

ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics – August 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 nine indictments (Information) filed in the High Court with a total of 12 counts of sexual offences in Augusts. The counts for sexual offences were rape (9) and sexual assault (3).

Accused and Victims

There were nine accused persons charged with 12 counts of sexual offences.

There were nine victims of whom two victims were under the age of 18 years.

Domestic Incidents

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

A 43-year-old man was charged with one count of rape and three counts of sexual assault of his 17-year-old daughter.

There was one incident of marital rape where a 60-year-old man was charged with the rape of his 60-year-old wife.

A 37-year-old man was charged with one count of rape, one count of assault causing actual bodily harm, one count of criminal intimidation, one count of breach of DVRO and one count of breach of bail conditions. The accused person allegedly raped his 33-year-old de facto partner, punched her and threatened to stab her with a kitchen knife. (NB: *The offences of assault, criminal intimidation, breach of DVRO and bail are recorded separately*)

In another incident, a 24-year-old man was charged with the rape and assault causing actual bodily harm to his 24-year-old de facto partner. (NB: *The offence of assault is recorded separately*).

A 35-year-old man was charged with the rape of his 32-year-old de facto partner, however, this matter was discontinued after victim admitted to making a false complaint.

There was one incident where a 23-year-old man was charged with the rape of his 17-year-old cousin.

Other Incidents

A 19-year-old man was charged with the rape of a 31-year-old woman from his village while in another incident, a 20-year-old man was charged with the rape of a 32-year-old woman.

There was one incident where a 36-year-old man was charged with the rape of a 22-year-old woman, however, this matter was discontinued after the victim could not be contacted or located.

Nolle Prosequi

Two matters were withdrawn after discontinuances (*Nolle Prosequi*) was filed due to a false complaint and after victim could not be contacted or located.

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



ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics August 2025

	Rape	Attempted rape	Indecent Assault	Sexual Assault	Total
No. of Counts	9	0	0	3	12
Total No. of Victims	9	0	0	1	9*
No. of Victims under 18 years	2	0	0	1	2*
Total No. of Accused Persons	9	0	0	1	9*
No. of Accused Persons under 18 years	0	0	0	1	0
No. of incidents involving people in domestic relationships or relatives	6	0	0	1	6*
No. of <i>Nolle Prosequi</i> filed	2	0	0	0	2
No. of False Complaints	1	0	0	0	1
				So	ource: 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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