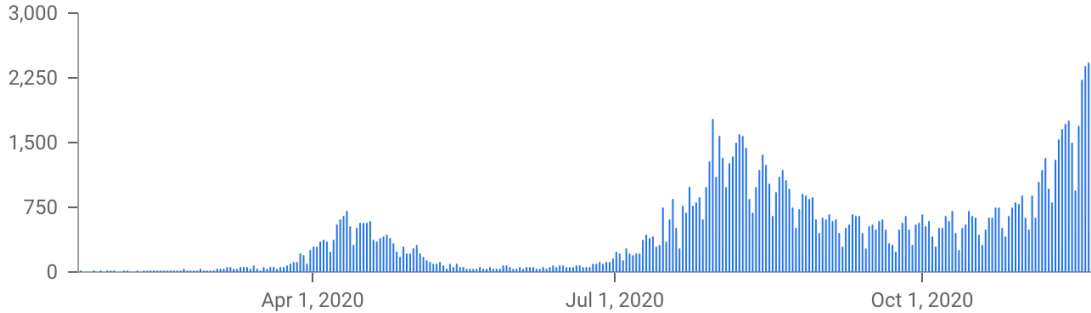


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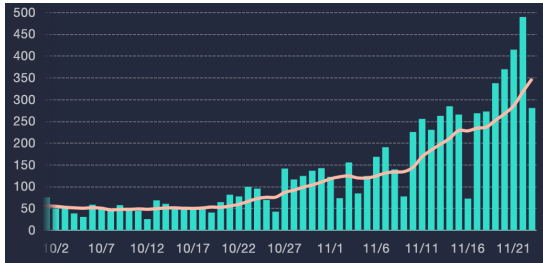
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## Current Situation in Japan – case numbers are rising

National number of diagnoses per day:

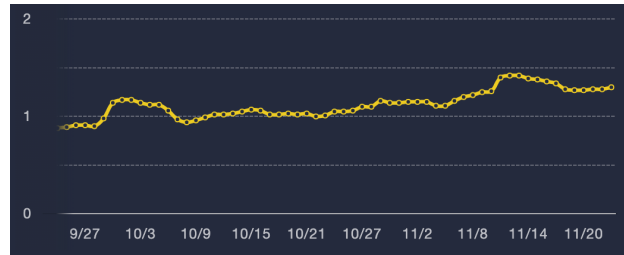


### Osaka (R 1.35)

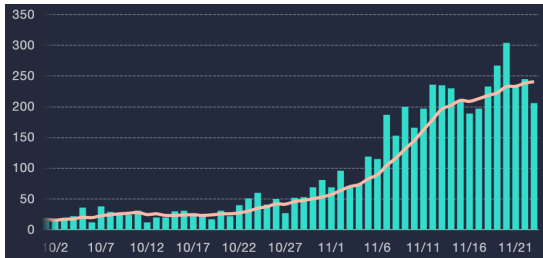


Infections continue to rise with national case numbers over recent days running at the highest levels seen so far this year.

### National Effective reproduction number (R)

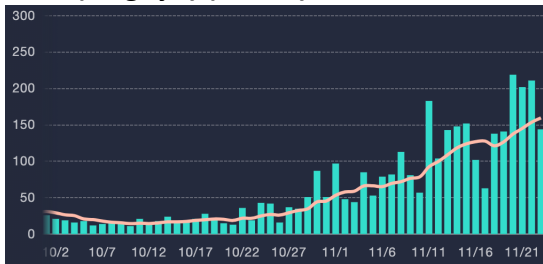


### Hokkaido (R 1.11)



Measures taken to limit the spread of infection in Hokkaido, including imposition of a limited curfew on the entertainment district of Suskino, appear to have resulted in a levelling off in the rate of new cases.

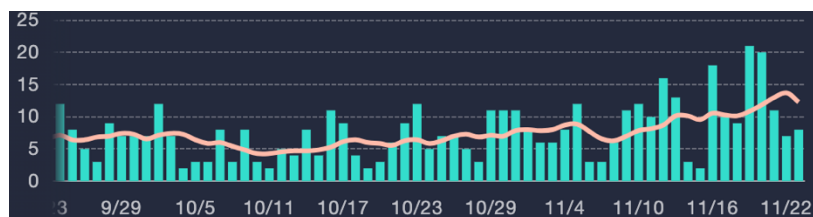
### Aichi (Nagoya) (R 1.18)



Osaka, however, is experiencing a rapid rise in new infections with over 400 cases on two separate days in the past week. Businesses have been asked to discontinue serving alcohol after 21.00.

As a consequence, curtailment of the “go to” travel campaign has begun, with its withdrawal for travel into Osaka and Sapporo for 21 days.

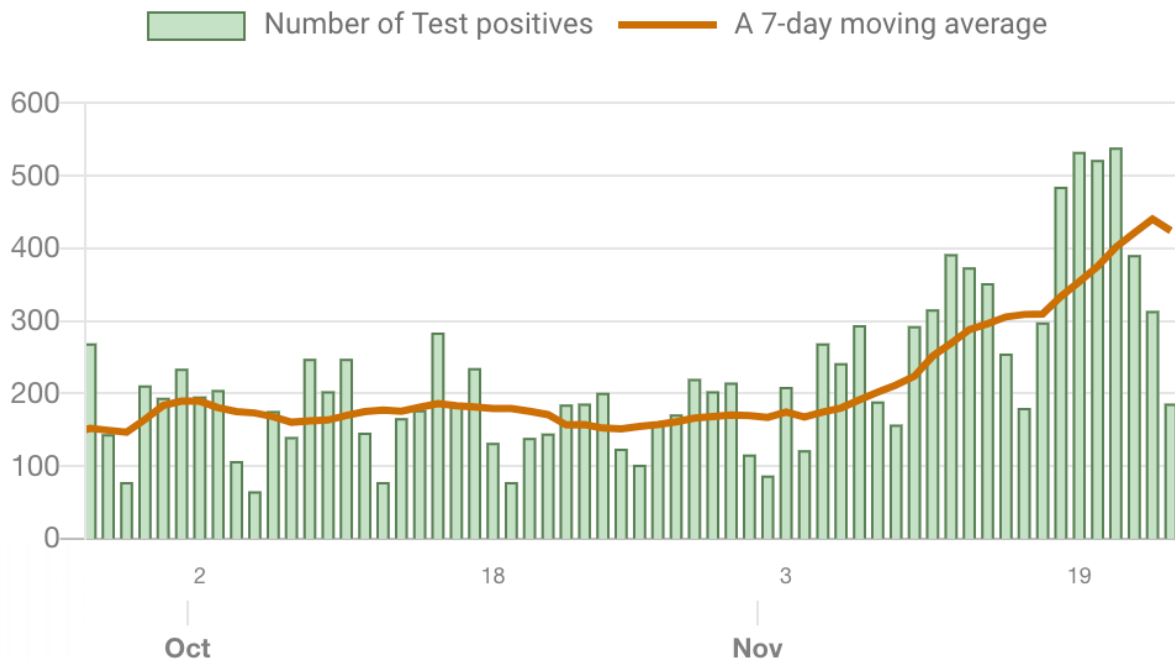
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## Current Situation in Tokyo & the Kanto Region

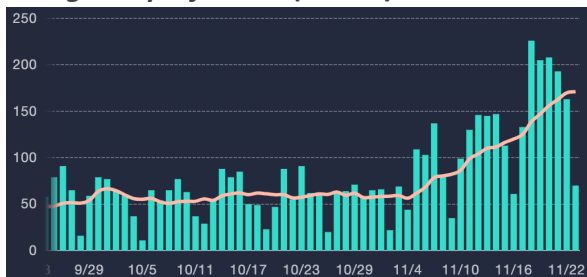
### Tokyo daily cases



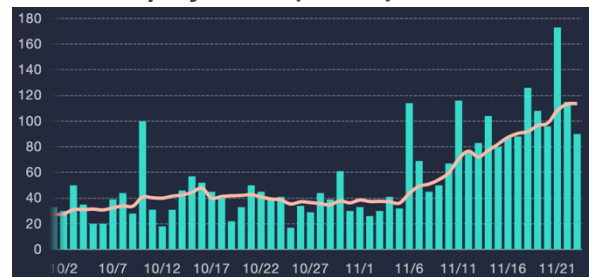
Infections in Tokyo continue increase, though as yet no decision has been taken to withdraw the “go to” eat or travel campaigns from the capital. On the 20<sup>th</sup> of November, Dr Osamu Ozaki, the head of the Tokyo City Medical Association, called for the suspension of the travel scheme or limiting its use to people who had undergone PCR testing prior to travel.

Case numbers for the region also continue to rise. The Saitama prefectural government has suspended the sale of new go to eat vouchers in response.

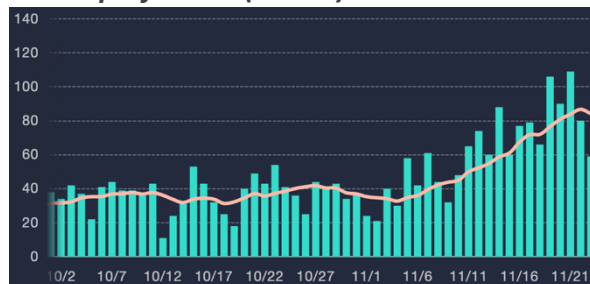
### Kanagawa prefecture (R 1.29)



### Saitama prefecture (R 1.21)



### Chiba prefecture (R 1.17)

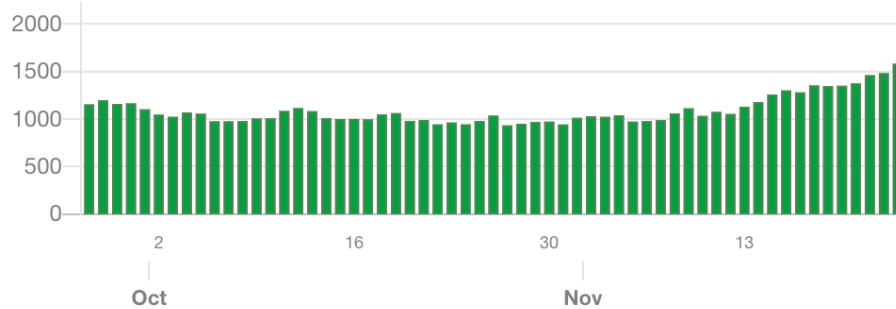


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### *Hospital Care in Tokyo*

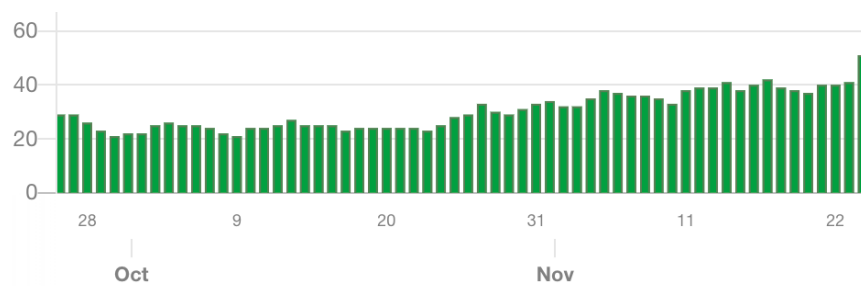
In patient numbers are increasing but remain within available bed numbers. Unless there is a reduction in the reproduction rate, capacity beyond that currently allocated to COVID-19 patients is likely to be needed before the end of the year though.

*Total in-hospital patient numbers, Tokyo*



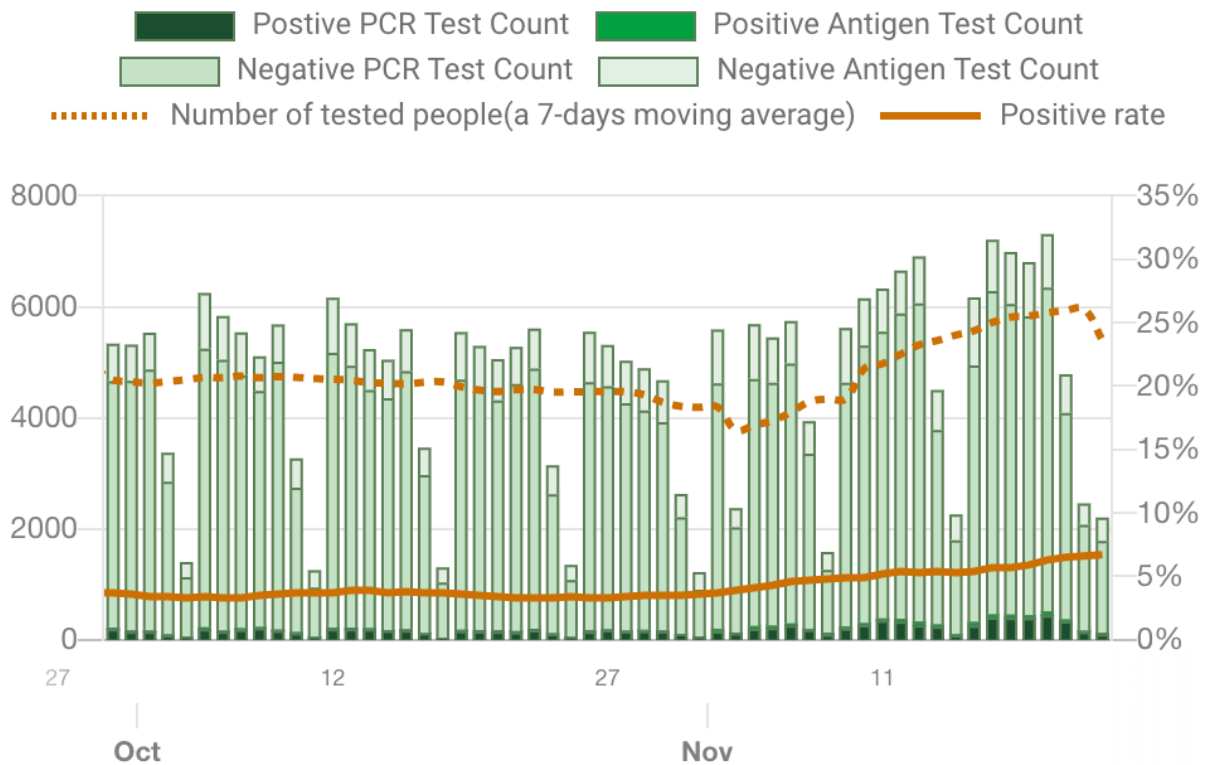
Numbers of more severely unwell patients (those requiring intensive care treatment) have likewise increased though remain within the capacity available. For comparison, during the April-May first wave outbreak, intensive care patient numbers in the capital peaked at over 100.

*Patients Requiring Intensive Care, Tokyo*



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### Testing in Tokyo



Testing rates have increased over the past three weeks with over 7,000 reported on some days. The rate of positive tests has doubled over the past month, with 6.7% of tests performed in Tokyo currently returning positive results.

### References

Reported Caseload Graphs and data sourced from MHLW as reported by Toyo Keizai and the Tokyo metropolitan government –

<https://toyokeizai.net/sp/visual/tko/covid19/en.html>

<https://stopcovid19.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/en/>

### Resources

How to get help if you suspect that you have COVID19 (Tokyo residents)

<https://stopcovid19.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/en/flow>