

## National Top 10 Allegations

The most common allegations overall, as the 'Top 10' (calculated by the number of times that allegation is used nationally). This is shown month-by-month, along with a YTD top 10 for each month. Also shown are the totals of completed investigations, and how many of the allegations have been upheld. It should be noted that in some cases, although the investigation has been completed, the final outcome has not yet been recorded. This will mainly be due to administrative requirements and workloads. The figures shown for completed and upheld relate to allegations received in that year/month that were completed in that year/month, and those completed in that year/month with a finding of upheld.

Allegations may originate externally (reported by a member of the public, either an individual or organisation), internally (reported from within Police, either by an employee or through standard reporting channels. These relate primarily to operational reviews initiated internally, but may also include internal complaints about conduct in the workplace) or from off duty behaviour (indicating the Police employee was not acting in their capacity as a member of Police).

It is important to understand that this **does not equate to the number of reported incidents**. An allegation may be used multiple times (that is against a number of involved employees) in one incident.

**Nor does it equate to the number of staff**, as each involved employee may be facing several allegations.

A full list of all allegations grouped into their allegation type can be viewed [here](#).

### January 2018

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Attitude/language (External)	54	1	
Failure - Investigation	50	9	1
Inadequate service	50	1	
Use of force on duty (Manual)	19		
Inappropriate pursuit	12		
Service failure (Other)	11	1	
Excessive speed	9		
Failure to notify/inform	9		
Unlawful search	9	1	
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	8	1	

**February 2018**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	46	22	2
Use of force on duty (Manual)	46	5	
Attitude/language (External)	43	19	2
Inadequate service	41	19	
Failure - Prosecution	11	9	
Conflict of interest	10	6	1
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	9	2	
Performance/attendance matter (External)	8		
Service failure (Other)	8	9	2
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	7	3	

**March 2018**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	50	25	
Attitude/language (External)	45	34	7
Inadequate service	45	25	7
Use of force on duty (Manual)	27	11	2
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	19	2	1
Breach of Rights	16	1	
Failure - Prosecution	13	4	
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	11	4	
Failure to return property	10		
Police pursuit resulting in injury or death	9		

**February 2018 YTD**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Attitude/language (External)	97	20	2
Failure - Investigation	96	31	3
Inadequate service	91	20	
Use of force on duty (Manual)	65	5	
Service failure (Other)	19	10	2
Conflict of interest	17	7	1
Failure - Prosecution	17	12	
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	15	4	
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	15	4	
Failure to notify/inform	14	1	

**March 2018 YTD**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	146	56	3
Attitude/language (External)	142	54	9
Inadequate service	136	45	7
Use of force on duty (Manual)	92	16	2
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	34	6	1
Failure - Prosecution	30	16	
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	26	8	
Breach of Rights	25	3	
Service failure (Other)	22	11	2
Conflict of interest	20	7	1

**April 2018**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	38	67	4
Use of force on duty (Manual)	35	51	1
Inadequate service	32	78	5
Attitude/language (External)	27	53	8
Failure - Prosecution	14	15	
Breach of Rights	11	19	
Conflict of interest	9	3	
Inadequate victim management	9	3	2
Police pursuit resulting in injury or death	9	6	
Unlawful Arrest	9	13	

**May 2018**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	60	49	5
Attitude/language (External)	52	44	5
Inadequate service	49	38	9
Use of force on duty (Manual)	39	36	
Attempted suicide (custodial)	17	1	
Breach of Rights	15	11	2
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	13	16	4
Failure - Prosecution	10	13	
Police pursuit resulting in injury or death	9	7	
Failure to return property	8	7	1

**April 2018 YTD**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	184	123	7
Attitude/language (External)	169	107	17
Inadequate service	168	123	12
Use of force on duty (Manual)	127	67	3
Failure - Prosecution	44	31	
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	42	18	4
Breach of Rights	36	22	
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	34	24	
Conflict of interest	29	10	1
Property (Custodial)	28	17	

**May 2018 YTD**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	244	172	12
Attitude/language (External)	221	151	22
Inadequate service	217	161	21
Use of force on duty (Manual)	166	103	3
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	55	34	8
Failure - Prosecution	54	44	
Breach of Rights	51	33	2
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	42	34	
Property (Custodial)	34	23	
Conflict of interest	32	17	3

**June 2018**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Attitude/language (External)	50	72	10
Failure - Investigation	40	62	9
Use of force on duty (Manual)	28	36	
Inadequate service	25	41	8
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	11	8	2
Unlawful Arrest	10	7	
Breach of Rights	8	11	
Failure - Prosecution	8	9	
Attempted suicide (custodial)	5	3	
Conflict of interest	5	6	3

**July 2018**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	48	32	2
Attitude/language (External)	32	17	3
Inadequate service	32	26	4
Use of force on duty (Manual)	19	18	1
Attempted suicide (custodial)	14	1	
Failure - Prosecution	11	8	1
Breach of Rights	10	7	
Drugs/alcohol (Prior to joining Police)	9		
Conflict of interest	8	7	2
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	8	11	2

**June 2018 YTD**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	284	234	21
Attitude/language (External)	271	223	32
Inadequate service	242	202	29
Use of force on duty (Manual)	194	139	3
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	66	42	10
Failure - Prosecution	62	53	
Breach of Rights	59	44	2
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	44	38	1
Unlawful Arrest	42	33	
Conflict of interest	37	23	6

**July 2018 YTD**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	332	266	23
Attitude/language (External)	303	240	35
Inadequate service	274	228	33
Use of force on duty (Manual)	213	157	4
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	74	53	12
Failure - Prosecution	73	61	1
Breach of Rights	69	51	2
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	52	44	2
Attempted suicide (custodial)	48	7	1
Conflict of interest	45	30	8

**August 2018**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Attitude/language (External)	37	35	2
Inadequate service	23	29	4
Failure - Investigation	22	33	
Failure - Prosecution	11	8	1
Unlawful search	11	5	2
Use of force on duty (Manual)	11	14	1
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	9	12	4
Conflict of interest	7	3	
Breach of Rights	6	11	
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	6	7	

**September 2018**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Attitude/language (External)	38	23	3
Inadequate service	27	35	8
Failure - Investigation	25	30	4
Use of force on duty (Manual)	25	5	
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	10	12	4
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	7	5	
Suicide (non-custodial)	7	5	
Disgraceful behaviour (Internal)	6	1	
Conflict of interest	6	6	3
Failure - Prosecution	6	7	

**August 2018 YTD**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	354	299	23
Attitude/language (External)	340	275	37
Inadequate service	297	257	37
Use of force on duty (Manual)	224	171	5
Failure - Prosecution	84	69	2
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	83	65	16
Breach of Rights	75	62	2
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	58	51	2
Conflict of interest	52	33	8
Unlawful Arrest	50	42	

**September 2018 YTD**

Allegation	Total	Completed	Upheld
Failure - Investigation	379	329	27
Attitude/language (External)	378	298	40
Inadequate service	324	292	45
Use of force on duty (Manual)	249	176	5
Breach of privacy/confidentiality	93	77	20
Failure - Prosecution	90	76	2
Breach of Rights	80	67	3
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)	65	56	2
Conflict of interest	58	39	11
Unlawful Arrest	54	49	1

## October 2018

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## November 2018

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## November 2018 YTD

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## December 2018

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## Use of force on duty

Use of force on duty (Firearm – non-discharge)  
Use of force on duty (Baton)  
Use of force on duty (Taser)  
Use of force on duty (OC Spray)  
Use of force on duty (Dogbite)  
Use of force on duty (Restraints)  
Use of force on duty (Other object)  
Use of force on duty (Manual)

## Arrest/Custodial

Unlawful Arrest  
Breach of Rights  
Improper search whilst in custody  
Property (Custodial)  
Exhibits (Custodial)  
Escapes custody  
Suicide (custodial)  
Attempted suicide (custodial)  
Custodial injury  
Custodial death  
Arrest/Custodial (Other)

## Searches

Unlawful search  
Damage during search  
Property (Searches)  
Exhibits (Searches)  
Searches (Other)

## Significant Event

Police pursuit resulting in injury or death  
Discharge of firearm resulting in injury or death  
Discharge of firearm (no injury)  
Unintentional discharge of firearm  
Suicide (non-custodial)  
Attempted suicide (non-custodial)  
Non-custodial injury  
Non-custodial death

## Traffic Offences

EBA - Over 400 Mgms/Litre (on duty)  
Use of vehicle  
Excessive speed  
Driving behaviour  
Inappropriate pursuit  
EBA - 251-400 Mgms/Litre (on duty)  
Driving under influence of drugs (on duty)  
Traffic Offences (Other)

## Service Failure

Inadequate service  
Failure - Investigation  
Failure - Prosecution  
Failure to attend  
Failure to notify/inform  
Inadequate victim management  
Inadequate bail management  
Failure to return property  
Service failure - Other

## Unprofessional Behaviour

Attitude/language (External)  
Attitude/language (Internal)  
Attitude/language (Off duty)  
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (External)  
Harassment/Bullying/Discrimination (Internal)

## Breach of Official Conduct

Dishonesty  
Unlawful act  
Treatment of CYP  
Falsification of document  
Perjury  
Corruption  
Conflict of interest  
Failure - Other  
Breach of privacy/confidentiality  
Inappropriate/unlawful disclosure  
Cause damage to property  
Breach of policy (External)  
Negligence or carelessness (External)  
Performance/attendance matter (External)  
Sexual misconduct (External)  
Disgraceful behaviour (External)  
Breach of Official Conduct (Other)

## Workplace Behaviour

Disgraceful behaviour (Internal)  
Sexual misconduct (Internal)  
Drugs/alcohol  
Violence  
Performance/attendance matter (Internal)  
Negligence or carelessness (Internal)  
Failure to follow lawful instruction  
Breach of policy (Internal)  
Workplace Behaviour (Other)

## Use of Police Resources

Misuse of email or internet  
Unauthorised use of database  
Misuse of vehicle  
Misuse of property  
Damage to property  
Use of Police Resources (Other)

## Off Duty Behaviour

Disgraceful behaviour (Off duty)  
Drugs/alcohol (Off duty)  
Violence (Off duty)  
EBA - Over 400 Mgms/Litre (Off duty)  
EBA - 251-400 Mgms/Litre (Off duty)  
Excessive speed (Off duty)  
Driving behaviour (Off duty)  
Driving under influence of drugs (Off duty)  
Off Duty Behaviour (Other)



## Disclaimer

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The information contained in this document is based on data extracted from an operational database that contains over 50,000 records, the majority of which date from prior to the introduction of the current database application on 1 July 2009, and improved data structures gradually and continuously introduced from December 2010 onwards. Therefore not all the data is reliable and may result in omissions and/or errors, especially prior to 2011. The data is dynamic and subject to change as new information is received. While quality assurance has been undertaken on some low-volume critical incident types (e.g. Police use of firearms resulting in injury or death), and reviews are undertaken of database records as and when anomalies are identified, quality assurance of all the data would require the manual checking of many thousands of hard copy and electronic files, which is beyond the resources available to NZ Police.