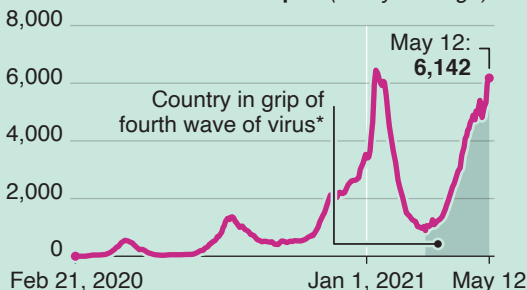


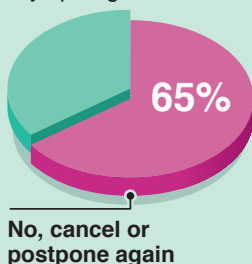
# Pressure mounts to cancel Tokyo Olympics

The IOC, the body that runs the Olympic movement, is resisting calls to cancel the Tokyo Olympics, despite surging Covid-19 cases in Japan

## New Covid-19 cases in Japan (7-day average)



## Public poll: Should Olympics go ahead?†



Public outcry at Olympic organisers who ask **Japanese Nursing Association** to volunteer **500** nurses to work at Tokyo Games, rather than focus on treating patients with Covid-19‡

## IOC broadcast revenue from summer Olympic television rights fees (\$millions)

Rome	1960	1.2
Tokyo	1964	1.6
Mexico City	1968	9.8
Munich	1972	17.8
Montreal	1976	34.9
Moscow	1980	88.0
Los Angeles	1984	286.9
Seoul	1988	402.6
Barcelona	1992	636.1
Atlanta	1996	898.3
Sydney	2000	1,331.6
Athens	2004	1,494.0
Beijing	2008	1,739.0
London	2012	2,569.0
Rio	2016	2,868.0

Ironically, IOC President **Thomas Bach** has called off planned trip to Japan due to Covid-19 fears. He advocates continuation of Tokyo Olympics



Due to take place:  
**Jul 21- Aug 8**

\*Less than 2% of Japan's population (126m) has received at least one dose of vaccine. †Survey of Japanese public by TBS News, May 8-9 (in one week, almost 350,000 people have signed petition to cancel Olympics). ‡Olympic officials say 10,000 medical workers will be needed during Games – meanwhile hospitals struggle to cope with surging Covid-19 cases. Sources: Reuters, Guardian, Washington Post, Council of Foreign Relations, Statista, Change.org Picture: AP © GRAPHIC NEWS