



WEEKLY DENGUE UPDATE

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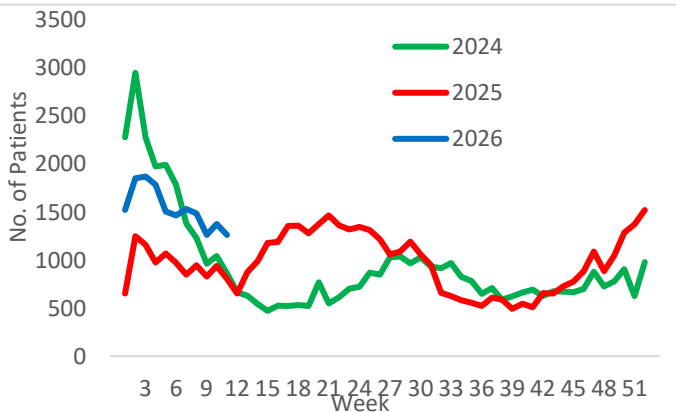
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DENGUE CASE REPORTING

During the 11th week, 1263 suspected dengue cases were reported across 24 districts, compared to 1375 cases in the previous week, reflecting an 8.1% decrease. The Western Province accounted for 44.9% of total cases, with the Colombo Municipal Council (CMC) contributing 4.6%, the rest of Colombo District 19.3%, Gampaha District 15.1%, and Kalutara District 5.9%. Outside the Western Province, notable case contributions were reported from Matara (8.6%), Galle (6.4%), Ratnapura (6.2%), Batticaloa (4.5%), Kurunegala (4%), Kandy (3.9%), Hambantota (3.2%), Kegalle (2.5%), Puttalam (2.3%), and Kalmunai (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 11th week of 2026, 33 Medical Officer of Health (MOH) areas were identified as high-risk, including 5 newly flagged areas (highlighted in light blue in Table 2). Previously classified 18 high-risk MOH areas in week 10, were not identified as high-risk in the 11th week of 2026 (Table 2).

MIDNIGHT TOTAL OF DENGUE PATIENT ADMISSIONS

* After incorporating delayed hospital reports, the average midnight total for the 10th week rose from 459 to 462.

In the 11th week of 2026, the average midnight total of dengue patients across 74 sentinel hospitals was 415. During this period, 20 hospitals reported an increase in dengue admissions, while 34 hospitals reported a decrease.

Table 3 highlights sentinel hospitals with high average midnight totals and changes in dengue admissions during the 11th week.

Table 1: Reported dengue cases in week 11 and week 10 of 2026

District/ RDHS	No. of cases					
	2025		2026		Up to Week 11	
	Week 10	Week 11	Week 10	Week 11	2025	2026
Colombo	312	255	365*	302	2885	4778
Gampaha	137	142	247*	191	1604	2578
Kalutara	45	28	84*	74	421	845
Kandy	53	56	40	49	679	629
Matale	35	7	20	20	299	267
Nuwara Eliya	1	4	9	5	25	64
Galle	37	30	114	81	568	1139
Hambantota	14	15	39*	41	224	578
Matara	34	34	94*	109	423	1216
Jaffna	7	23	13	21	346	342
Kilinochchi	2	3	2	2	22	26
Mannar	Nil	3	2	Nil	64	19
Vavuniya	3	1	3	Nil	9	37
Mullaitivu	Nil	0	1	1	3	15
Batticaloa	58	34	55	57	688	503
Ampara	3	2	10	9	27	142
Trincomalee	29	16	11	17	289	177
Kalmunai*	19	9	27	25	147	293
Kurunegala	8	24	33	51	217	432
Puttalam	20	19	37	29	247	310
Anuradhapura	15	4	4	21	168	144
Polonnaruwa	16	1	9	7	77	102
Badulla	17	7	19	20	181	224
Monaragala	7	18	21	22	168	214
Ratnapura	54	46	71*	78	546	899
Kegalle	16	36	45*	31	295	417
Total*	942	817	1375*	1263	10622	16390

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 10	Week 11		Week 10	Week 11		Week 10	Week 11		Week 10	Week 11			
WESTERN PROVINCE			CMC			Kalutara District			NORTH WESTERN PROVINCE					
Colombo District			D3-CMC			Ingiriya			Kurunegala District					
Battaramulla	18	18	Gampaha District			Panadura			Pannala					
Dehiwala	9	14	Attanagalla	13	16	SOUTHERN PROVINCE			Puttalam District					
Egodauyana	8	10	Biyagama	37	32	Galle District			Madampe					
Gothatuwa	18	21	Gampaha	23	11	Hikkaduwa			11			10		
Homagama	16	20	Ja Ela	15	15	Matara District			SABARAGAMUWA PROVINCE					
Kaduwela	43	45	Katana	13	14	Devinuwara			Ratnapura District					
Kahathuduwa	8	10	Kelaniya	20	23	Matara MC			Embilipitiya					
Maharagama	43	23	Mahara	19	15	Weligama			2			11		
Moratuwa	11	12	Negombo	11	10	EASTERN PROVINCE			Ratnapura PS					
Piliyandala	24	14	Seeduwa	29	15	Batticaloa District								
Rathmalana	24	14	Wattala	11	10	Batticaloa								

Table 3: Sentinel hospitals with high average midnight totals in the 11th week

Hospital	Average Midnight Total		Hospital	Average Midnight Total		Hospital	Average Midnight Total	
	Week 10	Week 11		Week 10	Week 11		Week 10	Week 11
TH-Matara	34	38	LRH	12	11	DGH-Avissawella	5	6
NIID	43	36	NH - Kandy	4	9	BH - Wathupitiwala	7	6
NHSL	36	25	BH - Panadura	11	9	BH - Kahawatta	5	5
TH - Colombo South	32	23	TH - Kalutara	10	9	TH - Peradeniya	6	5
NH - Galle	26	23	DGH - Horana	9	8	BH - Balangoda	4	5
TH - Ratnapura	16	16	BH - Tangalle	8	8	BH - Kamburupitiya	6	5
DGH - Negombo	23	14	DGH - Embilipitiya	12	8	DGH - Chilaw	4	4
TH - Batticaloa	9	12	PGH - Badulla	9	8	DGH Hambantota	5	4
DGH - Gampaha	16	12	TH - Kuliyaipitiya	4	8	TH - Anuradhapura	3	4
TH - Kurunegala	8	12	BH - Balapitiya	8	7	DGH - Ampara	1	4
TH - Colombo North	22	11	BH - Kalmunai North	3	6	BH - Kamburupitiya	3	4

Table 4: Dengue related deaths

	2025	2026		2025	2026
Reported Deaths	29	05	Case Fatality Rate	0.05%	0.03%

Deaths reported in 2026 [Districts/Admin area]					
District/area	No	District/area	No	District/area	No
Colombo	2	Gampaha	2	Kalutara	1

Deaths reported in 2026 [Age & Sex]					
Age Group (Yrs)	Male	Female	Age Group (Yrs)	Male	Female
5-14	0	0	45 - 54	0	0
15-24	0	1	55 - 64	0	1
25-34	0	0	> 64	0	2
35-44	0	1	Total	0	5

