

WEEKLY DENGUE UPDATE

Week 20 (12th – 18th May 2025)

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DENGUE CASE REPORTING

During 20th week, 1377 suspected dengue cases were reported in 25 districts in comparison to 1281 in 24 districts during the 19th week. There is 7.5% increase in 20th week, compared to the previous week. Of all reported cases, 44.3% were from Western Province [Colombo Municipal Council - 9.9%, rest of the Colombo District - 15.6%, Gampaha District - 15.9% and Kalutara District - 2.8%]. Rathnapura [19.7%], Kandy [7.2%], Batticaloa [3.8%], Galle [3.8%], and Kurunegala [3.6%] districts also have reported higher number of cases (Table 1).

WEEKLY DISTRIBUTION OF DENGUE PATIENTS in 2024 and 2025



Source: NaDSys – National Dengue Surveillance System

HIGH RISK MOH AREAS (Table 2)

During 20th week, 42 MOH areas were flagged as high-risk; 33 MOH areas showed rising number than their respective numbers in previous week. Persistently high number of patients are observed in 30 MOH areas in both 19th and 20th week of 2025.

Werellagama, Kinniya, Mawanella, Eheliyagoda, Godakawela, Kahawatta, Attanagalla, Ja-Ela, Mirigama, and Pugoda newly flagged as high-risk MOH areas in the 20th week. Koralai Pattu Central, Batticaloa, CMC-D5, Battaramulla, Moratuwa, Piliyandala, Bandaragama, and Panadura MOH areas flagged as high-risk in the 19th week, were not flagged in the current week.

MIDNIGHT TOTAL OF DENGUE PATIENT ADMISSIONS

* After updated with delayed reporting from hospitals, average midnight total for the 19th week shows an increase from 378 to 515.

In the 20th week average midnight total of dengue patients in selected 74 hospitals was 466. In 27 hospitals, the average midnight total has increased and in 21 hospitals it has decreased compared to the previous week.

Selected hospitals with high average midnight totals of dengue patients and changing trend of dengue admissions in the 20th week are illustrated in Table 3.

Table 1: Reported dengue cases in week 20 and week 19 of2025

	No. of cases							
District/	20	024	20	25	Up to	Week 20		
RDHS	Week 19	Week 20	Week 19	Week 20	2024	2025		
Colombo	106	166	358	352	5114	5739		
Gampaha	62	81	166	219	2232	3159		
Kalutara	31	33	53	39	1253	795		
Kandy	77	86	93	99	1784	1295		
Matale	1	7	17	10	245	589		
Nuwara Eliya	2	2	7	3	75	67		
Galle	25	31	53	53	1129	943		
Hambantota	5	2	14	20	330	342		
Matara	15	18	16	31	369	715		
Jaffna	12	5	14	19	3879	493		
Kilinochchi	2	Nil	1	7	213	39		
Mannar	4	Nil	1	6	138	94		
Vavuniya	1	Nil	Nil	2	60	22		
Mullaitivu	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	121	5		
Batticaloa	15	21	66	52	996	1300		
Ampara	1	1	3	4	94	62		
Trincomalee	14	12	40	37	410	660		
Kalmunai*	2	6	13	11	434	258		
Kurunegala	22	60	26	49	1056	458		
Puttalam	11	15	14	11	680	351		
Anuradhapura	2	2	5	9	238	240		
Polonnaruwa	1	7	6	11	153	137		
Badulla	3	9	7	14	381	277		
Monaragala	12	4	13	8	351	367		
Ratnapura	59	148	251	271	1179	2376		
Kegalle	38	54	44	40	1017	563		
Total	523	770	1281	1377	23931	2134		

Source: NaDSys (Dengue Surveillance, National Dengue Control Unit) *Ampara district is divided into two Regional Directorates of Health Services (RDHS) as Ampara & Kalmunai

Districts reporting higher number of cases.

Table 2: High risk MOH areas (42)

Cases reporte				Cases reported		MOLLA	Cases reported			Cases reported	
MOH Area	Week 19	Week 20	MOH Area	Week 19	Week 20	MOH Area	Week 19	Week 20	MOH Area	Week 19	Week 20
WESTERN PROVINCE		Egodauyana	6	14	Batticaloa District		Eheliyagoda	4	16		
Colombo District			Rathmalana	9	11	Oddamavadi 14 20		Godakawela	10	11	
CMC – D1	19	20	Gampaha District		•	Trincomalee District		Kahawatta 4		15	
CMC-D2A	13	18	Biyagama	18	24	Muttur 17 11		Kegalle RDHS			
CMC- D2B	24	14	Kelaniya	21	33	Kinniya	5	16	Mawanella	9	14
CMC- D3	34	48	Gampaha	15	17	SABARAGAMUWA PROVINCE		CENTRAL PROVINCE		•	
CMC- D4	20	19	Mahara	11	22	Rathnapura RDHS			Kandy District	Kandy District	
Gothatuwa	20	20	Wattala	20	27	Elapatha	19	29	MC Kandy	12	17
Kaduwela	17	19	Negombo	14	15	Kuruvita	24	11	Yatinuwara	18	16
Maharagama	32	19	Ja- Ela	8	12	Rathnapura MC	61	55	Werellagama	8	11
Homagama	17	20	Mirigama	9	13	Rathnapura PS 15 22		22	SOUTHERN PROVINCE		
Dehiwala	14	15	Pugoda	10	17	Pelmadulla 17 18		18	Matara RDHS		
Pitakotte	23	11	Attanagalla	2	11	Nivithigala	32	40	Weligama	6	11
Kolonnawa	16	21	EASTERN PROVIN	CE		Kalawana	11	13		•	•

Table 3: Hospitals with high average midnight totals and admissions for dengue patients in the week 20

Hospital	Aver	Average Midnight Total		Hospital	Average Midnight Total			
	Week 19	Week 20			Week 19	Week 20		
TH-Ratnapura	109	66	ŧ	DGH- Gampaha	13	13	-	D
NHSL	59	63	1	BH- Kiribathgoda	6	13	+	BH
TH-Col-South	36	40	1	BH-Balangoda	17	11	ŧ	DC
NIID	32	39	1	BH-Kahawatta	12	11	ŧ	PG
TH-Col-North	19	24	1	BH- Panadura	6	10	+	D
LRH	21	23	1	DGH- Matara	11	9	ŧ	DC
TH-Peradeniya	14	17	1	TH-Kurunegala	9	9	-	BH
TH-Karapitiya	11	16	1	BH- Mawanella	6	8	+	
NH-Kandy	14	14	-	BH Muttur	9	8	+	
DGH- Negombo	12	13	1	TH- Kalutara	7	7	-	

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Hospital	Average Midnight Total					
	Week 19	Week 20				
DGH-Avissawella	9	6	+			
BH-Valaichchenai	11	6	+			
DGH-Matale	3	6	1			
PGH-Badulla	3	6	+			
DGH-Trincomalee	5	5	-			
DGH-Hambantota	2	5	+			
BH- Wathupitiwala	3	4	+			

Table 4: Dengue related deaths

	2024	2025		2024	2025
Reported Deaths	24	10	Case Fatality Rate	0.05%	0.05%

Deaths reported in 2025 [Age & Sex]								
Age Group (Yrs)	Male	Female	Age Group (Yrs)	Male	Female			
5-14	1		45 - 54		2			
15-24		1	55 - 64	1	1			
25-34		2						
35-44		2	Total	2	8			

Deaths reported in 2025 [Districts/Admin area]									
District/area	No District/area No District/area No								
Colombo	2	Monaragala	1	Rathnapura	3				
Gampaha	2	Batticaloa	1	Kandy	1				



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