

# WEEKLY DENGUE UPDATE

Week 21 (19<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025)

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### **DENGUE CASE REPORTING**

During 21<sup>st</sup> week, 1468 suspected dengue cases were reported in 23 districts in comparison to 1377 in 25 districts during the 20<sup>th</sup> week. There is 6.6% increase in 21<sup>st</sup> week, compared to the previous week. Of all reported cases, 43.1% were from Western Province [Colombo Municipal Council - 7.3%, rest of the Colombo District - 17.6%, Gampaha District - 14.4% and Kalutara District - 3.8%]. Rathnapura [21.5%], Kandy [7.8%], Galle [4.0%], and Batticaloa [3.8%] 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 21<sup>st</sup> week, 43 MOH areas were flagged as high-risk; 31 MOH areas showed rising number than their respective numbers in previous week. Persistently high number of patients are observed in 32 MOH areas in both 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> week of 2025.

Gangawata Korale, Dehiovita, Balangoda, Boralesgamuwa, Moratuwa, Nugegoda, Piliyandala, Divulapitiya, Minuwangoda, Ragama, and Panadura newly flagged as high-risk MOH areas in the 21<sup>st</sup> week. Godakawela, Weligama, Werellagama, Mawanella, Kahawatta, Kinniya, Egodauyana, Mirigama, Pugoda, and Attanagalla MOH areas flagged as high-risk in the 20<sup>th</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> week shows an increase from 466 to 497.

In the 21<sup>st</sup> week average midnight total of dengue patients in selected 74 hospitals was 473. In 24 hospitals, the average midnight total has increased and in 18 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 21<sup>st</sup> week are illustrated in Table 3.

Table 1: Reported dengue cases in week 21 and week 20 of2025

	No. of cases								
District/	20	024	20	25	Up to	Week 21			
RDHS	Week 20	Week 21	Week 20	Week 21	2024	2025			
Colombo	166	130	352	365	5244	6117			
Gampaha	81	61	219	212	2293	3364			
Kalutara	33	29	39	56	1282	868			
Kandy	86	60	99	115	1844	1426			
Matale	7	5	10	21	250	621			
Nuwara Eliya	2	1	3	6	76	76			
Galle	31	27	53	58	1156	1006			
Hambantota	2	1	20	20	331	362			
Matara	18	6	31	30	375	744			
Jaffna	5	8	19	15	3887	504			
Kilinochchi	Nil	Nil	7	1	213	34			
Mannar	Nil	Nil	6	Nil	138	88			
Vavuniya	Nil	Nil	2	Nil	60	20			
Mullaitivu	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	121	5			
Batticaloa	21	18	52	56	1014	1360			
Ampara	1	7	4	4	101	66			
Trincomalee	12	5	37	36	415	695			
Kalmunai*	6	9	11	6	443	259			
Kurunegala	60	34	49	46	1090	501			
Puttalam	15	12	11	8	692	356			
Anuradhapura	2	7	9	5	245	241			
Polonnaruwa	7	5	11	6	158	138			
Badulla	9	3	14	23	384	309			
Monaragala	4	9	8	19	360	397			
Ratnapura	148	93	271	316	1272	2737			
Kegalle	54	20	40	44	1037	611			
Total	770	550	1377	1468	24481	2290			

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 (43)

	Cas repo			Cas repo		MOLLA	Cas repo			Cas repo	
MOH Area	Week 20	Week 21	MOH Area	Week 20	Week 21	MOH Area	Week 20	Week 21	MOH Area	Week 20	Week 21
WESTERN PROVIN	ICE		Boralesgamuwa	5	13	Minuwangoda	10	13	Rathnapura PS	23	32
Colombo District			Rathmalana	11	14	Ragama	3	15	Pelmadulla	19	41
CMC – D1	23	13	Moratuwa	8	20	Kalutara District			Nivithigala	42	25
CMC-D2A	25	20	Nugegoda	10	14	Panadura	9	18	Kalawana	11	12
CMC- D2B	15	14	Piliyandala	7	11	EASTERN PROVINCE			Eheliyagoda	15	19
CMC- D3	50	41	Gampaha District	•		Batticaloa District			Balangoda	7	13
CMC- D4	16	12	Biyagama	26	27	Oddamavadi 19 13		Kegalle RDHS			
Gothatuwa	18	17	Kelaniya	33	25	Trincomalee District			Dehiovita	5	11
Kaduwela	17	19	Gampaha	16	12	Muttur 11 15		15	CENTRAL PROVIN	CE	
Maharagama	18	30	Mahara	22	19	SABARAGAMUWA	PROVIN	CE	Kandy District		
Homagama	20	13	Wattala	26	28	Rathnapura RDHS			MC Kandy	18	22
Dehiwala	15	20	Negombo	15	20	Elapatha	29	32	Yatinuwara	16	20
Pitakotte	21	15	Ja- Ela	12	12	Kuruvita	13	32	Gangawata	8	16
Kolonnawa	20	20	Divulapitiya	4	12	Rathnapura MC	51	55	Korale		<u> </u>

# Table 3: Hospitals with high average midnight totals and admissions for dengue patients in the week 21

Hospital	Aver	Average Midnight Total			Hospital	Aver	age Midr Total	night	Hospita
	Week 20	Week 21				Week 20	Week 21		
NHSL	59	54	+		BH- Kiribathgoda	13	15	+	DGH- Matara
TH-Ratnapura	66	53	ŧ		BH-Balangoda	11	14	1	TH- Kalutara
NIID	39	39	-		DGH- Gampaha	13	13	-	BH Muttur
TH-Col-South	40	34	ŧ		BH-Kahawatta	11	12	1	TH-Batticaloa
LRH	23	27	+		BH-Valaichchenai	6	12	+	BH- Mawane
TH-Col-North	24	26	+		BH- Panadura	10	10	-	DGH-Trincon
DGH- Negombo	13	22	+		PGH-Badulla	6	10	1	DGH-Kegalle
TH-Peradeniya	17	21	+		DGH-Avissawella	6	9	1	
NH-Kandy	14	18	+		TH-Kurunegala	9	9	-	
TH-Karapitiya	16	16	-		DGH-Matale	6	8	+	

Hospital	Average Midnight Total					
	Week 20	Week 21				
DGH- Matara	8	8	-			
TH- Kalutara	7	7	-			
BH Muttur	8	7	ŧ			
TH-Batticaloa	2	6	+			
BH- Mawanella	8	5	ŧ			
DGH-Trincomalee	5	4	ŧ			
DGH-Kegalle	3	4	+			

## Table 4: Dengue related deaths

	2024	2025		2024	2025
Reported Deaths	24	11	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		3	Total	2	9				

Deaths reported in 2025 [Districts/Admin area]										
District/area	No	District/area	No	District/area	No					
Colombo	2	Monaragala	1	Rathnapura	4					
Gampaha	2	Batticaloa	1	Kandy	1					

#### SPECIAL MOSQUITO CONTROL WEEK [19-24 May 2025]

With the coordination of the National Dengue Control Unit and Disaster Preparedness and Response Division of the Ministry of Health and Mass Media and in collaboration with the Tri-forces, Sri Lanka Police, Civil Defence Force and various volunteer organizations a special mosquito control week was conducted in 95 high-risk Medical Officer of Health areas in 15 districts.

During this campaign, 128,824 premises were inspected out of which 31,145 premises were identified as having potential mosquito breeding sites. As well as 4.7% of premises (6,077) were having active mosquito breeding sites with larvae. Red notices were issued to 3,916 premises and legal procedures were implemented against owners of 1,470 premises.

Factories, construction sites, schools, religious places, other educational institutions (such as private tutories) and government institutions were identified as having heavy mosquito breeding sites, where 17.9%, 15.4%, 14.4%, 12.6%, 10.5%, and 10.0% of each type of these premise types were having mosquito breeding sites respectively. 4.5% of all houses inspected were also having mosquito breeding places.

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