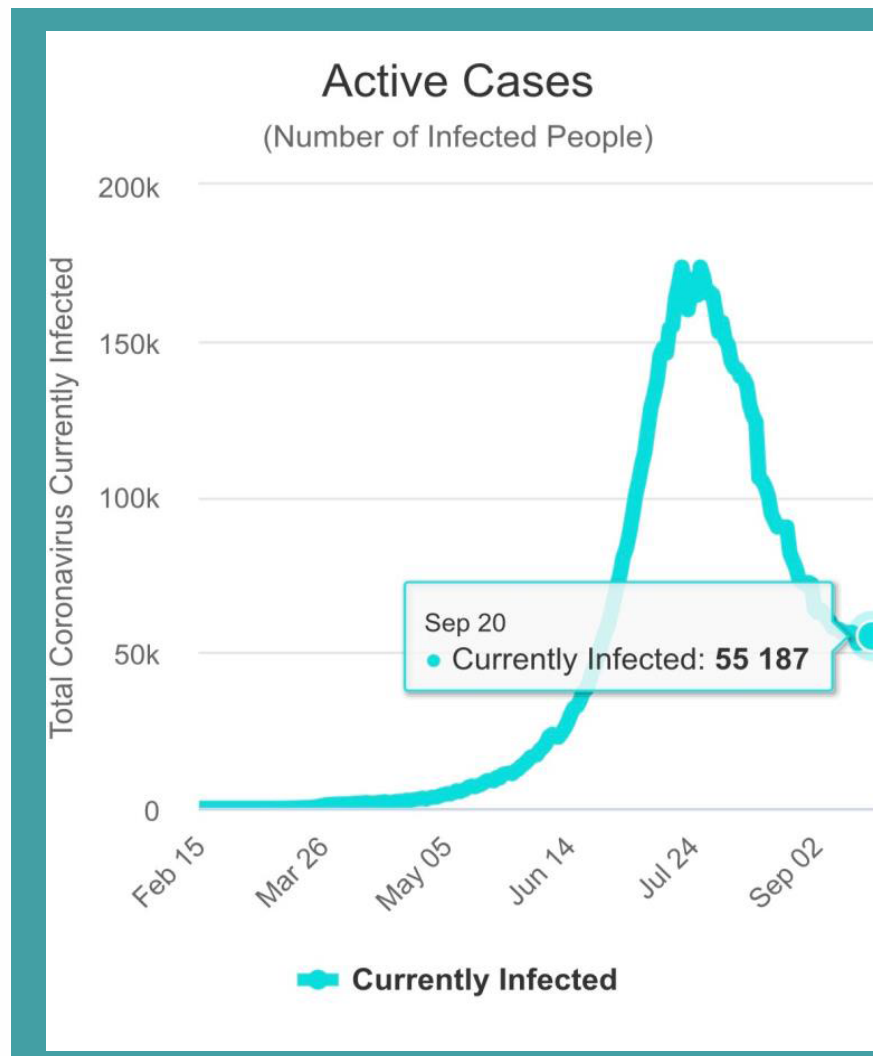
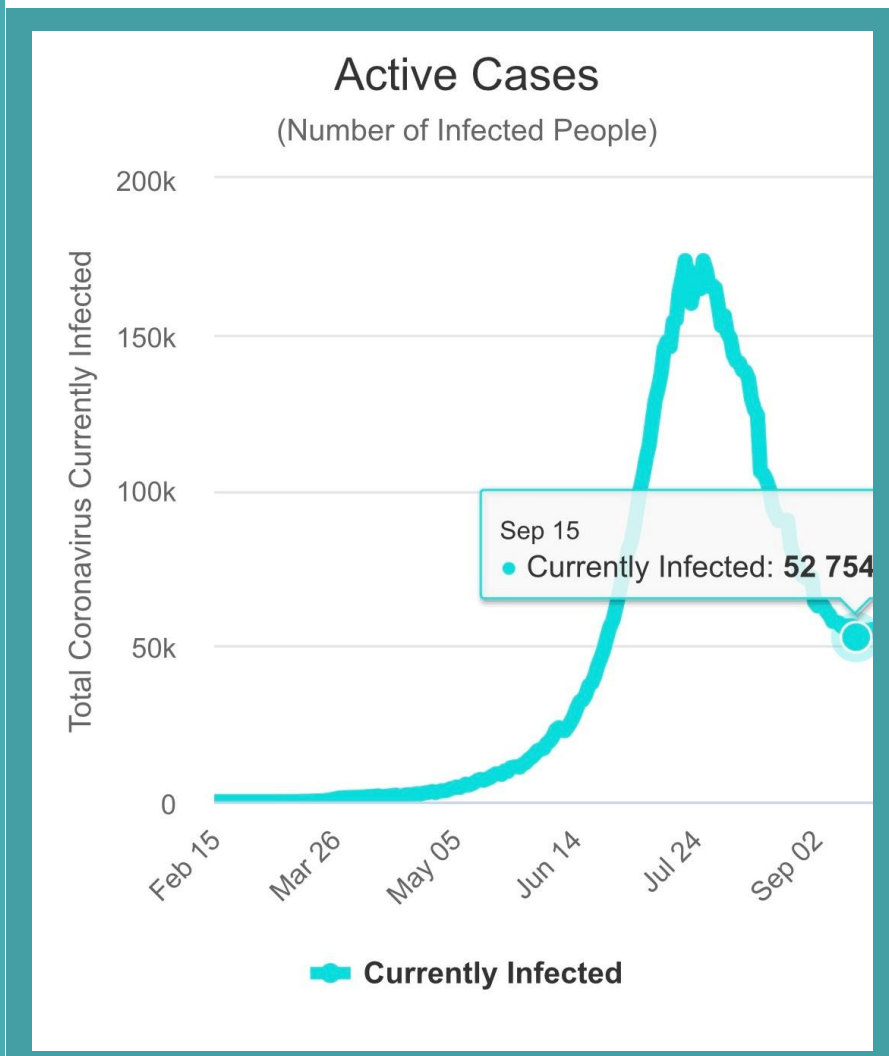


# Is SA heading into "second wave" of COVID-19 Infections?

## INCREASE IN DAILY ACTIVE CASES IS A CONCERN



- The new daily infections in SA peaked on 24 July at 13944.
- The number of active COVID-19 cases (total COVID-19 infected less recovered/deaths) in SA peaked on 26 July at 173 587 active cases.
- The active COVID-19 cases decreased as new daily infections reduced and reached a low of 52 754 on 15 September.
- Daily active cases has increased from a low of 52754 on 15 September to 55 187 on 20 September.
- This means active cases have increased by 2 433 in a matter of five days which is a huge concern.

### What does this mean?

Although it is too early to say for certain, the concern is that South Africa could be heading for a "second wave" of COVID-19 infections which would be devastating, both from a health as well as economic perspective.

### What should we be doing?

With the easing of restrictions in lockdown Level1 and the opening of South Africa's borders the risk of COVID-19 infections has increased significantly. Therefore we all need to be extremely vigilant and continue to take the following precautions:

- Wash hands and sanitise regularly.
- Wear mask at all times to protect yourself and others from becoming COVID-19 infected.
- Strictly adhere to social distancing (1.5m) at all times.
- Avoid public and social gatherings as far as is possible.