



Failure Science?

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Integrated science of engineering, management, ...

CA: Cause Analysis

FP: Failure Prevention

KD: Knowledge Distribution

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- 15000+ killed, 8000+ missing as of 17 June



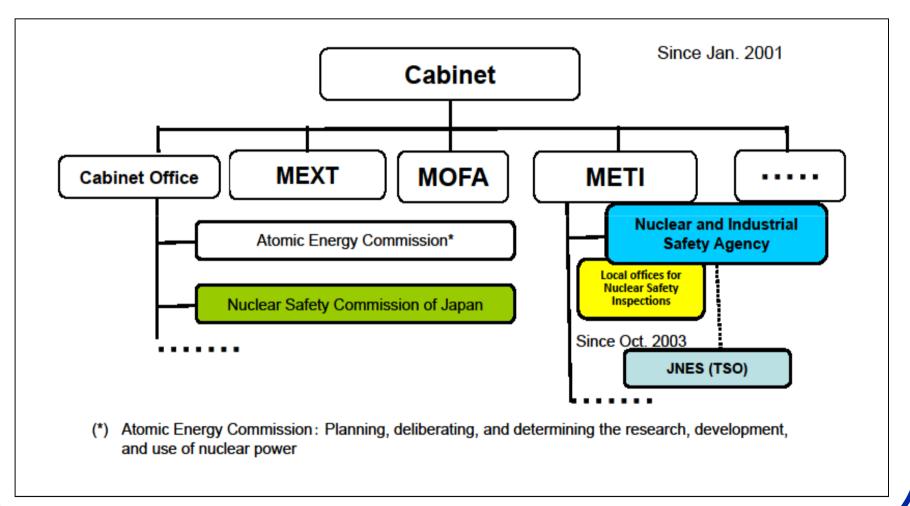




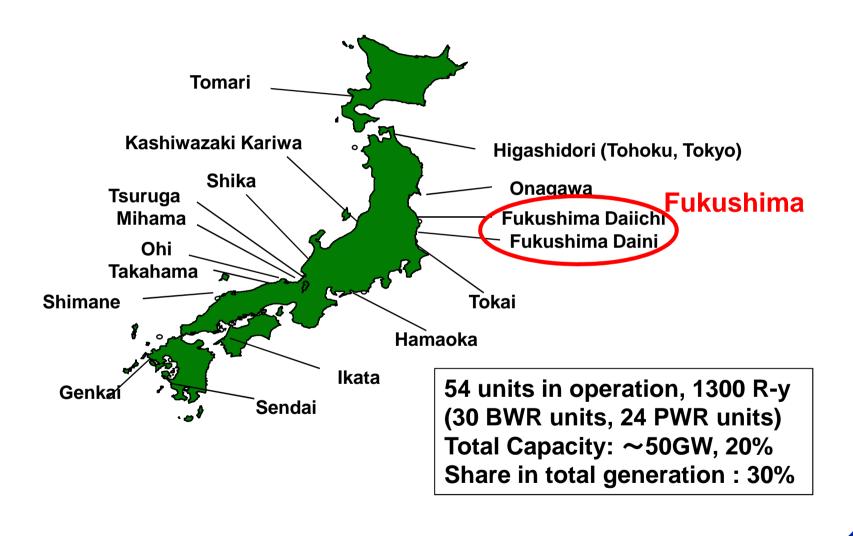




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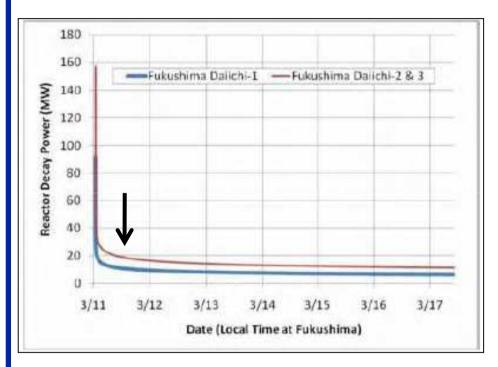
FYI: Existing Nuclear Power Stations



FYI: Status of Fukushima at the Earthquake

Unit	At the Earthquake		
Daiichi (1F) Unit 1	In operation → Automatic shutdown		
1F Unit 2	In operation → Automatic shutdown		
1F Unit 3	In operation → Automatic shutdown		
1F Unit 4	Outage		
1F Unit 5	Outage		
1F Unit 6	Outage		
Daini (2F) Unit 1	In operation → Automatic shutdown		
2F Unit 2	In operation → Automatic shutdown		
2F Unit 3	In operation → Automatic shutdown		
2F Unit 4	In operation → Automatic shutdown		

FYI: Estimated residual heat in the reactor



LT	Unit 1	Unit 2&3	%
14:46, 11/3	92.0 MW	156.8 MW	6.60 %
15:30, 11/3	19.1	32.5	1.37
20:00, 11/3	12.8	21.9	0.92
14:46, 12/3	9.1	15.5	0.65
20/3	6.1	10.5	0.46
1/4	5.2	8.8	0.37
1/7	3.7	6.3	0.26
1/10	3.3	5.6	0.23

Rated power: Unit 1: 460MWe (1,380 MW-th), Unit 2&3: 784MWe (2,381MW-th)

FYI: Acronyms

- METI Ministry of Economy Trade and Industry
- NISA Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency
- JAIF Japan Atomic Industrial Forum Inc.
- JNES Japan Nuclear Energy Safety Organization
- AM accident management
- B-DBE beyond design basis event
- MCR main control room.
- RHR Residual Heat Removal
- SAM severe accident management
- SBO station blackout
- SFP spent fuel pool
- SPEEDI System for Prediction of Environmental Emergency Dose Information

Content

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- 2. Immediate impacts
- 3. Government responses and actions to take
- 4. General discussions