

## print 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**

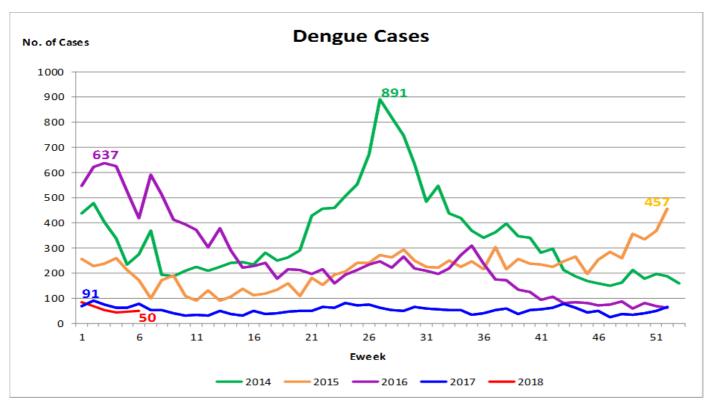
13-Feb	14-Feb	15-Feb	16-Feb	17-Feb	18-Feb	19-Feb at 3pm
7	7	1	5	1	3	1

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

E-week 02	E-week 03	E-week 04	E-week 05	E-week 06	E-week 07	E-week 08
(07-	(14-	(21-	(28Jan-	(04-	(11-	(18-19Feb18 at
13Jan18)	20Jan18)	27Jan18)	03Feb18)	10Feb18)	17Feb18)	3pm)
68	54	45	48	50	30	4

Cumulative No. of cases for 2018 (First 7 E-weeks): 378

## Compiled by Communicable Diseases Division, Ministry of Health



2/20/2018 Dengue Cases

50 dengue cases were reported in the week ending 10 February 2018, 2 cases more than in the previous week.

As of 12 Feb 2018, there were 7 active dengue clusters, with the largest cluster located at Hougang Ave 7 (Blk 354) / Hougang Ave 7 (Rio Casa, The Florida) / Upp S'goon View (Boathouse Residences, Heron Bay, Rio Vista). 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. As the Chinese New Year festive season approaches, 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

Homeowners doing spring cleaning are also reminded to properly dispose of any refuse, including large furniture or household items, to avoid the discarded materials from becoming unintentional mosquito breeding habitats.

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.

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