



## ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

### ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics – September 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 eight indictments (*Information*) filed in the High Court with a total of 12 counts of sexual offences in September. The counts for sexual offences were rape (8), aiding and abetting rape (2), indecent assault (1) and sexual assault (1).

#### **Accused and Victims**

There were 12 accused persons charged with 12 counts of sexual offences. Of the 12 accused persons, 2 were juveniles.

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

#### **Domestic Incidents**

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

A 53-year-old man was charged with one count of rape of his 4-year-old daughter.

A 27-year-old man was charged with the rape of his 28-year-old de facto partner. The accused person was also charged with the wrongful confinement, criminal intimidation and assault causing actual bodily harm. **(NB: *The offences of wrongful confinement, criminal intimidation and assault causing actual bodily harm are recorded separately.*)**

In another incident, a 35-year-old man was charged with the rape and assault causing actual bodily harm to his 26-year-old de facto partner, however, this matter was discontinued after the victim could not be located or contacted.

#### **Juveniles**

There was one incident where a 16-year-old boy was charged with the rape of a 24-year-old woman while a 15-year-old boy was charged with the aiding and abetting of rape.

### **Other incidents**

A 38-year-old man and a 21-year-old man were charged with the rape and aiding and abetting rape of a 21-year-old woman.

A 24-year-old man was charged with the rape of a 49-year-old woman.

### **Nolle Prosequi**

Three matters were withdrawn after discontinuances (*Nolle Prosequi*) was filed due to insufficient evidence and after victim could not be contacted or located.

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



### ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics September 2025

	Rape	Attempted rape	Indecent Assault	Sexual Assault	Total
No. of Counts	8	2	1	1	12
Total No. of Victims	8	2	1	1	8*
No. of Victims under 18 years	2	0	0	1	2*
Total No. of Accused Persons	12	2	1	1	12*
No. of Accused Persons under 18 years	1	1	0	0	2
No. of incidents involving people in domestic relationships or relatives	3	0	0	0	3
No. of <i>Nolle Prosequi</i> filed	3	0	0	1	3*
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.**

**3 October 2025**

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