



Japan - M8.0 earthquake

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"an earthquake with a magnitude 8.0
...struck off the coast of Japan's
Hokkaido Prefecture"



On 26 Sep. 2003 at 04:50 local time a magnitude 8.0 earthquake struck off the coast of Hokkaido Prefecture. The earthquake was followed by a 7.0 magnitude aftershock one hour later. Some 278 people were injured with no fatalities. The earthquake was the first in 9 years to reach a magnitude of 8.0

Electricity and water supplies were affected in some cities. Major highways were closed and rail services were cancelled for safety purposes. All public services were restored by midday.



Epicenter



Japanese Red Cross Society
Hokkaido Prefecture Chapter



Worst-affected area

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