

WPQ 517 (2024) Table 1: The number of sanctions for working age main benefit clients with or without children for sanction reason 'Drug test' during the period 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2023, broken down by ethnicity.

Sanction reason / Quarter / Children			Total response ethnicity							
			Māori	European	Pacific Peoples	Asian	MELAA	Other	Unknown	Total sanctions
Drug test	December 2023	No	S	S	0	S	0	0	0	S
		Yes	S	S	0	0	0	0	0	S
		Quarter total	S	S	0	S	0	0	0	6

Notes:

- The table includes working age only (18 to 64 years).
- Main Benefits exclude NZ Superannuation, Veteran's Pension, Non-Beneficiary assistance, Orphan's Benefit and Unsupported Child's Benefit.
- This is a count of sanctions, not clients. A client can have more than one sanction within the time period.
- Children in care is assessed at the time of sanction.
- Ethnicity data is self-identified and multiple ethnicities may be chosen by an individual as fits their preference or self-concept.
- Total response ethnicity means that if a person identifies with more than one ethnic group, they are counted in each applicable group.
- Because a client can choose more than one ethnic response, the total number of ethnic responses will be greater than the number of clients.
- MELAA refers to Middle Eastern, Latin American, and African.
- 'Unknown' is where ethnicity is not recorded. 'Other ethnicity' is where ethnicities fall outside the reported ethnicities.
- To protect confidentiality the Ministry of Social Development uses processes to make it difficult to identify an individual person or entity from published data.
- These data tables have had random rounding to base three applied to all cell counts in the table.
- Random rounding does not round down to zero, a value of one or two will be rounded to three.
- The impact of applying random rounding is that columns and rows may not add exactly to the given column or row totals.
- The published counts will never differ by more than two counts.
- In certain circumstances, low numbers may potentially lead to individuals being identified.
- Due to these privacy concerns, numbers for some categories of clients have been suppressed or aggregated.

WPQ 517 (2024) Table 2: The number of sanctions for working age main benefit clients with or without children for sanction reason 'Drug test' during the period 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2023, broken down by age group.

Sanction reason / Quarter / Children			Age group		Total sanctions
			20-24	25-29	
Drug test	December 2023	No	S	S	S
		Yes	0	S	S
		Quarter total	S	S	6

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WPQ 517 (2024) Table 3: The number of sanctions for working age main benefit clients with or without children for sanction reason 'Drug test' during the period 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2023, broken down by gender.

Sanction reason / Quarter / Children			Gender		Total sanctions
			Female	Male	
Drug test	December 2023	No	S	S	S
		Yes	0	S	S
		Quarter total	S	S	6

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- This is a count of sanctions, not clients. A client can have more than one sanction within the time period.
- Children in care is assessed at the time of sanction.
- This includes all changes to the client's benefit coded as WTA, so may include a small number of case actions wider than those driven by WASP.
- WASP is Warrants Absence Suspension Processing.
- From 2 December 2019, The Ministry of Social Development has three options to record a client's or child's gender: Male, Female or Gender Diverse.
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WPQ 517 (2024) Table 4: The number of sanctions for working age main benefit clients with or without children for sanction reason 'Drug test' during the period 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2023, broken down by benefit type.

Sanction reason / Quarter / Children			Benefit type	Total sanctions
			Jobseeker Support - Work Ready	
Drug test	December 2023	No	S	S
		Yes	S	S
		Quarter total	6	6

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- This is a count of sanctions, not clients. A client can have more than one sanction within the time period.
- Children in care is assessed at the time of sanction.
- Jobseeker Support - Work ready includes Jobseeker Support Work Ready, Jobseeker Support Work Ready Hardship, Jobseeker Support Work Ready Training and Jobseeker Support Work Ready Training Hardship
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