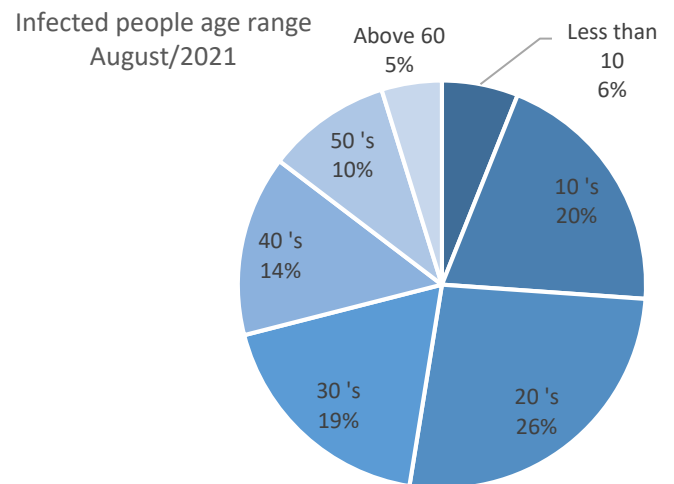
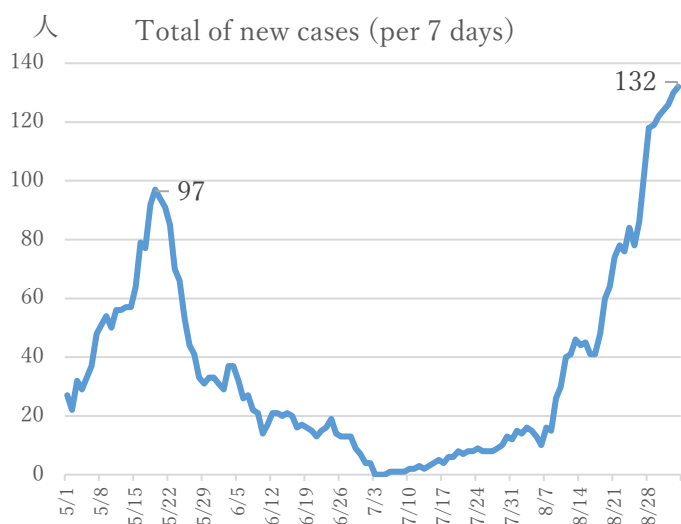


# EMERGENCY MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

## UNPRECEDENTED COVID SPREAD IN KANI CITY

- Kani city is experiencing an unprecedented explosion of cases from August, as new cases hit a record high (132 new cases from August 27<sup>th</sup> to September 3<sup>rd</sup>).
- Infected people surge in Gifu prefecture 5<sup>th</sup> wave has impacted the local medical institutions and isolation facilities capacity, forcing asymptomatic/mild symptoms patients to isolate themselves at their homes (over 50 citizens are in home isolation as of September 5<sup>th</sup>).
- Kani city 5<sup>th</sup> wave particularities: infection in high risk regions such as Kanto and other areas, among the youth (20~30 years old) due to gatherings, parties travels and etc. and in the foreign community. Infection has started among the young people (10 ~ 30 years old) and is spreading to their family members in a very fast pace.



### To all Citizens:

In light of the facts stated above, please strictly follow the recommendations below.

- Reinforce the basic prevention measures (**usage of a face mask, hands hygiene, social distancing and cessation of outdoors activities in case of bad health condition**)
- **Avoid social interactions** by cancelling or postponing communal activities and dining, such as gatherings, reunions, parties etc. and unnecessary outings (especially to other prefectures).
- Considering the increasing number of cases among elementary/junior high school students, seek medical advice, cease all outdoors activities of all family members and notify the school and other related organizations, whenever there are concerns regarding a family member's health condition.
- For those not willing to receive the vaccine: please reconsider your hesitancy on the Covid vaccine, in order to protect yourself and your family.