



ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

ODPP Serious Crime (Non-Sexual Violence Offences) Statistics – January 2026

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.

Cases

There were 8 indictments (Information) filed in the High Court with a total of 17 counts of non-sexual offences in January 2026.

Counts of offences

The counts for non-sexual offences were murder (1), aggravated robbery (7), receiving stolen properties (1), assault causing actual bodily harm (1), act with intent to cause grievous harm (2), grievous harm (1), obtaining financial advantage by deception (1), criminal trespass (2) and indecently annoying a person (1).

Accused and Victims

There were 10 people charged with a total of 17 counts of non-sexual offences. Of the 10 people charged, one was a juvenile who was charged with aggravated robbery.

There were 14 victims of the 17 counts of non-sexual offences.

There was one incident where the accused and victim were related to one another.

Murder

A 46-year-old man was charged with the murder of a 23-year-old man. The accused person allegedly confronted the victim over suspected theft of yaqona plants from his farm and upon denial the accused punched the victim multiple times which resulted in his death.

Assault

A 24-year-old man was charged with one count of grievous harm. The accused person allegedly assaulted his 25-year-old de facto partner with a wooden stick.

In another incident, a 23-year-old man was charged with two counts of acts with intent to

cause grievous harm. The accused person allegedly struck a 21-year-old man and a 23-year-old man with a cane knife during an altercation.

Other offences

There was one incident where a 44-year-old man and a 28-year-old man were charged with five counts of aggravated robbery and one count of assault causing actual bodily harm. The accused persons allegedly robbed five victims of phones, clothing, and tools while the victims were attempting to free themselves from their vehicle that had veered off the road.

Cash and assorted items were stolen during the alleged aggravated robbery incidents consisting of day and night street muggings.

Discontinued

Two cases were withdrawn after a discontinuances (*Nolle Prosequi*) were filed due to insufficient evidence.

Refer to the table entitled *ODPP Serious Crime (Non-Sexual Violence Offences) Statistics January 2026* for a break-down of these statistics.



ODPP Serious Crime (Non- Sexual Violence Offences) January 2026

	Total No. of Counts	Total No. of accused persons	Total No. of victims	Incidents involving domestic relations	No. of Nolle Prosequi filed	No. of Police officers charged
Murder	1	1	1	0	0	0
Aggravated robbery	7	5	7	0	1	0
Receiving stolen properties	1	1	1	0	0	0
Assault causing actual bodily harm	1	1	1	0	0	0
Act with intent to cause grievous bodily harm	2	1	2	0	0	0
Grievous harm	1	1	1	1	0	0
Obtaining financial advantage by deception	1	1	1	0	1	0
Criminal trespass	2	1	2	0	0	0
Indecently annoying	1	1	1	0	0	0
Total	17	10*	14*	1	2	0

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. Statistics on sexual violence offences are recorded and published separately.

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