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Table 1: Drug test sanctions by children, quarter since April 2024

June 2024	No children	6
	Total	6
September 2024	No children	18
	Has child/children	3
	Total	18
December 2024	No children	12
	Total	12
March 2025	No children	6
	Total	6

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Table 2: Drug test sanctions by children, ethnicity and quarter since April 2024

Quarter		Māori	Pacific Peoples	European	Asian	Middle Eastern/Latin American/African	Other Ethnicities	Not Declared
June 2024	No children	6	3	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	6	3	0	0	0	0	0
September 2024	No children	6	3	6	3	0	0	3
	Has child/children	3	3	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	9	6	3	3	0	0	3
December 2024	No children	6	3	3	0	3	3	3
	Total	6	3	3	0	3	3	3
March 2025	No children	3	0	3	0	0	0	0
	Total	3	0	6	0	0	0	0

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Table 3: Drug test sanctions by children, age band and quarter since April 2024

Quarter		18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64
June 2024	No children	3	3	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
	Total	3	3	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
September 2024	No children	3	6	3	3	0	3	3	3	3	0
	Has child/children	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	3	9	3	3	0	3	3	3	3	0
December 2024	No children	3	3	3	0	3	3	3	3	0	0
	Total	3	3	3	0	3	3	3	3	0	0
March 2025	No children	3	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	3
	Total	3	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	3

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Table 4: Drug test sanctions by children, gender and quarter since April 2024

Quarter		Female	Male
June 2024	No children	3	3
	Total	3	3
September 2024	No children	3	15
	Has child/children	0	3
	Total	3	15
December 2024	No children	3	9
	Total	3	12
March 2025	No children	0	3
	Total	0	6

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Table 5: Drug test sanctions by children, benefit type and quarter since April 2024

Quarter		Benefit group
		Jobseeker Support - Work ready
June 2024	No children	6
	Total	6
September 2024	No children	18
	Has child/children	3
	Total	18
December 2024	No children	12
	Total	12
March 2025	No children	6
	Total	6

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