

WPQ 39741 (2024) Table One: The number of sanctions for failing work obligations for working age main benefit clients with or without children during the period 1 January 2024 to 31 March 2024, broken down by ethnicity.

Sanction reason / Quarter / Children			Total response ethnicity							
			Māori	European	Pacific Peoples	Asian	MELAA	Other	Unknown	Total sanctions
Recipients who failed to participate in work	March 2024	No	246	126	57	6	3	9	33	417
		Yes	45	9	9	3	0	3	0	54
		Quarter total	294	135	66	6	3	12	30	471

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.

WPQ 39741 (2024) Table Two: The number of sanctions for failing work obligations for working age main benefit clients with or without children during the period 1 January 2024 to 31 March 2024, broken down by age group.

Sanction reason / Quarter / 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	
Recipients who failed to participate in work	March 2024	No	69	156	69	42	27	21	21	12	3	3	417
		Yes	0	3	12	9	12	9	3	3	3	0	54
		Quarter total	69	159	84	51	36	30	24	12	3	3	471

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- Children in care is assessed at the time of sanction.
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WPQ 39741 (2024) Table Three: The number of sanctions for failing work obligations for working age main benefit clients with or without children during the period 1 January 2024 to 31 March 2024, broken down by gender.

Sanction reason / Quarter / Children			Gender			Total sanctions
			Female	Gender Diverse	Male	
Recipients who failed to participate in work	March 2024	No	129	3	285	417
		Yes	33	0	21	54
		Quarter total	165	3	306	471

Notes:

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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.
- 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 39741 (2024) Table Four: The number of sanctions for failing work obligations for working age main benefit clients with or without children during the period 1 January 2024 to 31 March 2024, broken down by benefit type.

Sanction reason / Quarter / Children			Benefit type			Total sanctions
			Jobseeker Support - Health Condition or Disability	Jobseeker Support - Work Ready	Sole Parent Support	
Recipients who failed to participate in work	March 2024	No	15	402	0	417
		Yes	3	33	21	54
		Quarter total	15	438	21	471

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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 - Health Condition or Disability includes Jobseeker Support Health Condition, Injury or Disability and Jobseeker Support Health Condition, Injury or Disability Hardship.
- 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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