

## WPQ 11819 (2021)

**Table 1: Number of people charged for category 4 offences by month, 31 July 2020 to 31 December 2020.**

**2020**

Month	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Number of people charged	13	15	15	17	5	65

### Notes for Table:

- This data counts each person charged with an offence once per month between 1 August 2020 and 31 December 2020.
- This data counts finalised charges.
- Category 4 offences are listed in Schedule 1 of the Criminal Procedure Act 2011  
[http://legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2011/0081/latest/DLM3360716.html?search=sw\\_096be8ed818ad414\\_category+type\\_25\\_se&p=1#DLM3360716](http://legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2011/0081/latest/DLM3360716.html?search=sw_096be8ed818ad414_category+type_25_se&p=1#DLM3360716)
- Month is the month of the charge outcome date.
- The data for this response forms part of the Tier 1 statistics. Tier 1 statistics are the key official statistics by which New Zealand's performance as a country is measured. Tier 1 statistics are publicly released twice a year in March and September and there are principles and protocols that govern their production and release. More information about Tier 1 statistics is available from [www.data.govt.nz/use-data/showcase/official-statistics/](http://www.data.govt.nz/use-data/showcase/official-statistics/)
- The Ministry holds raw data on conviction and sentencing but does not hold up-to-date statistics on conviction and sentencing until they are produced for the Tier 1 releases in March and September. The current Tier 1 statistics are updated to the end of December 2020.
- Tier 1 statistics only include charges and convictions that have been finalised. Cases where people are currently before the court are excluded.