial development, with the goal of spreading a positive impact throughout all of Fukushima Prefecture.

Innovation
×
Initiative

Six Projects for Realizing the Fukushima Innovation Coast Framework Vision

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Decommissioning
Decommissioning is a long-term commitment that is expected to take 30 to 40 years. We are developing remote-control technologies to enable decommissioning work in high-radiation environments.
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Robotics and Drones
In Fukushima Prefecture, a region already facing challenges from population decline and an aging society, we are using robotics and drones to realize efficient logistics, infrastructure inspection, and disaster response.
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Energy, Environment and Recycling
As we move towards an increasingly globally concerned sustainable society, we are striving to establish advanced renewable energy and recycling technologies.
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Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
In Fukushima's Hamadori and nearby regions which were formerly designated as evacuation zones following the disaster, we are revitalizing agriculture, forestry, and fisheries through the application of ICT and robotics.
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Medical Industry
We are driving further development to become a hub for world-class industries related to medicine.
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Aerospace
Fukushima Prefecture continues to grow as a major center for the aerospace industry, home to numerous established companies with a proven track record.

Creating an environment conducive to R&D and field testing



Base of Operations

Fukushima Robot Test Field (RTF) Fully opened on March 31, 2020

A world-class R&D and field testing center for field robots operating on land, at sea, and in the air. The facility provides comprehensive services, including specialized measurement, analysis, manufacturing, and environmental testing, while also offering 20 rental research offices.

RTF has hosted 1,417 on-site demonstration projects and welcomed 145,914 visitors. (As of March 2026)

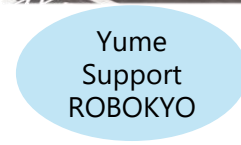


Minamisoma Industrial Creation Center

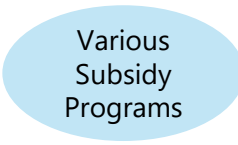
Fully opened on September 1, 2020

As the city's primary incubation facility, this center serves as a base of operations for startup activities, with a particular focus on the robotics and aerospace.

Efforts Towards Implementation and Mass Production

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Yume Support ROBO KYO
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Venture Capital
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Various Subsidy Programs
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Development of Industrial Parks

Initiatives for 100-Year Community Development

(Advancing the Fukushima Innovation Coast Framework)

Efforts Towards the Realization of the Fukushima Innovation Coast Framework

In addition to advancing the realization of the six key sectors (projects), we are committed to building necessary industrial clustering, fostering human resources, expanding the nonresident population, and promoting information dissemination to foster collaboration between the national government, prefectural government, local municipalities, the Fukushima Innovation Coast Organization, and academic institutions.

Key Initiatives for Realization of the Framework

Industrial agglomeration



We are moving toward clustering new industry as well as the recovery and revitalization of existing industry in the Hamadori and nearby regions, all while actively promoting business relocation. We facilitate partnerships and business matching between incoming companies and local businesses to foster a synergetic regional economy.



■ Development of Industrial Parks

- Haramachi Reconstruction Industrial Park (Haramachi District)
- Shimo-Ota Industrial Park (Haramachi District)
- Odaka Reconstruction Industrial Park (Odaka District)
- (Frontier Park) *Currently under development
- Iizaki Industrial Park (Odaka District), etc.

■ Startup Support

- Minamisoma Industrial Creation Center (Haramachi District)

■ Agricultural Revitalization

- Odaka Horticultural Park (Odaka District)
- Minami-ebisu Large-scale Horticultural Facility (Kashima District)
- Horticultural Produce Collection and Shipping Center (Haramachi District) *Currently under development
- Farmland infrastructure improvement (consolidation) Projects (City-wide)



Smart agriculture
pesticide application
drone



Completion of partnership
agreements with space-
related businesses



Education / Human resource development



We are promoting initiatives to stimulate research, educational activities through universities, and working to translate research findings into local industrial growth. Furthermore, by collaborating with local businesses and higher education institutions to provide practical career education from elementary through high school, we are fostering the next generation whose energy is core our revitalization efforts.

■ Wisdom for Revitalization

We are providing educational activities and hands-on opportunities for students and local youth in order to foster talent in robotics.



Tohoku University
Hamadori Field Laboratory
Robot Operation Experience



The University of Aizu
ICT Talent Development
Program



Fukushima University
Collaborative R&D with Local
Enterprises

■ Agricultural Exchange Facility (Mirai Agriculture School)

This center is a place for networking between new farmers, local residents, and established agricultural producers. We are cultivating individuals who are pursuing careers in professional agriculture through specialized training.



Expansion of exchange



We are actively engaging in various ways with people from outside the Innovation Region, fostering deeper connections with our initiatives and the region itself to expand both exchange communities and "related populations."

■ FY2025 "Revitalization Wisdom" Achievement Report Meeting

The "Revitalization Wisdom" Achievement Report Session took place at CREVA Okuma (Okuma Town Industrial Exchange Facility) and featured presentations by students from selected universities and other institutions. The event also marked the beginning of exchange activities with students from Haramachi High School.



Dissemination of information

We are committed to enhancing the recognition of our Innovation Framework and actively disseminating information to encourage broader participation from various sectors.

Initiatives for 100-Year Community Development (Space Industry Cluster)

Attracting and Accumulating Space-Related Industries as a Fresh Focal Point for New Industry

To achieve full recovery from the Great East Japan Earthquake, our city has been dedicated to generating and accumulating new industries, particularly in the fields of robotics and drones, through support for field testing and R&D. We believe that the aerospace sector shares high affinity with these existing initiatives, especially where it involves product development such as rockets and satellites. Furthermore, given the rising expectations for the incoming 'Space Age,' we see the space-related industry as a significant new focal point for our future economic growth.

Field Testing

Building on our expertise in supporting field testing not only at our core facility, the Fukushima Robot Test Field (RTF), but also across the city, we are uniquely positioned to **provide comprehensive support for demonstration projects in a wide range of fields.**

Development Support

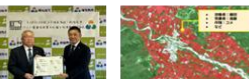
Our region has long been backed by a strong history in the automotive industry and is home to **numerous local businesses with advanced expertise in precision metal processing.** This technical foundation offers high affinity with the needs of new manufacturing enterprises and businesses engaged in product development.

Built upon our proven expertise in business support and the exceptional technical prowess of our local manufacturers, we have established a solid foundation to enter new fields, particularly those centered on field testing and product development.

One priority area for the Innovation Coast, **aerospace sector stands out as a natural extension of our strength in robotics and drones,** holding significant potential to become a new focal point.

Building Collaborative Partnerships with Space-Related Enterprises

We have established formal partnership agreements with space-related enterprises to support their smooth business operations upon entering Minamisoma City. These agreements are designed to generate economic synergy through collaborations with local businesses, as well as to foster the development of future talent in the space industry.

<p>Interstellar Technologies Inc.</p> <p>Interstellar Technologies Inc. established a manufacturing plant in Minamisoma to develop their ZERO rocket for cost-effective space transport</p> 	<p>AstroX</p> <p>Headquartered in Minamisoma, AstroX develops and flight-tests balloon-launched rockets.</p> 	<p>ElevationSpace</p> <p>Aiming to provide a LEO (low earth orbit) experimental platform, ElevationSpace utilizes Minamisoma as its primary field for demonstration.</p> 	<p>Tohoku University</p> <p>Contributing to the creative reconstruction and revitalization of the Hamadori region Accelerating the realization of the Tohoku University Fukushima Science Park</p> 	<p>Winner: Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Award, 7th Space Development and Utilization Awards.</p> <p>LAND INSIGHT</p> <p>Headquartered in Minamisoma, the company leverages satellite data to drive DX in primary industries, disaster prevention, and emergency response</p> 
<p>Space Transportation Inc.</p> <p>With a branch office in Minamisoma, Space Transportation Inc. aims to realize a high-frequency, high-capacity space transportation system for passengers</p> 	<p>ASTRO GATE</p> <p>Specializing in surveys, planning, development, and operation of spaceports, ASTRO GATE is collaborating with the city to realize its aerospace initiatives.</p> 	<p>Mitsubishi Logistics Corporation</p> <p>Developing incubation centers, R&D facilities, and logistics hubs in Minamisoma to support industrial growth.</p> 	<p>SUIHO SPACE INNOVATIONS</p> <p>Developing multi-purpose space testing facilities and providing rocket components, while supporting private-sector rocket development in Minamisoma</p> 	<p>PD AeroSpace, Ltd.</p> <p>Developing fully reusable spaceplanes, including engines and airframes, with plans to establish an engineering lab in Minamisoma.</p> 

Water landing test of a return capsule (ElevationSpace)



Fairing separation test (Interstellar Technologies Inc)



In Formulation

Feelings of Hope and Excitement

In the face of unprecedented circumstances, Minamisoma's strength comes from its ability to take on and accomplish both recovery efforts and new endeavors with a sense of simple honesty and flexibility.
"What should we do, what can we do right now for the sake of our irreplaceable future?"
Asking this question, let's work together to give shape to all of our hopes and dreams, one by one.

Mayor of Minamisoma
Monma Kazuo

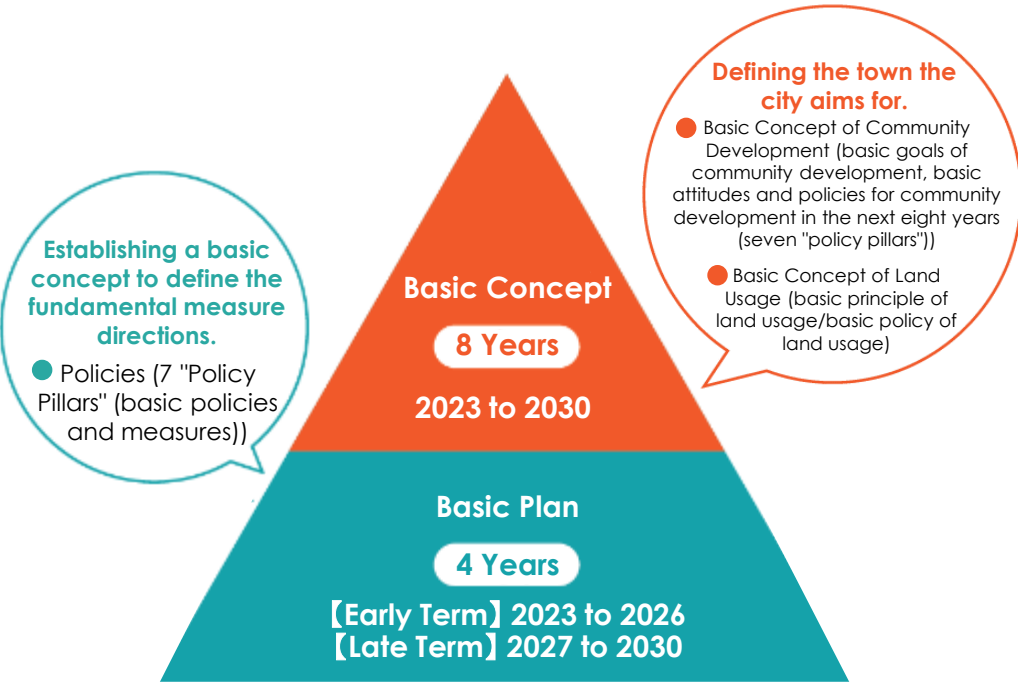


Purpose of Formulation

Minamisoma's Third Comprehensive Plan was formulated in March, 2023 in order to respond swiftly and flexibly to the new challenges associated with the progress in reconstruction from the earthquake and nuclear accident, and the rapidly changing social conditions of recent years.

Composition and Duration

The Comprehensive Plan is the city's major plan that shows the direction and measures that Minamisoma aims for through a "basic concept" and "basic plan".



Promotion of Minamisoma's Third Comprehensive Plan

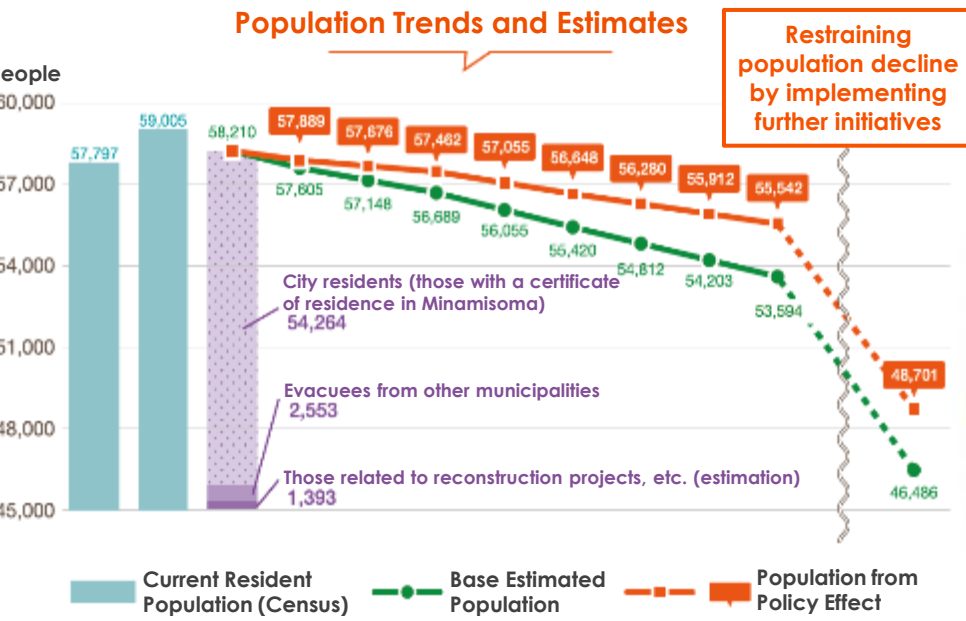
The Future We Aim For

The basic goal of city development: "The Shape of Future Minamisoma"

100-Year City Development
To continue living with our family and friends

Minamisoma City 100 Years Ahead
～ 「A town where you can live with peace of mind while surrounded by friends and family」 ～

Target Population After 8 Years



Basic Stances for Community Development Over the Next 8 Years

With its eyes set on the realization of "100-Year City Development," the city aims to enable citizens to have a real feeling of recovery from the earthquake and nuclear accident over the next 8 years between 2023 and 2030. In order to achieve this goal, we are advocating the following three basic stances in order to promote community development through cooperation among citizens, businesses, community development groups, and the government.

Connect

It has been 16 years* since our city's merger, and 12 years* after the earthquake and nuclear accident. We cherish this city's journey and give shape to the results of all the effort we have made so far, thus firmly **connect** them to the next generation. Through this, we aim for sustainable town development.

Coexist

We are aiming for development of a town where hopes and dreams can be realized by understanding, respecting, and **coexisting** with each other and the various views of life, values, and customs that have arisen over the course of the city's recovery and reconstruction.

Challenge

We aim to develop a city that can continue to move forward into the future by having unconventional and flexible ideas, seeing various difficulties as opportunities to make a leap forward, and boldly taking on new **challenges**.



*These numbers are based on when the basic concept was formulated in December 2022.

Overall Plan

Basic Concept: 8 Years (FY2023-2030)

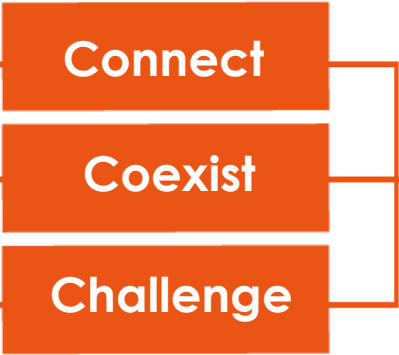
Basic Early Term Plan:
4 years (FY2023-2026)

1. Basic Concept of City Development

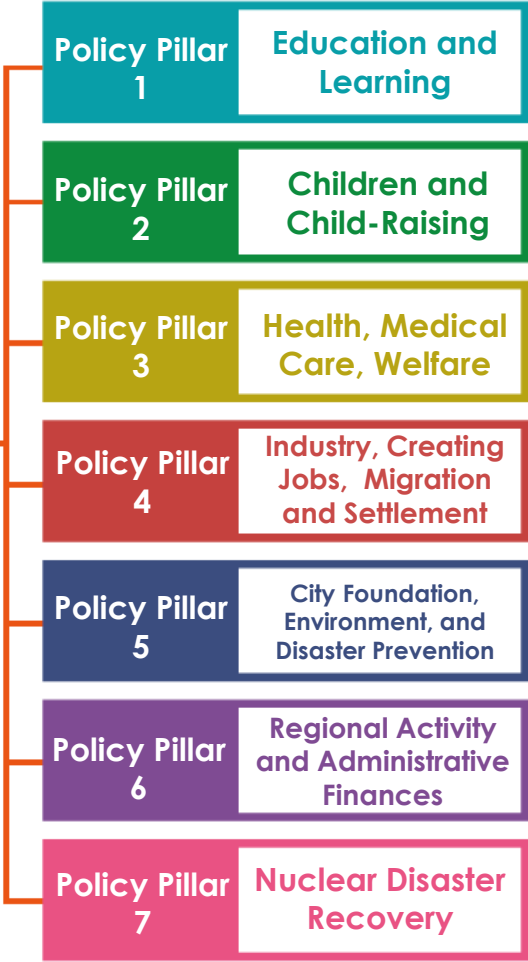
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"The Shape of Future Minamisoma"

100-Year City Development
~ A town to live in
with family and friends ~

Basic Stances on City
Development Over the
Next 8 Years



[3] Policies: 7 Policy Pillars



[4] 17 Basic Measures



【Policy Pillar 1】 Education and Learning

Policy Pillar 1

Education and Learning

We aim to create a city where everyone can continue to learn what they want to learn, while increasing the ability of children to open up the future by improving the educational standard.

Basic Measures

Measures

1. School Education

- ① Nurturing a rich mind and body
- ② Improvement of educational standards
- ③ Improvement of educational environment
- ④ Enhancement of support according to the child/student's situation

2. Lifelong Learning

- ⑤ Enhancement of lifelong learning
- ⑥ Enrichment of art and culture
- ⑦ Promotion of societal measures such as gender equality



Main Efforts in 2026

New

AC Installation for Elementary School Gymnasiums

Cont.

AC Installation for Junior High School Gymnasiums

31,480,000 Yen

As a response to climate change in recent years, we are installing air conditioning in elementary and junior high school gymnasiums, which serve as essential learning environments for our children and critical evacuation centers during disasters. We are systematically implementing this initiative by leveraging national government subsidies.

Project Overview

- AC installation for Haramachi 2nd & 3rd Elementary School Gymnasiums
- AC installation for Kashima Junior High School Gymnasium
- *installation at Odaka Junior High School and Haramachi 2nd Junior High School began in FY2025.

New

Support for Elementary and Junior High School Trips

35,810,000 Yen

To alleviate the financial burden on families during compulsory education as well as further promote educational activities that broaden students' horizons and foster social skills, we provide support for expenses related to school trips and other educational excursions.

Project Overview

- Maximum Subsidy Amount per Person
Elementary School: 15,000 yen (Transportation covered by the city)
(Based on travel within Fukushima Prefecture)
Junior High School: 62,000 yen plus actual transportation costs
(Based on travel to the Kanto region)
Elementary Division of Special Needs Education School: 25,000 yen
(Transportation costs included)
Junior High Division of Special Needs Education School: 75,000 yen
(Transportation costs included)
*Eligibility is subject to residency and other requirements

Expand

Dinosaur Fossil Exploration and Educational Outreach Project

11,490,000 Yen

The Soma-Nakamura formation distribution in the area around the 'Sedette Kashima' is, in fact, nationally recognized as a significant site for dinosaur-era fossils. In FY2025, the foremost figure in dinosaur research Yoshitsugu Kobayashi, also known as "Dinosaur Kobayashi" (Professor at Hokkaido University), gave a successful lecture with broad resident participation. Moving toward fresh discoveries in FY2026, we are initiating new excavation surveys, aiming for further scientific discoveries, and fostering civic engagement to carry the dreams of children and adults alike.

Project Expansion

- Dinosaur fossil excavation survey
Excavation survey using heavy machinery, focusing on dinosaur (footprint) fossils in the Tochikubo Formation

Outline of Continuing Projects

- Lecture: 1 session
- Hands-on experience and off-site events (Sedette Kashima, Roadside Station): 5 sessions



Policy Pillar 2

Children and Child-Raising

Along with aiming for a town that protects the rights and livelihoods of all children and allows them to live happily, we are taking steps such as countermeasures against the declining birthrate in order to create a town where people can give birth to children with peace of mind, feel joy in their growth, and give them a fulfilling childhood.

Basic Measures	Measures
3. Children / Child-Raising	⑧ Support for marriage, pregnancy, and childbirth
	⑨ Enhancement and quality improvement of childcare and early childhood education
	⑩ Enhancement of child-rearing environments
	⑪ Support for the healthy growth of children



Main Efforts in 2026

New

Infant Daycare Attendance Support Project

3,320,000 Yen

In order to support the upbringing of all children and offer high-quality environments for growth, we provide financial support for childcare expenses (such as support benefits for infants) to private nursery schools and other operators that implement the "Infant Daycare Attendance Support Project" (also known as the "Universal Daycare Program") for children aged 6 months or older but under 3 years old who are not currently enrolled in educational or childcare facilities.

Project Overview

Eligible entities: Private nursery schools and similar facilities implementing the Infant Daycare Attendance Support Project

Eligible expenses: Less than 1 year old: 1,700 yen per hour
1 and 2 years old: 1,400 yen per hour

Participating facility: Haramachi Seio Nintei Kodomo-en

Expand

Fertility Treatment Subsidy Program

11,550,000 Yen

In order to reduce the economic burden associated with fertility treatments, we provide subsidies for a portion of the costs incurred.

Starting in fiscal year 2026, we will provide subsidies for transportation expenses for patients commuting to distant medical institutions for fertility treatment.

Project Expansion

Subsidies for transportation expenses incurred during visits for assisted reproductive technology treatments

Outline of Continuing Projects

Subsidy eligible treatments:
Infertility testing and general infertility treatment, assisted reproductive technology (ART), specialized fertility treatment not covered by insurance, and treatment for recurrent pregnancy loss (miscarriage)

Expand

Temporary Childcare Service

27,520,000 Yen

To address the need for temporary childcare caused by parental fatigue, sudden illness, and diversifying work patterns, we provide short-stay childcare services.

To further enhance our child-rearing environment, we will expand this project starting in FY2026.

Project Expansion

Facility: Haramachi Child-rearing Support Center (former Azuma Nursery School site)

Eligible Age: Expanded from "from 1 year old" to "from 6 months old"

Operating days: Open on Sundays and public holidays (Closed on Wednesdays)
*Closed during year-end and New Year's holidays

Outline of Continuing Projects

We will also continue to provide short-stay childcare service at the Kashima Child-rearing Support Center and Odaka Nintei Kodomo-en.





Policy Pillar 3

Health, Medical Care, Welfare

We aim to create a city where everyone can live a safe and healthy life by promoting the health of citizens, improving the medical and welfare systems, and strengthening cooperation between them.

Basic Measures	Measures
4. Health & Sports	⑫ Promotion of disease prevention
	⑬ Promotion of projects for physical and mental health
	⑭ Alleviation of health concerns about radiation
	⑮ Promotion of sports for all generations
5. Regional Medical Care	⑯ Maintenance and strengthening of the regional medical care provision system
	⑰ Promotion of regional comprehensive medical care and nursing service provision system
	⑱ Improvement of community welfare
6. Welfare	⑲ Improvement of frailty prevention and welfare for the elderly
	⑳ Improvement of welfare for people with disabilities (including children)

Main Efforts in 2026

Cont.

Metabolic Syndrome Countermeasure Project

17,570,000 Yen

In order to extend healthy life expectancies, the city is implementing widespread initiatives for the prevention of lifestyle-related diseases. These efforts include reducing the percentage of citizens who are or are at risk of or diagnosed with metabolic syndrome, which is one of our major health challenges. In FY2026, we will focus on increasing opportunities to incorporate walking into daily life by creating a "walkable" city and improving walking courses and other environments.

Project Overview

- City Corporate Health and Productivity Management Initiatives (Health-Up Challenge)
- Implementation of Health Point Program (Utilizing a Health App)
- "Walkable City" Development



Cont.

Endowed Chair Establishment Project

141,360,000 Yen

We provide support for the establishment of research chairs at medical universities. In return, we aim to enhance our medical services by receiving physician assignments from these research chairs to our municipal general hospitals.

Project Overview

2 full-time physicians and 6 contract physicians (6 physicians working 1 day per week) are currently practicing through the establishment of endowed chairs

Installed Chairs:

Department of Perinatal and Pediatric Regional Medical Support, Fukushima Medical University
Department of Advanced Regional Lifestyle-Related Disease Therapeutics, Fukushima Medical University
Department of Regional Advanced Cardiovascular Therapeutics, Fukushima Medical University
Department of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, Hiroshima University Hospital

(Number of medical professionals over time) (municipal general hospital)

2010	2020	2025
14	23	38

New

Subsidization Program for Voluntary HPV Vaccination Expenses

2,950,000 Yen

To prevent the occurrence and spread of human papillomavirus (HPV) infection, protect individual health, and maintain public health for the entire community, we are implementing a program that provides full subsidies for HPV vaccination expenses.

Project Overview

Eligible population: Males age 12 to 16
Subsidy amount: Full cost (for up to 3 doses)
Subsidy period: From April 1, 2026, to March 31, 2031



Policy Pillar 4

Industry, Creating Jobs, Migration & Settlement

As a city that supports the development of local businesses and supports new challenges, we aim to create a city that people want to visit and live in by making the most of the city's attractive local resources.

Basic Measures	Measures
Agriculture, 7. Forestry, and Fisheries	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Securing and cultivation of workers, and development of an efficient production basePromotion of distribution and sales that create strategic production and demandCreation of energized and attractive farming, mountain, and fishing villagesCreation and nurturing of new industries in one of the Innovation Coast Prioritized Fields" such as robots and drones
Commerce and Industry 8.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Promotion of city businessesSecuring a diverse village and enhancing employment supportUrban revitalization that supports new challenges
Tourism Exchange 9.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Promotion of year-round tourismPromotion of equestrian culture and tourismExpansion of exchange population
10. Migration & Settlement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Enhancement of immigration promotion and settlement support

"Innovation Coast Prioritized Fields
Fukushima Innovation Coast Initiative's six prioritized fields are "decommissioning", "robots/drones", "energy/environment/recycling", "agriculture, forestry, and fisheries", "medical", and "aerospace."

Main Efforts in 2026

New

Kashima Station Building Revitalization Project

5,640,000 Yen

We will renovate the JR Kashima Station to enhance both convenience for station users and to transform it into a center for the overall vitality of the Kashima District by introducing new functions and equipping it to be a facility local residents can utilize.

Project Overview

- Inauguration of the Kashima Station Building Revitalization Review Committee
 - Consultations with JR East regarding the renovation and transfer of the station building
 - Efforts toward the formation of a management organization for operations post-renovation
 - Holding of events and workshops to build momentum for the utilization of the facility post-renovation
- Scheduled opening: FY2028



Cont.

Surf Town PR Project

33,380,000 Yen

We will improve the image recognition of the Kitaizumi Beach and other areas as premier surf spots, actively promoting the region through specialized surfing media, our official website "Ebunami Kitaizumi," and social media platforms. Our mascot characters, "Ebuna-min," who embody the spirit of Kitaizumi, have become a popular feature, with the photo spots and associated Instagram content are gaining significant traction. In FY2026 we will launch new initiatives, including participating in surfing events held outside the prefecture to promote the Kitaizumi Coast.

New

Forestry and Forest Industry Promotion Project

3,650,000 Yen

To promote forestry and improve the management of forestry enterprises, we provide support for both enterprises facing challenges with employee retention or a lack of successor and to new entrants into the forestry industry.

Project Overview

- Subsidy eligibility: Forestry enterprises and new entrants to the forestry industry
- (1) Forestry Enterprise Support Program
Subsidy eligible expenditures: Costs for training, workshops, and equipment required for new entrants to perform forestry operations
Subsidy rate: Up to 1/2 (maximum of 500,000 yen)
 - (2) New Entrant Support Program
Benefit amount: 100,000 yen paid to new entrants after 6 months of employment
 - (3) Housing Rent Support Program for Relocated Workers
Subsidy eligible expenses: Rent costs for those who have relocated from outside the city to work at a forestry enterprise within the city
Subsidy rate: Up to 1/2 (maximum of 60,000 yen/month)



Policy Pillar 5

City Foundation, Environment, and Disaster Prevention

We aim to create a comfortable, environmentally friendly city by improving the road network, water supply and sewerage systems, securing public transportation, reducing waste, implementing a decarbonized society, and promoting traffic safety and crime prevention. Furthermore, we aim to create a safe and secure city by building flexible and resilient local communities that can take on unexpected disasters.

Basic Measures	Measures
11. City Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">① Road network maintenance② Promotion of rainwater drainage measures③ Maintenance of water supply and sewage④ Improvement of living environment⑤ Securing public transportation
12. Living Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">⑥ Promoting waste reduction and recycling⑦ Environmental conservation⑧ Energy utilization aiming for a decarbonized society
13. Regional Disaster Prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none">⑨ Strengthening the disaster prevention systems⑩ Strengthening firefighting capabilities
14. Traffic Safety & Crime Prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none">⑪ Promotion of traffic safety⑫ Promotion of crime prevention⑬ Enhancement of citizen consultation system

Main Efforts in 2026

New Road Slope Protection Project (Road Disaster Prevention) 80,020,000 Yen

To prevent accidents caused by slope collapses, fallen trees, and other hazards before they happen, and to ensure safe passage on our roads, we will carry out slope protection construction work on main roads.

Project Overview

Slope protection construction projects (concrete slope reinforcement, etc.)

- Shimo-ura Kiyohashi Line: 266m (Project duration: through FY2026)
- Urajiri Kawabusa Line: 948m (Project duration: through FY2027)
- Central Route 81: 800m (Project duration: through FY2027)
- Kitahara Shimo-ota Line: 650m (Project duration: through FY2027)



New Subsidy for Residential Battery Energy Storage System Installation 5,000,000 Yen

We provide assistance subsidies to citizens who install battery storage systems in order to efficiently use of surplus electricity generated by solar power systems within their homes.

Project Overview

Subsidy rate: 10,000 yen per kWh (maximum of 100,000 yen)



Cont. Flood Mitigation Project (Disaster Prevention and Mitigation) 161,500,000 Yen

We are implementing flood mitigation measures aimed at reducing and eliminating flood damage.

Project Overview

Drainage Channel Maintenance Construction Locations

- Kitahara-Omika Area (Haramachi District): 147m (FY2024–2026)
- Kitashinden Area (Haramachi District): 150m (FY2024–2026)
- Gorai-Hibarigahara Line (Haramachi District): 100m (FY2026–2030)
- Kamihirohata-Monzen Line (Odaka District): 102m (FY2026)



Policy Pillar 6

Regional Activity and Administrative Finances

In addition to revitalizing and rebuilding local communities, we will support each citizen so they can grow and play an active role as a leader in community development. We will also respond flexibly to sudden events and unforeseen circumstances. Furthermore, we will plan sound administrative and financial management and aim for creating a town that can continue long into the future.

Basic Measures	Measures
15. Community & Citizen Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">㊦ Rebuilding and revitalizing local communities㊧ Promoting cooperation with NPO's and citizen groups㊨ Promotion of information dissemination and public relations㊩ Effective administration
16. Administrative Finances	<ul style="list-style-type: none">㊪ Promotion of digital transformation (DX※)㊫ Optimization and utilization of public property holdings㊬ Sound financial management

Main Efforts in 2026

Expand

Administrative District Digitization Promotion Project

16,740,000 Yen

To protect the lives and livelihoods of local residents from increasingly severe and frequent natural disasters and large-scale fires, there is an urgent need for swift responses during disaster. Therefore, we will accelerate the establishment of two-way communication systems between the city and all the heads of all administrative districts.

Project Expansion

- Tablet devices equipped with the regional community application "Yui-Net" will be lent to all the heads of administrative districts. (182 devices)
- This measure aims to reduce the burden on administrative district heads by providing dedicated devices, rather than requiring the installation of the "Yui-Net" application on their personal smartphones.

Cont.

New City Hall Construction Project

3,551,940,000 Yen

We will construct a new city hall to improve public services by consolidating dispersed service windows and incorporating universal design and barrier-free accessibility. Additionally, this project aims to strengthen the building's function as a core facility for disaster response.

New

20th Anniversary Commemorative Project of Municipal Incorporation

6,730,000 Yen

The year 2026 marks significant milestones for the city, representing not only the 20th anniversary of our municipal merger, but also the 15th anniversary of the Great East Japan Earthquake and the 10th anniversary of the lifting of all evacuation orders. Taking this opportunity, we will hold commemorative ceremonies and related projects to serve as a catalyst for the city's continued reconstruction and revitalization.

Project Overview

- Holding of a commemorative ceremony (Scheduled date: July 2026)
- Support for related projects organized by local organizations and co-hosted by the city





Policy Pillar 7

Nuclear Disaster Recovery

We will promote the Fukushima Innovation Coast Initiative in close cooperation with the national and prefectural governments. Going forward, we will take further measures against the declining birthrate, promote immigration and settlement, and secure human resources in the medical and welfare fields, which are in short supply. Furthermore, we will promote efforts to dispel harmful rumors and aim for recovery and revitalization from the nuclear disaster by requesting the government and operators to proceed with the decommissioning of nuclear reactors safely and steadily.

Basic Measures	Measures
17. Nuclear Disaster Recovery	 Reconstruction and revitalization of former evacuation order zone
	 Support for victims of the Great East Japan Earthquake and nuclear accident
	 Environmental recovery
	 Measures from Policy Pillar 1 to Policy Pillar 6 (repeated)

Main Efforts in 2026



Former Odaka Commercial High School Site Utilization Project

14,510,000 Yen

To accelerate the reconstruction of the Odaka District, we will formulate a general plan that defines policy for the utilization of the former Odaka Commercial High School site.

Project Overview

- Formulation of the General Plan for the Utilization of the Former Odaka Commercial High School Site (Including the development plan for the area surrounding the former Odaka Commercial High School site)



Odaka-Life Fan Development Project

55,890,000 Yen

We are promoting relocation and settlement by fostering an attachment to the region through the dissemination of information about the Odaka District and relocation experience tours. The website "Odakaru" introduces the authentic lives of people as they fully enjoy work and leisure in their own unique way in Odaka. It is "Odakaru," rejoicing in song. There are plenty of new discoveries even for locals, so please check out the website.



Odaka District Urban Prosperity Generation Project (Odaka District Reconstruction Center)

67,110,000 Yen

We will strive toward local revitalization and prosperity by holding various initiatives for all generations and for people inside and outside the region in order to facilitate exchange between local residents and newcomers to the area. We will introduce a designated administrator system starting in FY2026.

Project Overview

- Outsourcing management and operation of the Odaka District Reconstruction Center (Odaka Exchange Center)
Designated Administrator: Minamisoma Miraie (General Incorporated Association)
Designated period: From April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2028

