

Facts About Fukushima



“Fukushima Radiation In Pacific Tuna Is Equal To One Twentieth Of A Banana”

-[Forbes](#) headline, 11/16/13

Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America



“Such doses [in Pacific Bluefin Tuna] are comparable to, or less than, the dose all humans routinely obtain from naturally occurring radionuclides in many food items, medical treatments, air travel, or other background sources.”

-04/18/13 [study](#) in *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*



“The levels are so infinitesimally low, the researchers say, that a person would need to eat 4,000 pounds of albacore a year just to increase their average annual dose of radiation by 1 percent. ‘It’s not going to be anywhere close to being a food safety impact,’ said Delvan Neville, a radiation health physicist at Oregon State, who’s testing the fish.”

- Delvan Neville, Oregon State University
11/19/2013 [report](#) in *The Oregonian*



“Both the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and federal Food and Drug Administration say the leak won’t impact public health in the United States...”

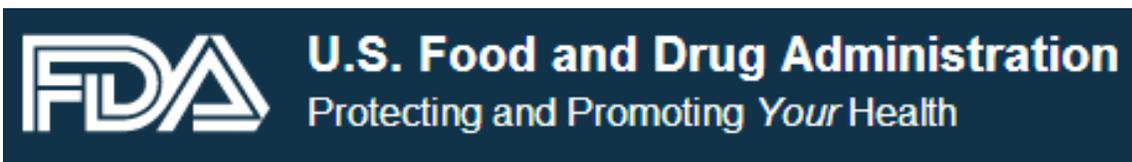
- [The Oregonian](#) 11/19/2013



“Because of the dilution that occurs even a short distance from Fukushima, we do not have a concern about the levels of cesium and other radionuclides in fish off the West Coast of the U.S.”

“Moreover, the dose from Fukushima cesium is considered insignificant...”

- [Ken Buesseler](#), Senior Scientist in Marine Chemistry and Geochemistry
The Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution



“...a 2012 study from the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, which found levels of cesium-137 and cesium-134 in bluefin tuna to be, according to an email from the FDA, ‘roughly 300 times lower than levels that would prompt FDA to investigate further to determine if there were a health concern.’”

- Center for American Progress [report](#) 9/11/13



“...according to Dr. Buesseler and the FDA, we have no reason to fear the amount of radiation in domestically caught fish.”

- [Michael Conathan](#), Director of Ocean Policy at the Center for American Progress