



# WEEKLY DENGUE UPDATE

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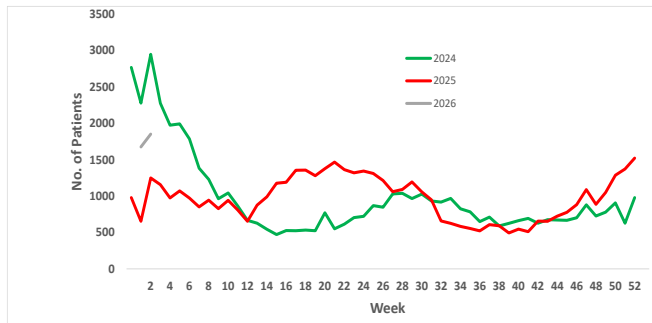
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## DENGUE CASE REPORTING

During the 2<sup>nd</sup> week, 1853 suspected dengue cases were reported across 25 districts, compared to 1677 cases in the previous week, reflecting a 10.5% increase. The Western Province accounted for 54.5% of total cases, with the Colombo Municipal Council (CMC) contributing 8.3%, the rest of Colombo District 25.9%, Gampaha District 15.1%, and Kalutara District 5.2%. Outside the Western Province, notable case contributions were reported from Matara (7.1%), Galle (6.8%), Kandy (5.1%), Ratnapura (3.9%), Kurunegala (2.9%), Kegalle (2.4%), Hambantota (2.3%) and Puttalam (2.2%) (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 02<sup>nd</sup> week of 2026, 52 Medical Officer of Health (MOH) areas were identified as high-risk, including 7 newly flagged areas (highlighted in light blue in Table 2). Previously classified 26 high-risk MOH areas in week 01, were not identified as high-risk in the 02<sup>nd</sup> week of 2026 (Table 2).

## MIDNIGHT TOTAL OF DENGUE PATIENT ADMISSIONS

\* After incorporating delayed hospital reports, the average midnight total for the 1<sup>st</sup> week rose from 498 to 506.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of 2026, the average midnight total of dengue patients across 74 sentinel hospitals was 610. During this period, 33 hospitals reported an increase in dengue admissions, while 12 hospitals reported a decrease.

Table 3 highlights sentinel hospitals with high average midnight totals and changes in dengue admissions during the 2<sup>nd</sup> week.

Table 1: Reported dengue cases in week 02 and week 01 of 2026

| District/<br>RDHS | No. of cases |             |              |             |               |             |
|-------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
|                   | 2025         |             | 2026         |             | Up to Week 02 |             |
|                   | Week 01      | Week 02     | Week 01      | Week 02     | 2025          | 2026        |
| Colombo           | 269          | 316         | 525*         | 634         | 585           | 1159        |
| Gampaha           | 184          | 184         | 307*         | 279         | 368           | 586         |
| Kalutara          | 44           | 36          | 115*         | 96          | 116           | 211         |
| Kandy             | 57           | 72          | 87*          | 95          | 129           | 182         |
| Matale            | 27           | 30          | 40           | 25          | 57            | 65          |
| Nuwara Eliya      | 4            | 3           | 9*           | 5           | 7             | 14          |
| Galle             | 65           | 100         | 72           | 126         | 165           | 198         |
| Hambantota        | 25           | 38          | 25           | 43          | 63            | 68          |
| Matara            | 46           | 37          | 89*          | 132         | 83            | 221         |
| Jaffna            | 33           | 79          | 52*          | 35          | 112           | 87          |
| Kilinochchi       | 2            | 4           | 5            | 2           | 6             | 7           |
| Mannar            | 11           | 23          | 4            | Nil         | 34            | 4           |
| Vavuniya          | 2            | Nil         | Nil          | 4           | 2             | 4           |
| Mullaitivu        | Nil          | 1           | Nil          | 3           | 1             | 3           |
| Batticaloa        | 70           | 62          | 14*          | 25          | 132           | 39          |
| Ampara            | 4            | 4           | 12           | 22          | 8             | 34          |
| Trincomalee       | 23           | 41          | 16           | 25          | 64            | 41          |
| Kalmunai*         | 18           | 22          | 24*          | 22          | 40            | 46          |
| Kurunegala        | 44           | 19          | 48           | 53          | 63            | 101         |
| Puttalam          | 39           | 23          | 28*          | 41          | 62            | 69          |
| Anuradhapura      | 21           | 14          | 21           | 10          | 35            | 31          |
| Polonnaruwa       | 5            | 4           | 6            | 10          | 9             | 16          |
| Badulla           | 11           | 25          | 23           | 26          | 36            | 49          |
| Monaragala        | 29           | 24          | 33*          | 24          | 53            | 57          |
| Ratnapura         | 53           | 45          | 86*          | 72          | 98            | 158         |
| Kegalle           | 50           | 45          | 36*          | 44          | 95            | 80          |
| <b>Total*</b>     | <b>1136</b>  | <b>1251</b> | <b>1677*</b> | <b>1853</b> | <b>2387</b>   | <b>3530</b> |

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.

**Table 2: High risk MOH areas**

| MOH Area                | Cases reported |         | MOH Area                 | Cases reported |         | MOH Area                      | Cases reported |         | MOH Area          | Cases reported |         |
|-------------------------|----------------|---------|--------------------------|----------------|---------|-------------------------------|----------------|---------|-------------------|----------------|---------|
|                         | Week 01        | Week 02 |                          | Week 01        | Week 02 |                               | Week 01        | Week 02 |                   | Week 01        | Week 02 |
| <b>WESTERN PROVINCE</b> |                |         | D2A-CMC                  | 29             | 21      | <b>SOUTHERN PROVINCE</b>      |                |         | Ampara District   |                |         |
| Colombo District        |                |         | D2B-CMC                  | 31             | 21      | Galle District                |                |         | Ampara            | 1              | 12      |
| Battaramulla            | 47             | 41      | D3-CMC                   | 32             | 41      | MC-Galle                      |                |         | 22                | 20             |         |
| Boralesgamuwa           | 22             | 17      | D4-CMC                   | 23             | 30      | Akmeemana                     |                |         | 18                | 16             |         |
| Dehiwala                | 36             | 35      | D5-CMC                   | 21             | 25      | Baddegama                     |                |         | 4                 | 11             |         |
| Egodauyana              | 25             | 24      | <b>Gampaha District</b>  |                |         | Rathgama                      |                |         | 0                 | 13             |         |
| Gothatuwa               | 82             | 66      | Attanagalla              | 29             | 15      | <b>Matara District</b>        |                |         | Matara MC         |                |         |
| Hanwella                | 16             | 14      | Biyagama                 | 37             | 29      | Dickwella                     |                |         | 27                | 24             |         |
| Homagama                | 37             | 15      | Gampaha                  | 48             | 39      | Matara MC                     |                |         | 17                | 20             |         |
| Kaduwela                | 58             | 46      | Ja Ela                   | 50             | 25      | Weligama                      |                |         | 14                | 20             |         |
| Kolonnawa               | 24             | 20      | Kelaniya                 | 44             | 36      | Devinuwara                    |                |         | 15                | 18             |         |
| Maharagama              | 41             | 28      | Mahara                   | 29             | 18      | <b>Hambantota District</b>    |                |         | Ambalantota       |                |         |
| Moratuwa                | 39             | 33      | Minuwangoda              | 15             | 14      | Ambalantota                   |                |         | 11                | 10             |         |
| Nugegoda                | 36             | 39      | Pugoda                   | 14             | 12      | <b>CENTRAL PROVINCE</b>       |                |         | Kandy District    |                |         |
| Piliyandala             | 41             | 19      | Ragama                   | 24             | 13      | Gangawata                     |                |         | 1                 | 11             |         |
| Pitakotte (Kotte)       | 21             | 20      | Seeduwa                  | 35             | 13      | Korale                        |                |         | Medadumbara       |                |         |
| Rathmalana              | 46             | 35      | Wattala                  | 48             | 36      | Medadumbara                   |                |         | 26                | 16             |         |
| <b>CMC</b>              |                |         | <b>Kalutara District</b> |                |         | <b>EASTERN PROVINCE</b>       |                |         | Ampara District   |                |         |
| D1-CMC                  | 18             | 14      | Panadura                 | 38             | 25      | Batticaloa District           |                |         | Batticaloa        |                |         |
|                         |                |         | Wadduwa                  | 24             | 18      | Batticaloa                    |                |         | 2                 | 14             |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | Trincomalee District          |                |         | Uppuveli          |                |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | Uppuveli                      |                |         | 3                 | 10             |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | <b>NORTH WESTERN PROVINCE</b> |                |         | Puttalam District |                |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | Puttalam District             |                |         | Mahawewa          |                |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | Mahawewa                      |                |         | 21                | 15             |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | Puttalam                      |                |         | 10                | 10             |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | <b>UVA PROVINCE</b>           |                |         | Badulla District  |                |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | Badulla District              |                |         | Badulla           |                |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | Badulla                       |                |         | 11                | 11             |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | <b>NOTHERN PROVINCE</b>       |                |         | Jaffna District   |                |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | Jaffna District               |                |         | Karaveddy         |                |         |
|                         |                |         |                          |                |         | Karaveddy                     |                |         | 6                 | 10             |         |

**Table 3: Sentinel hospitals with high average midnight totals in the 02<sup>nd</sup> week**

| Hospital           | Average Midnight Total |         | Hospital | Average Midnight Total |         | Hospital | Average Midnight Total |                     |   |   |   |
|--------------------|------------------------|---------|----------|------------------------|---------|----------|------------------------|---------------------|---|---|---|
|                    | Week 01                | Week 02 |          | Week 01                | Week 02 |          | Week 01                | Week 02             |   |   |   |
| NIID               | 53                     | 71      | ↑        | NH - Kandy             | 14      | 15       | ↑                      | BH - Kahawatta      | 5 | 6 | ↑ |
| TH - Colombo South | 55                     | 61      | ↑        | DGH Hambantota         | 6       | 12       | ↑                      | DGH - Ampara        | 4 | 6 | ↑ |
| NHSL               | 52                     | 56      | ↑        | TH - Peradeniya        | 10      | 11       | ↑                      | TH - Kuliyaipitiya  | 5 | 6 | ↑ |
| DGH-Matara         | 34                     | 47      | ↑        | PGH - Badulla          | 17      | 10       | ↓                      | TH - Batticaloa     | 2 | 6 | ↑ |
| NH - Galle         | 16                     | 35      | ↑        | BH - Kiribathgoda      | 7       | 10       | ↑                      | BH - Puttalam       | 2 | 5 | ↑ |
| TH - Colombo North | 21                     | 24      | ↑        | TH - Kalutara          | 9       | 9        | -                      | DGH - Kegalle       | 2 | 5 | ↑ |
| DGH - Negombo      | 15                     | 22      | ↑        | BH - Balapitiya        | 5       | 8        | ↑                      | BH - Kalmunai North | 4 | 5 | ↑ |
| LRH                | 14                     | 22      | ↑        | BH - Wathupitiwala     | 9       | 7        | ↓                      | BH - Warakapola     | 4 | 4 | - |
| TH - Ratnapura     | 20                     | 19      | ↓        | BH - Balangoda         | 5       | 7        | ↑                      | DGH - Trincomalee   | 2 | 4 | ↑ |
| DGH - Gampaha      | 17                     | 18      | ↑        | BH - Marawila          | 5       | 7        | ↑                      | DGH - Matale        | 4 | 4 | - |
| BH - Panadura      | 13                     | 17      | ↑        | DGH - Embilipitiya     | 5       | 6        | ↑                      |                     |   |   |   |
| TH - Kurunegala    | 10                     | 16      | ↑        | DGH-Avissawella        | 7       | 6        | ↓                      |                     |   |   |   |

**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      | <b>Total</b>    | <b>11</b> | <b>17</b> |

