



ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics – July 2025

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 sexual offences only.

Cases

There were 13 indictments (*Information*) filed in the High Court with a total of 21 counts of sexual offences in July. The counts for sexual offences were rape (15), act with intent to commit rape (1), indecent assault (1) and sexual assault (4).

Accused and Victims

There were 13 accused persons charged with a total of 21 counts of sexual offences. Of the 13 accused persons, two were juveniles.

There were 13 victims of whom six victims were under the age of 18 years. There were 12 female victims and one male victim.

Domestic Incidents

There were six incidents where the victims and the accused were related to one another.

A 54-year-old man was charged with the rape of his 21-year-old daughter-in-law.

A 14-year-old boy was charged with two counts of rape of his 11-year-old cousin brother.

A 23-year-old man was charged with the rape of his 31-year-old cousin sister while in another incident where a 37-year-old man was charged with the rape of his 37-year-old cousin sister.

There was one incident where a 35-year-old man was charged with the rape and assault causing actual bodily harm to his 26-year-old de facto partner. (***NB: The offence of assault causing actual bodily harm is recorded separately.***)

In another incident, a 35-year-old man was charged with the rape of his 32-year-old de facto partner.

Other Incidents

A 13-year-old boy was charged with the rape of a 5-year-old girl from his village.

A 31-year-old man was charged with the rape and assault with intent to commit rape of a 49-year-old woman.

There was one incident where a 24-year-old man was charged with the rape and indecent assault of a 35-year-old woman. The accused and the victim were neighbours at the time of the offence.

A 24-year-old man was charged with 3 counts of sexual assault of a 14-year-old girl. The accused was known to the victim's family.

There was one incident where a 67-year-old man was charged with the rape and sexual assault of a 12-year-old girl from his village.

One case was withdrawn after discontinuance (*Nolle Prosequi*) was filed due to insufficient evidence.

Refer to the table entitled *ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences July 2025* for a break-down of these statistics.



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	Rape	Act with intent to commit rape	Indecent Assault	Sexual Assault	Total
No. of Counts	15	1	1	4	21
Total No. of Victims	12	1	1	1	13*
No. of Victims under 18 years	5	0	0	2	5*
Total No. of Accused Persons	13	1	1	2	13*
No. of Accused Persons under 18 years	2	0	0	0	2
No. of incidents involving people in domestic relationships or relatives	6	0	0	0	6
No. of <i>Nolle Prosequi</i> filed	1	0	0	0	1
No. of False Complaints	0	0	0	0	0
Source: ODPP Fiji					

*** Please note that a number of rape victims as well as victims under the age of 18 years and victims in domestic relationship were also victims of other serious sexual offences. Similarly, a number of accused persons were also charged with more than one offence.**

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