Update on the Dengue situation in the Western Pacific Region

Northern Hemisphere

China (No update)

As of 28 February 2017, there were 54 cases of dengue reported in China in 2017. This number is slightly lower than that reported during the same period in 2016 (73 cases) (Figure 1).

Malaysia

A total of 1,786 cases of dengue were reported during week 12, which is lower than the 1,842 cases reported in the previous week (decrease of 3.0%) (Figure 2). The cumulative number of cases reported in 2017 was 21,946 cases, which is lower than that during the same period in 2016 (35,060 cases), a decline of 37.4% (13,114 cases). As of week 12, there have been a total of 50 deaths related to dengue in 2017, compared with 85 deaths for the same period in 2016, lowered by 35 deaths (41.2%).

Figure 1: Number of Dengue cases per month, China 2012-2017
National Health and Family Planning Commission

Figure 2: Number of Dengue cases per week 2016-2017
Department of Health, Malaysia
Philippines (No update)
As of 5 November 2016, there were 176,411 suspected cases of dengue reported in 2016, including 422 deaths. This is 0.8% lower than that reported during the same period in 2015 (n=177,767) (Figure 3).

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Figure 3: Number of Dengue cases per morbidity week in 2016, Department of Health, National Epidemiology Centre, Philippines
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Singapore
As of 18 March 2017, there were 653 dengue cases reported in Singapore since January 2017. This is lower than that reported during the same period since 2013. During week 11, there were 36 cases and the number of cases decreased by 90%, compared to 373 cases for the same period in 2016 (Figuer4).

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Figure 4: Number of Dengue cases per week 2012-2017
Communicable Diseases Division, Ministry of Health Singapore
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Lao PDR
As of 17 March 2017, there were 489 cases of dengue with no deaths reported in Lao PDR in 2017. During week 11, 18 dengue cases and no deaths were reported. The number of cases is higher than the same time period in 2015 and 2016 (Figure 5).

Viet Nam (No update)
In January 2017, there were 6,565 dengue cases reported (without deaths) from 41 out of 63 provinces (58 provinces and 5 municipalities existing at the same level as provinces) in the country. The number of cases decreased by 41.2% compared to the previous month and by 49.9% compared to the same period in the previous year. The number of cases increased by 49.8% compared to the median for the 2011-2015 period. (Figure 6).
Cambodia
As of 21 March 2017, a total of 138 cases of suspected dengue cases were reported in 2017. The number of suspected dengue cases (including dengue haemorrhagic fever and dengue shock syndrome) was lower than the 3 year-threshold of the same period from 2014-2016 (Figure 7).

Southern Hemisphere
Australia
As of 27 March 2017, there were 333 laboratory-confirmed dengue cases reported in Australia in 2017. The number of cases reported is less than that reported during the same time period in the previous years (2012-2016) (Figure 8).
Pacific Islands Countries and Areas

French Polynesia
A total of 43 confirmed dengue cases were reported in French Polynesia between week 9 and week 10 (19 cases in week 9 and 24 cases in week 10) (Figure 9). Eleven (26%) of the 43 cases were confirmed as DENV-1 infection.

![Figure 9: Number of laboratory-confirmed cases of Dengue per week in 2016-2017, Centre for Occupational Health and Public Safety, French Polynesia](image)

New Caledonia
As of 28 March 2017, 2115 dengue cases were reported since September 2016, indicating an increase in the number of cases since September 2016 (Figure 10).

![Figure 10: Number of laboratory-confirmed cases of dengue per week in 2016-2017, Direction des Affaires Sanitaires et Sociales, Nouvelle Calédonie](image)