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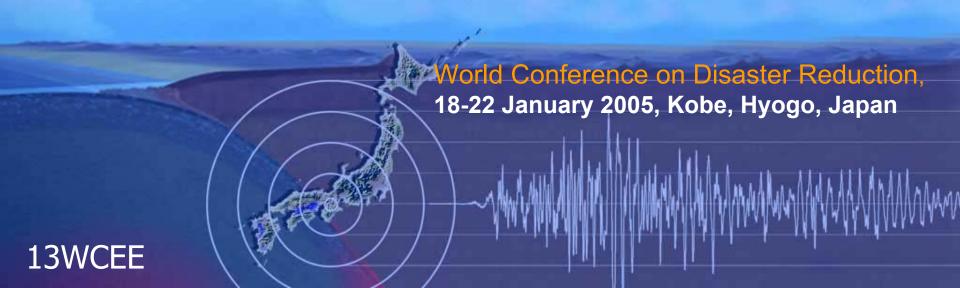
Seismic disaster mitigation assurance in the 21st century

- How should our societies encounter major earthquakes-

# Importance of Hazard and Risk Assesment

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### Lessons from the 1995 Kobe Earthquake

- 1. Know earthquakes

  Promote basic researches and observations related to earthquakes.
- 2. Prepare for earthquakes
  Promote earthquake engineering researches and cooperation between earthquake engineers,
  Earth scientists, and societal scientists for mitigating earthquake disasters and managing seismic risk.
- → Importance of Hazard and Risk Assessment Role of the national government

# Activities of the Governmental Organizations after the 1995 Kobe earthquake

- 1. Central Disaster Management Council
  Promote the implementation of the basic plan for
  disaster management and deliberate important matters related to
  disaster preparedness.
- 2. Headquarters for Earthquake Research Promotion Promote research into earthquakes with the goal of strengthening disaster prevention measures, particularly the reduction of damage and casualties from earthquakes
- 3. Japan Meteorological Agency
  Monitor earthquakes, tsunamis and volcanic activities and
  issues information on the monitoring results in order to
  prevent/mitigate disasters.

# Governmental Projects of Earthquake Researches in Japan After the 1995 Kobe Earthquake

1995: Headquarters of Earthquake Research Promotion was established in accordance with Earthquake Disaster Management Special Measures Act.

1999: Comprehensive and Fundamental Measures for Promotion of Observation, Measurement and Research on Earthquakes were formulated at the Headquarters.

- 1. Preparation of seismic hazard maps based on surveys of active faults, long-term evaluations of the probability of earthquake occurrence, and evaluations of strong ground motion
- 2. Promotion of real-time transmission of earthquake information
- 3. Improvement of observation system for earthquake disaster prevention
- 4. Promotion of observation and research for earthquake prediction

# Structure of the Headquarters for Earthquake Research Promotion

### Headquarters

**Policy Committee** 

**Subcommittee for Survey and Observation Plans** 

**Budget Subcommittee** 

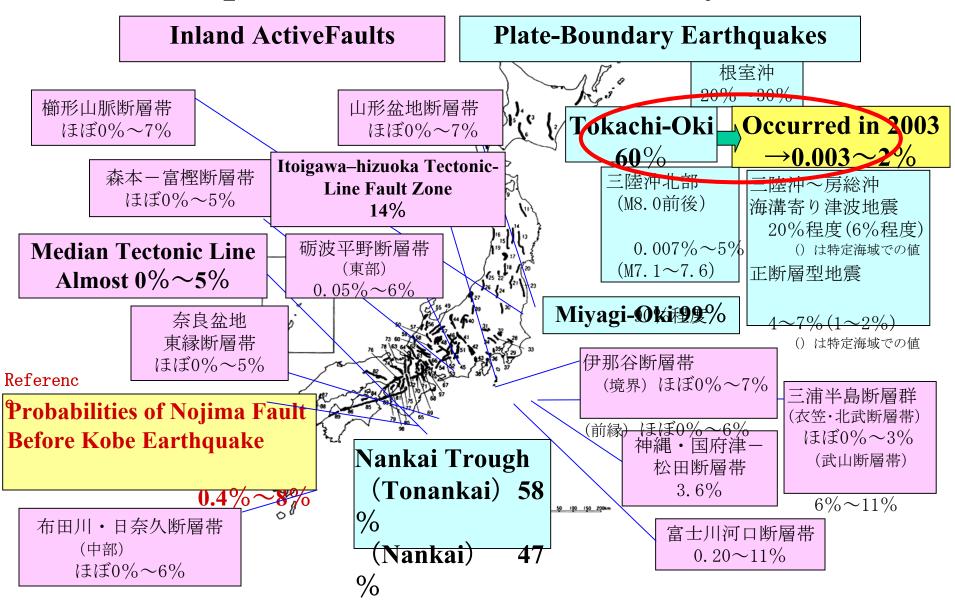
**Subcommittee for Instituting Results in Society** 

**Subcommittee for Long-term Evaluations** 

**Subcommittee for Evaluations of Strong Ground Motion** 

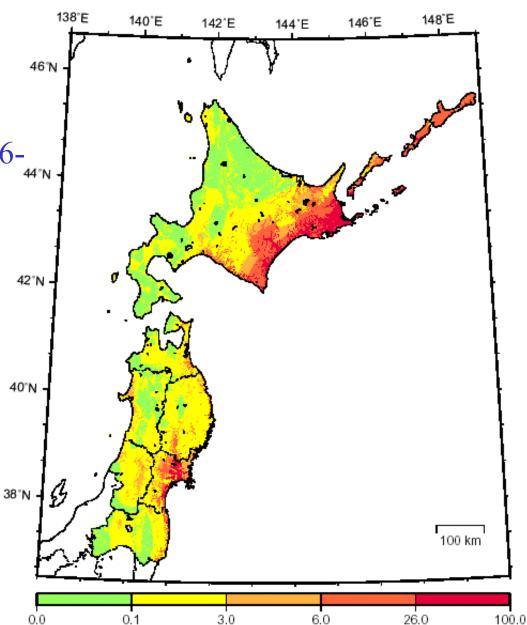
**Earthquake Research Committee** 

## Probabilities of Large-Scale Earthquakes over the Next Thirty Years



#### Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Map (North-East Japan)

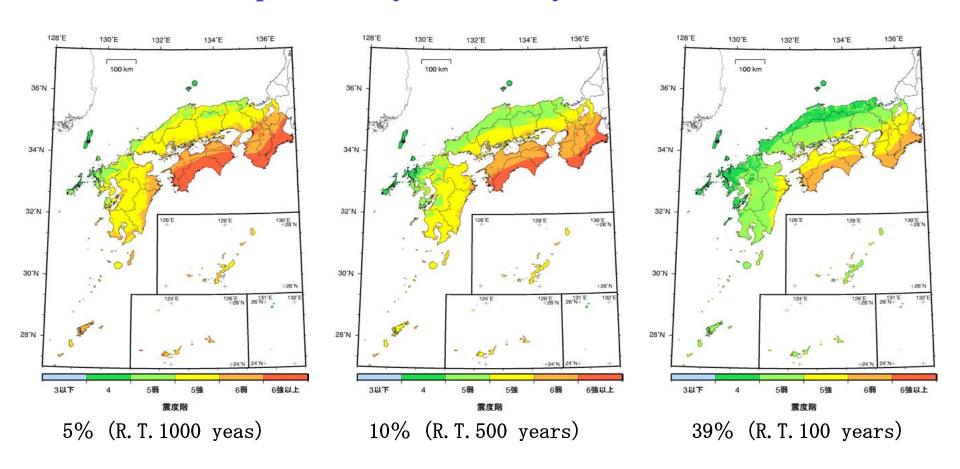
Probability of suffering strong motion more than seismic intensity 6-within 30 years from 2002 AD



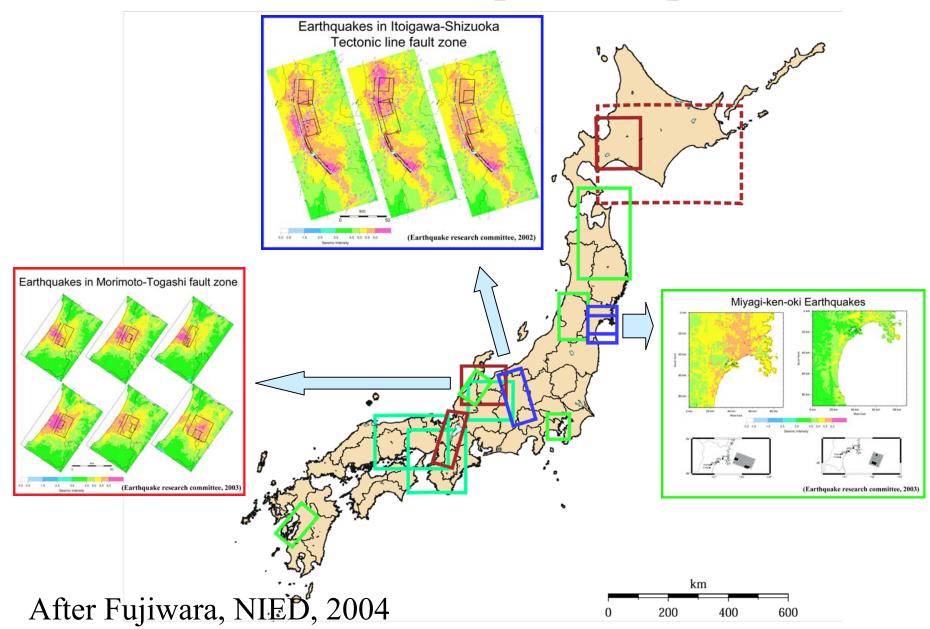
(Earthquake Research Committee, 2002)

### Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Map (West Japan)

Areas suffering strong motion more than seismic intensity 6with a certain probability within 50 years from 2002 AD



### Scenario Earthquake Maps



# Organization of the Central Disaster Management Council

(As of December 2003)

Central Disaster Management council		Queries	Prime
Chair	Prime Minister	Findings	Minister
Members	Minister of state for Disaster  Management and the rest of the Cabinet(up to 17 members)  Heads of Designated pubic Institutions(4)  Experts(4)	Opinions	Minister of State for Disaster Management
		Special boards of inquiry	

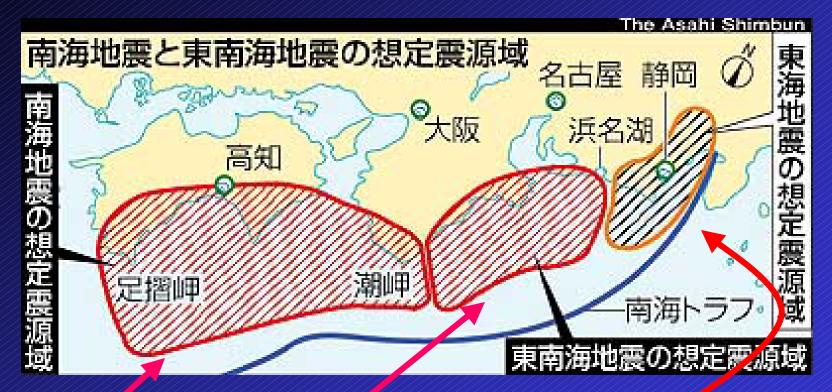
Board of Governors			
Chair	Cabinet Office Parliamentary Secretary		
Advisor	Cabinet risk management supervisor		
Vice-chair	Cabinet Office Director General for Disaster management		
	Deputy Secretary General of the Fire and Disaster Management Agency		
Governors	Director General class from various ministries and agencies		

# Special boards of inquiry

- Special Board of Inquiry on Tonankai and Nankai earthquakes (formed October 3, 2001)
- Special Board of Inquiry on inheriting the lessons of past disasters (formed July 31, 2003)
  - Special Board of Inquiry on measures concerning earthquakes centered directly under Tokyo (formed September 12, 2003)
  - Special Board of Inquiry on enhancing disaster management by utilizing the private sector and markets (formed September 18, 2003)
- Special Board of Inquiry on trench-centered earthquakes around the Japan Trench and Chishima Trench (formed October 27, 2003)

### Activities by Central Disaster Council of Cabinet Office

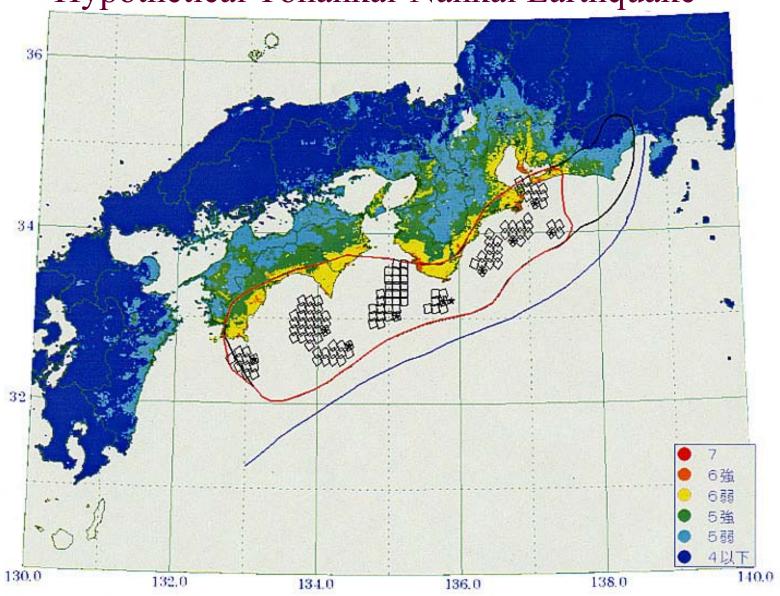
### Nankai-Trough Earthquakes



The Asahi Shimbun (2001)

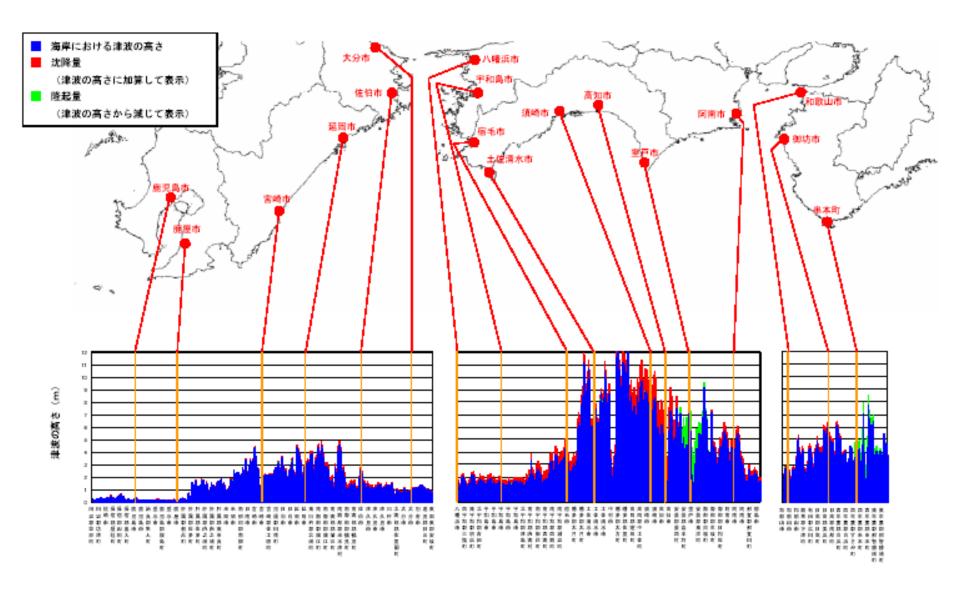
Nankai earthquake Tonankai earthquake Tokai earthquake

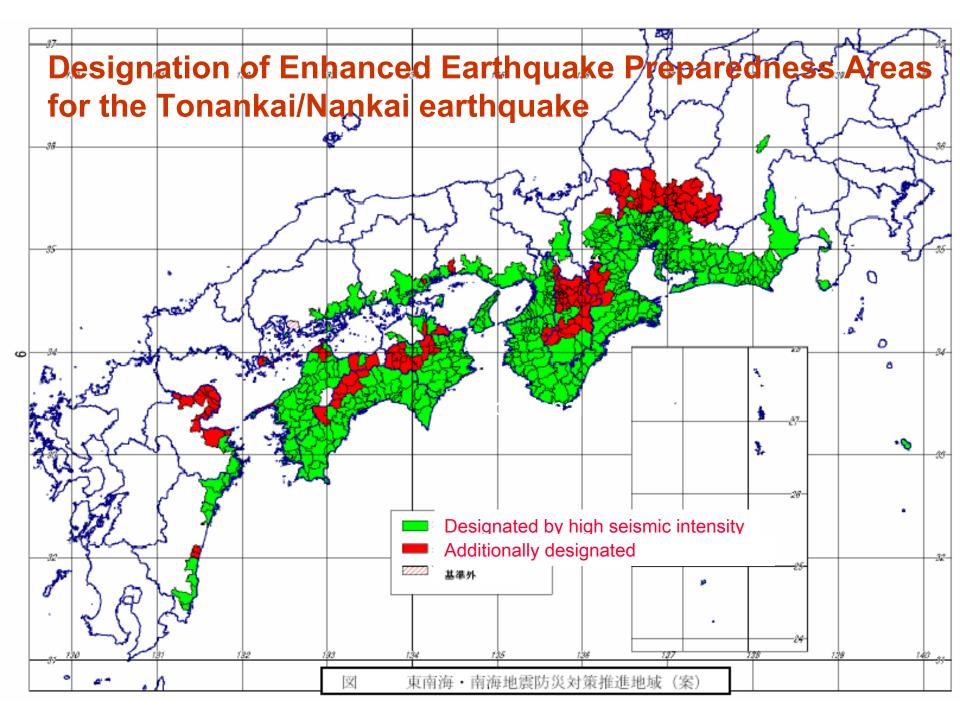
Seismic Intensity Map for Hypothetical Tonankai-Nankai Earthquake



Central Disaster Management Council(2002)

### Maximum Height of Tsunami along Coastlines





# Responsibilities of Japan Meteorological Agency(JMA)

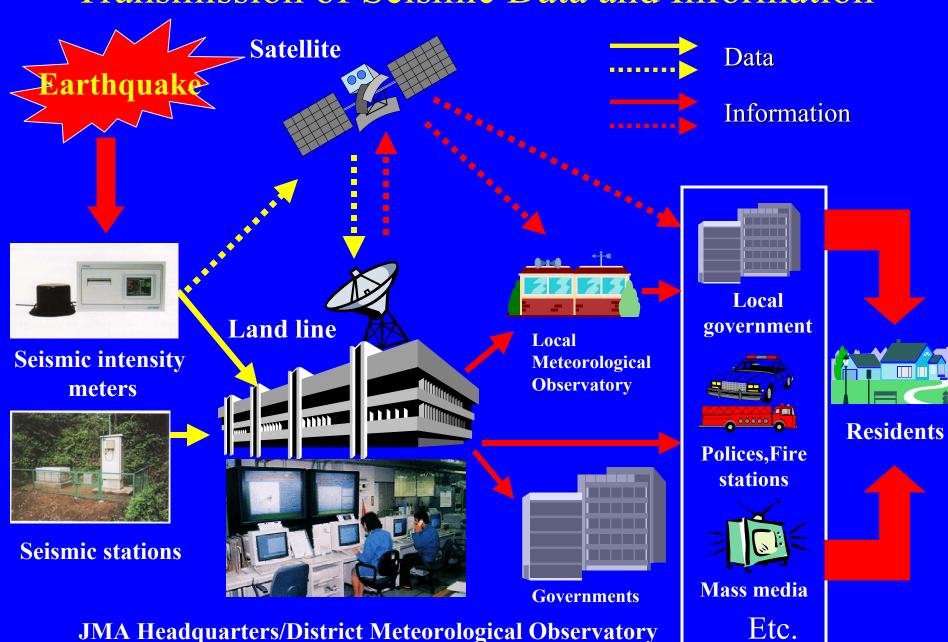
# **Quick Information Dissemination for Earthquake and Volcanic Disaster Mitigation**

- 1 Tsunami Forecast
- 2 Earthquake Information
- 3 Earthquake Prediction(Tokai Earthquake)
- 4 Volcano Information

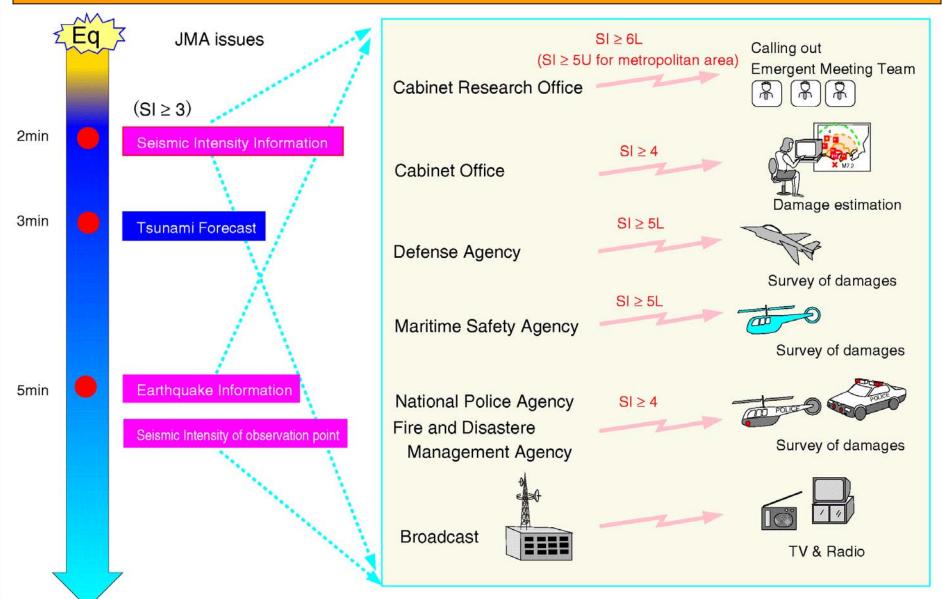
### **Support Research Activities**

5 Earthquake & Volcano Bulletin

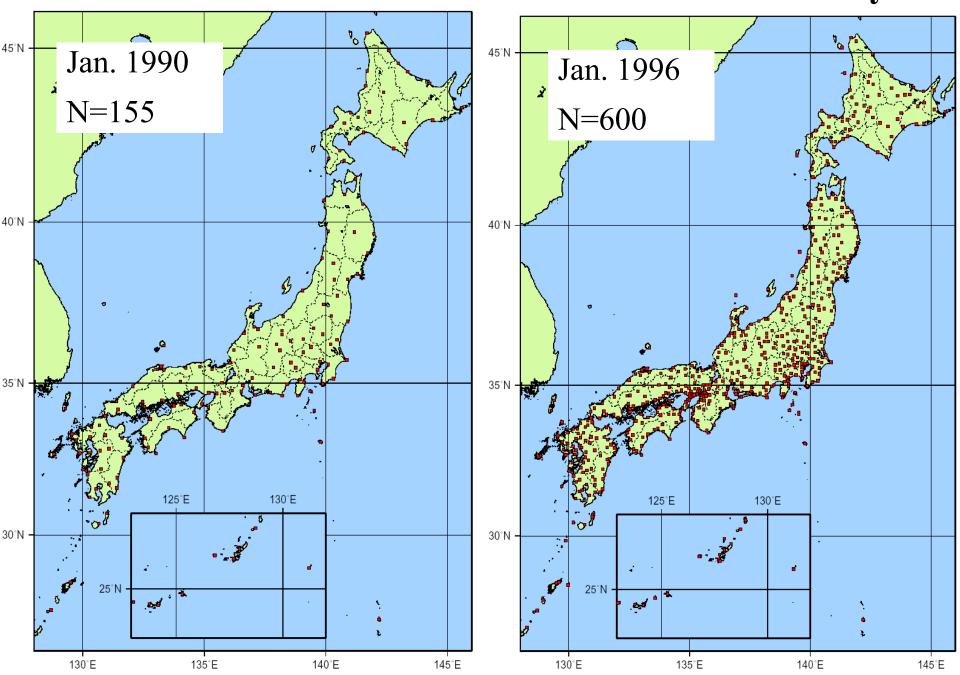
### Transmission of Seismic Data and Information



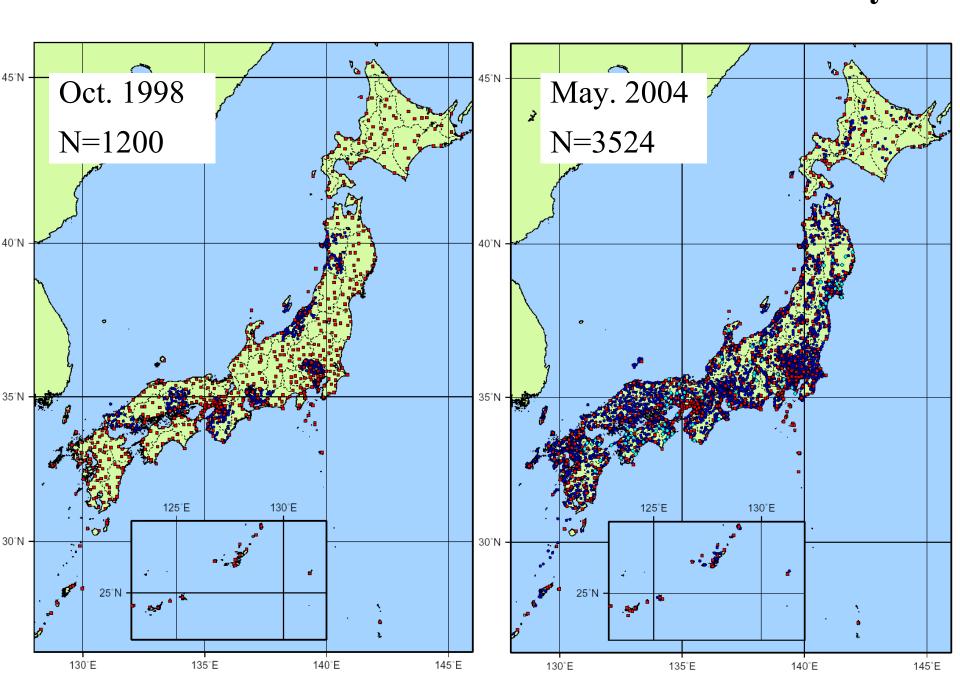
# Practical Use of Seismic Intensity Information



### **Transition of Observation Stations of Seismic Intensity 1/2**



### **Transition of Observation Stations of Seismic Intensity 2/2**





### 日本地震工学会

### Japan Association for Earthquake Engineering

The JAEE got off a good start on January 1, 2001, on the memorable day at the very beginning of the 21st century.

Its aim is to enhance activities related with earthquake hazards, coordinate and integrate numerous existing endeviours that have been developed at various organizations. The JAEE does carry the duty for functioning as a nation's unity of professionals which is part of the International Association for Earthquake Engineering (IAEE).

#### The past presidents



Prof. H. Aoyama Prof. T. Okada







Prof. K. Toki

Prof. K. Ishihara

#### Intention of JAEE Establishment

#### After Words from Founding President Hiroyuki AOYAMA

When the Hyogoken-Nanbu (Kobe) Earthquake hit an urban region of Japan in 1995, the great complexity of the evolution of earthquake damage, which involves scientific, technological, societal and cultural factors, was revealed. The largest lesson we learned from the Kobe Earthquake was the critical need for people with diverse areas of expertise to make an integrated effort to increase the safety of our society against earthquakes.

The JAEE was established to meet this critical need. Over one thousand members from various backgrounds have gathered with us in this forum to exchange information and work and campaign together for a safer society.

#### After Words from the Fourth President Kenji ISHIHARA

Its activities are conceived to span a wide spectrum embracing not only scientific and engineering disciplines, but covering more widely social, economic and administrative matters.

# Future Roles of JAEE for Reducing Earthquake Disasters

- 1. Lead the scientific and technological research and development in the field of Earthquake Engineering and Eatrhquake Disaster Reduction.
- 2. To devise systems to guaranty the seismic code enforcement. Although the code preparation is an important issue, it is far more difficult to really make it functional. Therefore, this issue should be given attention.
- 3. The development of methodologies to retrofit low earthquake resistant structures focusing on both technical and social issues.

### **Action plans**

- Promote research collaboration among countries to pursue the issues 1 and 3 in the previous slide. The use of the E-defense shaking table facility in Japan may play an important role for this purpose.
- To establish a task force committee to propose a proper method to retrofit the low-earthquake resistance structures. In this sense, local availability of materials and methods should be stressed. The social system or law to encourage the government and general public to retrofit should also be considered.