



ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics – February 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 sexual offences only.

Cases

There were 18 indictments (*Information*) filed in the High Court with a total of 40 counts of sexual offences in February 2026.

Counts of offences

The counts for sexual offences were; rape (26), indecent assault (1), defilement (1) and sexual assault (12).

Accused and Victims

There were 18 accused persons charged with 40 counts of sexual offences. Of the 18 accused persons, one was a juvenile

There were 18 victims of whom 11 victims were under the age of 18 years. There was 17 female victims and one male victim.

Domestic Incidents

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

A 64-year-old man was charged with the rape of his 5-year-old granddaughter.

There was one incident where a 29-year-old man was charged with one count of rape of his 4-year-old stepson.

A 47-year-old man was charged with two counts of rape and one count of sexual assault of his 15-year-old stepdaughter while in another incident, a 44-year-old man was charged with two counts of rape and five counts of sexual assault.

In another incident, a 36-year-old man was charged with two counts of rape of his 10-year-old stepdaughter, while in another incident, a 55-year-old man was charged with the rape of his 63-year-old former partner.

A 23-year-old man was charged with one count of rape of his 17-year-old cousin while in another incident, a 30-year-old man was charged with one count of rape and one count of sexual assault of his 19-year-old cousin.

Juvenile

A 17-year-old boy was charged with one count of rape of a 22-year-old woman.

Other incidents

A 55-year-old man was charged with four counts of rape of a 17-year-old girl while in another incident, a 35-year-old man was charged with one count of rape and one count of sexual assault of a 14-year-old girl.

A 25-year-old man was charged with one count of rape and three counts of sexual assault of a 12-year-old girl. The accused is known to the victim's family.

There was one incident where a 22-year-old man was charged with one count of defilement of a 14-year-old girl.

Nolle Prosequi

Two cases were discontinued after *Nolle Prosequi* were filed due to insufficient evidence and the unavailability of victim to give evidence during trial dates.

Refer to the table entitled *ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences February 2026* for a break-down of these statistics.



ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics February 2026

	Rape	Indecent Assault	Defilement	Sexual Assault	Total
No. of Counts	26	1	1	12	40
Total No. of Victims	17	1	1	6	18*
No. of Victims under 18 years	11	0	1	4	11*
Total No. of Accused Persons	18	1	1	6	18*
No. of Accused Persons under 18 years	1	0	0	0	1
No. of incidents involving people in domestic relationships or relatives	8	0	0	3	8*
No. of <i>Nolle Prosequi</i> filed	2	1	0	1	2*
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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