



WEEKLY DENGUE UPDATE

Week 38 (15th – 21st September 2025)

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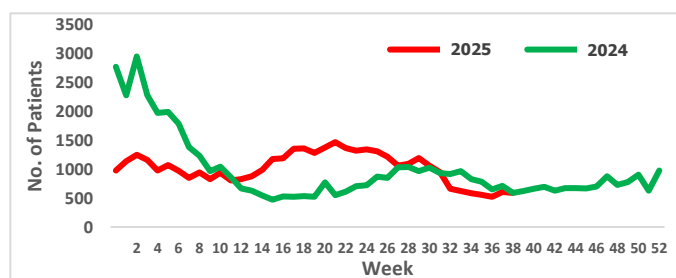
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DENGUE CASE REPORTING

During the 38th week, 591 suspected dengue cases were reported in 24 districts, compared to 606 in 25 districts during the 37th week. This represents a 2.5% decrease from the previous week. Notably, 43.5% of all reported cases were from Western Province [Colombo Municipal Council – 6.4%, rest of the Colombo District – 18.6%, Gampaha District – 13.5% and Kalutara District – 4.9%]. In addition to the Western Province, Kandy [11.8%], Ratnapura [11.5%], Matale [5.2%], Galle [4.9%], and Kegalle [3.6%] districts also reported higher proportions of cases (Table 1).

WEEKLY DISTRIBUTION OF DENGUE PATIENTS in 2024 and 2025



Source: NaDSys – National Dengue Surveillance System

HIGH RISK MOH AREAS

During the 38th week, 14 MOH areas (Kundasale, Rattota, Elapatha, Rathnapura MC, D2A-CMC, D3-CMC, Gothatuwa, Homagama, Kaduwela, Maharagama, Piliyandala, Kelaniya, Mahara, Wattala) were flagged as high-risk. Twelve (12) MOH areas showed a rising number compared to their respective numbers in the previous week. (Table 2)

Furthermore, during the 38th week, twelve (12) MOH areas were newly flagged as high-risk. In contrast, D4-CMC, Nugegoda, Biyagama, and Muttur MOH areas—which were flagged as high-risk in the 37th week—were not flagged in the current week. (Table 2)

MIDNIGHT TOTAL OF DENGUE PATIENT ADMISSIONS

** After updated with delayed reporting from hospitals, average midnight total for the 37th week shows an increase from 153 to 199.*

In the 38th week, the average midnight total of dengue patients in sentinel 74 hospitals was 185. In 17 hospitals, the average midnight total has increased, and in 20 hospitals it has decreased compared to the previous week.

Sentinel hospitals with high average midnight totals of dengue patients and a changing trend of dengue admissions in the 38th week are illustrated in Table 3.

Table 1: Reported dengue cases in week 38 and week 37 of 2025

District/ RDHS	No. of cases					
	2024		2025		Up to Week 38	
	Week 37	Week 38	Week 37	Week 38	2024	2025
Colombo	230	195	148	148	9695	9627
Gampaha	115	82	93	80	4476	5682
Kalutara	38	30	35	29	2154	1692
Kandy	66	62	57	70	3354	3406
Matale	14	13	33	31	508	879
Nuwara Eliya	5	3	5	6	159	216
Galle	42	31	31	29	1750	1781
Hambantota	9	9	11	12	491	713
Matara	29	15	14	17	677	1274
Jaffna	5	8	6	8	4185	848
Kilinochchi	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	225	60
Mannar	12	8	4	Nil	234	125
Vavuniya	1	1	1	Nil	91	38
Mullaitivu	2	3	1	1	151	20
Batticaloa	19	14	9	6	1289	1628
Ampara	2	1	1	8	160	132
Trincomalee	2	2	12	1	552	854
Kalmunai*	2	4	12	4	584	364
Kurunegala	25	9	13	13	1605	1176
Puttalam	14	13	9	4	958	538
Anuradhapura	4	5	3	2	385	397
Polonnaruwa	4	11	1	5	262	284
Badulla	5	7	17	14	600	604
Monaragala	10	16	12	13	588	690
Ratnapura	34	28	66	68	2396	4300
Kegalle	22	23	12	21	1551	1117
Total	711	593	606*	591	39080	38445

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.

*The total may differ from the 37th weekly update due to duplicate deletions or additions.

Table 2: High risk MOH areas (14)

MOH Area	Cases reported	
	Week 37	Week 38
WESTERN PROVINCE		
Colombo District		
Gothatuwa	15	18
Homagama	6	15
Kaduwela	10	13
Maharagama	7	10
SABARAGAMUWA PROVINCE		
Rathnapura District		
Elapatha	6	13
Ratnapura MC	14	14
Central PROVINCE		
Kandy District		
Kundasale	5	10
Matale District		
Rattota	7	10

Table 3: Hospitals with high average midnight totals and admissions for dengue patients in the week 38

Hospital	Average Midnight Total		
	Week 37	Week 38	
TH - Ratnapura	25	26	↑
NHSL	17	18	↑
NIID	14	14	-
TH - Kalubovila	17	11	↓
NH - Kandy	7	9	↑
CNTH Ragama	7	8	↑

Hospital	Average Midnight Total		
	Week 37	Week 38	
TH - Peradeniya	7	8	↑
LRH	7	7	-
DGH - Matale	4	7	↑
DGH - Negombo	6	6	-
BH - Awissawella	6	5	↓
PGH - Badulla	5	5	-

Hospital	Average Midnight Total		
	Week 37	Week 38	
TH - Karapitiya	5	4	↓
TH-Kurunegala	7	4	↓
TH - Matara	4	4	-
BH - Panadura	3	4	↑

Table 4: Dengue related deaths

	2024	2025		2024	2025
Reported Deaths	24	21	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	2		45 - 54		4
15-24	1	1	55 - 64	1	4
25-34		2	75 - 84		1
35-44	1	4	Total	5	16

Deaths reported in 2025 [Districts/Admin area]					
District/area	No	District/area	No	District/area	No
Colombo	6	Monaragala	1	Rathnapura	8
Gampaha	2	Batticaloa	1	Galle	1
Anuradhapura	1	Kandy	1		

DAILY NOTIFICATION OF SUSPECTED DENGUE PATIENTS IN 2025
