



Federal Ministry  
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# Germany's Response to COVID-19

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# The COVID-19 situation in Germany

Total case burden

~ 226

cases per 100,000  
(total cases: ~190,000)

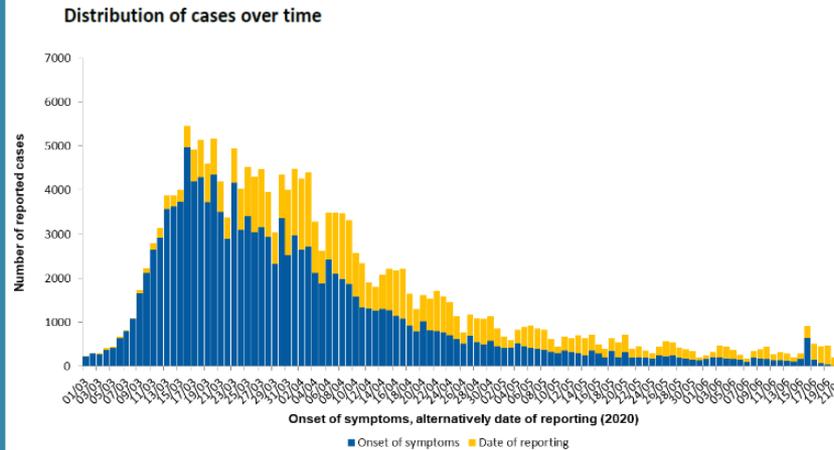
~ 6,000

active cases

~ 9,000

total deaths

A flattened curve over time –  
but ongoing local outbreaks

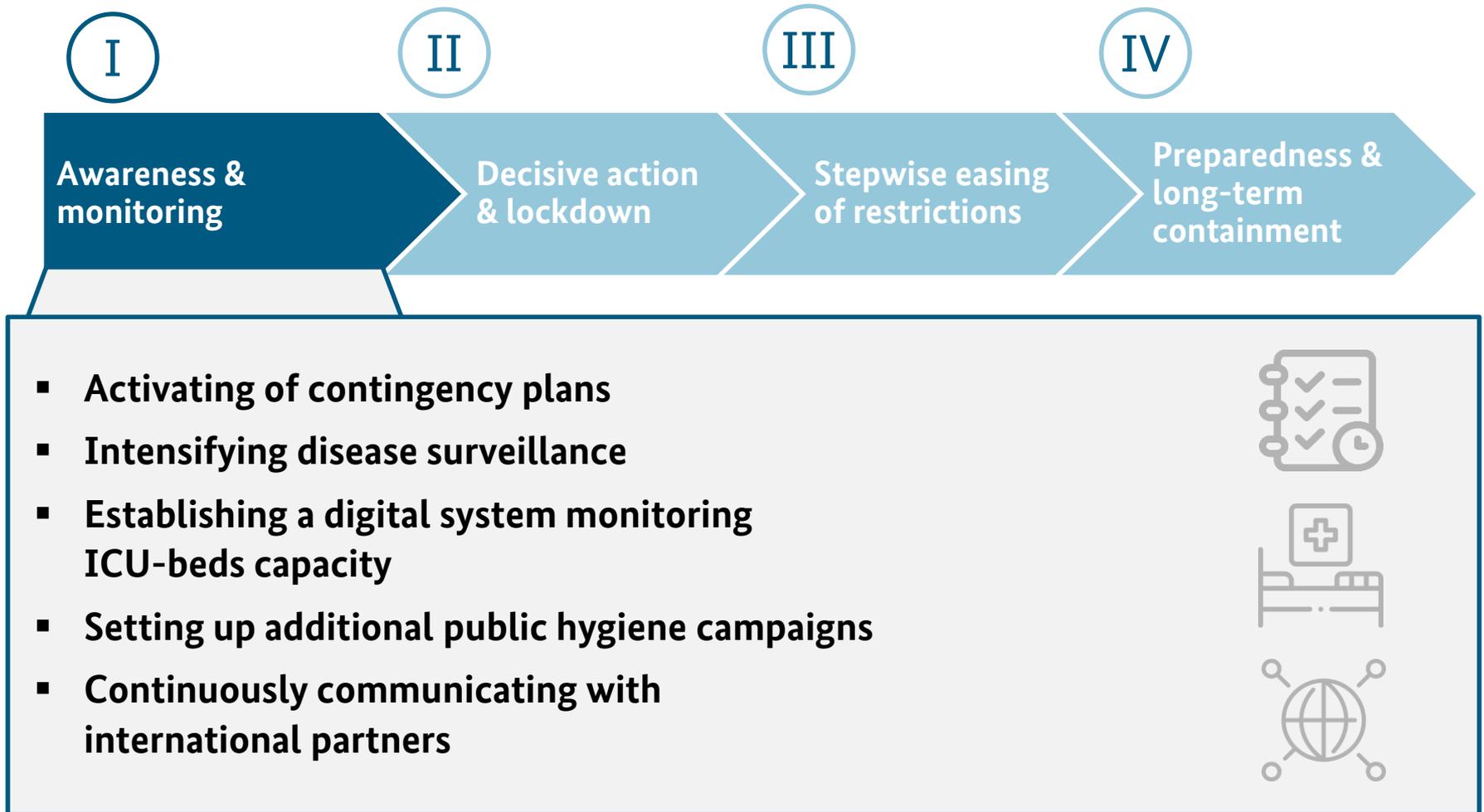


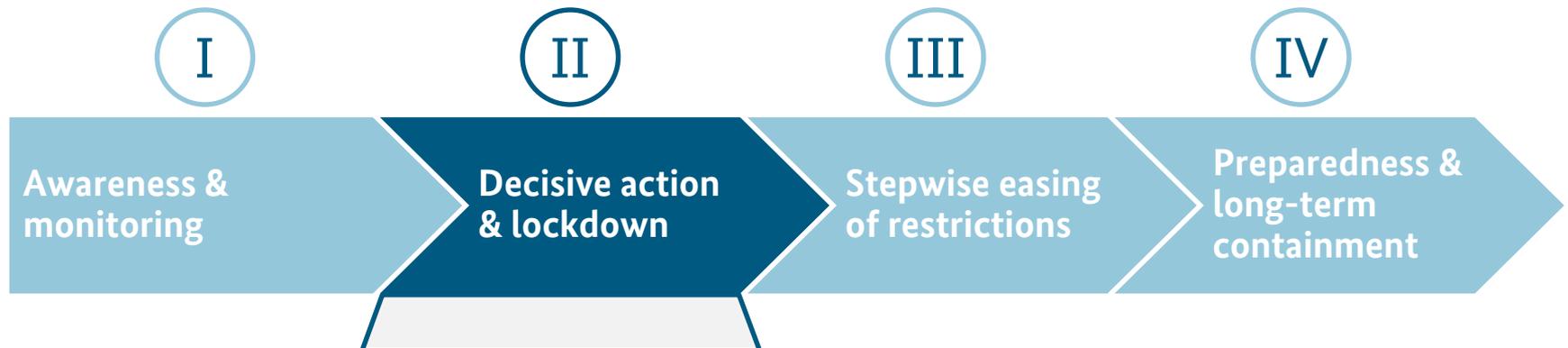
Large testing capacities

~ 1,000,000

PCR tests per week

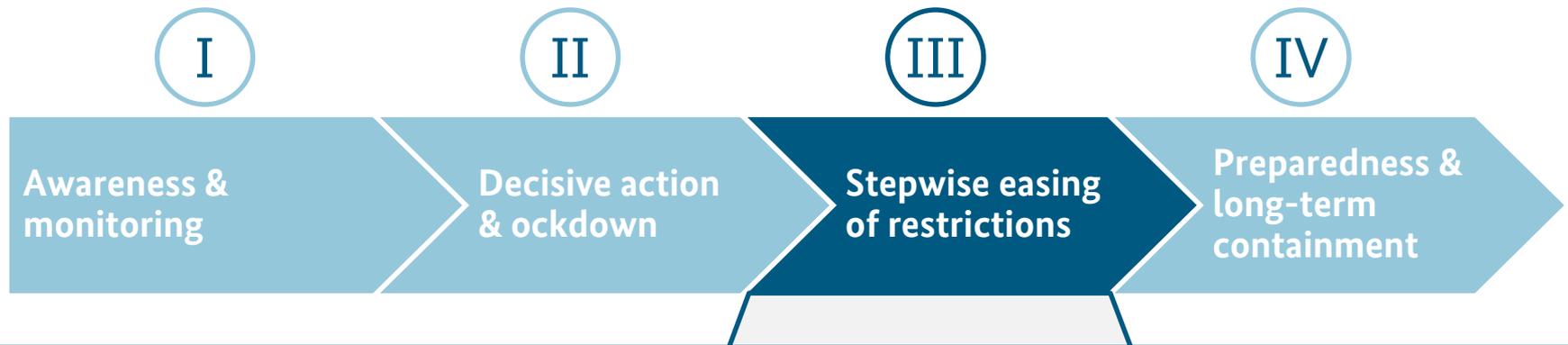
# Germany's COVID-19 response phases





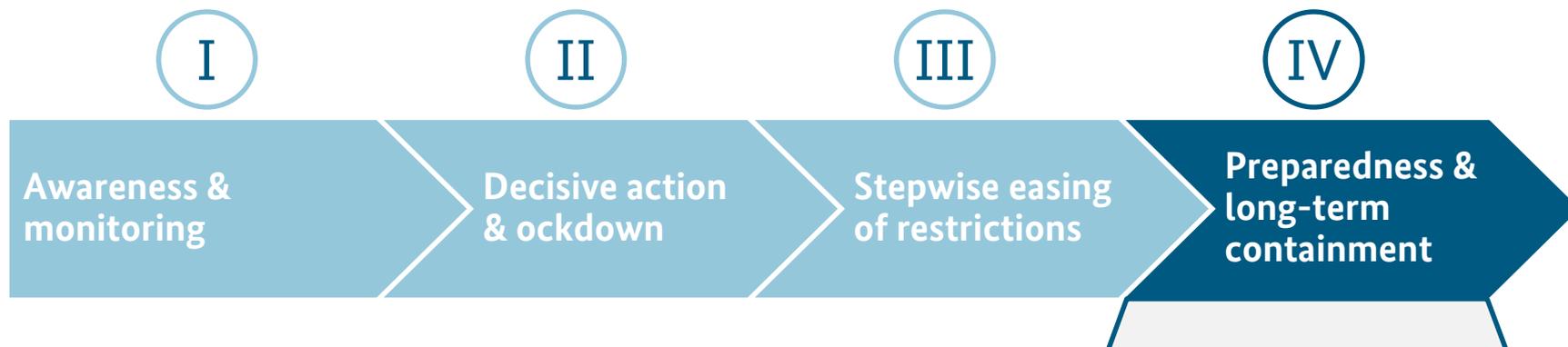
- **Postponing elective surgeries**
- **Increasing ICU bed capacities**
- **Increasing testing capacity and supply of PPE**
- **Providing surge staff to local public health authorities**
- **Implementing a partial lockdown**
- **Amending legislation where necessary**
- **Intensifying risk communication**
- **Supporting international solidarity**





- **Stepwise easing of restrictions**
- **Using a decentralised approach through federal state authorities**
- **Maintaining physical distancing**
- **Upholding specific hygiene measures**
- **Making the wearing of “community masks” in public transport and shops mandatory**





## We are still running the COVID-19 marathon...what's next?



Supporting **COVID-19 vaccine development** and **local PPE production**



Enhancing **digital solutions** (CWA)



Strengthening **local public health services**



Promoting a process of **national and international lessons learned**



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Thank you for your attention!



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