

Seasonal Calendar for Vector Control



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What is it?

The Seasonal Calendar for Vector Control is a tool that helps collect information on seasonal changes in a community over one year.

Along with meteorological and climate variations, it highlights disasters and diseases, in this case specifically vector-borne diseases.



Objective

The main purpose of this calendar is to visualize information and analyze how social and cultural conditions in a specific territory, together with climate (changes and threats) affect the *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus* mosquitos.

The community should:



Instructions for the use of the Seasonal Calendar for Vector Control

1 Select a section of the calendar, discuss it and reach consensus with participants.

2 Consider that each square represents one week of the month.

3 Mark the corresponding month or week with an X based on the reached consensus.

4 Proceed to read the next questions and repeat steps 1 to 3.

After filling in the calendar, respond to the following questions:



What is the seasonal calendar for vector control?

Why is this section marked?

Why is this calendar useful for us?

Why is it important to know when it rains and when we need to store water in the community?

How can we related these topics and sections with the mosquito?

What can we do to reduce breeding sites in our area?

How can we help authorities take action in these areas?



Note: The community can use simple materials like sheet paper and the like, following this design. For this, simply replicate the topics and sections as they appear in the seasonal calendar for vector control.

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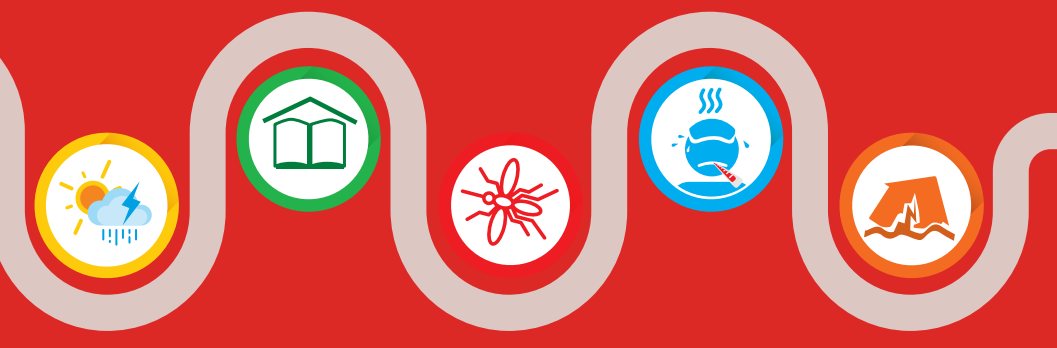


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KEEP IT UP



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		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
SEASONALITY	Periods of rain												
	Periods of drought and high temperatures												
	Months that lack water for human activities												
	Periods when we have store water												
SCHOOL	Classes start												
	Classes end												
	Students on school break												
VECTOR ECOLOGY	Months in which there are more mosquitoes Aedes Aegypti and Aedes albopictus												
	Months with more larvae												
	Months with more eggs												
	Months with more pupae												
HEALTH	Months when people get sick with:	Zika											
		Dengue											
		Chikungunya											
NATURAL HAZARD	Floods												
	Forest fires												
	Storms												
	Heavy rains												