

Situational awareness and forecasting for Norway

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Main results:

We report the estimated reproduction number from our individual-based model (IBM) this week. The model indicates an effective reproduction number around one and that we are close to the epidemic peak. There is still uncertainty about the effect of recent re-openings on the epidemic development.

It is challenging currently to model the epidemic evolution due to severe limitations in the available data. These include changes in reporting of test delay, uncertain data on importations, and reporting delay of newly hospitalised patients due to covid-19, affecting the latest data points. We also refer to trend analyses results based on various data sources presented in today's FHI weekly report.

Concerning national forecasting of hospital prevalence, we refer to the regional results.

- **National epidemiological situation:**

The most recent reproduction numbers:

Model	Median	2.5%	97.5%	Prob>1	period/day	More info
IBM	0.95	0.89	1.02		9 Feb	Section 1
EpiEstim	0.94	0.93	0.95		2 Feb	Table 13, Fig. 19

- **Regional epidemiological situation:**

The newest regional reproduction numbers for Oslo:

Model	Median	2.5%	97.5%	Prob>1	day	Info other counties
SMC	0.69	0.39	1.15	0.07	18 Jan - 25 Jan	Table 1

- **Telenor mobility data and the number of foreign visitors:** The most recent mobility development is found in Figures 13 and 14 for the largest municipality in each county and for each county, respectively. Figure 15 shows the total number of roamers per day per county.

1 National individual-based model results

In this section we present trajectories of the epidemic at the national level for the next three weeks produced by means of an individual-based model (IBM). The model simulates a constant scenario where no changes in the estimated contact rate occur in the future.

The IBM explicitly simulates the spread of the Delta and Omicron variant in different settings (households, educational institutions, workplaces and the community) taking into account the effect of the vaccine. The transmission rate in the IBM is calibrated on updated daily incidence of hospitalisations through a maximum likelihood estimation. The higher transmissibility of the Omicron variant compared to the Delta variant is calibrated by fitting the fraction of Omicron cases reported in Norway over time. Note that the expected increase in the transmission rate due the recent relaxation of control measures cannot yet be quantified from the hospital data. In the coming days, additional data points will enable us to estimate the effect of the changes in interventions. A more detailed description of the model can be found in the modelling report *Modelling scenarios for the SARS-CoV-2 Omicron VOC (B.1.1.529) in Norway, gradual reopening in February-March 2022*, available online at <https://www.fhi.no/en/id/infectious-diseases/coronavirus/coronavirus-modelling-at-the-niph-fhi>.

The following results consist of 100 stochastic simulations showing the trajectory of different epidemiological targets for the next 3 weeks.

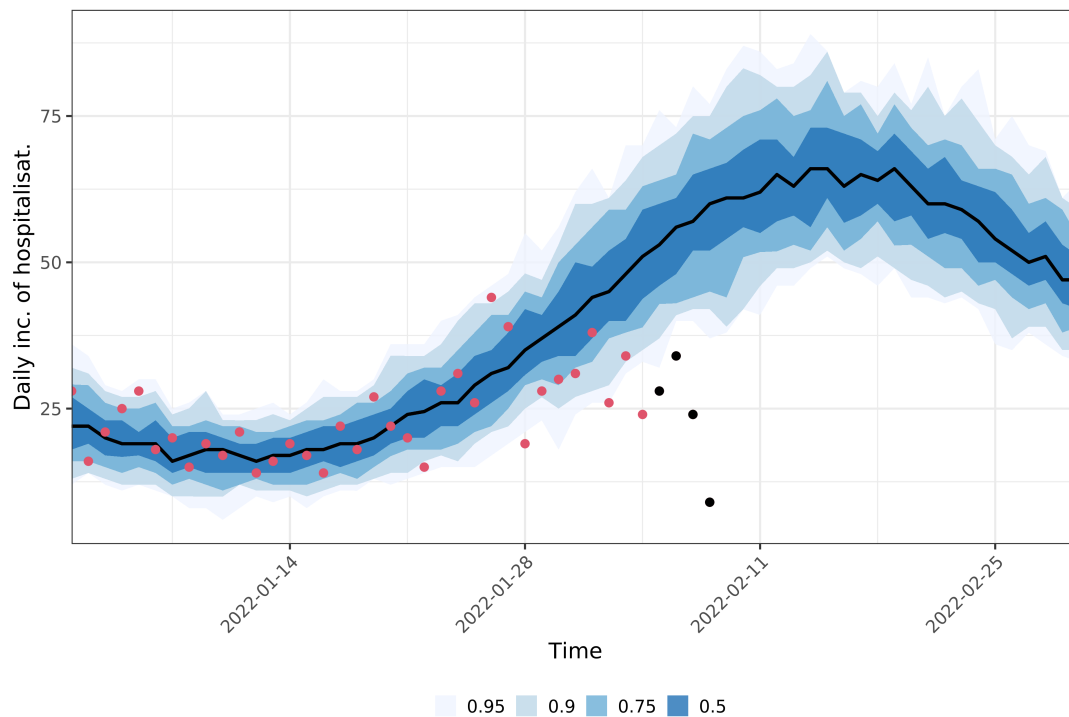


Figure 1: Daily incidence of hospitalisations generated by the individual-based model for the next 3 weeks. The red points represents the data.

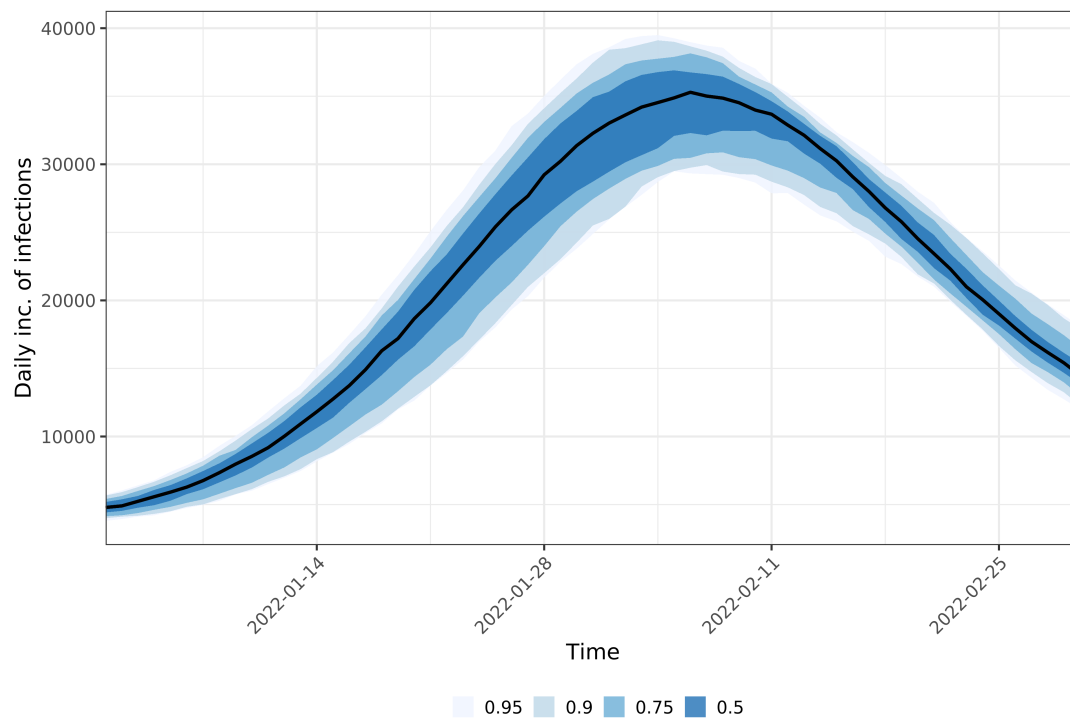


Figure 2: Daily incidence of infections generated by the individual-based model for the next 3 weeks

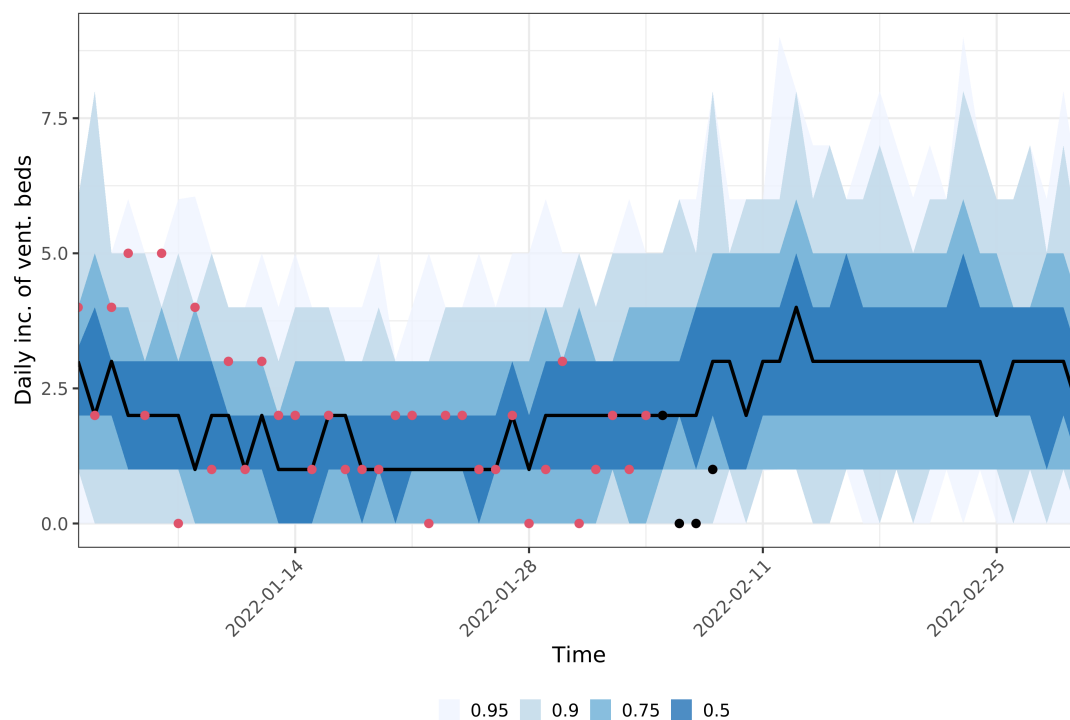


Figure 3: Daily incidence of ventilator beds generated by the individual-based model for the next 3 weeks. The red points represents the data.

2 Estimated regional reproduction numbers

Calibration of our regional SMC model to hospitalisation incidence data leads to the following estimates for current regional reproduction numbers by county (Table 1).

Below we show the estimated daily number of COVID-19 patients admitted to hospital in each county. Model estimates are shown with blue medians and interquartile bands, which are compared to the actual true data, provided in red. The blue bands describe the uncertainty in the calibrated parameters, in addition to the stochastic elements of our model. Last four data points are shown in black as they may be affected by reporting delay.

Table 1: Regional estimates, 18 Jan-25 Jan

County	Median	95CI	Prob>1
Oslo	0.69	0.39-1.15	0.07
Rogaland	1.42	0.8-2.45	0.88
Møre og Romsdal	0.98	0.53-1.88	0.48
Nordland	1.14	0.65-2.07	0.66
Viken	1.39	0.92-2.17	0.94
Innlandet	0.95	0.52-1.68	0.43
Vestfold og Telemark	1.66	0.96-2.7	0.96
Agder	1.36	0.86-2.45	0.9
Vestland	2.10	1.17-3.62	1
Trøndelag	1.50	0.93-2.57	0.95
Troms og Finnmark	1.06	0.56-1.98	0.57

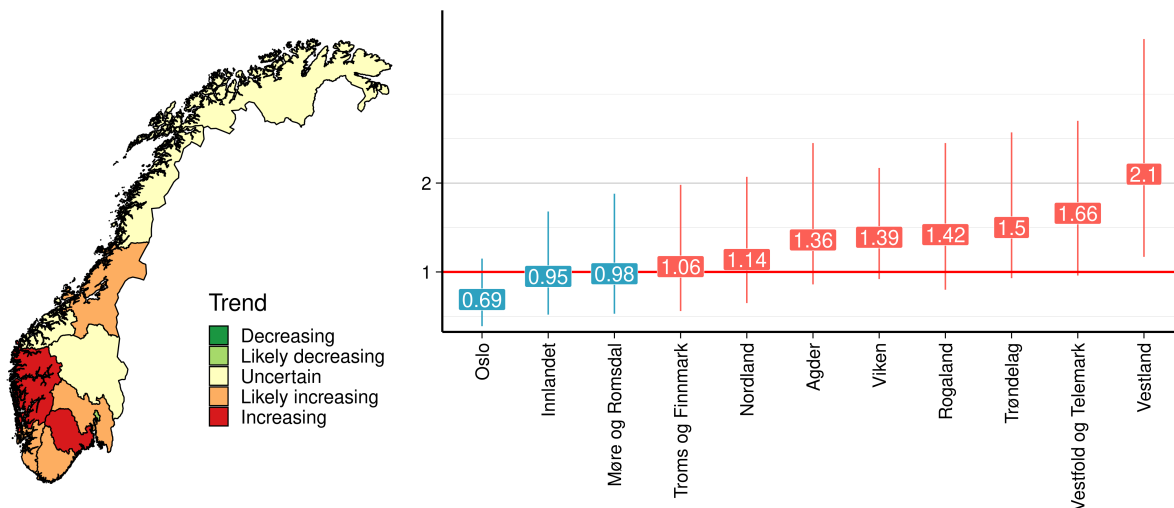
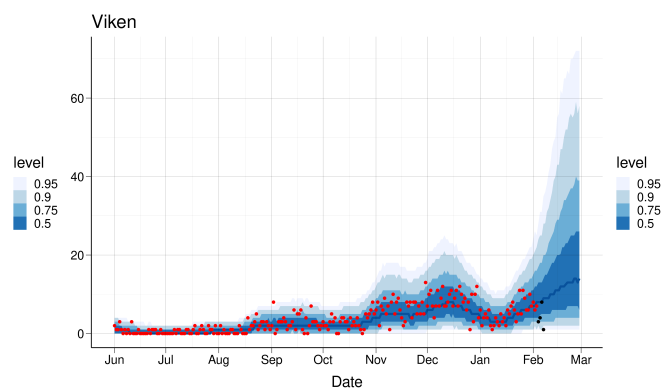
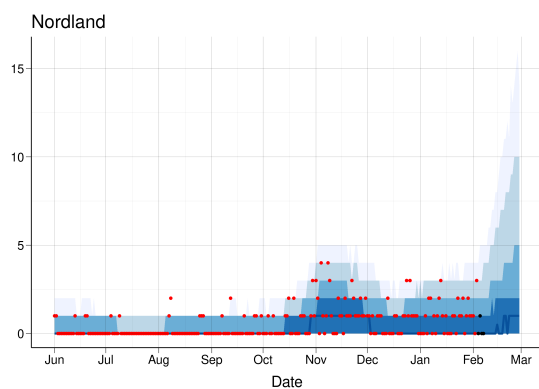
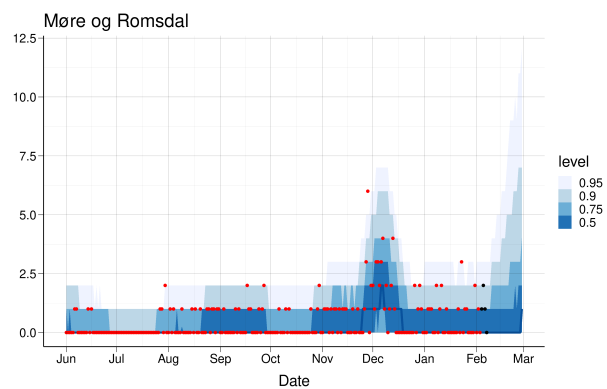
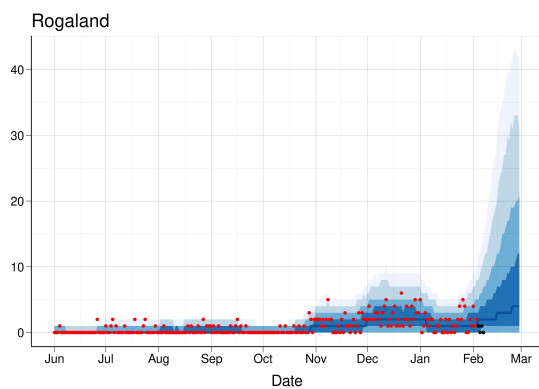
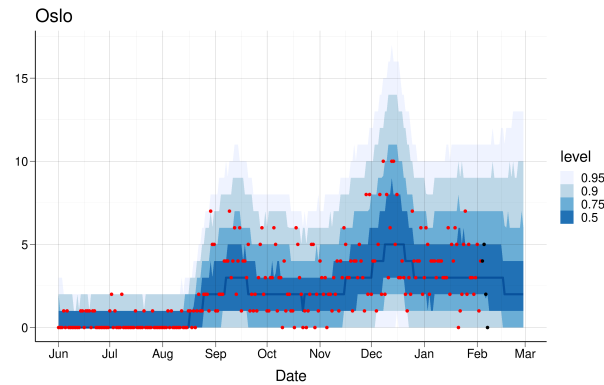
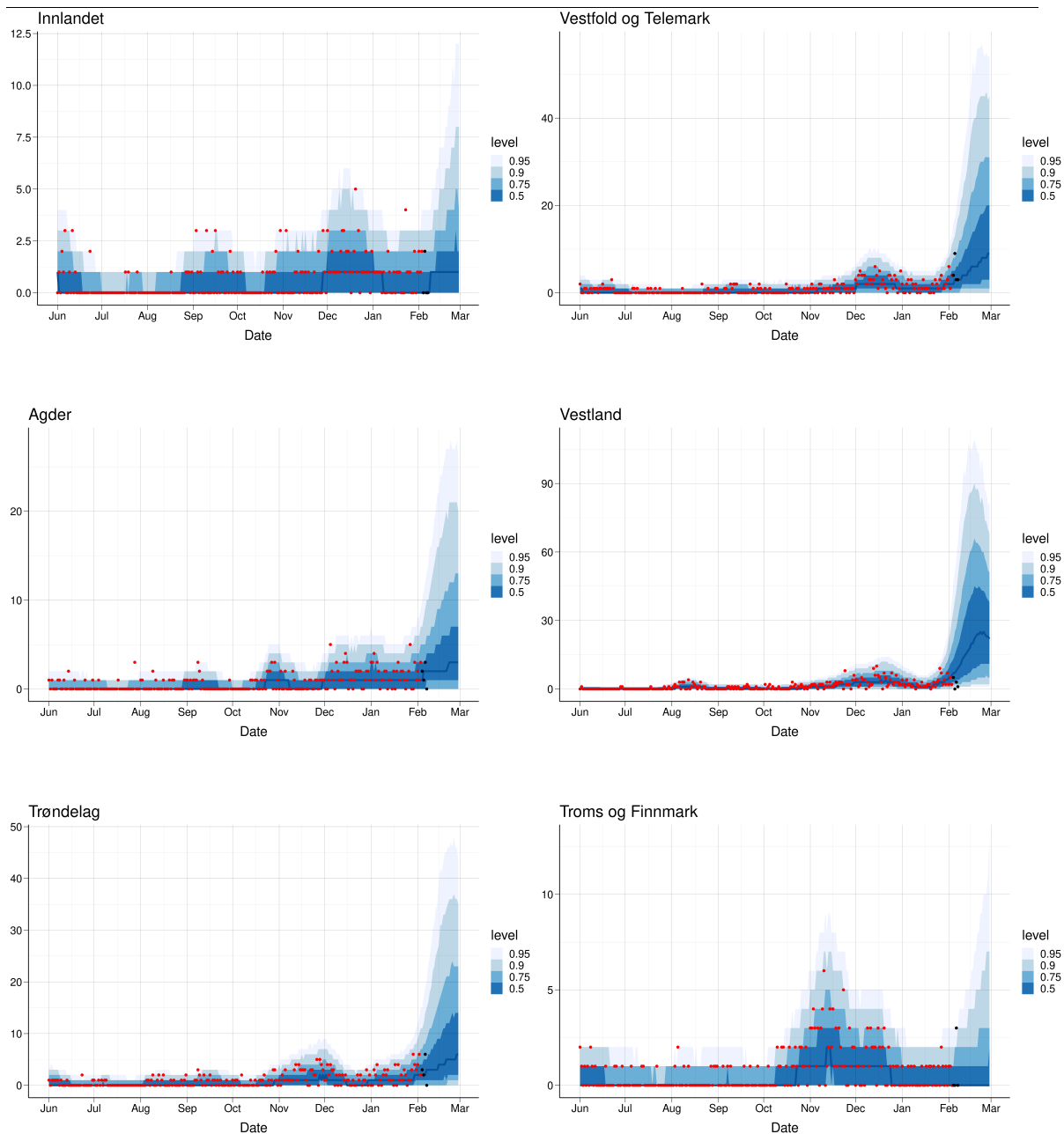


Figure 4: The map shows the direction of the trend in incidence in the counties based on the latest reproduction numbers shown in the other chart. The trend is increasing if the probability that the latest reproduction number is above one is above 95%, the trend is likely increasing if this probability is between 80% and 95%, the trend is uncertain if the probability is between 20% and 80%, the trend is likely decreasing if the probability is between 5% and 20% and is decreasing if the probability that the latest R is above one is less than 5%.

Estimated vs observed hospital incidence and 3 weeks forecast by county:

Forecasts are now based on the estimated reproduction numbers obtained by our regional SMC model, for each county. In the forecasted period of three weeks, we use the reproductive numbers showed on Table 1.





3 Regional 3-week predictions: Cumulative (total) incidence and Prevalence

Below is shown the daily incidence (table 2) and prevalence (table 3) for each county.

Table 2: Predicted incidence per day: Median/Mean (CI)

Region	1 week prediction (14 Feb)	2 weeks prediction (21 Feb)	3 weeks prediction (28 Feb)
Agder	935/1783 (139-8292)	1108/1914 (132-7226)	1234/1780 (123-5526)
Innlandet	302/498 (56-2207)	331/628 (45-3252)	327/694 (32-3876)
Møre og Romsdal	170/383 (24-2287)	222/539 (25-3633)	261/636 (22-4367)
Nordland	205/542 (20-3243)	214/671 (14-4429)	224/732 (10-4305)
Oslo	722/916 (253-2840)	660/899 (149-3162)	660/895 (112-2762)
Rogaland	1276/2572 (110-12555)	1640/3084 (94-12132)	1946/3093 (80-10087)
Troms og Finnmark	134/328 (15-1997)	144/433 (10-3086)	150/498 (7-3800)
Trøndelag	1966/3537 (169-14906)	2512/3865 (147-12891)	2790/3567 (125-10016)
Vestfold og Telemark	2354/3856 (200-14273)	3164/4223 (168-11517)	3531/3754 (141-8627)
Vestland	10768/11458 (763-26023)	9717/9530 (788-19043)	6627/6663 (586-14085)
Viken	4655/5992 (1193-18576)	5119/6471 (958-18822)	5342/6221 (752-15332)

Table 3: Predicted prevalence. Number of infectious individuals (asymptomatic plus pre-symptomatic plus symptomatic) per day. Median/Mean and 95 perc. CI for three weeks prediction.

Region	14 Feb	21 Feb	28 Feb	low CI, 28 Feb	high CI, 28 Feb
Agder	3918/7456	4680/8312	5339/7978	552	25480
Innlandet	1266/2033	1424/2635	1442/2992	157	16401
Møre og Romsdal	705/1536	928/2222	1109/2708	108	18513
Nordland	891/2232	938/2831	973/3164	50	19135
Oslo	3590/4377	2975/3987	2914/3954	542	12694
Rogaland	5313/10497	6850/13110	8252/13638	361	45287
Troms og Finnmark	577/1340	621/1803	655/2131	36	16276
Trøndelag	8131/14651	10487/16745	12158/16021	587	45875
Vestfold og Telemark	9578/15782	13130/18314	15587/17018	653	39629
Vestland	44531/49103	45431/43962	32471/32109	3115	64072
Viken	19993/25422	22091/28068	23290/27671	3536	70570

4 Regional 3-week predictions: Hospital beds and ventilator beds

Below is shown the estimated short-term forecasting of expected hospital prevalence (table 4) and patients on ventilator treatment for each county (table 5). These estimates do not take into account imported cases from abroad that may be admitted to hospital.

Table 4: Number of hospitalisation beds occupied by Covid-19 patients: Median/Mean (CI)

Region	1 week prediction (14 Feb)	2 weeks prediction (21 Feb)	3 weeks prediction (28 Feb)
Agder	12/19 (1-81)	14/25 (1-112)	16/29 (1-118)
Innlandet	4/6 (0-22)	5/8 (0-33)	6/11 (0-51)
Møre og Romsdal	2/4 (0-19)	3/6 (0-31)	3/8 (0-50)
Nordland	3/6 (0-30)	3/8 (0-48)	4/11 (0-65)
Oslo	19/21 (6-45)	16/19 (4-50)	14/17 (3-53)
Rogaland	14/23 (1-97)	19/34 (1-160)	23/43 (1-185)
Troms og Finnmark	2/4 (0-20)	3/6 (0-32)	3/8 (0-51)
Trøndelag	18/30 (2-131)	26/44 (2-193)	32/53 (2-196)
Vestfold og Telemark	24/37 (3-140)	36/57 (3-221)	48/71 (3-221)
Vestland	80/110 (9-361)	132/154 (11-388)	159/157 (12-330)
Viken	60/71 (20-185)	72/90 (20-266)	82/103 (17-308)

Table 5: Number of ICU beds occupied by Covid-19 patients: Median/Mean (CI)

Region	1 week prediction (14 Feb)	2 weeks prediction (21 Feb)	3 weeks prediction (28 Feb)
Agder	1/1 (0-5)	1/2 (0-8)	1/2 (0-10)
Innlandet	0/1 (0-3)	0/1 (0-3)	0/1 (0-4)
Møre og Romsdal	0/0 (0-2)	0/0 (0-3)	0/1 (0-4)
Nordland	0/1 (0-3)	0/1 (0-4)	0/1 (0-5)
Oslo	3/3 (0-7)	2/3 (0-7)	2/2 (0-6)
Rogaland	1/2 (0-7)	2/2 (0-10)	2/3 (0-14)
Troms og Finnmark	0/0 (0-2)	0/0 (0-3)	0/1 (0-4)
Trøndelag	1/2 (0-8)	2/3 (0-12)	2/4 (0-16)
Vestfold og Telemark	2/2 (0-8)	3/4 (0-14)	3/5 (0-18)
Vestland	5/6 (0-21)	8/10 (0-28)	11/12 (1-29)
Viken	5/6 (1-14)	6/7 (1-18)	7/8 (1-24)

5 14-day trend analysis of confirmed cases and hospitalisations by county

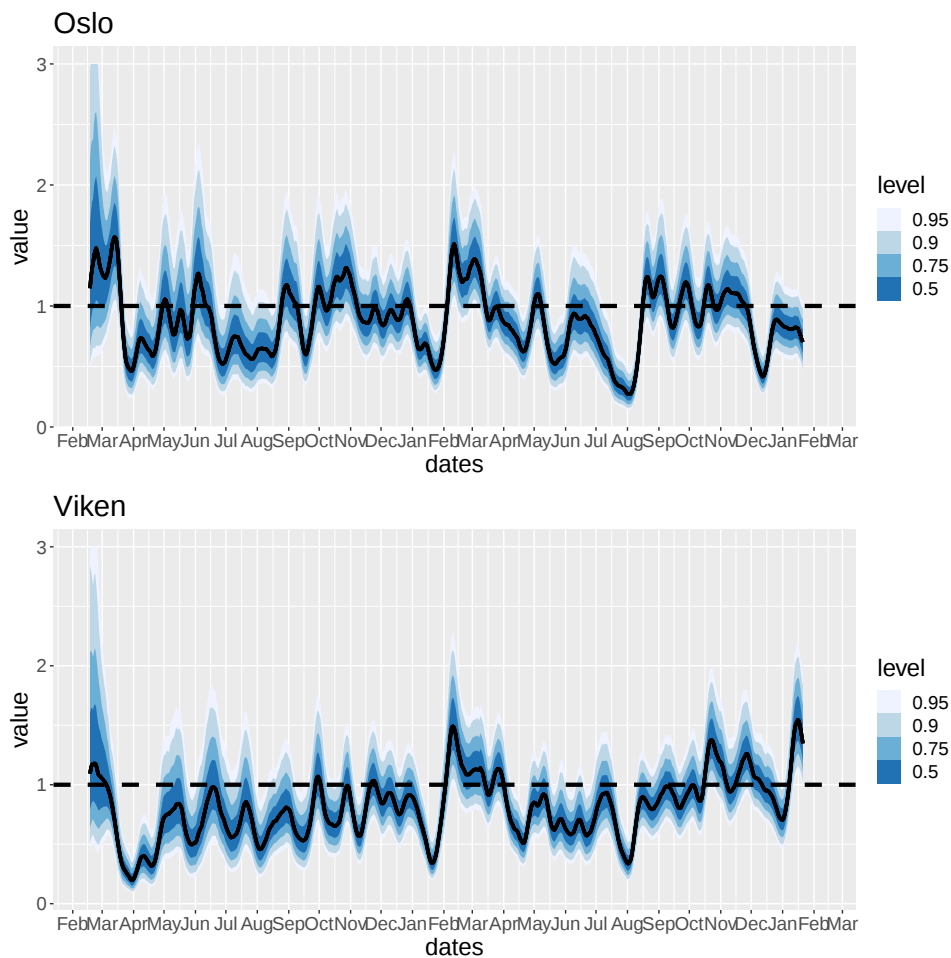
To estimate recent trends in hospitalisation and number of positive tests, we present results in table 6 based on a negative binomial regression where we account for weekend effects. We exclude the last three days to avoid problems of reporting delay and fit the model using data from 17 days to 3 days before the current date. We fit a separate trend model for confirmed cases and for hospital incidence. We only fit a trend model if there has been more than 5 cases or hospitalisations in the 14-day period.

Table 6: Trend analysis for the last 14 days

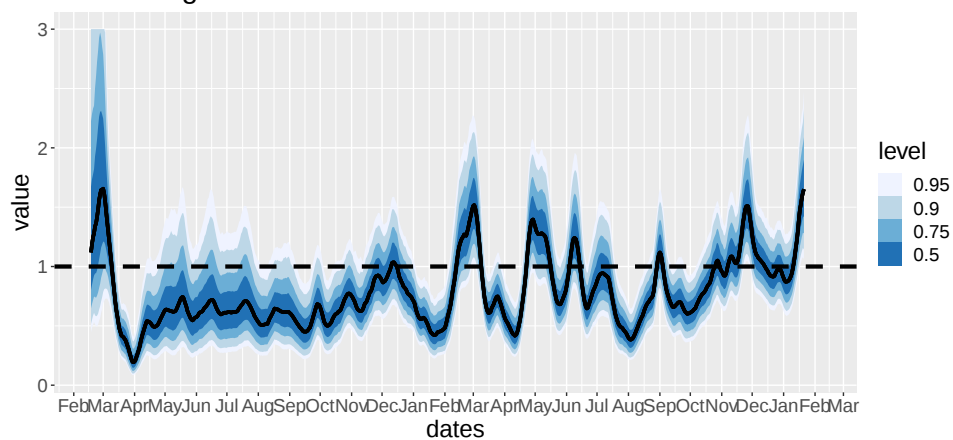
County	Average daily increase last 14 days		Doubling Time (days)	
	Hospitalisations	Cases	Hospitalisations	Cases
Agder	4.3 (-6, 16) %	1.6 (-2.7, 6) %	16.6 (-11.2, 4.7)	44.6 (-25.6, 11.9)
Innlandet	1 (-12.4, 16.8) %	8.7 (3.8, 13.9) %	66.5 (-5.2, 4.5)	8.3 (18.6, 5.3)
Møre og Romsdal	-3.5 (-17, 11.6) %	5.7 (0.6, 11) %	-19.6 (-3.7, 6.3)	12.5 (111.2, 6.6)
Nordland	-5.8 (-18.3, 7.9) %	3.9 (-1.6, 9.8) %	-11.7 (-3.4, 9.2)	17.9 (-41.7, 7.4)
Norge	-3.1 (-5.7, -0.4) %	5.7 (2.5, 9) %	-22.2 (-11.8, -181.7)	12.6 (28.5, 8.1)
Oslo	0.3 (-5.5, 6.5) %	7.5 (4.8, 10.2) %	215.4 (-12.3, 11)	9.6 (14.7, 7.1)
Rogaland	-3.5 (-11.9, 5.4) %	5.5 (2.2, 9) %	-19.3 (-5.5, 13.1)	12.9 (32.4, 8)
Troms og Finnmark	Not enough data	6.2 (1.6, 11) %	Not enough data	11.6 (44.3, 6.6)
Trøndelag	Not enough data	9.7 (5.4, 14.1) %	Not enough data	7.5 (13.2, 5.2)
Vestfold og Telemark	-0.2 (-11, 12) %	4.1 (1.4, 6.9) %	-434.6 (-6, 6.1)	17.2 (49, 10.4)
Vestland	-5.9 (-14.3, 2.9) %	4.2 (0.5, 8.1) %	-11.4 (-4.5, 23.9)	16.9 (153.9, 8.9)
Viken	-7.2 (-13, -1.3) %	4.8 (1.5, 8.2) %	-9.2 (-5, -55)	14.8 (45.8, 8.8)

6 Regional SMC-model: Estimated daily reproduction numbers

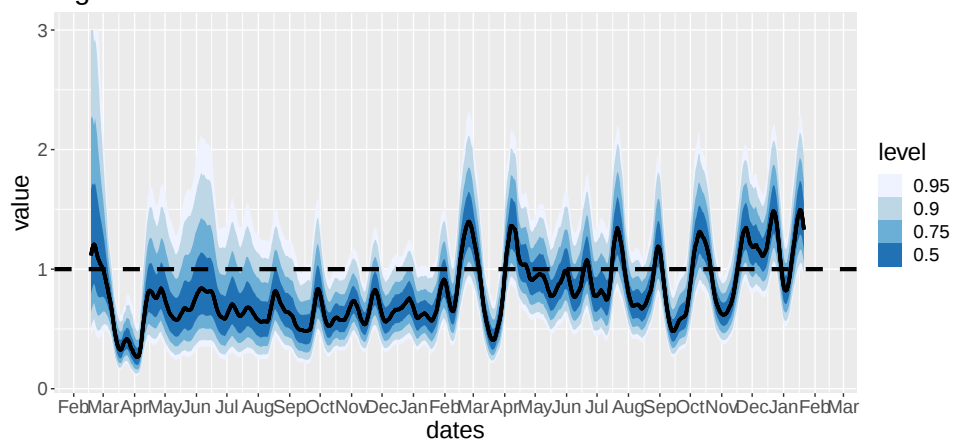
In the figures below we plot the 95% credibility interval and quantiles of the estimated posterior distribution of the regional, daily reproduction numbers. For some counties, uncertainty is large towards the most recent time, because there are very few data and possibly reporting delays which are different in each county.



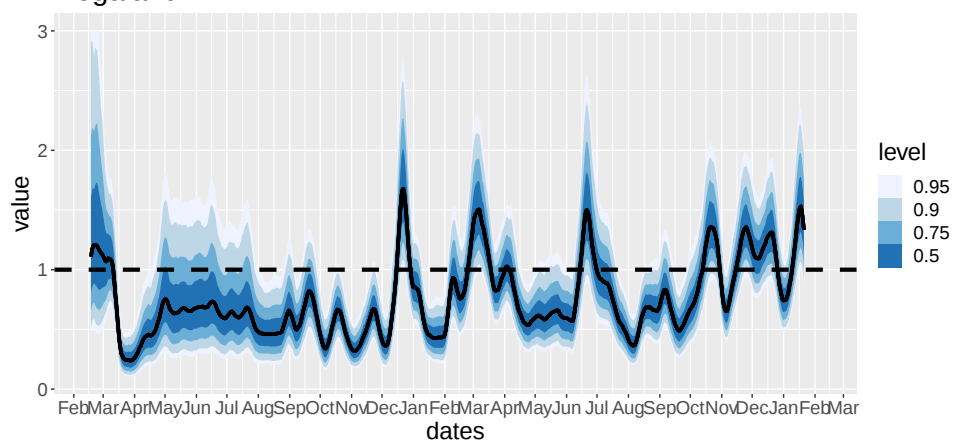
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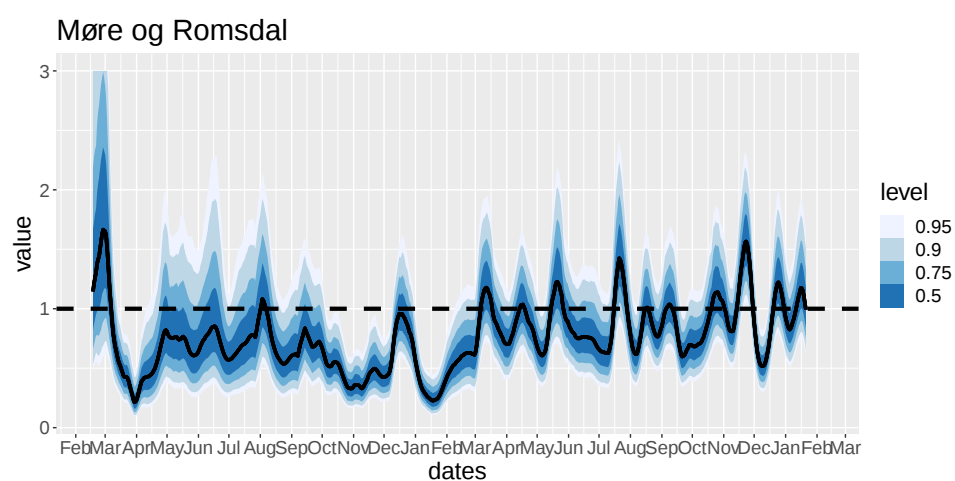
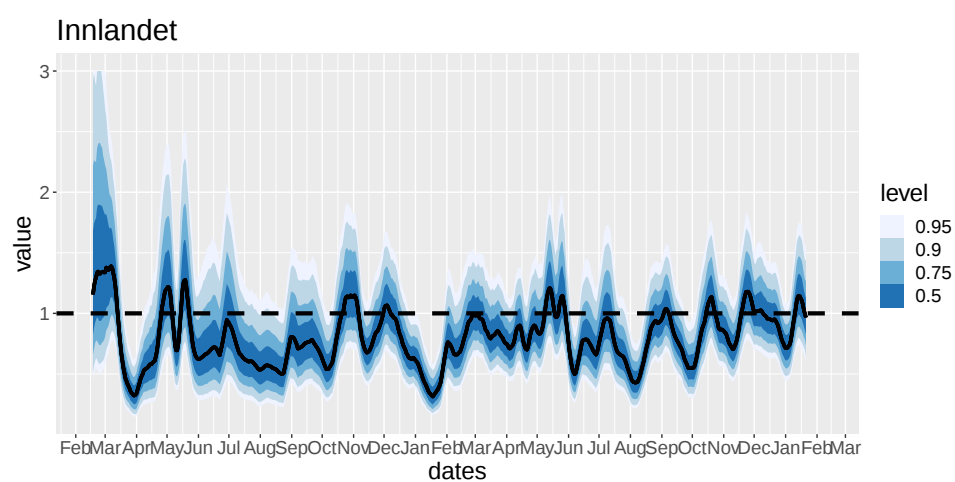
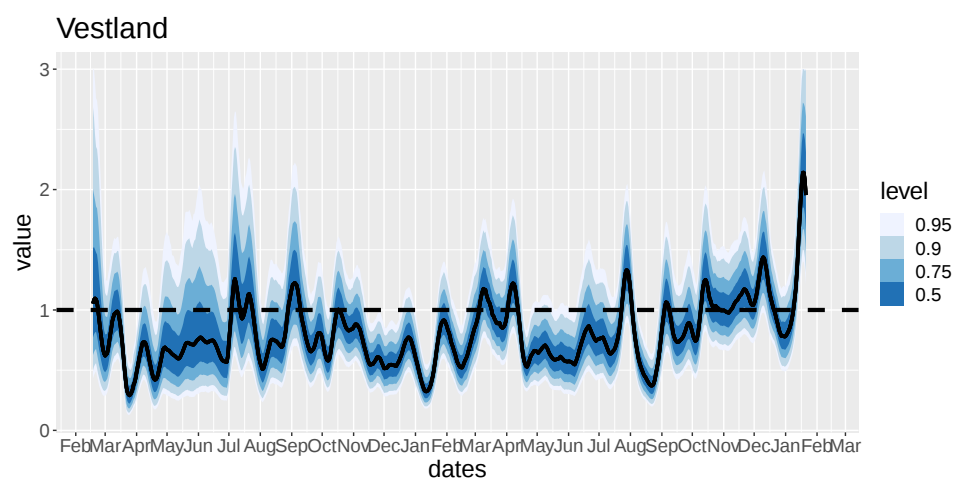


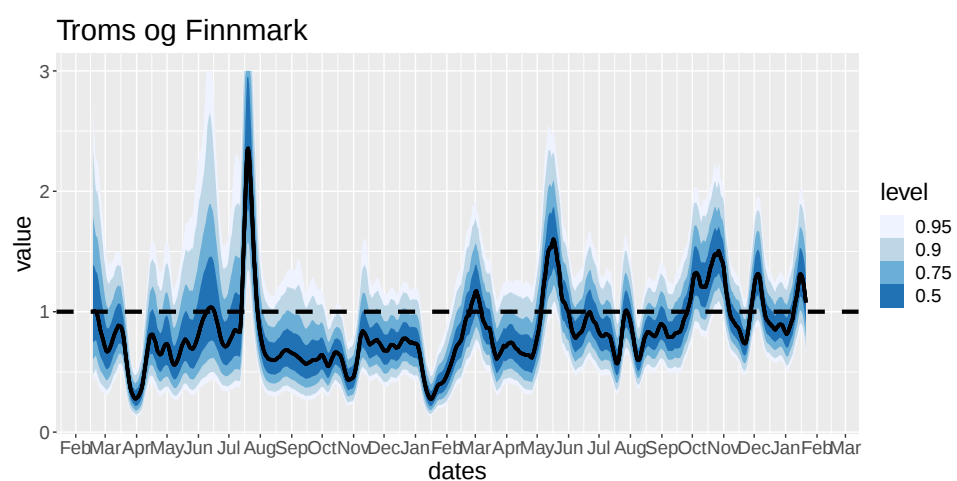
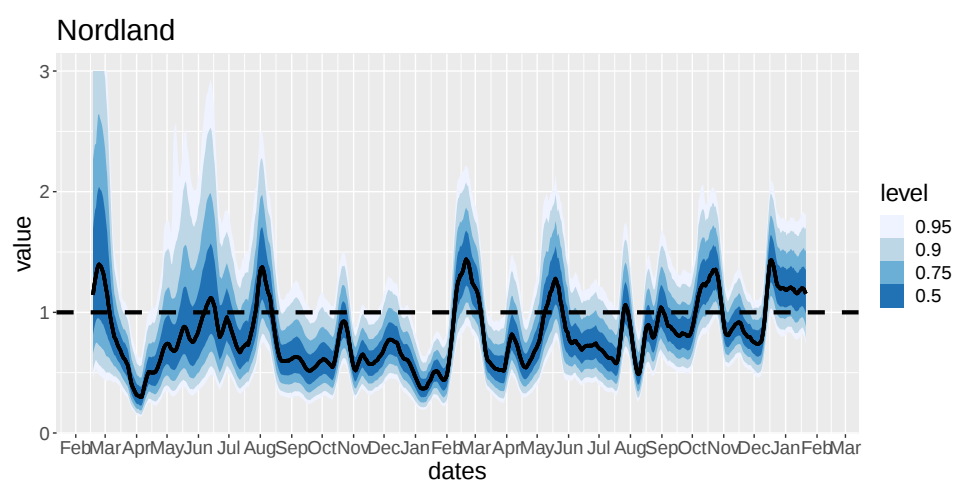
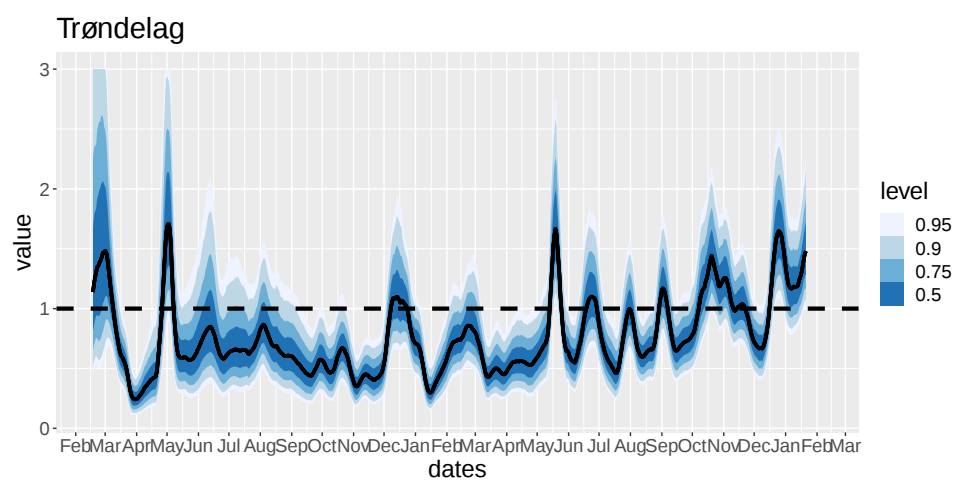
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7 Short-term predictions per health trust ("helseforetak"): number of occupied covid-19 beds and number of patients receiving ventilator treatment

In the table below we distribute our short-term predictions to the Norwegian health trusts ("helseforetak"), on the basis of their areas of responsibility.

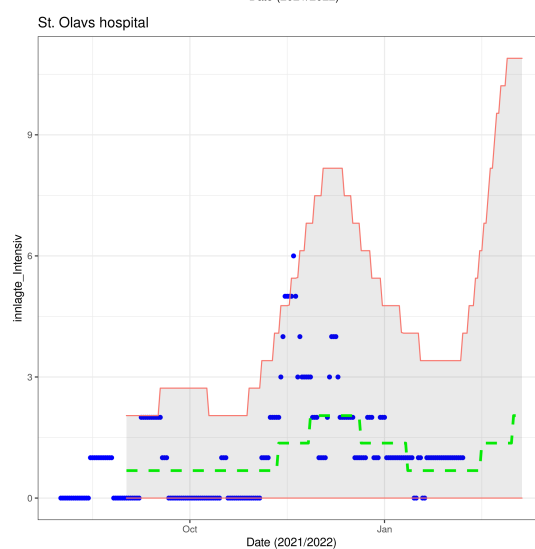
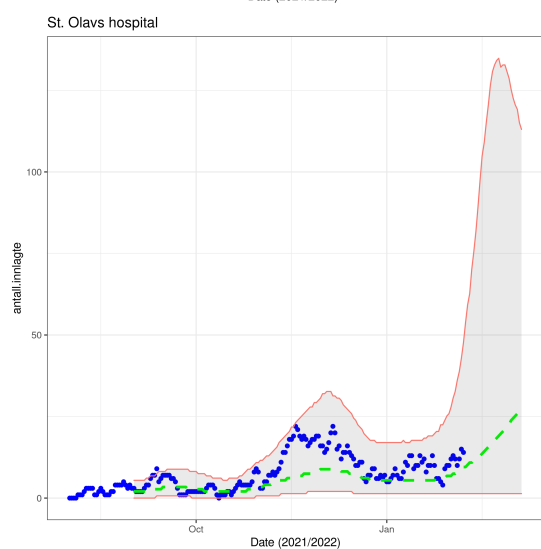
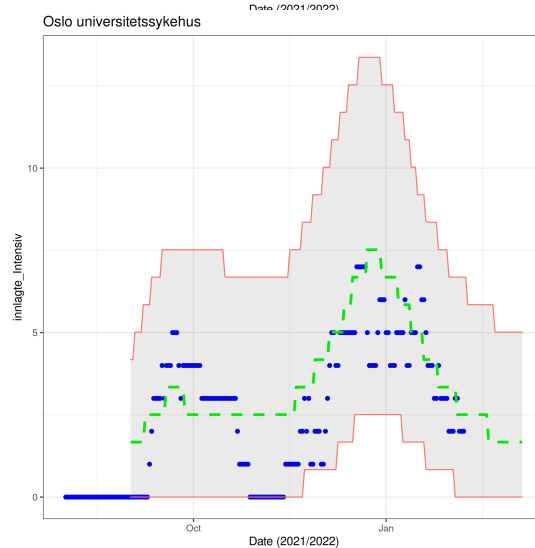
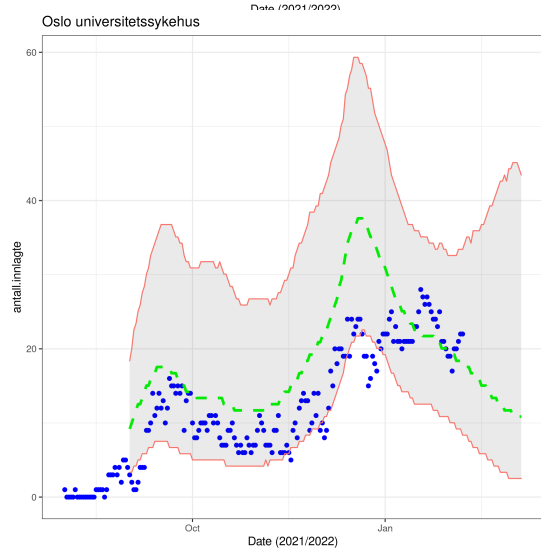
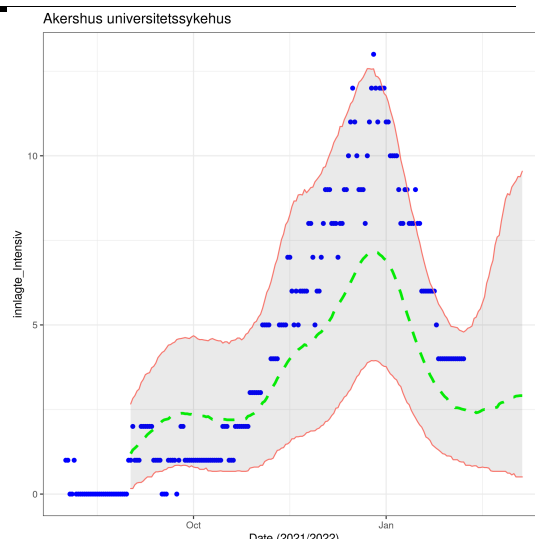
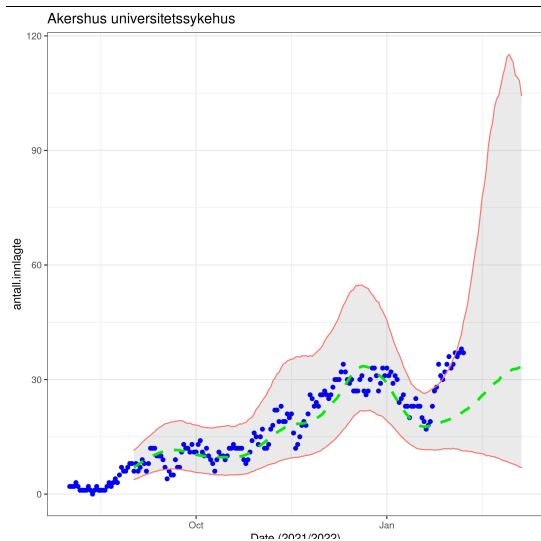
Table 7: Number of hospitalisation beds occupied by Covid-19 patients: Median/Mean (CI)

Helseforetak	1 week prediction (14 Feb)	2 weeks prediction (21 Feb)	3 weeks prediction (28 Feb)
Akershus universitetssykehus	25/28 (11-68)	29/35 (10-97)	32/40 (9-114)
Finnmarksykehuset	1/1 (0-6)	1/2 (0-10)	1/2 (0-16)
Helse Bergen	57/79 (8-257)	95/110 (9-275)	116/113 (9-230)
Helse Fonna	14/18 (3-53)	22/25 (3-66)	26/28 (3-67)
Helse Førde	14/19 (2-61)	23/26 (2-66)	28/27 (2-55)
Helse Møre og Romsdal	3/4 (0-17)	3/6 (0-30)	3/8 (0-49)
Helse Nord Trøndelag	6/10 (1-42)	8/14 (1-61)	10/17 (1-61)
Helse Stavanger	11/18 (2-74)	14/26 (2-122)	18/33 (1-142)
Nordlandssykehuset	2/4 (0-16)	2/5 (0-27)	2/6 (0-37)
Oslo universitetssykehus	16/17 (7-36)	13/16 (5-39)	12/15 (3-43)
St. Olavs hospital	13/21 (1-89)	17/30 (1-131)	22/36 (1-131)
Sykehuset Innlandet	5/6 (1-18)	6/8 (1-29)	6/10 (1-45)
Sykehuset Telemark	10/15 (2-57)	15/23 (2-91)	20/29 (1-91)
Sykehuset i Vestfold	14/21 (2-81)	21/33 (2-129)	29/41 (2-128)
Sykehuset Østfold	15/18 (6-47)	18/23 (6-68)	21/26 (5-78)
Sørlandet sykehus	12/19 (2-80)	14/25 (2-110)	17/29 (2-117)
Universitetssykehuset i Nord-Norge	3/4 (0-14)	3/5 (0-24)	3/6 (0-38)
Vestre Viken	24/28 (9-72)	28/35 (9-104)	32/41 (7-120)

Table 8: Number of respirator beds occupied by Covid-19 patients: Median/Mean (CI)

Helseforetak	1 week prediction (14 Feb)	2 weeks prediction (21 Feb)	3 weeks prediction (28 Feb)
Akershus universitetssykehus	2/3 (1-5)	3/3 (1-7)	3/3 (1-9)
Finnmarksykehuset	0/0 (0-1)	0/0 (0-1)	0/0 (0-1)
Helgelandssykehuset	0/0 (0-1)	0/0 (0-1)	0/0 (0-2)
Helse Bergen	4/5 (0-15)	6/7 (0-20)	8/9 (1-21)
Helse Fonna	1/1 (0-3)	1/2 (0-5)	2/2 (0-5)
Helse Førde	1/1 (0-4)	1/2 (0-5)	2/2 (0-5)
Helse Møre og Romsdal	0/0 (0-2)	0/0 (0-3)	0/1 (0-4)
Helse Nord Trøndelag	0/1 (0-3)	1/1 (0-4)	1/1 (0-5)
Helse Stavanger	1/1 (0-5)	2/2 (0-8)	2/2 (0-11)
Nordlandssykehuset	0/0 (0-2)	0/0 (0-2)	0/0 (0-3)
Oslo universitetssykehus	3/2 (0-6)	2/2 (0-6)	2/2 (0-5)
St. Olavs hospital	1/1 (0-5)	1/2 (0-8)	1/3 (0-11)
Sykehuset Innlandet	0/1 (0-3)	0/1 (0-3)	0/1 (0-4)
Sykehuset Telemark	1/1 (0-3)	1/2 (0-6)	1/2 (0-7)
Sykehuset i Vestfold	1/1 (0-5)	2/2 (0-8)	2/3 (0-11)
Sykehuset Østfold	1/2 (0-4)	2/2 (0-5)	2/2 (0-6)
Sørlandet sykehus	1/1 (0-5)	1/2 (0-8)	1/2 (0-10)
Universitetssykehuset i Nord-Norge	0/0 (0-2)	0/0 (0-2)	0/0 (0-3)
Vestre Viken	2/2 (0-6)	2/3 (0-7)	3/3 (0-9)

In the figures below, we plot the 95% credibility interval and quantiles of the estimated posterior distribution of the daily number of occupied covid-19 beds and the number of patients receiving ventilator treatment for a few health trusts. The others are available on request. In blue are actual data, in green our median prediction and in gray the 95% credibility interval. For some counties, uncertainty is considerable towards the most recent time because there is little data and possibly reporting delays that are different in each county.



8 Mobility

Number of trips out from each municipality during each day is based on Telenor mobility data. The reference level is set to 100 on March 2nd 2020 for all the figures in this section, and we plot the seven-day, moving average of the daily mobility. Figure 11 shows an overview of the mobility since March 2020 for the largest municipalities in each county, and Figure 12 shows the total mobility out from all municipalities in each county, including Oslo. Figure 13 and 14, zooms in on mobility from August 16 2021, for municipalities and counties, respectively.

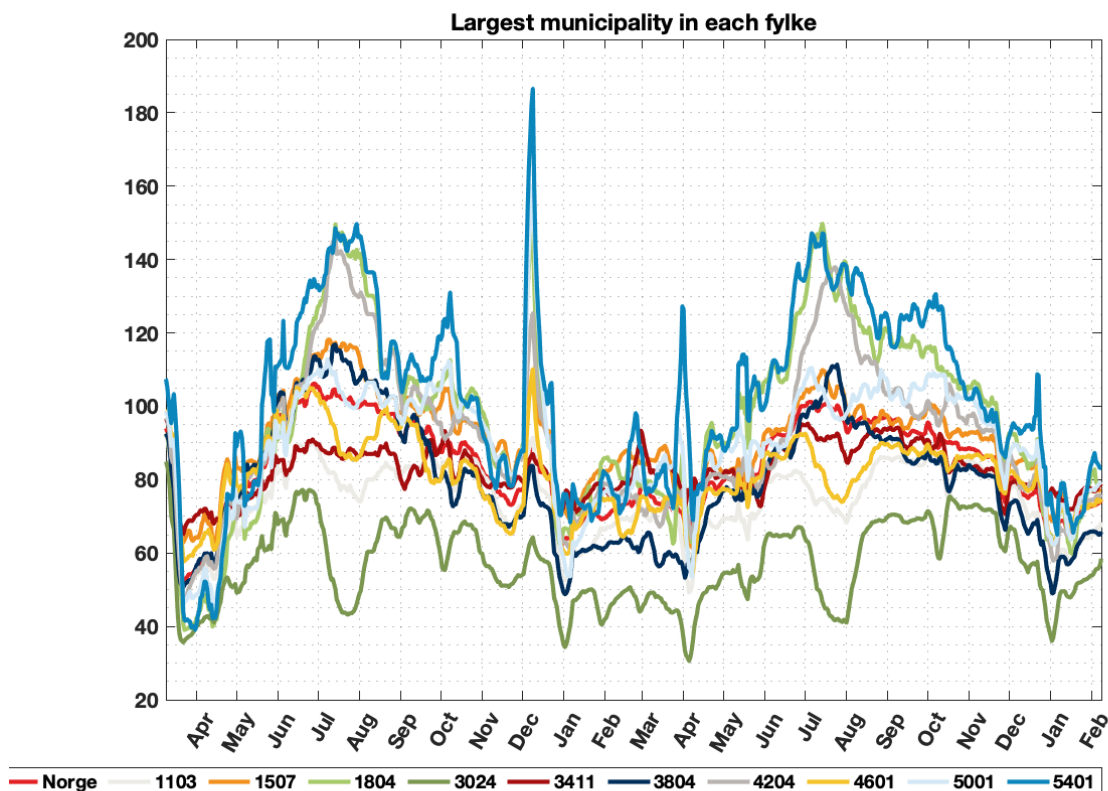


Figure 11: Mobility for selected municipalities since March 2020: Nationally (Norge), Stavanger (1103), Ålesund (1507), Bodø (1804), Bærum (3024), Ringsaker (3411), Sandefjord (3804), Kristiansand (4204), Bergen (4601), Trondheim (5001), Tromsø (5401).

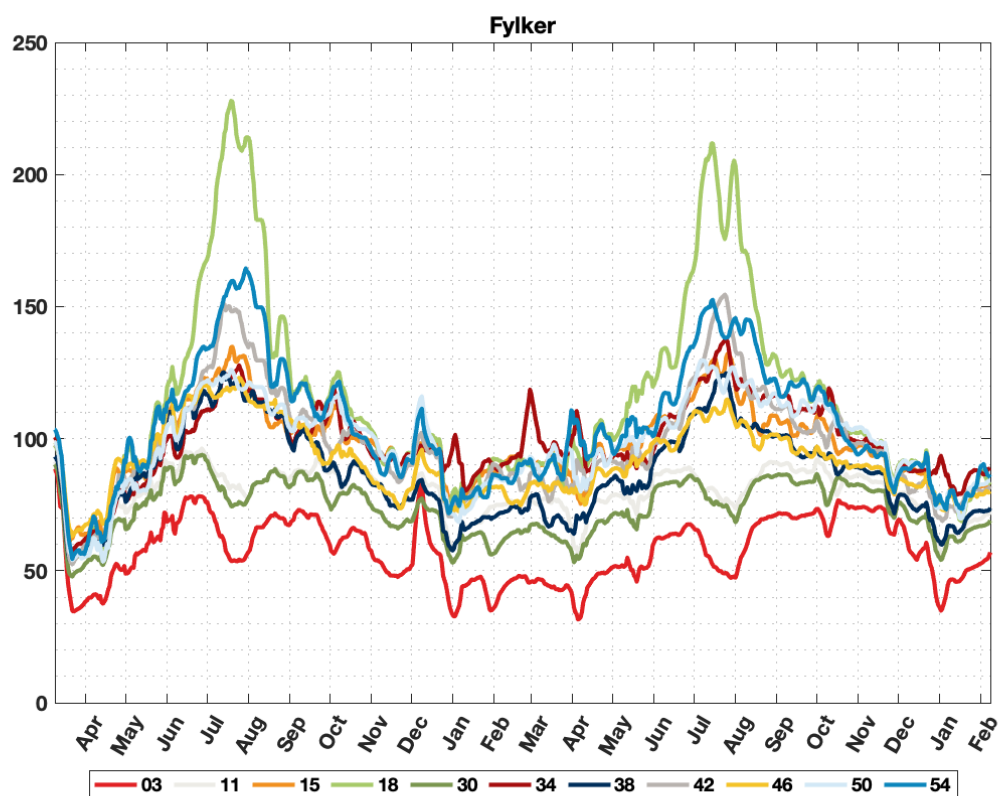


Figure 12: Mobility for fylker since March 2020: Oslo (03), Rogaland (11), Møre og Romsdal (15), Nordland (18), Viken (30), Innlandet (34), Vestfold og Telemark (38), Agder (42), Vestland (46), Trøndelag (50), Troms og Finmark (54).

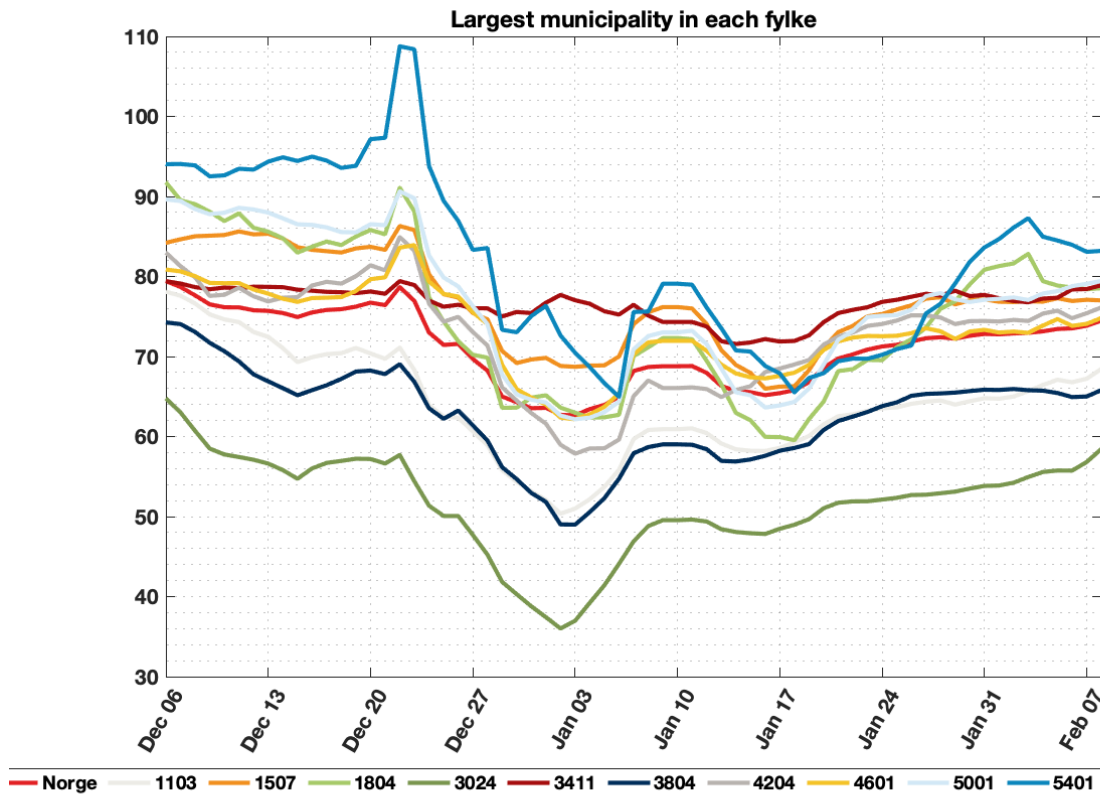


Figure 13: Zoom: Mobility from August 16, 2021 and onwards: Nationally (Norge), Stavanger (1103), Ålesund (1507), Bodø (1804), Bærum (3024), Ringsaker (3411), Sandefjord (3804), Kristiansand (4204), Bergen (4601), Trondheim (5001), Tromsø (5401).

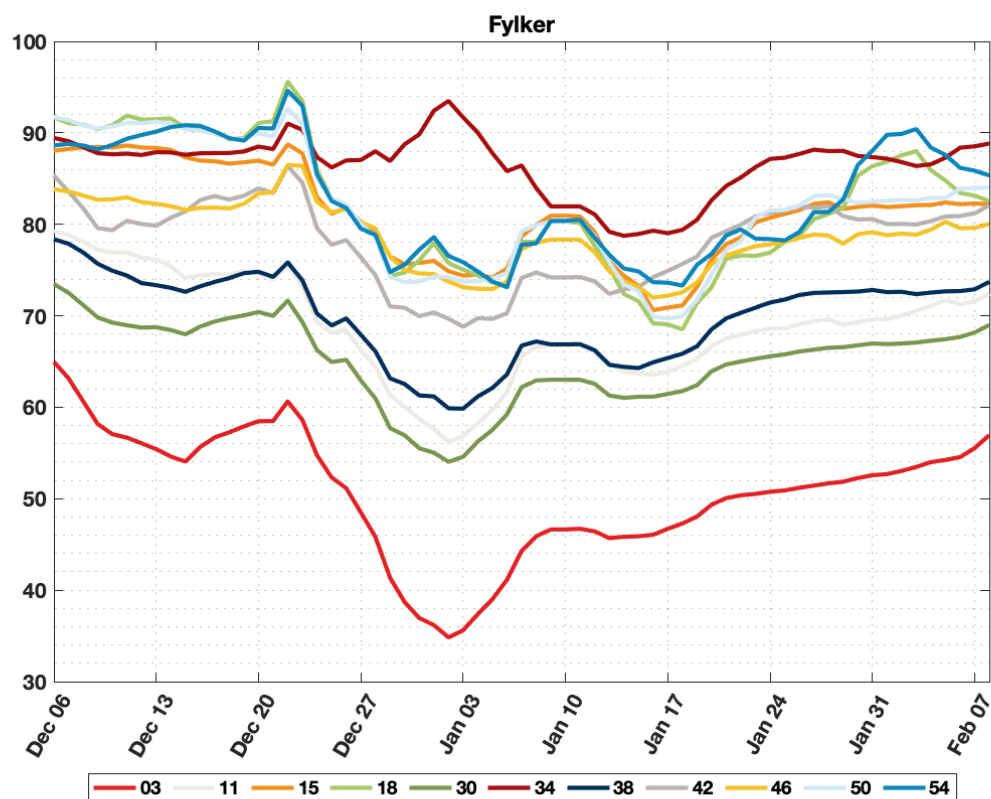


Figure 14: Zoom: Mobility from August 16, 2021 and onwards, per fylker: Oslo (03), Rogaland (11), Møre og Romsdal (15), Nordland (18), Viken (30), Innlandet (34), Vestfold og Telemark (38), Agder (42), Vestland (46), Trøndelag (50), Troms og Finnmark (54).

	3	4	5	6	7
Norge	68.8	65.4	71.2	72.8	73.8
Stavanger	60.9	58.6	63.5	64.8	67.2
Ålesund	76.2	66.2	75.3	77.1	77.1
Bodø	72.3	59.9	69.5	80.8	78.4
Bærum	49.5	48.5	52.1	53.8	56.8
Ringsaker	74.3	71.9	76.8	77.7	78.4
Sandefjord	59.0	58.2	63.8	65.8	65.0
Kristiansand	66.1	68.5	74.1	74.4	75.4
Bergen	72.0	67.6	72.5	73.3	74.1
Trondheim	73.0	63.9	75.1	77.1	79.1
Tromsø	79.1	67.9	70.2	83.6	83.1

Table 9: Municipalities

	3	4	5	6	7
Oslo	46.6	46.7	50.8	52.6	55.5
Rogaland	66.8	63.9	68.6	69.6	71.6
Møre og Romsdal	80.9	70.9	80.7	82.0	82.3
Nordland	80.3	69.1	76.9	86.4	83.1
Viken	63.0	61.5	65.6	67.0	68.2
Innlandet	82.0	79.0	87.2	87.3	88.5
Vestfold og Telemark	66.9	65.4	71.5	72.8	72.9
Agder	74.2	74.9	81.3	80.6	81.2
Vestlandet	78.3	72.2	77.8	79.1	79.6
Trøndelag	80.3	69.7	81.5	82.5	84.0
Troms og Finnmark	80.4	73.6	78.4	88.0	85.9

Table 10: Counties

Weekly mobility for Norway and selected municipalities is displayed in Table 9 and mobility for counties is displayed in Table 10. The percentages in the tables are to be interpreted towards the reference level of 100 for week 10 in March 2020. The color-coding encodes the following: 'Green' monotonic decrease in mobility, 'Yellow' almost monotonic decrease or flat mobility trend, 'Red' increasing mobility.

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An analysis of foreign roamers in Norway from January 2020 has been carried out, to better understand the potential virus importation. In Figure 15 the total number of roamers per day per county are displayed.

Figure 16 shows the levels of roamers from the following countries: Poland, Lithuania, Sweden, Netherlands, Denmark, Latvia, Germany, Spain, Finland and the rest of the world. These levels represent the total number of foreign, visiting roamers from each of the countries per day in Norway, since July 5 2021.

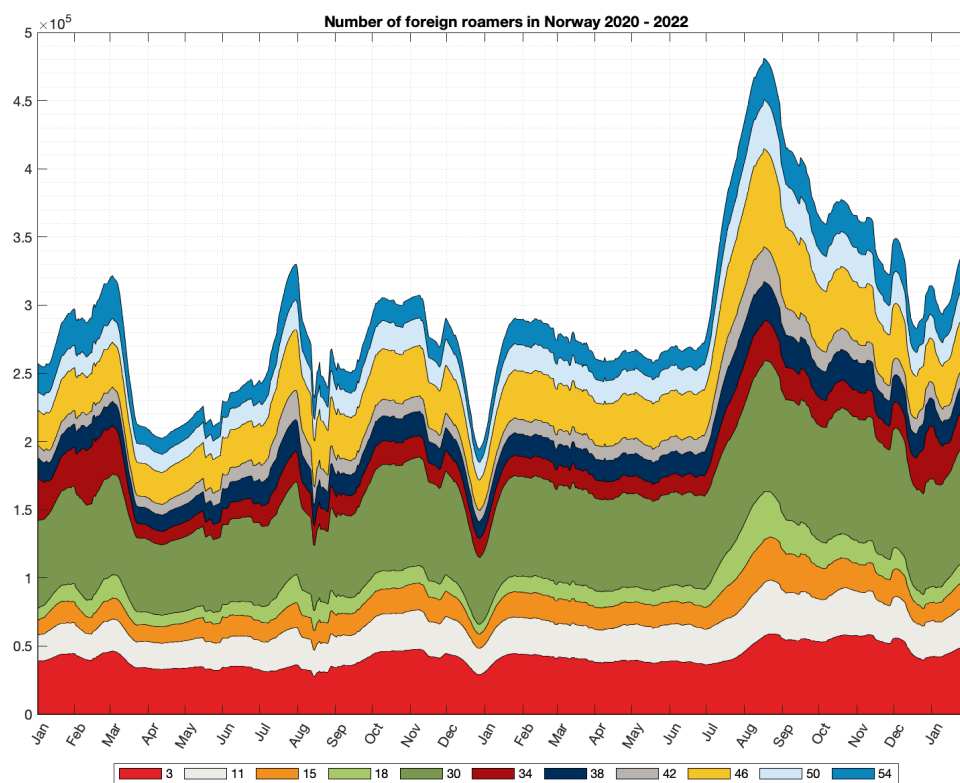


Figure 15: The total number of foreign roamers in Norway broken down on different fylker: Oslo (3), Rogaland (11), Møre og Romsdal (15), Nordland (18), Viken (30), Innlandet (34), Vestfold og Telemark (38), Agder (42), Vestland (46), Trøndelag (50), Troms og Finnmark (54).

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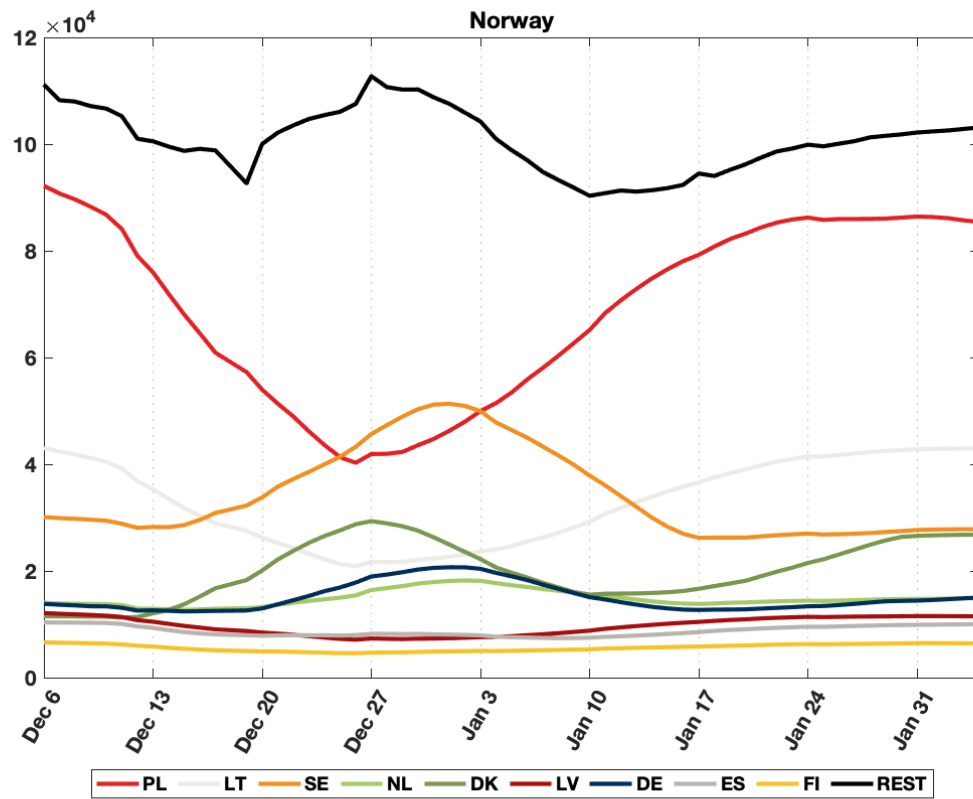
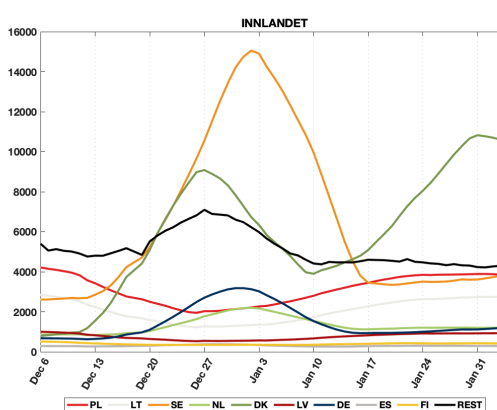
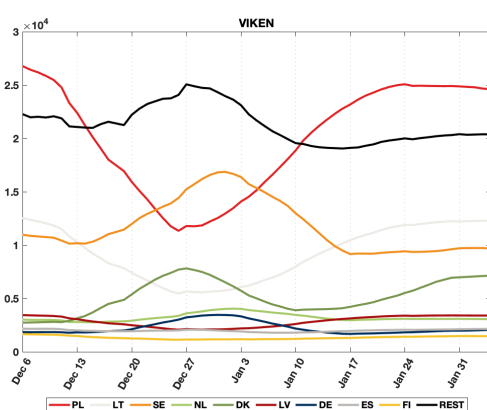
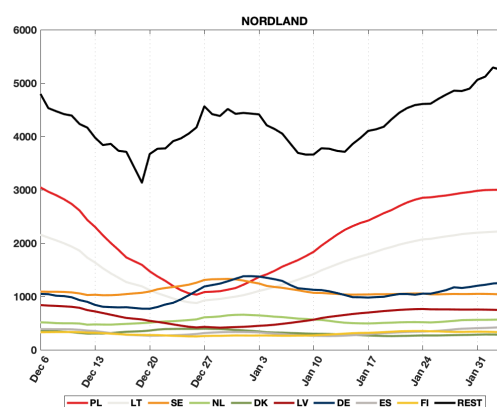
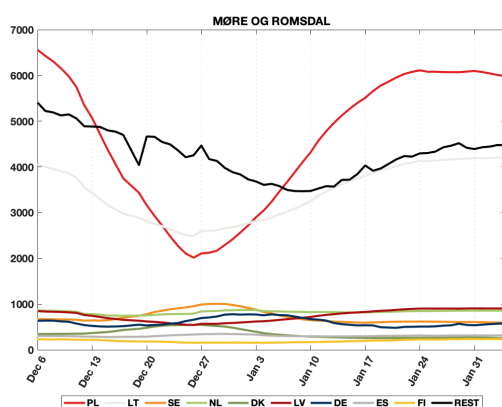
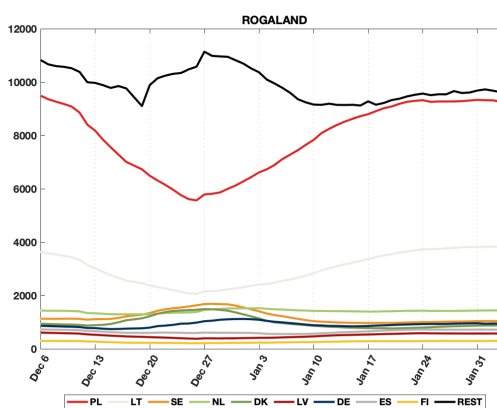
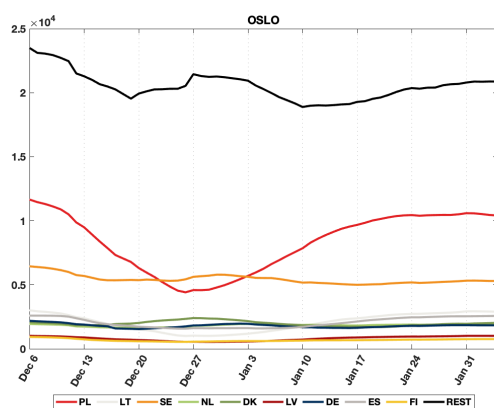


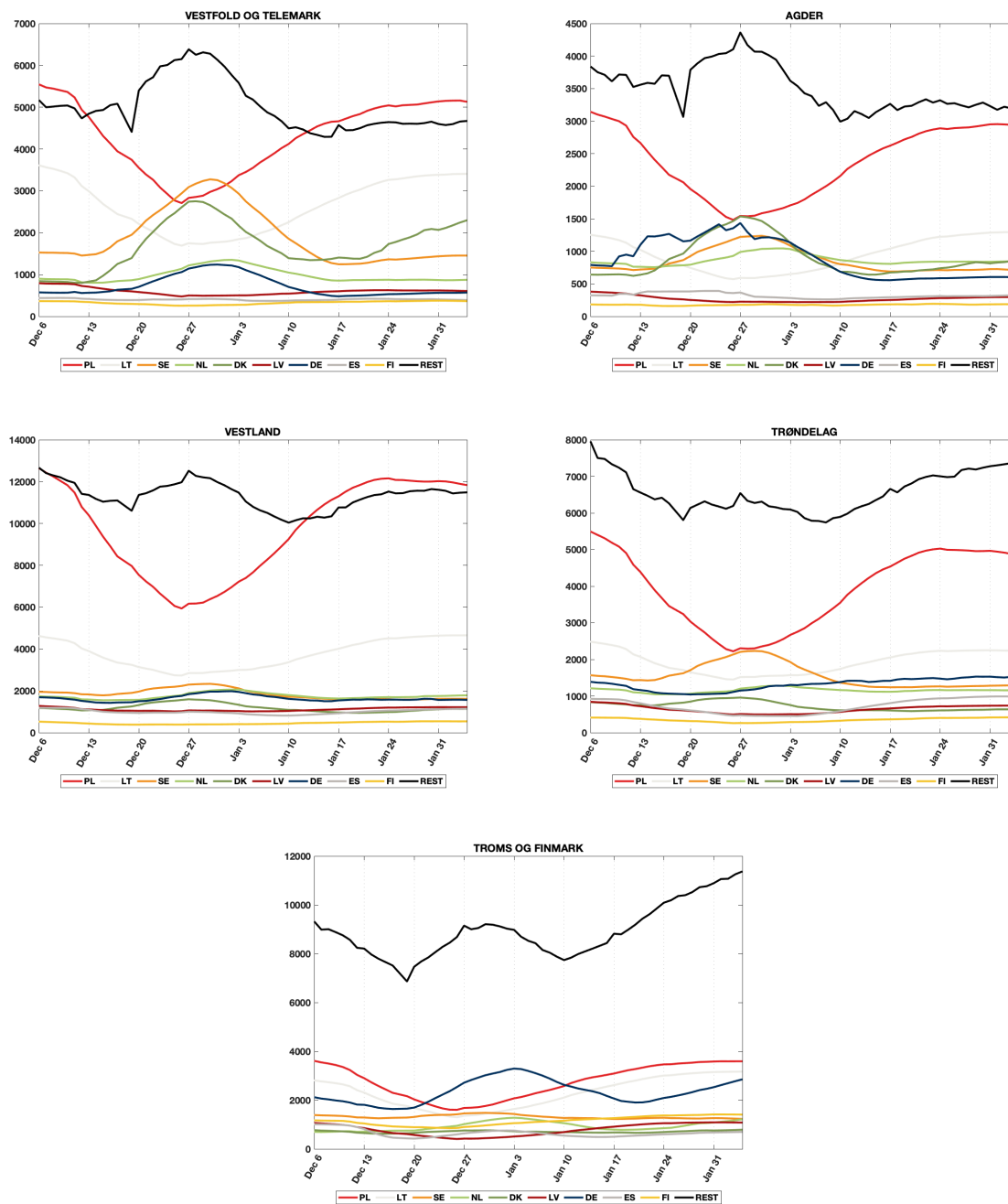
Figure 16: National overview of total number of foreign, visiting roamers from Poland, Lithuania, Sweden, Netherlands, Denmark, Latvia, Germany, Spain, Finland and the rest of the world.

8.2 Foreign roamers per county (fylke) in Norway

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9 Estimated parameters

Table 11: Estimated parameters

	Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.	Period
R0s	1.575	2.327	2.462	2.459	2.59	3.01	Until March 14
R1s	0.338	0.49	0.525	0.519	0.551	0.683	From 15 March to 19 April
R2s	0.003	0.238	0.403	0.438	0.597	1.345	From 20 April to 10 May
R3s	0.2	0.751	0.898	0.894	1.049	1.45	From 11 May to 30 June
R4s	0.012	0.586	0.768	0.762	0.947	1.498	From 01 July to 31 July
R5s	0.338	0.676	0.813	0.831	0.973	1.476	From 01 August to 31 August
R6s	0.492	1.054	1.17	1.155	1.267	1.574	From 01 September to 30 September
R7s	0.817	1.104	1.185	1.169	1.242	1.519	From 01 October to 25 October
R8s	0.51	0.923	1.029	1.037	1.148	1.613	From 26 October to 04 November
R9s	0.773	0.905	0.942	0.942	0.977	1.129	From 05 November to 30 November
R10s	0.799	0.874	0.9	0.906	0.931	1.055	From 01 December to 03 January
R11s	0.461	0.705	0.77	0.764	0.826	1.009	From 04 January to 21 January
R12s	0.419	0.683	0.749	0.751	0.816	1.096	From 22 January to 07 February
R13s	1.093	1.358	1.419	1.418	1.482	1.729	From 08 February to 01 March
R14s	0.934	1.042	1.076	1.075	1.11	1.227	From 02 March to 24 March
R15s	0.682	0.839	0.876	0.874	0.913	1.056	From 25 March to 12 April
R16s	0.423	0.569	0.617	0.632	0.683	0.917	From 13 April to 05 May
R17s	0.716	1.187	1.376	1.321	1.451	1.689	From 06 May to 26 May
R18s	0.27	0.56	0.631	0.659	0.736	1.165	From 27 May to 20 June
R19s	0.56	0.895	0.976	0.96	1.046	1.294	From 21 June to 04 August
R20s	0.907	1.1	1.148	1.15	1.197	1.381	From 05 August to 31 August
R21s	0.638	0.731	0.76	0.765	0.796	0.999	From 01 September to 24 September
R22s	1.033	1.08	1.09	1.09	1.102	1.138	From 25 September to 12 December
R23s	0.714	0.842	0.867	0.869	0.896	0.994	From 13 December to 16 January
R24s	0.602	0.903	0.979	0.97	1.039	1.291	From 17 January

Table 12: Assumptions

Assumptions	Mean	Distribution	Reference
Mobile Mobility Data			
Telenor coverage	48%		https://ekomstatistikken.nkom.no/
Data updated	February 7 th		
Data used in the predictions	February 4	Fixed	Corrected to preserve population
Model parameters			
Exposed period ($1/\lambda_1$)	2 days	Exponential	changed from Feretti et al 2020
Pre-symptomatic period ($1/\lambda_2$)	2 days	Exponential	Feretti et al 2020
Symptomatic infectious period ($1/\gamma$)	3 days	Exponential	changed from Feretti et al 2020
Asymptomatic, infectious period ($1/\gamma$)	3 days	Exponential	changed from Feretti et al 2020
Infectiousness asympt. (r_{I_a})	0.1	Fixed	Feretti et al 2020
Infectiousness presymp (r_{E_2})	1.3	Fixed	guided by Feretti et al 2020
Prob. asymptomatic infection (p_a)	0.4		Feretti et al 2020
Healthcare			
Fraction asymptomatic infections	40%	Fixed	Mizumoto et al 2020 20% for the old population, Diamond Princess
% symptomatic and asymptomatic infections requiring hospitalization:			Salje et al 2020 corrected for: % of elderly living in elderly homes in Norway (last two age groups) and corrected for presence among positive tested since May 1.
0-9 years	0.1%	Fixed	
10 - 19 years	0.1%		
20 - 29 years	0.5%		
30 - 39 years	1.1%		
40 - 49 years	1.4%		
50 - 59 years	2.9%		
60 - 69 years	5.8%		
70 - 79 years	9.3%		
80+ years	22.3%		
Probability that an admission has been reported on Monday			
From Sunday	32%	Fixed	Estimated from "Beredskapsregistret BeredtC19"
From Saturday	49%		
From Friday	68%		
From Thursday	86%		
Probability that an admission has been reported			
From one day before	53%	Fixed	Estimated from "Beredskapsregistret BeredtC19"
From two days before	77%		
From three days before	82%		
From four days before	91%		
Probability that a positive laboratory test has been reported			
From one day before	6.7%	Fixed	Estimated from MSIS
From two days before	59%		
From three days before	90%		
From four days before	97%		
Probability that a negative laboratory test has been reported			
From one day before	16%	Fixed	Estimated from MSIS
From two days before	74%		
From three days before	92%		
From four days before	98%		

Supplementary analysis: EpiEstim estimation of reproduction number based on laboratory-confirmed cases

To complement the results of the metapopulation model, we present estimates of the temporal evolution of the reproduction number in Norway based on an analysis of laboratory-confirmed cases. The primary purpose of this analysis is to provide a more comprehensive perspective on the epidemic situation, taking into account several data sources.

Table 13: Estimated reproduction numbers 7 days ago

Location	Reff
National	0.94(0.93 - 0.95)
Oslo	0.8(0.79 - 0.82)
Rogaland	0.99(0.97 - 1.01)
Møre og Romsdal	1.09(1.05 - 1.13)
Nordland	1.04(1 - 1.08)
Viken	0.88(0.87 - 0.89)
Innlandet	1.02(1 - 1.04)
Vestfold og Telemark	0.96(0.94 - 0.98)
Agder	0.99(0.97 - 1.02)
Vestland	1.01(0.99 - 1.03)
Trøndelag	0.95(0.93 - 0.97)
Troms og Finnmark	1.03(0.99 - 1.07)

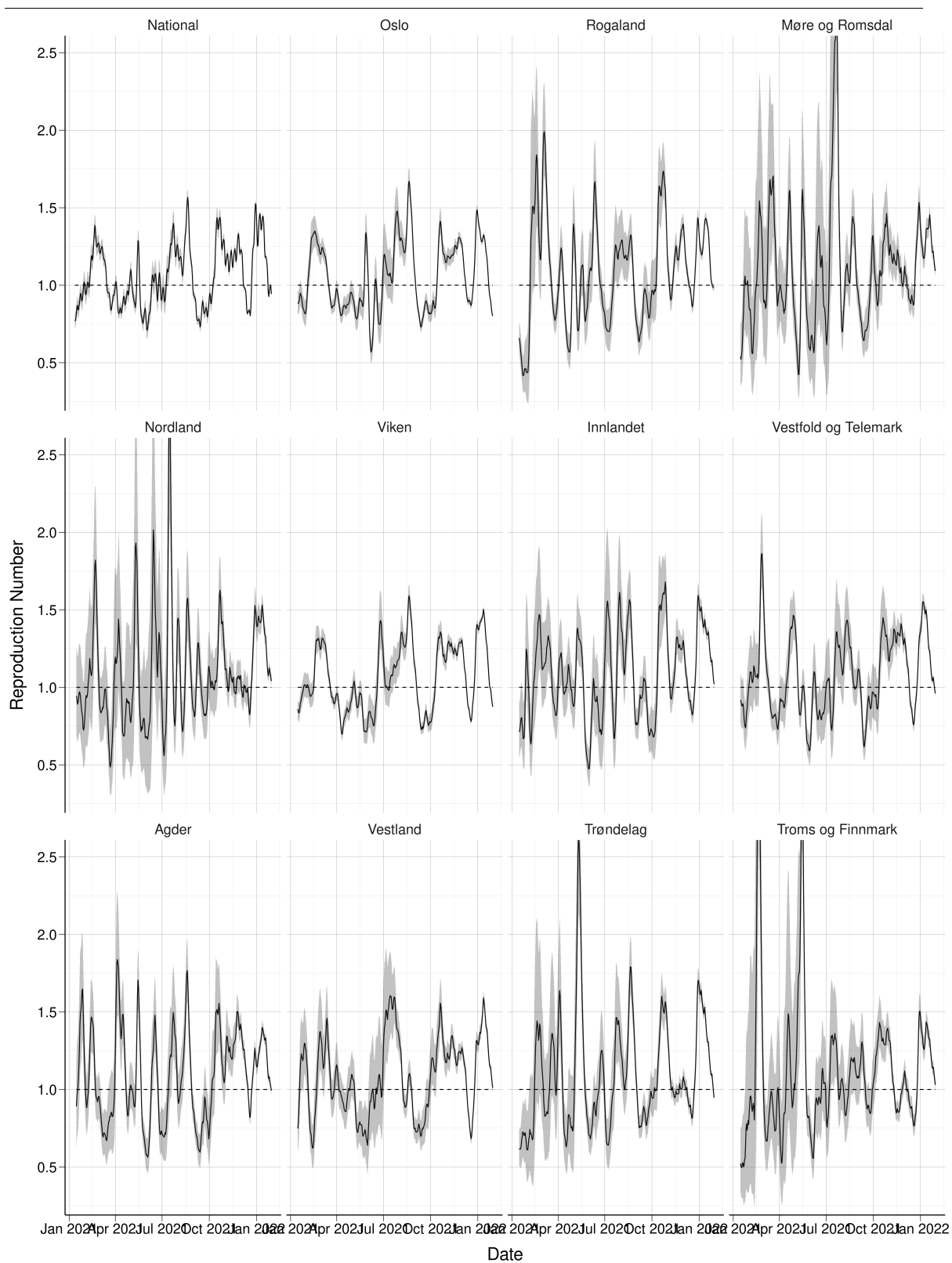


Figure 19: Reproduction number estimated using the R package EpiEstim.

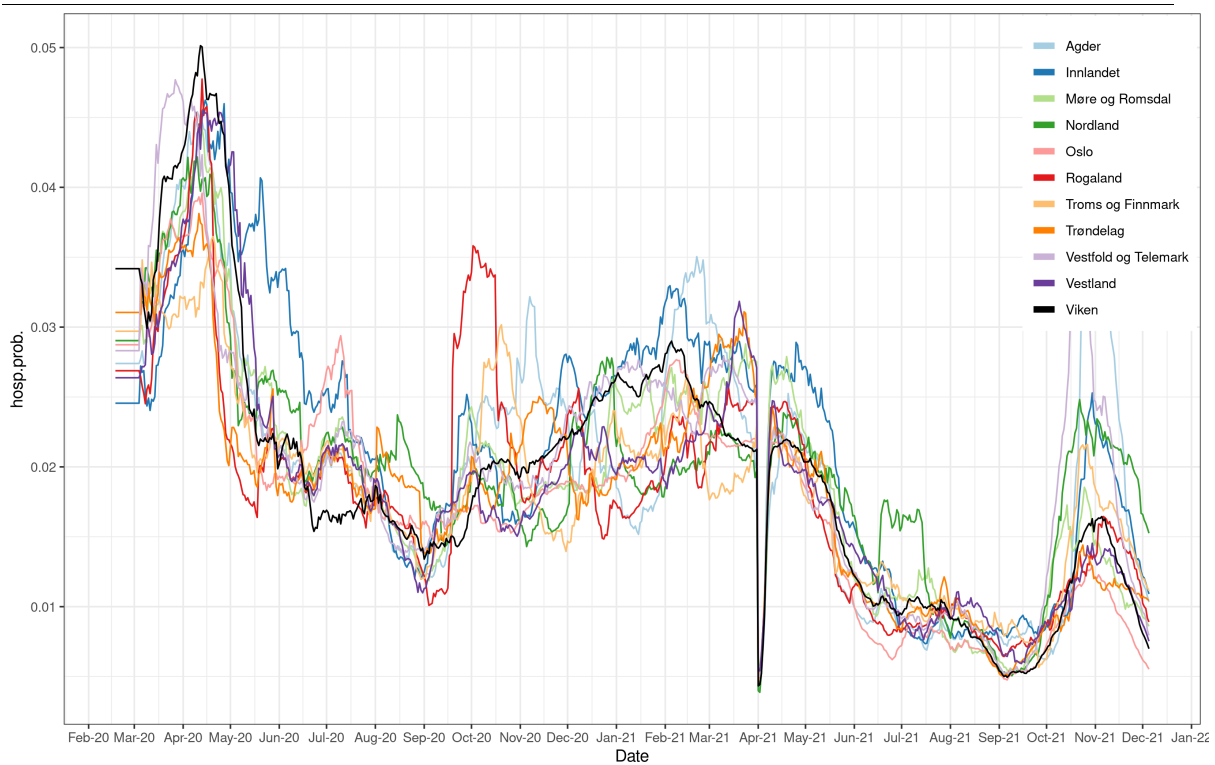


Figure 20: Regional hospitalisation probabilities per infection. The estimates are based on Salje et al., and regional data on the age distribution in the test data and the empirical case-hospitalisation rates.

Models and materials:

This report presents results based on a mathematical infectious disease model describing the geographical spread of COVID-19 in Norway. We use a metapopulation model for situational awareness and short-term forecasting and an individual-based model for long-term predictions. This report does not contain the long-term prediction results. Reproduction numbers of the metapopulation model are estimated in two ways: SMC-ABC is used to estimate a step-function in the transmissibility through prespecified changepoints, and SMC is used to estimate a daily varying reproduction number. We also provide estimates based on EpiEstim and a simple trend analysis. The models are described in previous reports and will not be explained here.

The metapopulation model takes daily varying Telenor mobility data as input. We also provide plots of the recent mobility for situational awareness.

How you should interpret the results: 3-week-ahead predictions and long-term scenarios

We provide both 3-week-ahead predictions and long-term scenarios. These are simulations of the disease spread into the future, under specific assumptions.

In the 3-week-ahead predictions, we assume that all parameters are as today, and simulate disease spread 3-weeks-ahead in time. Hence, these predictions are conditional on the current situation, and specifically on the most recently estimated reproduction number. The 3-week-ahead predictions thus do not take into account changes in transmissibility that are not yet captured by the available data, for example due to the delay between transmission and hospitalisation. Hence one of the conditions for the predictions to be valid is that the intervention policies do not change significantly in the next weeks. Hence, it does not make sense to evaluate or use the predictions if there are big changes in factors like

- new interventions
- relaxation of interventions
- a combination of new interventions and relaxations
- a significant change in vaccination coverage
- new variants with new properties
- a significant change in the contact behaviour of individuals.

As these factors are not likely to stay constant in the long-term future, we do not produce predictions for longer than three weeks ahead in time. Hence, our 3-week-ahead predictions are predictions of what may happen in the future, if there were no significant changes in the assumptions.

In this report, the term patient in ventilator treatment includes only those patients that require either invasive mechanical ventilation or ECMO (Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation).

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