

Active Faults and Folds Distributed in the Shinjo and the Yamagata Basins, Northeastern Japan

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Many active faults and folds without historical record of earthquakes are densely distributed in the Shinjo Basin and the Yamagata Basin, central Tohoku district. To clarify an active tectonic setting and structure of these areas, we investigated detail features of fault and fold morphologies by interpretation of aerial photographs and contour maps based on Digital Map 25000 (Map Image) data. In the central portion of the Shinjo Basin, active folding with an east-dipping thrusting has dominantly occurred horizontal crustal shortening, in contrast with mainly west-dipping thrusting in the northern and southern portions of the Shinjo basin.