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## Spike In Covid-19 Cases Could Bring Israel's Hospitals To Their Knees, Warns Official

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The Israeli health-care system is on the brink of collapse and will soon no longer be able to ensure coronavirus patients receive adequate care, health officials warned on Monday amid new data indicating that the country's second outbreak is showing no signs of slowing down.

As of Monday evening, several major hospitals announced that their Covid-19 units had either exceeded capacity or were nearing full capacity, raising concerns patient care would be compromised.

While the Health Ministry had committed to integrating as many as 700 new doctors into the health-care system, the Knesset Information Center revealed that so far, only 156 such positions have been filled.

The team advising the country's Coronavirus Project Coordinator Ronni Gamzu has warned that health-care providers "are experiencing growing fatigue," adding, "In some hospitals, the teams have

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## Casting Off Sins From A Chaotic Year



Rabbi Tzvi Hersch Friedlander, the Liska Rav (right), performing kaparos with the help of his son on Monday.

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