

Table One: The number of sanctions for failing to attend appointment(s) for working age main benefit clients with or without children during the period 1 January 2024 to 30 September 2024 by quarter, broken down by ethnicity.

Sanction reason	Quarter ending	Children	Total response ethnicity							
			Māori	European	Pacific Peoples	Asian	MELAA	Other	Unknown	Total sanctions
Failed to attend appointment(s)	March 2024	No	2,127	1,209	600	75	24	96	270	3,867
		Yes	279	159	75	9	6	12	24	492
		Quarter total	2,403	1,368	675	84	27	108	291	4,359
	June 2024	No	2,838	1,707	960	141	60	162	453	5,517
		Yes	303	156	102	15	6	9	33	552
		Quarter total	3,141	1,863	1,062	156	63	168	489	6,069
	September 2024	No	4,221	2,448	1,662	258	90	285	696	8,511
		Yes	432	219	222	27	12	9	60	858
		Quarter total	4,656	2,667	1,884	288	99	297	756	9,366

Notes:

- The table includes working age only (18 to 64 years).
- 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.
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- These data tables have had random rounding to base three applied to all cell counts in the table.
- Random rounding does not round 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.

Table Two: The number of sanctions for failing to attend appointment(s) for working age main benefit clients with or without children during the period 1 January 2024 to 30 September 2024 by quarter, broken down by age group.

Sanction reason	Quarter ending	Children	Age group										Total sanctions
			18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	
Failed to attend appointment(s)	March 2024	No	711	1,467	675	369	240	159	111	72	42	15	3,867
		Yes	0	48	90	105	114	60	48	15	9	3	492
		Quarter total	714	1,518	765	474	354	222	159	87	51	15	4,359
	June 2024	No	1,071	2,073	921	555	336	204	168	102	63	21	5,517
		Yes	3	57	93	117	102	84	60	33	3	0	552
		Quarter total	1,074	2,133	1,014	672	438	288	228	132	66	21	6,069
	September 2024	No	1,458	2,628	1,674	1,029	657	423	300	180	111	54	8,511
		Yes	3	84	93	162	195	156	90	45	21	6	858
		Quarter total	1,461	2,712	1,767	1,194	852	582	387	222	129	57	9,366

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Table Three: The number of sanctions for failing to attend appointment(s) for working age main benefit clients with or without children during the period 1 January 2024 to 30 September 2024 by quarter, broken down by gender.

Sanction reason	Quarter ending	Children	Gender			Total sanctions
			Female	Gender Diverse	Male	
Failed to attend appointment(s)	March 2024	No	1,434	18	2,415	3,867
		Yes	318	0	171	492
		Quarter total	1,752	15	2,589	4,359
	June 2024	No	1,866	30	3,624	5,517
		Yes	312	0	240	552
		Quarter total	2,175	30	3,864	6,069
	September 2024	No	2,622	42	5,844	8,511
		Yes	381	0	477	858
		Quarter total	3,003	42	6,318	9,366

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Table Four: The number of sanctions for failing to attend appointment(s) for working age main benefit clients with or without children during the period 1 January 2024 to 30 September 2024 by quarter, broken down by benefit type.

Sanction reason	Quarter ending	Children	Benefit type				Total sanctions
			Jobseeker Support - Health Condition or Disability	Jobseeker Support - Work Ready	Sole Parent Support	Supported Living Payments related	
Failed to attend appointment(s)	March 2024	No	39	3,825	0	3	3,867
		Yes	6	267	219	0	492
		Quarter total	45	4,089	222	3	4,359
	June 2024	No	51	5,466	0	3	5,517
		Yes	3	369	177	0	552
		Quarter total	54	5,835	177	3	6,069
	September 2024	No	48	8,463	0	0	8,511
		Yes	3	792	57	3	858
		Quarter total	51	9,255	57	3	9,366

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- 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.
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