

# Department of Disease Control

## Weekly Disease Forecast No. 18 (27 July - 2 August 2015)

From the national disease surveillance system, last week in Ratchaburi province, there was a patient died of dengue.

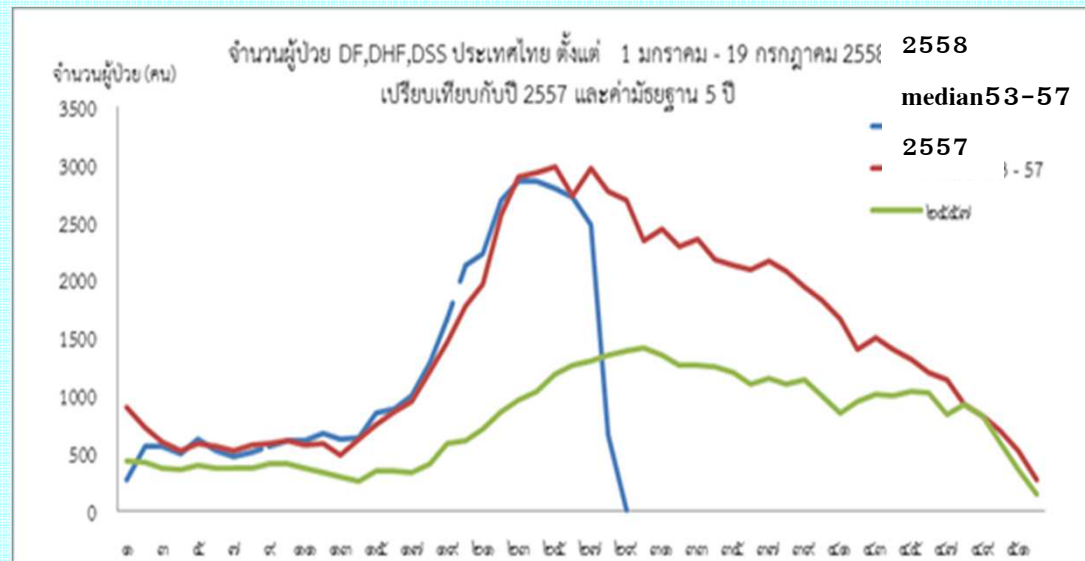
Since the beginning of the year 2015, Thailand has had 35,591 dengue patients. The highest incidence was found in 15-24 years age group. Among the 27 deaths, 10 were students. The provinces with the top five incidence rates were Rayong, Trat, Angthong, Tak, and Phetchaburi.



According to this week disease forecast, there is a possibility of increasing dengue cases. One risk factor is that it has been raining in several provinces. The number of this year dengue patients is 2.06 times higher than that of the same time period of last year.

The Department of Disease Control recommends that people protect themselves and their children from mosquito bites. The public should eliminate mosquito breeding sites in and around houses by good practices, i.e. 1. cover water containers, 2. keep houses clean, and 3. collect garbage in houses and communities regularly.

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