

ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics –1 January to 31 December 2022

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 2022.

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

There were 322 people charged with a total of 768 counts of serious sexual offences as of 31 December 2022.

Of the 322 accused persons two were females, 41 were juveniles and four were police officers.

The offences were rape (498), attempted rape (13), abduction with intent to commit rape (19), assault with intent to commit rape (3), aiding and abetting rape (14), domestic trafficking in children (1), indecent assault (29), defilement (20) and sexual assault (171).

There were 300 victims of whom 188 victims were under the age of 18 years. Of the 300 victims, 283 were female and 17 were male victims.

There were 147 offences that occurred in domestic relationships or where the accused was known to the victims.

The youngest accused person was a 12-year-old boy while the youngest victim was a 3-year-old girl.

A total of 58 cases were withdrawn after discontinuances (*Nolle Prosequi*) were filed in 2022.

Refer to the table and graph below for a breakdown of the statistics from *1 January to 31 December 2022.*

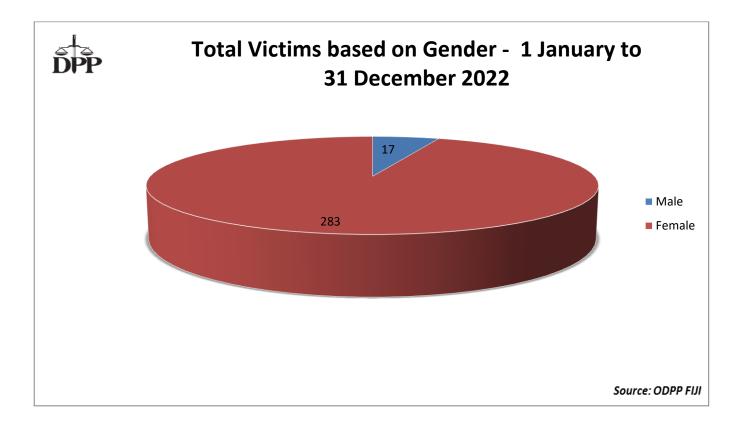
ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics 1 January-31 December 2022

	Rape	Attempted Rape	Abduction with an intent to commit Rape	Assault with intent to commit rape	Aiding and abetting rape	Domestic trafficking in children	Indecent Assault	Defilement	Sexual Assault	Total
January	16	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	17	35
February	29	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	7	42
March	29	1	5	0	0	0	0	2	14	51
April	54	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	18	76
Мау	49	1	6	1	0	0	5	2	9	73
June	32	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	9	47
July	44	2	1	1	0	0	2	2	24	76
August	45	2	1	0	2	0	3	0	25	78
September	67	1	0	0	12	0	2	4	10	96
October	67	1	2	0	0	0	4	5	14	93
November	36	1	3	1	0	0	3	2	14	60
December	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	41
Total	498	13	19	3	14	1	29	20	171	768

Source: ODPP Fiji

DPP	ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics (Total Offences, Number of Accused and Victims) 1 January - 31 December 2022										
	Total Counts	Total Accused	Total Accused U18	Total Accused Police	Total Victims	Total Victims U18	No. of Domestic incidents	No. of Nolle filed			
January	35	12	1	0	13	7	7	2			
February	42	20	1	0	21	11	11	7			
March	51	30	3	0	25	20	7	10			
April	76	19	2	0	20	15	10	1			
Мау	73	32	0	1	29	16	14	6			
June	47	20	2	0	18	10	13	3			
July	76	29	4	2	30	16	16	6			
August	78	41	9	1	36	24	20	6			
September	96	43	12	0	34	25	15	4			
October	93	39	5	0	36	20	15	9			
November	60	23	2	0	24	16	12	4			
December	41	14	0	0	14	8	7	0			
Total	768	322	41	4	300	188	147	58			

Source: ODPP Fiji



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