

ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

ODPP Serious Crime (Non-Sexual Violence Offences) Statistics – May 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 26 indictments (Information) filed in the High Court with a total of 44 counts of non-sexual offences in May 2026.

Counts of offences

The counts for non-sexual offences were murder (3), manslaughter (6), manslaughter arising from breach of duty (2), corporate manslaughter (1), attempted murder (3), aggravated robbery (1), aggravated burglary (5), theft (5), receiving stolen property (1), arson (1), acts with intent to cause grievous harm (3), common assault (5), unlawful wounding (2), criminal intimidation (2), inciting to mutiny (2), contravention of restraining order (1) and attempted to pervert the course of justice (1).

Accused and Victims

There were 42 people charged with 44 counts of non-sexual offences. Of the 42 accused persons, two were juveniles and eight were police officers.

There were 26 victims of the 44 counts of non-sexual offences.

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

Police officers

Seven police officers were charged in relation to the death of Richard Mock. Two police officers were charged with one count of manslaughter, four police officers were charged with one count of manslaughter arising from breach of duty while another police officer was charged with attempted to perverting the course of justice.

In another incident, former Police Commissioner with former Prime Minister were charged with two counts of inciting to mutiny.

Murder

A 17-year-old boy was charged with the murder of a 62-year-old woman. The accused was working for the victim and is alleged to have stabbed her multiple times which resulted in her death.

In another incident, a 19-year-old man was charged with murder of a 33-year-old man. It is alleged that the accused assaulted and struck the victim's head with a piece of wood which caused severe injuries resulting in the victim's death.

There was one incident, where a 21-year-old man and a 42-year-old man were charged with the murder of a police officer, however, this matter was discontinued due to insufficient evidence.

A 20-year-old man was charged with the attempted murder of a 49-year-old man. It is alleged that the accused attempted to murder the victim by stabbing him multiple times.

Domestic

A 26-year-old man was charged with manslaughter arising from breach of duty. It is alleged that the accused allowed his 6-year-old son to stand on a forklift blade whilst in operation, causing the child to fall and come under the forklift, resulting in his death. Two company directors were also charged with corporate manslaughter. It is alleged that they allowed their employee to operate the forklift without a valid license, which contributed to the circumstances that led to the child's death.

A 20-year-old man was charged with attempted murder of his 22-year-old cousin. It is alleged that the accused struck his cousin with a cane knife after an altercation.

In another incident, a 40-year-old man was charged with the attempted murder of his 38-year-old de facto partner, however, this matter was discontinued after the victim admitted to making a false complaint.

A 39-year-old man was charged with an act with intent to cause grievous bodily harm. It is alleged that the accused struck his 37-year-old wife, a police officer, with a broken bottle after she suggested that he start seeking employment.

A 42-year-old woman was charged with unlawful wounding. It is alleged that the accused stabbed her 34-year-old sister with a kitchen knife after an altercation over their family house.

In another incident, a 28-year-old man was charged with common assault and criminal intimidation. It is alleged that, upon discovering that his 13-year-old nephew had stolen from his home, the accused assaulted the child and threatened to kill him.

Vehicular manslaughter

A 29-year-old man was charged with vehicular manslaughter. It is alleged that the accused was driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol which resulted in an accident. His six-year-old nephew, who was a passenger in the vehicle sustained fatal head injuries which resulted in his death.

A 30-year-old man was charged with vehicular manslaughter following a fatal motor vehicle collision which resulted in the death of an 18-year-old and a 19-year-old man.

In another incident, a 24-year-old man was charged with vehicular manslaughter following a fatal motor vehicle collision which resulted in the death of a 28-year-old woman.

Other incidents

Three tertiary students were charged with one count of manslaughter (initially charged with murder in the magistrate court but reduced to manslaughter) however, charges against two accused were discontinued due to insufficient evidence.

There was one incident where a 52-year-old man was charged with two counts of acts with intent to cause grievous bodily harm and one count of common assault. It is alleged that the accused struck a 37-year-old man with a cane knife and assaulted a 60-year-old man and a 46-year-old woman during an altercation.

A 22-year-old man was charged with three counts of common assault for allegedly assaulting his 20-year-old girlfriend, while in another incident, a 31-year-old man was charged with one count of unlawful wounding of a 21-year-old man after he asked the accused to return his power bank.

There was one incident where a 40-year-old man was charged with one count of contravention of restraining order after he allegedly transferred a vehicle to his brother which was restrained by the High Court.

Cash and assorted items were stolen during the alleged aggravated robbery and burglary incidents consisting of street mugging, house and shop break-ins.

A 16-year-old was charged with one count of aggravated burglary and theft. The juvenile with another accused allegedly broke into a shop and stole assorted items including foreign currencies.

There was one incident where a 28-year-old man was charged with one count of arson, one count of aggravated burglary and one count of theft. It is alleged that the accused set fire to the victim's house after breaking in and stealing assorted items from the house.

Three cases were discontinued after *Nolle Prosequi* were filed due to insufficient evidence and a false complaint.

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



ODPP Serious Crime (Non- Sexual Violence Offences) May 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	4	3	0	1	0
Manslaughter	6	8	6	1	1	2
Manslaughter arising from breach of duty	2	5	2	1	0	4
Corporate manslaughter	1	2	1	0	0	0
Attempted murder	3	3	3	2	1	0
Aggravated robbery	1	3	1	0	0	0
Aggravated burglary	5	7	5	0	0	0
Theft	5	7	5	0	0	0
Receiving stolen property	1	1	1	0	0	0
Arson	1	1	1	0	0	0
Act with intent to cause grievous harm	3	2	2	1	0	0
Unlawful wounding	2	2	2	1	0	0
Common assault	5	3	3	1	0	0
Criminal intimidation	2	2	2	1	0	0
Contravention of restraining order	1	1	0	0	0	0
Inciting to mutiny	2	2	0	0	0	1
Attempted to pervert the course of justice	1	1	0	0	0	1
Total	44	42*	26*	7*	3	8

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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