

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.

Quarter ending	Children	Total response ethnicity							Total sanctions
		Māori	European	Pacific Peoples	Asian	MELAA	Other	Unknown	
March 2024	No	3,522	2,085	1,056	132	48	180	495	6,615
	Yes	495	261	147	18	6	21	60	894
	Quarter total	4,017	2,346	1,206	153	54	201	555	7,506
June 2024	No	4,707	2,844	1,731	279	99	285	735	9,363
	Yes	555	270	216	30	12	9	66	1,029
	Quarter total	5,262	3,111	1,941	306	108	294	798	10,392
September 2024	No	6,333	3,714	2,640	396	135	432	1,047	12,957
	Yes	723	363	384	48	15	18	102	1,452
	Quarter total	7,056	4,077	3,024	444	147	450	1,149	14,409

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.
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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.

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	
March 2024	No	1,269	2,487	1,059	618	420	297	219	138	69	33	6,615
	Yes	66	96	150	162	180	114	78	30	12	3	894
	Quarter total	1,338	2,583	1,209	783	603	414	297	165	81	36	7,506
June 2024	No	1,785	3,414	1,578	981	585	372	285	204	111	45	9,363
	Yes	57	114	168	216	171	150	96	45	9	0	1,029
	Quarter total	1,842	3,528	1,746	1,197	756	525	378	249	120	45	10,392
September 2024	No	2,196	4,050	2,514	1,527	954	657	459	309	189	102	12,957
	Yes	78	138	174	246	312	249	147	69	33	6	1,452
	Quarter total	2,271	4,188	2,691	1,773	1,266	906	606	378	225	108	14,409

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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.

Quarter ending	Children	Gender			Total sanctions
		Female	Gender Diverse	Male	
March 2024	No	2,370	42	4,203	6,615
	Yes	576	0	315	894
	Quarter total	2,946	39	4,521	7,506
June 2024	No	3,156	48	6,159	9,363
	Yes	588	0	444	1,029
	Quarter total	3,741	48	6,603	10,392
September 2024	No	3,945	60	8,946	12,957
	Yes	693	0	762	1,452
	Quarter total	4,638	63	9,708	14,409

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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.

Quarter ending	Children	Benefit type						Total sanctions
		Emergency Benefit	Jobseeker Support - Health Condition or Disability	Jobseeker Support - Work Ready	Sole Parent Support	Supported Living Payments related	Youth Payment and Young Parent Payment	
March 2024	No	3	183	6,420	0	3	9	6,615
	Yes	0	18	468	345	6	60	894
	Quarter total	3	198	6,885	345	9	69	7,506
June 2024	No	0	204	9,141	0	3	15	9,363
	Yes	0	30	639	309	0	51	1,029
	Quarter total	0	234	9,780	309	3	66	10,392
September 2024	No	3	144	12,789	0	3	21	12,957
	Yes	3	30	1,224	132	3	63	1,452
	Quarter total	3	174	14,013	129	3	84	14,409

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- Main Benefits exclude NZ Superannuation, Veteran's Pension, Non-Beneficiary assistance, Orphan's Benefit and Unsupported Child's Benefit.
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