

22 April 2024

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***Request for information***

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request dated 12 March 2024. You asked:

*could you please provide the number of robberies/aggravated robberies targeting petrol stations in the Auckland over the last 12 months. Could you please include a month-by-month breakdown of where these took place? Could also please include the number of arrests related to each incident.*

In the Official Police Statistics, this information is collated using victimisations reported in Recorded Crime Victims Statistics (RCVS)<sup>1</sup>. A victimisation counts each occasion of a person or organisation being victimised within an ANZSOC Division<sup>2</sup>.

In the 12 months between 1 March 2023 and 29 February 2024, there have been 47 victimisations reported in Tāmaki Makaurau where the location type is service station and ANZSOC division is Robbery (this includes aggravated robbery).

The table below shows these by month and Police Scene District.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.police.govt.nz/about-us/publication/data-and-statistics-user-guides>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/classifications/australian-and-new-zealand-standard-offence-classification-anzsoc/2011>

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Table 1. Robbery victimisations at service stations, 1 March 2023 – 29 February 2024.

Month \ Scene District	Waitemata	Auckland City	Counties Manukau
March 2023	3	0	1
April 2023	2	2	0
May 2023	0	0	2
June 2023	0	0	3
July 2023	1	0	1
August 2023	0	0	4
September 2023	0	3	2
October 2023	0	0	2
November 2023	0	0	0
December 2023	0	0	8
January 2024	0	0	9
February 2024	0	2	2

I have interpreted your interest in arrests to be in the number of offenders identified and proceeded against by Police. Of these 47 victimisations, as at 28 March 2024, ten are still being investigated while 35 have had an offender identified and proceeded against with court action.

Police's focus is on holding the most harmful retail offenders to account, those who are undertaking brazen and dangerous retail offending, such as aggravated robbery and ram raids.

Police proactively releases RCVS statistics. These are updated monthly and can be viewed and downloaded from [policedata.nz](https://www.policedata.nz)<sup>3</sup>. Please note that the public report updates on the last working day of every month for the month preceding previous month. For example, on 30 April, it will include February data.

The 'Victimisations (police stations)' report has information on robberies at 'service station' locations you may find useful. You can access this data by completing the following steps:

- Go to [policedata.nz](https://www.policedata.nz) and click on the 'Victimisations (police stations)' report.
- From the 'Victimisations (police stations)' report, select the tab labelled 'Districts'.
- Select the time period you require by moving the sliding bar on 'Year Month'. You can also click on the dates and pick from a calendar drop down.
- Under the 'Location Description' filter, untick 'All' and select 'Service Station'.
- Different types of crime can be selected in the table 'Crime Type'. Please note that you need to click on the icon that has a square with a + in it over the ANZSOC Group heading to reveal each category.
- For this request, you can select Robbery.
- To select different Districts, please click on the icon that has a square with a + in it over the Police Area/TA category. This would allow you to narrow down to District, Area, or Station.

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.police.govt.nz/about-us/publications-statistics/data-and-statistics/policedatanz>

- After selecting the ANZSOC Subgroup and Police Station/Area categories of interest, the Trend chart automatically shows the volume of victimisations by Police/Local boundary and by month, respectively.
- Finally, you can download the detailed information about these data using the download icon at the bottom of the page and selecting 'Data'. This should give you options for Summary and Full data.

Please note that as part of its commitment to openness and transparency, Police proactively releases some information and documents that may be of interest to the public. An anonymised version of this response may be publicly released on the New Zealand Police website.

Ngā mihi



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