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Dengue Cases

It is important to note that the day-to-day numbers fluctuate, as they depend on the number of cases notified each day. Therefore, weekly numbers are a better reflection of actual trends.

Number of Reported Casesses

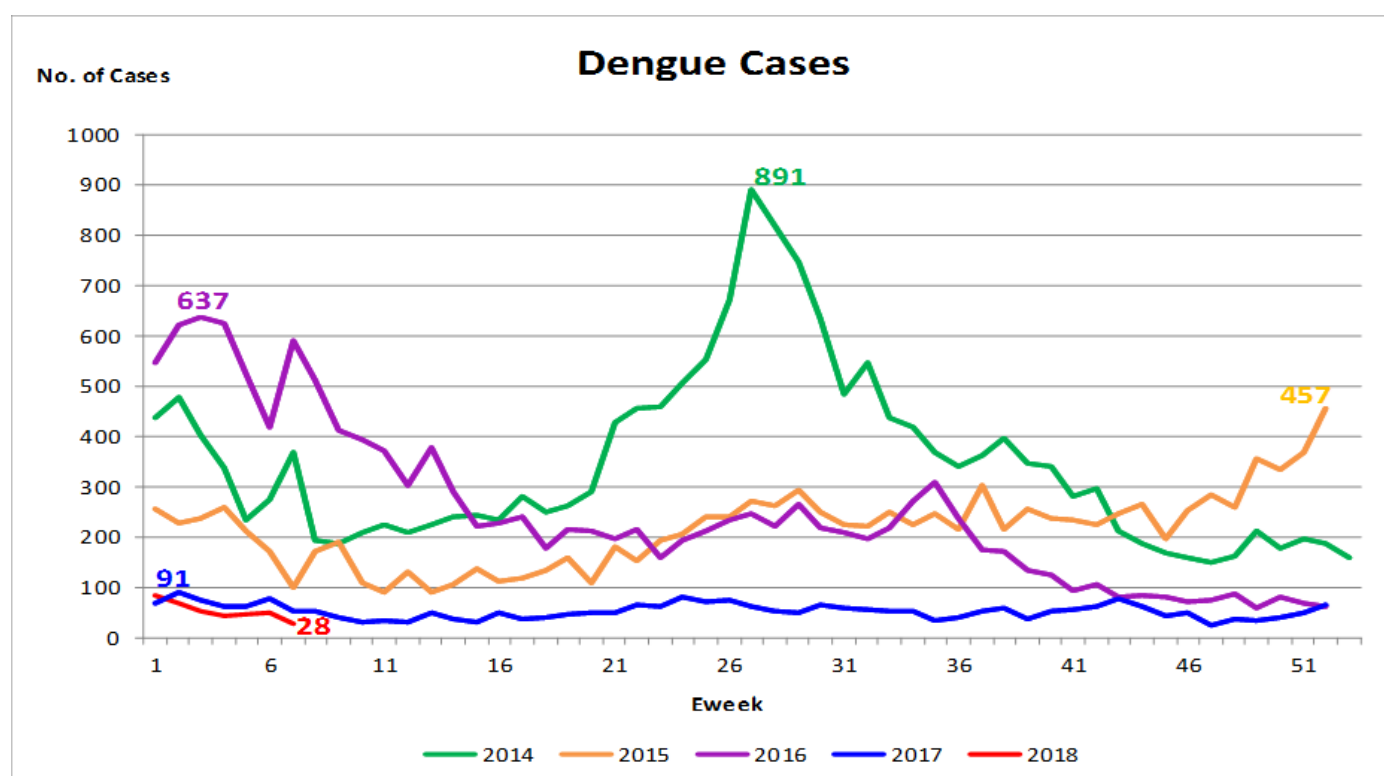
17-Feb	18-Feb	19-Feb	20-Feb	21-Feb	22-Feb	23-Feb at 3pm
1	3	2	5	5	8	7

Number of Reported Cases by E-week (from Sun 0000hrs to Sat 2359hrs)

E-week 02 (07-13Jan18)	E-week 03 (14-20Jan18)	E-week 04 (21-27Jan18)	E-week 05 (28Jan-03Feb18)	E-week 06 (04-10Feb18)	E-week 07 (11-17Feb18)	E-week 08 (18-23Feb18 at 3pm)
68	54	45	48	50	28	30

Cumulative No. of cases for 2018 (First 7 E-weeks): 376

Compiled by Communicable Diseases Division, Ministry of Health



28 dengue cases were reported in the week ending 17 February 2018, 22 cases fewer than in the previous week.

As of 19 February 2018, there were 4 active dengue clusters. While NEA continues with inspections of the cluster area, all members of the public and stakeholders are to make a concerted effort to prevent mosquito breeding, so as to suppress the Aedes mosquito population and keep dengue incidence low. The current low momentum of dengue transmission offers us an opportunity to disrupt the disease transmission more effectively in the community.

NEA's Gravitrap surveillance system has detected 37 per cent more Aedes aegypti mosquitoes in January 2018 than in September 2017. Concerted community action and sustained vector control efforts are thus needed to prevent further escalation of the Aedes population and a surge in dengue cases. Such efforts will also contribute towards preventing the transmission of Zika and Chikungunya viruses.

Aedes mosquitoes can breed in clean stagnant water found in homes and other premises. During the Chinese New Year festive season, homes and other premises are decorated with more ornamental plants. All stakeholders are urged to prevent mosquito breeding and keep the mosquito population low, by practising the following steps to remove stagnant water:

- Turn the pail
- Tip the vase
- Flip the flowerpot plate
- Loosen the hardened soil
- Clear the roof gutter and place Bti insecticide

All of us, including residents, contractors, and business owners, have a part to play in preventing dengue. The latest updates can also be found on the Stop Dengue Now Facebook page or myENV app.