

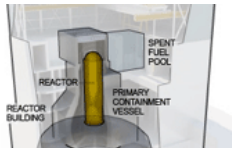
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Japan Earthquake and Tsunami Multimedia

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The Nuclear Power Plant



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Status of the Nuclear Reactors at the Fukushima Daiichi Power Plant

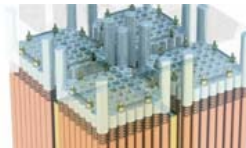
None of the six reactors at the plant have operated since the earthquake.



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Hazards of Storing Spent Fuel

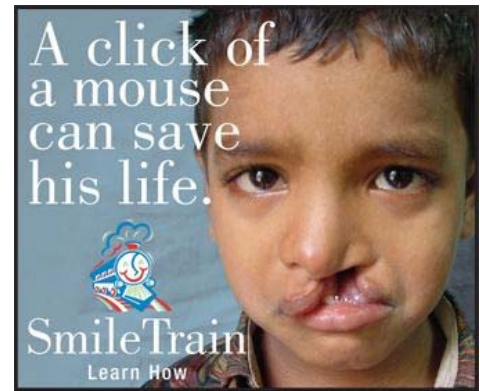
Dangerous conditions can occur if water drains from pools storing radioactive fuel rods.



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The operating reactors at Fukushima Daiichi power station automatically shut down during the earthquake.



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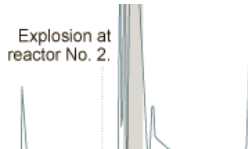
Radiation Risk



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Radiation Levels Around the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Plant

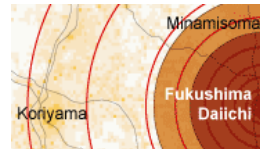
Daily readings from monitoring stations located near the power plant.



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Explosion at Fukushima Daiichi Power Plant

Levels of radioactivity measured by Tokyo Electric Power at different points around the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant.



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The Evacuation Zones Around the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Plant

The American Embassy recommended that Americans within 50 miles of the Fukushima reactors evacuate.

Tsunami and Earthquake Aftermath



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Map of the Damage From the Japanese Earthquake

An interactive map and photographs of places in Japan that



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