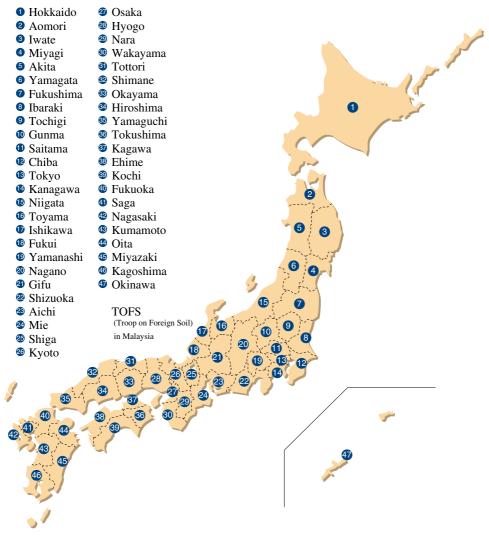


Local Councils



Japan is consisted of five big islands of Hokkaido, Honshu, Shikoku, Kyushu and Okinawa and about 6,800 small islands. The land is stretched from north to south for about 3,500 km with the total areas of about 378,000 square km, of which 67% are mountainous. The country is divided into 47 prefectures and each has its own Girl Scout council: