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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

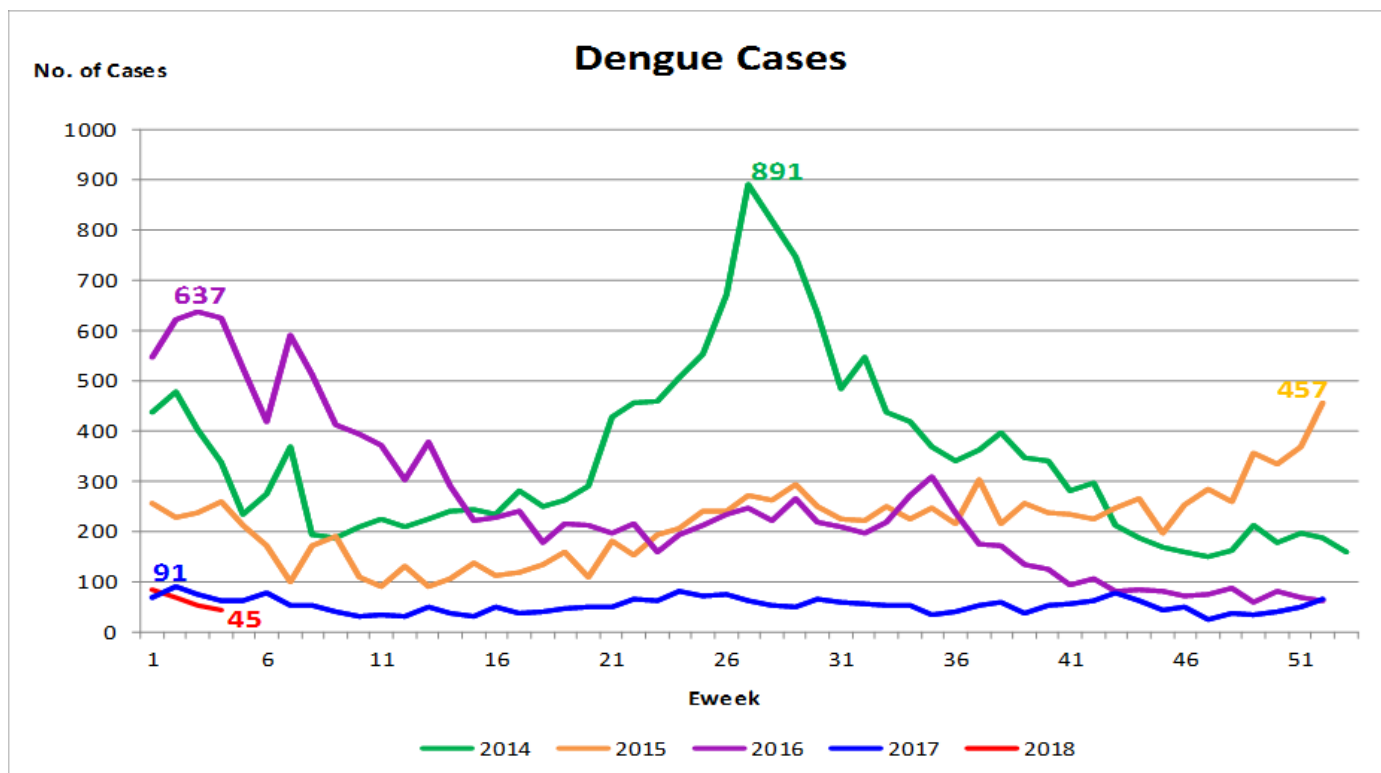
30-Jan	31-Jan	1-Feb	2-Feb	3-Feb	4-Feb	05 Feb at 3pm
10	7	10	10	4	6	2

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

E-week 52 (24-30Dec17)	E-week 01 (31Dec17-06Jan18)	E-week 02 (07-13Jan18)	E-week 03 (14-20Jan18)	E-week 04 (21-27Jan18)	E-week 05 (28Jan18-03Feb18 at 3pm)	E-week 06 (04-05Feb18 at 3pm)
66	83	69	54	45	51	8

Cumulative No. of cases for 2018 (First 5 E-weeks): 302

Compiled by Communicable Diseases Division, Ministry of Health



45 dengue cases were reported in the week ending 27 January 2018, 9 cases fewer than in the previous week.

As of 29 January 2018, there were 5 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 / 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 urged to continue to work together as a community to stem dengue transmission. Those infected with dengue should also apply repellent to prevent mosquitoes from biting and picking up the virus from them, and those showing symptoms suggestive of dengue should see their GPs early to be diagnosed.

Source eradication of mosquito breeding habitats and spraying of insecticides to control the adult mosquito population remain key to dengue prevention. NEA, together with the various agencies and other stakeholders represented on the Inter-Agency Dengue Task Force (IADTF), including Town Councils, have been checking and ridding our public areas and housing estates of potential mosquito breeding habitats. NEA encourages everyone to join in the collective effort to help stop the dengue transmission cycle by doing the 5-step Mozzie Wipeout. All stakeholders need to remove stagnant water from our environment, so as to deprive the mosquitoes of their breeding habitats.

With the upcoming Chinese New Year festive season when households purchase and display Chinese New Year plants, plant buyers / owners are urged to be vigilant especially during and immediately after the Chinese New Year festive period. Mosquito breeding spots can easily be prevented by practising the following steps:

- Turn over all water storage containers when not in use
- Change water in vases on alternate days
- Remove water from flower pot plates on alternate days
- Loosen hardened soil on alternate days

If homeowners plan to do spring-cleaning, they are advised to properly dispose of their refuse to avoid these becoming unintentional breeding habitats. Those planning to go overseas for vacation during the upcoming Chinese New Year weekend should also mosquito-proof their homes before they travel. You can keep your neighbourhood safe from dengue by taking these mosquito prevention measures:

- Cover all toilet bowls in the home
- Seal off the overflow pipe of the flushing cistern
- Cover and seal off all floor traps
- Add sand granular insecticide to areas where stagnant water cannot be easily removed, such as flower vases and toilet bowl collar
- Clear blockages and add BTI insecticide in roof gutters
- Turn over all water storage containers and wipe the rims dry
- Ask a relative or close friend to check your home regularly for stagnant water if you are going away for a long period of time
- Leave your contact details with your neighbours or the neighbourhood police post/centre so that you can be reached easily