

# Family Violence Statistics for Christchurch Central, Northern and Southern Canterbury for the period September 2010 - May 2011 and the same period the previous year

## **Background**

Currently, Official Statistics on Recorded and Resolved offences are published every six months and police activities are published annually in the annual report. Police also publish a more current statistics of Monthly Statistical Indicators. The recent earthquakes in Canterbury have created a demand for more current statistics other than what is being published in the Monthly Statistical Indicators, particularly, Family Violence statistics.

To address this demand, New Zealand Police is publishing the following statistics on Family Violence for the three areas in Canterbury District; Christchurch Central, Northern Canterbury and Southern Canterbury.

Please note these data are provisional and drawn from a dynamic operational database. They are subject to change as new information is continually recorded. Also, these statistics do not undergo the full quality assurance processes that are applied to official statistics. Therefore, these provisional data cannot reliably be compared with the official statistics

## **A. Recorded Family Violence Offences**

	<b>Sep 2010</b>	<b>Oct 2010</b>	<b>Nov 2010</b>	<b>Dec 2010</b>	<b>Jan 2011</b>	<b>Feb 2011</b>	<b>Mar 2011</b>	<b>Apr 2011</b>	<b>May 2011</b>
Total Family Violence Offences	434	282	302	289	327	262	291	171	253
Family Violence Assaults	134	125	131	117	129	110	128	74	103

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Total Family Violence Offences	291	271	255	334	262	264	327	258	265
Family Violence Assaults	122	126	123	142	123	127	140	102	116

The above data are not comparable with the Official Statistics on Recorded and Resolved offences, which are based on when crimes occur. Instead, as with the Monthly Statistical Indicators, they are based on the date when Police receive and enter reports into Police systems.

**B. Number of Persons involved as either a Victim, Complainant or Subject in Family Violence Reports**

	Sep 2009 - May 2010	Sep 2010 - May 2011
Asiatic	155	152
Caucasian	5,597	5,923
Indian	88	57
Maori	1,593	1,725
Pacific Isle	341	357
Other / Unknown	817	933
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,591</b>	<b>9,147</b>

The above statistics represent the number persons involved as victim, complainant or subjects of in Family Violence Incident Reports (FVIR's). FVIR's are jobs police treat as family violence, as determined by the attending officer.

Please note that individuals can be involved in multiple Family Violence occurrences, and might appear as victim, complainant and subjects in FVIR's over time. Therefore, the above data do not represent a direct count of individuals.