

August 27th, 2021

A Message from the Governor

- This is a message from IBARAGI Ryuta, governor of Okayama Prefecture.
- Japan has declared Okayama Prefecture as one of the eight prefectures that will be upgraded from a quasi-emergency area to an emergency area. This will last from August 27th until September 12th.
- Taking this into account, there will emergency measures in place for all areas of Okayama Prefecture.
- We are calling for all residents of Okayama Prefecture to continue avoiding unessential outings at all hours of the day and to work towards reducing the number of work commuters by 70 percent.
- We are also calling for the temporary suspension of business for restaurant establishments that offer alcoholic beverages or karaoke services.
In addition, we would like for large-scale establishments to reduce their closing times to 8PM.
- We will be placing a great burden on the residents and business owners of Okayama Prefecture during this period, but we ask for your continued understanding and cooperation in order to suppress the recent explosive increase in cases and to protect the precious lives of those around us.