

Himawari Monthly Operations Report

October 2025

1. Special operation events

1.1 Switchover of Operational Satellite

Himawari-8 took over observation operation (except for DCP data relay operation) from Himawari-9 as from 23:20 UTC on 11 October 2025 due to observation failure.

2. Earth observation

2.1 Full disk observation

The regular schedules of full disk observation are 142 times in a day. The following tables show the results of full disk observation and a summary of canceled full disk observation during October 2025.

Results of Himawari-8/9 full disk observation

	Full disk observation	Remarks
Scheduled	4392	
Performed	4346	
Performance in %	98.95	

Summary of canceled Himawari-9 full disk observation

Date	Full disk observation	Reasons
2025/10/11 15:40 ~ 2025/10/11 23:20	45	Observation failure
2025/10/13 14:10 ~ 2025/10/13 14:20	1	Image loss associated with Nadir transition due to solar avoidance action

2.2 Japan area observation

The regular schedules of Japan area observation are 576 times in a day. The following tables show the results of Japan area observation and a summary of canceled Japan area observation during October 2025.

Results of Himawari-8/9 Japan area observation

	Japan area observation	Remarks
Scheduled	17856	
Performed	17676	
Performance in %	98.99	

Summary of canceled Himawari-9 Japan area observation

Date	Japan area observation	Reasons
2025/10/11 15:40 ~ 2025/10/11 23:20	180	Observation failure

2.3 Target area observation

The regular schedules of Target area observation are 576 times in a day. The area is flexibly selected to enable prompt reaction to meteorological conditions. The following tables show the results of target area observation and a summary of canceled target area observation during October 2025.

Results of Himawari-8/9 Target area observation

	Target area observation	Remarks
Scheduled	17856	
Performed	17676	
Performance in %	98.99	

Summary of canceled Himawari-9 Target area observation

Date	Target area observation	Reasons
2025/10/11 15:40 ~ 2025/10/11 23:20	180	Observation failure

3. Data Collection System

3.1 International Data Collection System (IDCS)

The following table shows the status of reception and dissemination of International Data Collection Platform (IDCP) messages that were received in Himawari-9 area of responsibility.

Reception and dissemination of IDCP messages

IDCP channels	Numbers of IDCPs ^{a)}	Received messages	Error messages ^{b)}	Messages disseminated to the GTS
I12	3	0	0	0
I15	2	0	0	0
I16	4	0	0	0
I20	2	0	0	0
I23	7	0	0	0
I24	6	0	0	0
Total	24	0	0	0

a) IDCP numbers are those registered in Himawari-DCS as of 1 October 2025.

b) No message, or message unsuitable for WMO codes.

3.2 Interference on IDCP channels

The following table shows interference on Himawari International Data Collection System (IDCS) channels that occurred during October 2025.

Interference on Himawari IDCS Channels (October 2025)

Channel	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Interference							W				
Channel	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Interference											
Channel	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Interference											

Note - W: weak interference / H: harmful interference

4. Satellite system status

4.1 Satellite status

Himawari-8

Location: 140.7 east longitude

Operational : Observation (from 23:20UTC on 11 October)

Himawari-9

Location: 140.7 east longitude

Operational : Observation (up to 15:30UTC on 11 October)、DCP relay

4.2 Maneuver.

- 1) An east-west station-keeping maneuver of Himawari-9
20:50UTC on 9 October 2025
- 2) An east-west station-keeping maneuver of Himawari-9
08:50UTC on 10 October 2025
- 3) A north-south station-keeping maneuver of Himawari-8
07:10 UTC on 13 October 2025.
- 4) An east-west station-keeping maneuver of Himawari-8
09:50 UTC on 16 October 2025.
- 5) An east-west station-keeping maneuver of Himawari-8
21:50 UTC on 16 October 2025.
- 6) A north-south station-keeping maneuver of Himawari-8
06:10 UTC on 27 October 2025.
- 7) An east-west station-keeping maneuver of Himawari-8
23:10 UTC on 30 October 2025.
- 8) An east-west station-keeping maneuver of Himawari-8
11:10 UTC on 31 October 2025.

4.3 Calibration of the visible channel in Himawari-8

- 1) 20:40 UTC on 7 October 2025.