



ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

ODPP Serious Crime (Non-Sexual Violence 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 crimes other than sexual violence offences which are recorded and published separately. This data also includes offences committed by police officers.

Cases

There were 22 indictments (Information) filed in the High Court with a total of 36 counts of non-sexual offences in February 2026.

Counts of offences

The counts for non-sexual offences were murder (3), manslaughter (2), manslaughter arising from breach of duty (2), aggravated robbery (3), aggravated burglary (3), burglary (1), theft (4), arson (1), acts with intent to cause grievous harm (3), unlawful wounding (1), serious assault (2), unlawful importation of illicit drugs (1), unlawful possession of illicit drugs (4), unlawful entry into the country (1), possession of property suspected to be proceeds of crime (1), driving without valid licence (2), damaging property (1) and criminal intimidation (1).

Accused and Victims

There were 35 people charged with a total of 36 counts of non-sexual offences. Of the 35 people charged, seven were juvenile who were charged with aggravated robbery, aggravated burglary and theft offences.

There were 19 victims of the 36 counts of non-sexual offences.

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

Murder

A 25-year-old man was charged with the murder of his daughter. It is alleged that the accused was beating his de facto partner with a broom handle when he struck their daughter's head causing her to fall on concrete which resulted in her death.

A 26-year-old woman is charged with the murder of her 29-year-old de facto partner, while in another incident, a 35-year-old man is charged with the murder of a 58-year-old man.

Manslaughter

There was one incident where a mother was charged with manslaughter arising from breach

of duty which resulted in the death of her 2-year-old son.

In another incident, an OHS inspector was charged with manslaughter arising from breach of duty which resulted in the death of a 20-year-old woman.

Vehicular Manslaughter

A 30-year-old man is charged with vehicular manslaughter and driving without a valid driving licence. It is alleged that the accused person drove his vehicle in a reckless manner that caused the death of a 21-year-old man.

In another incident, a 22-year-old man is charged with vehicular manslaughter and driving without a valid driving licence. It is alleged that the accused person drove his vehicle in a reckless manner that caused the death of a 13-year-old child.

NB: The ODPP is taking a firm stance of charging offenders with vehicular manslaughter in cases where reckless or dangerous driving leads to the death of another person, amid a growing number of such cases, as opposed to the lesser charge of dangerous driving causing death.

Drugs

Six people have been charged in relation to the Vatia drug bust. Four Ecuadorian nationals are charged with the unlawful entry into the country, unlawful importation and unlawful possession of 2664.5 kilograms of cocaine while the two locals were charged with serious assault and unlawful possession of 155.6 kilograms of cocaine.

A 36-year-old man was charged with the unlawful possession of 7.4 grams of *cannabis sativa*.

In another incident, a 35-year-old man was charged with the unlawful possession of 245.84 grams of methamphetamine. The accused is also charged with one count of possession of property suspected of proceeds of crime. He was allegedly found in possession of \$918.30 cash suspected to be proceeds of crime.

Assault

A 41-year-old man was charged with an act with intent to cause grievous harm. It is alleged that the accused person allegedly struck his wife with a metal rod.

In another incident, a 29-year-old man was charged with an act with intent to cause grievous harm. It is alleged that the accused person allegedly struck a 45-year-old woman with a cane knife.

Other offences

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

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



ODPP Serious Crime (Non- Sexual Violence Offences) February 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	3	3	3	2	0	0
Manslaughter	2	2	2	0	0	0
Manslaughter arising from breach of duty	2	2	2	0	0	0
Aggravated robbery	3	7	3	0	0	0
Aggravated burglary	3	6	3	0	0	0
Burglary	1	1	1	0	0	0
Theft	4	7	4	0	0	0
Arson	1	1	1	0	0	0
Act with intent to cause grievous harm	3	4	3	1	0	0
Unlawful wounding	1	1	1	0	0	0
Serious assault	2	2	2	0	0	0
Unlawful importation of illicit drugs	1	5	0	0	0	0
Unlawful possession of illicit drugs	4	8	0	0	0	0
Possession of property suspected to be proceeds of crime	1	1	0	0	0	0
Driving without valid driving licence	2	2	2	0	0	0
Damaging property	1	1	1	0	0	0
Criminal intimidation	1	1	1	0	0	0
Total	36	35	19	3	0	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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