



WEEKLY DENGUE UPDATE

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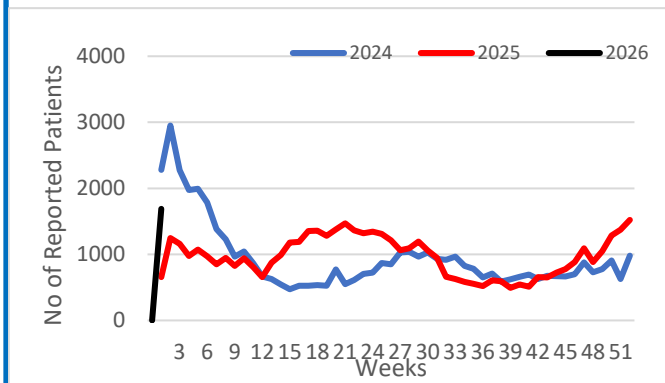
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DENGUE CASE REPORTING

During the 1st week, 1689 suspected dengue cases were reported across 24 districts, compared to 1522 cases in the previous week, reflecting a 11% increase. The Western Province accounted for 56.5% of total cases, with the Colombo Municipal Council (CMC) contributing 6.7%, the rest of Colombo District 24.2%, Gampaha District 18.5%, and Kalutara District 7%. Outside the Western Province, notable case contributions were reported from Kandy (5.4%), Matara (5.3%), Ratnapura (5.2%), Galle (4.3%), Jaffna (3.2%), Kurunegala (2.8%), Matale (2.4%) and Kegalle (2%) (see Table 1).

WEEKLY DISTRIBUTION OF DENGUE PATIENTS in 2024, 2025 and 2026



Source: NaDSys – National Dengue Surveillance System

HIGH RISK MOH AREAS

As presented in Table 2, during the 1st week of 2026, 71 Medical Officer of Health (MOH) areas were identified as high-risk, including 30 newly flagged areas (highlighted in light blue in Table 2). Tangalle and Dehiowitz, which were previously classified as high-risk MOH areas in week 52, were not identified as high-risk in the 1st week of 2026 (Table 2).

MIDNIGHT TOTAL OF DENGUE PATIENT ADMISSIONS

* After incorporating delayed hospital reports, the average midnight total for the 52nd week rose from 496 to 504.

In the 1st week of 2026, the average midnight total of dengue patients across 74 sentinel hospitals was 498. During this period, 23 hospitals reported an increase in dengue admissions, while 23 hospitals reported a decrease.

Table 3 highlights sentinel hospitals with high average midnight totals and changes in dengue admissions during the 1st week.

Table 1: Reported dengue cases in week 01 of 2026 and week 52 of 2025

District/ RDHS	No. of cases				Up to Week 01	
	2024/2025		2025/2026		2025	2026
	Week 52	Week 01	Week 52	Week 01**		
Colombo	295	269	488*	523	269	523
Gampaha	142	184	235	312	184	312
Kalutara	29	44	78*	119	44	119
Kandy	58	57	81*	91	57	91
Matale	26	27	24	40	27	40
Nuwara Eliya	5	4	10	6	4	6
Galle	12	65	93*	72	65	72
Hambantota	38	25	57	25	25	25
Matara	18	46	91	90	46	90
Jaffna	88	33	61	54	33	54
Kilinochchi	3	2	4	5	2	5
Mannar	2	11	2	4	11	4
Vavuniya	Nil	2	Nil	Nil	2	Nil
Mullaitivu	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Batticaloa	40	70	18	16	70	16
Ampara	1	4	5	12	4	12
Trincomalee	9	23	21	16	23	16
Kalmunai*	14	18	15	25	18	25
Kurunegala	17	44	37	48	44	48
Puttalam	10	39	17	27	39	27
Anuradhapura	10	21	12	21	21	21
Polonnaruwa	10	5	13	6	5	6
Badulla	21	11	28*	23	11	23
Monaragala	15	29	15	32	29	32
Ratnapura	69	53	72	87	53	87
Kegalle	40	50	45*	35	50	35
Total*	973	1136	1522	1689	1136	1689

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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.

* Week total may vary slightly due to the deletion of duplicate entries. Inter-district transfers can affect the district totals.

** Week 1 total is calculated from last 3 days in 2025 and first 4 days in 2026.

Table 2: High risk MOH areas

MOH Area	Cases reported		MOH Area	Cases reported		MOH Area	Cases reported		MOH Area	Cases reported				
	Week 52	Week 01		Week 52	Week 01		Week 52	Week 01		Week 52	Week 01			
WESTERN PROVINCE			D4-CMC	20	23	NORTHERN PROVINCE			Werellagama	3	14			
Colombo District			D5-CMC	22	21	Jaffna District			Yatinuwara	3	12			
Battaramulla	30	47	Gampaha District			Karaveddy			13	26				
Boralesgamuwa	14	22	Attanagalla	19	29	SOUTHERN PROVINCE			SABARAGAMUWA PROVINCE					
Dehiwala	26	36	Biyagama	15	37	Galle District			Rathnapura District					
Egodauyana	11	25	Gampaha	27	48	MC-Galle			13	22	Rathnapura MC			
Gothatuwa	54	82	Ja Ela	23	50	Akmeemana			8	18	Balangoda			
Hanwella	4	16	Katana		12	Ambalangoda			7	11	Embilipitiya			
Homagama	30	37	Kelaniya	26	44	Habaraduwa			7	12	Godakawela			
Kaduwela	37	58	Mahara	21	29	Hambanthota District			EASTERN PROVINCE					
Kahatuduwa	13	19	Meerigama	8	16	Ambalantota			6	11	Kalmunai District			
Kolonnawa	19	24	Minuwangoda	18	15	Matara District			Kalmunai South			7	13	
Maharagama	25	41	Negombo	9	14	Dickwella			24	27	Trincomalee District			
Moratuwa	23	39	Pugoda	12	14	Matara MC			13	17	Uppuveli			
Nugegoda	14	36	Ragama	4	24	Weligama			12	14	NORTH WESTERN PROVINCE			
Padukka	9	12	Seeduwa	17	35	Devinuwara			8	15	Puttalam District			
Piliyandala	14	41	Wattala	25	48	Kamburupitiya			1	10	Mahawewa			
Pitakotte (Kotte)	11	21	Kalutara District			CENTRAL PROVINCE			Kandy District			Puttalam		
Rathmalana	23	46	Bandaragama	15	23	Kandy MC			4	16	Monaragala District			
CMC			Horana	5	10	Kundasale			9	10	Badulla District			
D1-CMC	23	18	Ingiriya	6	10	Medadumbara			7	26	Badulla			
D2A-CMC	17	29	Panadura	12	38	Pasbage			5	13	7			
D2B-CMC	9	31	Wadduwa	9	24	Waththegama			19	11	11			
D3-CMC	25	32	Walallawita	6	13							2		

Table 3: Sentinel hospitals with high average midnight totals in the 01st week

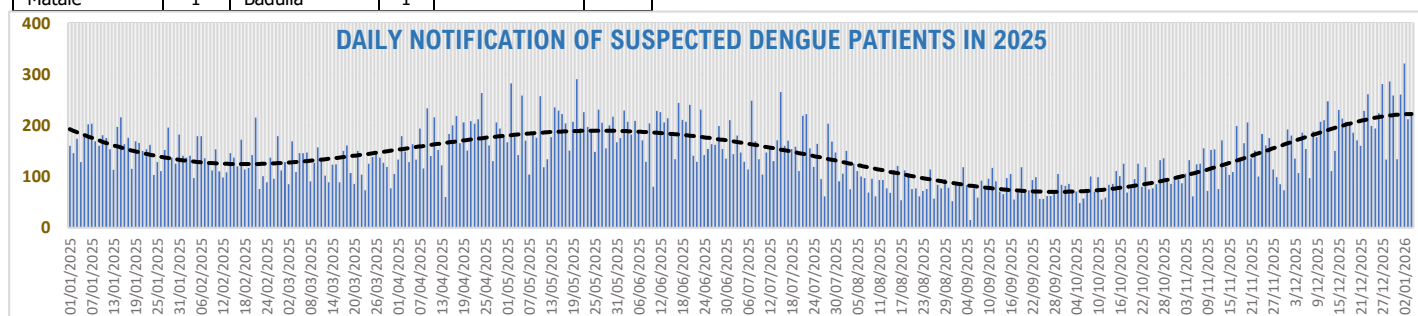
Hospital	Average Midnight Total			Hospital	Average Midnight Total			Hospital	Average Midnight Total		
	Week 52	Week 01			Week 52	Week 01			Week 52	Week 01	
TH - Colombo South	47	55	↑	NH - Kandy	14	14	-	BH - Balapitiya	8	5	↓
NIID	50	53	↑	BH - Panadura	8	13	↑	BH - Balangoda	10	5	↓
NHSL	42	52	↑	TH - Kurunegala	18	10	↓	BH - Marawila	2	5	↑
TH-Matara	28	34	↑	TH - Peradeniya	9	10	↑	BH - Kahawatta	5	5	-
TH - Colombo North	21	21	-	TH - Kalutara	9	9	-	DGH Horana	4	4	-
TH - Ratnapura	19	20	↑	BH - Wathupitiwala	10	9	↓	BH - Warakapola	1	4	↑
PGH - Badulla	16	17	↑	DGH-Avissawella	8	7	↓	DGH - Matale	3	4	↑
DGH - Gampaha	15	17	↑	BH - Kiribathgoda	8	7	↓	DGH - Ampara	2	4	↑
NH - Galle	27	16	↓	DGH Hambantota	5	6	↑	BH - Kalmunai North	5	4	↓
DGH - Negombo	21	15	↓	DGH - Embilipitiya	4	5	↑				
LRH	17	14	↓	TH - Kuliyaipitiya	5	5	-				

Table 4: Dengue related deaths

	2025	2026		2025	2026
Reported Deaths	28	00	Case Fatality Rate	0.05%	0.00%

Deaths reported in 2025 [Districts/Admin area]					
District/area	No	District/area	No	District/area	No
Colombo	7	Monaragala	1	Rathnapura	7
Gampaha	5	Batticaloa	1	Galle	1
Matara	1	Kandy	2	Kurunegala	1
Matale	1	Badulla	1		

Deaths reported in 2025 [Age & Sex]					
Age Group (Yrs)	Male	Female	Age Group (Yrs)	Male	Female
5-14	2		45 - 54		2
15-24	2	1	55 - 64	1	5
25-34	2	2	> 64	1	2
35-44	3	5	Total	11	17



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