

# California Slammed With Fukushima Radiation

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## Fukushima Radiation Plume Hit Southern and Central California

The Journal Environmental Science and Technology reports in a [new study](#) that the Fukushima radiation plume contacted North America at California “with greatest exposure in central and southern California”, and that Southern California had 2,500 Bq/kg of iodine-131 in seaweed ... over 500% higher than other tests in the U.S. and Canada:

Projected paths of the radioactive atmospheric plume emanating from the Fukushima reactors, best described as airborne particles or aerosols for  $^{131}\text{I}$ ,  $^{137}\text{Cs}$ , and  $^{35}\text{S}$ , and subsequent atmospheric monitoring showed it coming in contact with the North American continent at California, with greatest exposure in central and southern California. Government monitoring sites in Anaheim (southern California) recorded peak airborne concentrations of  $^{131}\text{I}$  at  $1.9 \text{ pCi m}^{-3}$

Anaheim is where Disneyland is located.

EneNews [summarizes](#) the data:

Corona Del Mar (Highest in Southern California)

- 2.5 Bq/gdwt (gram dry weight)= 2,500 Bq/kg of dry seaweed

Santa Cruz (Highest in Central California)

- 2.0 Bq/gdwt = 2,000 Bq/kg of dry seaweed

Simon Fraser University in Canada also tested North American seaweed after Fukushima:

- “In samples of dehydrated seaweed taken on March 15 near the North Vancouver SeaBus terminal, the count was zero; on March 22 it was 310 Bq per kilogram; and by March 28 it was 380 Bq/kg.”  
-[Vancouver Sun](#)
- Seaweed in Seattle also tested positive for iodine-131; levels were not reported -[KIRO](#)
- No results after March 28 were reported

In addition, radioactive debris is [starting to wash up on the Pacific Coast](#). And because the Japanese are burning radioactive materials instead of disposing of them, [radioactive rain-outs will continue for some time ... even on the Pacific Coast](#).

Of course, the government is doing everything it can to help citizens cover up what's occurring. We [pointed out](#) in January:

Instead of doing much to try to protect their citizens from Fukushima, [Japan](#), the [U.S.](#) and the [EU](#) all just raised the radiation levels they deem "safe".

Nuclear expert Arnie Gundersen [says](#) that high-level friends in the State Department told him that Hillary Clinton signed a pact with her counterpart in Japan agreeing that the U.S. will continue buying seafood from Japan, despite that food not being tested for radioactive materials [see [this](#)].

And the Department of Energy is trying to replace the scientifically accepted model of the dangers of low dose radiation based on voodoo science. Specifically, DOE's Lawrence Berkeley Labs used a mutant line of human cells in a petri dish which was able to repair damage from low doses of radiation, and extrapolated to the unsupported conclusion that [everyone](#) is immune to low doses of radiation....

[Indeed](#):

[American](#) and [Canadian](#) authorities have virtually stopped monitoring airborne radiation, and are not testing fish for radiation. (Indeed, the EPA reacted to Fukushima by [raising "acceptable" radiation levels](#).)

So - as in Japan - radiation is usually discovered by citizens and the handful of research scientists with funding to check, and not the government. See [this](#), [this](#), [this](#), [this](#) and [this](#).

The Japanese government's entire strategy from day one has been to [cover up the severity of the Fukushima accident](#). This has likely led to [unnecessary, additional deaths](#).

Indeed, the core problem is that [all of the world's nuclear agencies are wholly captured by the nuclear industry](#) ... as are [virtually all of the supposedly independent health agencies](#).

So the failure of the American, Canadian and other governments to test for and share results is making it difficult to hold an open scientific debate about what is happening.

And it's not just radiation from Japan. An effort by the Southern California Edison power company to [secretly ramp up production to avoid public disclosure may have led to a leak at the San Onofre nuclear power plant](#).

And see these articles on California radiation exposure courtesy of EneNews:

- [Anaheim, CA has highest amount of radioactive fallout of any EPA air monitoring station in Continental U.S. for iodine-131](#)
- [Over EPA limit: Cesium levels in San Francisco area milk now higher than 6 months ago](#)

- [USGS: Los Angeles area had highest cesium deposition in US after Fukushima](#)
- [“Tends to concentrate in the testicles”: 360+ atoms of radioactive sulfur per day may have been inhaled by Californians after Fukushima](#)
- [Unprecedented Spike: 1501 atoms of radioactive sulfur per meter<sup>3</sup> was detected in California air](#)
- [Radioactive sulfur in California spiked to highest levels ever detected: University researchers](#)
- [Controversy after US gov’t estimate showed 40,000 microsievert thyroid dose for California infants from Fukushima — Data not released to public — “Very high doses to children”](#)
- [Spike in radiation levels for West Coast? “Abnormal” readings on 8 of 18 EPA monitors for California, Oregon, Washington — Devices now “undergoing quality review”](#)
- [Nuclear policy expert: “Striking” that radioactive iodine-131 in California rainwater is so far above level permitted in drinking water](#)
- [Uranium-234 detected in Hawaii, Southern California, and Seattle](#)

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