



## ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

### ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics –1 January to 31 December 2020

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 2020.

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

There were 246 people charged with a total of 531 counts of serious sexual offences as of 31 December 2020. Of the 246 accused persons, 21 were juveniles and two were police officers.

The offences were rape (373), attempted rape (20), aiding and abetting rape (3), assault with intent to rape (2), abduction with intent to commit rape (9), indecent assault (17), defilement (8) and sexual assault (99).

There were 240 victims of whom 165 victims were 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 of 229 female victims and 11 male victims.

There were 110 offences that occurred in domestic relationships or where the accused was known to the victims.

The youngest accused person was an 11-year-old boy who allegedly raped an 8-year-old girl from his village.

The youngest victim was a 2-year-old girl who was allegedly raped by her 62-year-old father and in another incident a 2-year-old girl was allegedly raped by her 28-year-old cousin.

A total of 38 sexual offence cases were withdrawn after discontinuances (*Nolle Prosequi*) were filed in 2020.

Refer to the table and graph below for a breakdown of the statistics from *1 January to 31 December 2020*.



## ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics 1 January-31 December 2020

	Rape	Attempted Rape	Aiding and abetting rape	Assault with intent to Rape	Abduction with an intent to commit Rape	Indecent Assault	Defilement	Sexual Assault	Total
January	28	4	0	0	0	3	0	11	46
February	34	2	0	0	1	3	0	8	48
March	22	1	1	1	0	3	0	7	35
April	20	8	0	0	1	1	1	4	35
May	16	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	17
June	46	0	0	0	2	2	0	5	55
July	30	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	41
August	28	0	0	0	1	1	1	9	40
September	60	2	0	0	1	0	0	15	78
October	46	1	0	0	1	2	2	8	60
November	24	1	2	0	1	1	2	17	48
December	19	1	0	1	1	0	1	5	28
<b>Total</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>531</b>

Source: ODPP Fiji



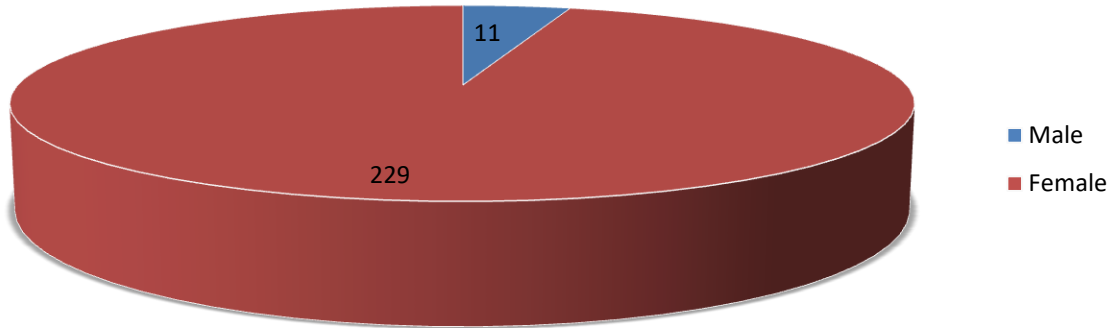
**ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics**  
**(Total Offences, Number of Accused and Victims)**  
**1 January - 31 December 2020**

	<b>Total Counts</b>	<b>Total Accused</b>	<b>Total Accused U18</b>	<b>Total Accused Police</b>	<b>Total Victims</b>	<b>Total Victims U18</b>	<b>No. of Domestic incidents</b>	<b>No. of Nolle filed</b>
January	46	18	2	0	20	10	11	1
February	48	23	2	0	22	17	8	2
March	35	18	1	1	17	12	8	5
April	35	12	1	0	15	11	5	1
May	17	12	2	0	11	7	6	3
June	55	31	3	0	26	18	13	9
July	41	21	1	0	20	10	9	2
August	40	18	1	0	15	13	9	2
September	78	27	2	0	31	22	15	5
October	60	28	5	0	26	16	11	4
November	48	22	1	0	20	16	9	2
December	28	16	0	1	17	13	6	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>38</b>

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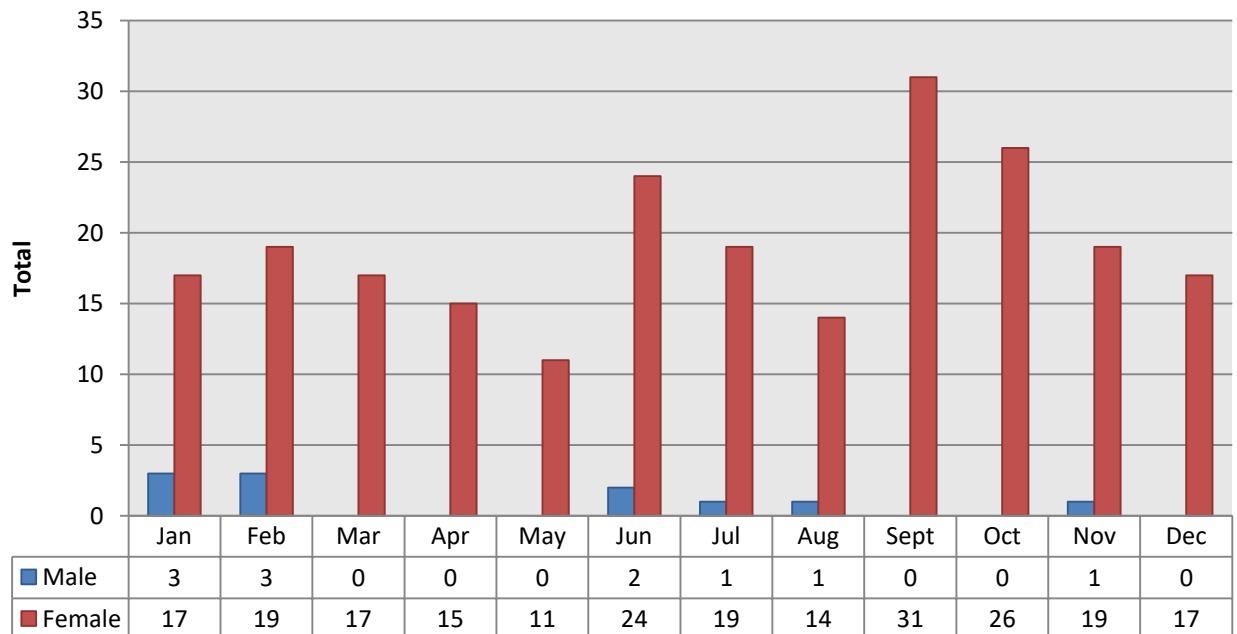
## Total Victims based on Gender - 1 January to 31 December 2020



Source: ODPP FIJI



## Total Victims based on Gender per month- 1 January to 31 December 2020



Source: ODPP FIJI

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