



ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics –1 January to 31 December 2017

The following data is authorised for release by the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) and relates to the number of **formal indictments (*Information*) filed in the High Courts** of Fiji by the Director of Public Prosecutions. This media update consolidates data released by the ODPP from 1 January to 31 December 2017.

This data is confined to incidents of serious sexual offences only.

There were a total of 227 people charged with a total of 444 separate counts of serious sexual offences as of 31 December 2017. There were 24 people charged that were under the age of 18 years. The youngest accused person charged with rape was a 12 year old boy.

The offences were rape (300), attempted rape (7), assault with intent to rape (10), abduction with intent to rape (6), indecent assault (17), defilement (23) and sexual assault (81).


There were 200 victims of the 444 separate sexual offences. Of the 200, there were 130 victims under the age of 18 years.

All accused persons charged with sexual offences were male however victims of the sexual offences were both male and female comprising 184 female victims and 16 male victims.

There were 76 offences that occurred in domestic relationships or where the accused was known to the victims.

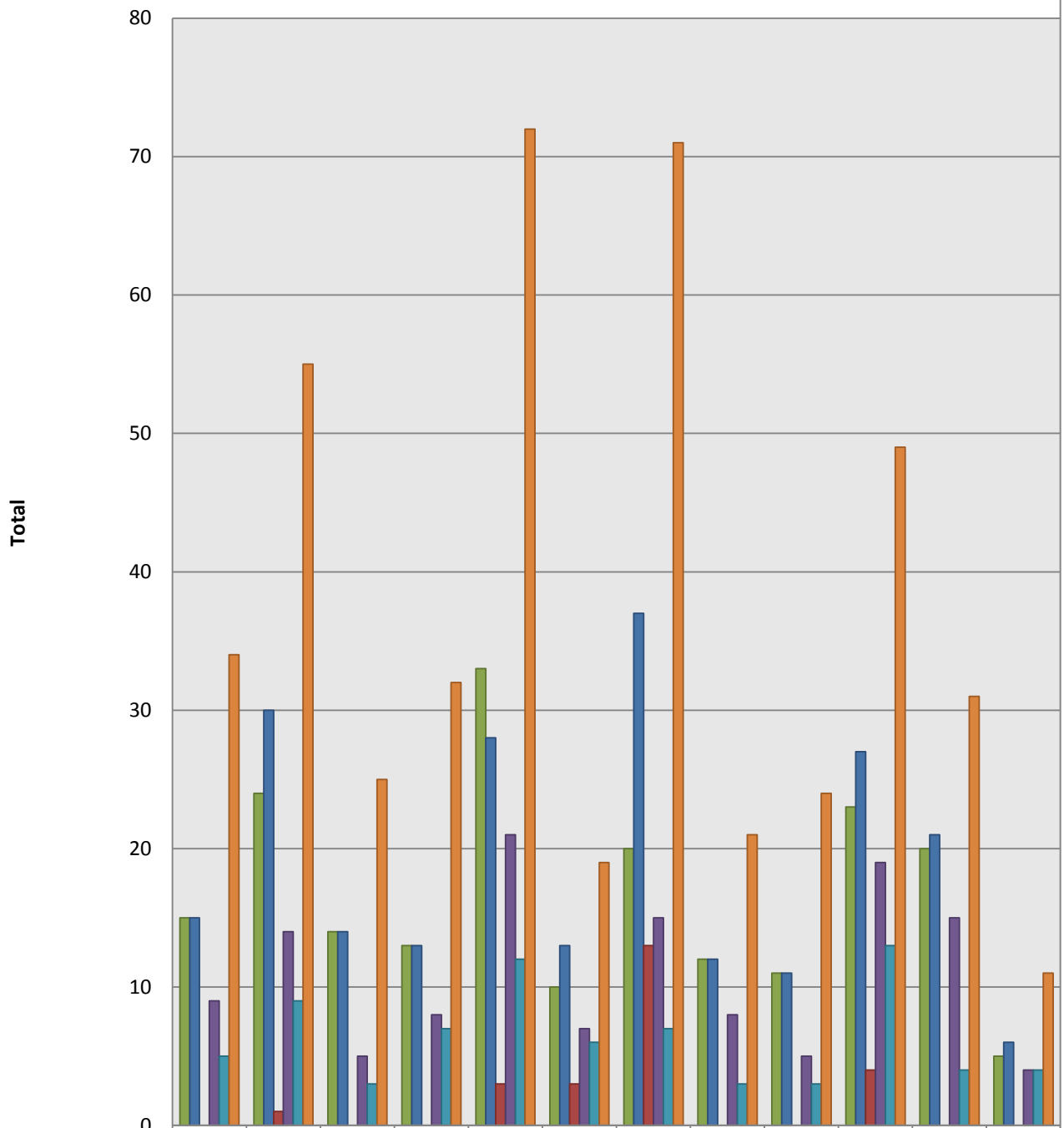
To date, the youngest victims of serious sexual offences are 1 year 10 months and 1 year 11 months old and the accused persons were the father and grandfather of the victims.

Refer to the table and graph below for a breakdown of the statistics from *1 January to 31 December 2017*.

	ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics 1 January-31 December 2017							
	Rape	Attempted Rape	Assault with intent to Rape	Abduction with an intent to Rape	Indecent Assault	Defilement	Sexual Assault	Total
January	28	1	0	1	0	0	4	34
February	42	0	3	0	1	0	3	55
March	20	0	0	0	0	0	5	25
April	24	0	0	0	3	1	4	32
May	51	1	0	0	3	2	15	72
June	12	1	0	0	0	0	6	19
July	42	4	2	0	0	15	8	71
August	9	0	1	2	0	4	5	21
September	14	0	1	0	1	0	8	24
October	33	0	0	0	0	0	16	49
November	15	0	0	3	6	1	6	31
December	7	0	0	0	3	0	1	11
Total	300	7	10	6	17	23	81	444
								Source: ODPP Fiji



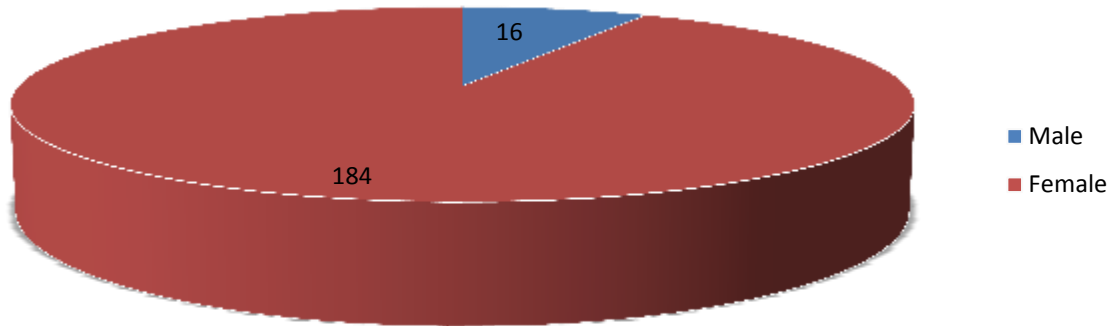
ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics (Total Offences, Number of Accused and Victims) 1 January - 31 December 2017



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total Victims	15	24	14	13	33	10	20	12	11	23	20	5
Total Accused	15	30	14	13	28	13	37	12	11	27	21	6
Accused U18	0	1	0	0	3	3	13	0	0	4	0	0
Victims U18	9	14	5	8	21	7	15	8	5	19	15	4
Domestic Relationships	5	9	3	7	12	6	7	3	3	13	4	4
Total Offences	34	55	25	32	72	19	71	21	24	49	31	11



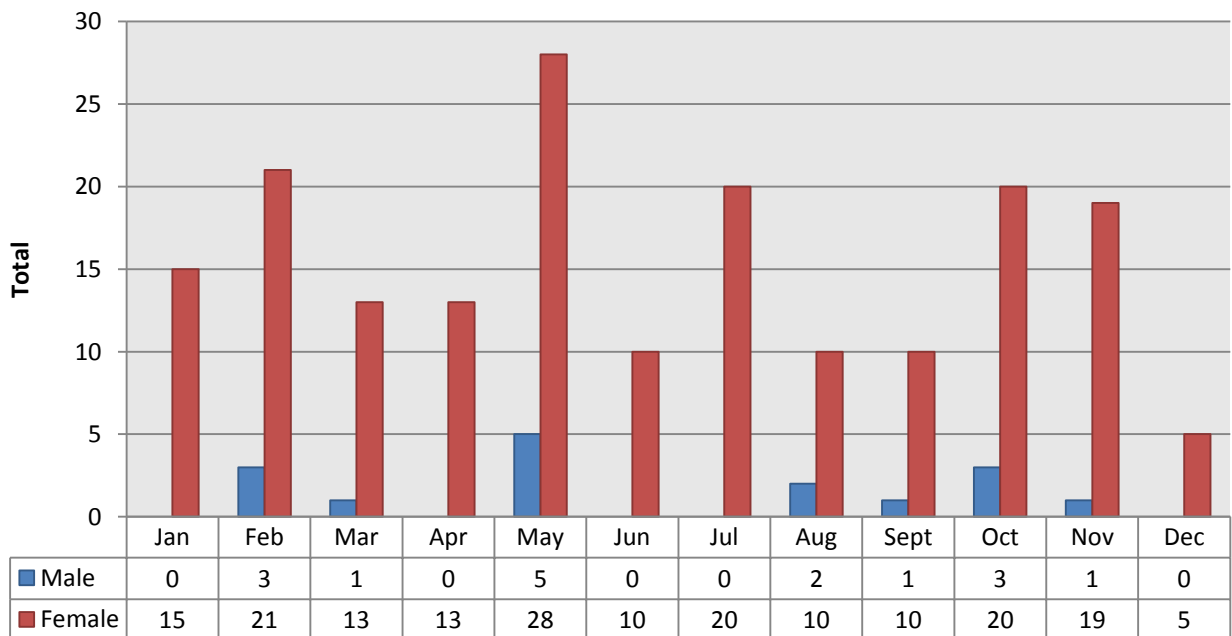
Total Victims based on Gender - January to 31 December 2017



Source: ODPP FIJI



Total Victims based on Gender per month- 1 January to 31 December 2017



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