



## ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

### ODPP Serious Crime (Non-Sexual Violence Offences) Statistics – August 2021

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 throughout the month. This data is confined to incidents of serious crimes other than sexual violence offences which are recorded and published separately. This data also includes offences committed by police officers.

There were 15 people charged with a total of 20 counts of separate incidents in August. The offences were aggravated robbery (3), robbery (1), aggravated burglary (7), theft (7), act with intent to cause grievous bodily harm (1) and breach of curfew (1).

Of the 17 accused persons, one was a juvenile who was charged alongside two others with aggravated burglary and theft of assorted items worth \$1,145 from a house.

There were 14 victims of the 20 counts of separate incidents. There was one incident where the accused and victim were related to one another.

A 25-year-old man was charged with an act with intent to cause grievous bodily harm to his 21-year-old wife. The accused allegedly assaulted the victim with a knife and torch.

There was one incident where a 35-year-old man was charged with four counts of aggravated burglary and four counts of theft of assorted items worth \$3,000 from four separate shops. The accused was also charged with breach of curfew orders.

In another incident, a 22-year-old man and a 25-year-old man were charged with aggravated burglary and theft of assorted items worth \$2,224 from a house.

There was one incident where an 18-year-old man was charged for allegedly attacking and robbing a taxi driver of \$40 cash.

A 25-year-old man was charged with the aggravated robbery of mobile phones, electronics and jewellery from three separate individuals.

In another incident, two 36-year-old men, a 33-year-old man and a 26-year-old man were charged with the aggravated robbery of \$5,700 cash and assorted items from a 61-year-old woman. The accused persons allegedly assaulted and tied up the victim before robbing her.

There was one incident where an 18-year-old man was charged with the robbery of a mobile phone from a 58-year-old man, however, this matter was discontinued due to insufficient evidence.

Refer to the table entitled *ODPP Serious Crime (Non-Sexual Violence Offences) Statistics August 2021* for a break-down of these statistics.



### ODPP Serious Crime (Non- Sexual Violence Offences) August 2021

	Total No. of Counts	Total No. of accused persons	Total No. of victims	No. of Nolle Prosequi filed	Incidents involving domestic relations	No. of Police officers charged
Aggravated robbery	3	6	5	0	0	0
Robbery	1	1	1	1	0	0
Aggravated burglary	7	7	7	0	0	0
Theft	7	7	7	0	0	0
Act with intent to cause grievous harm	1	1	1	0	1	0
Breach of curfew	1	1	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>15*</b>	<b>14*</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

Source: ODPP Fiji

\* Please note that a number of accused persons may also have been charged with other serious offences. Similarly, a number of victims for one crime have also been victims of other serious crimes.

\* Please also note that sexual violence offences are recorded and published separately.

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