

# Reduced violent crime

20,000 fewer people are victims of an assault, robbery or sexual assault.

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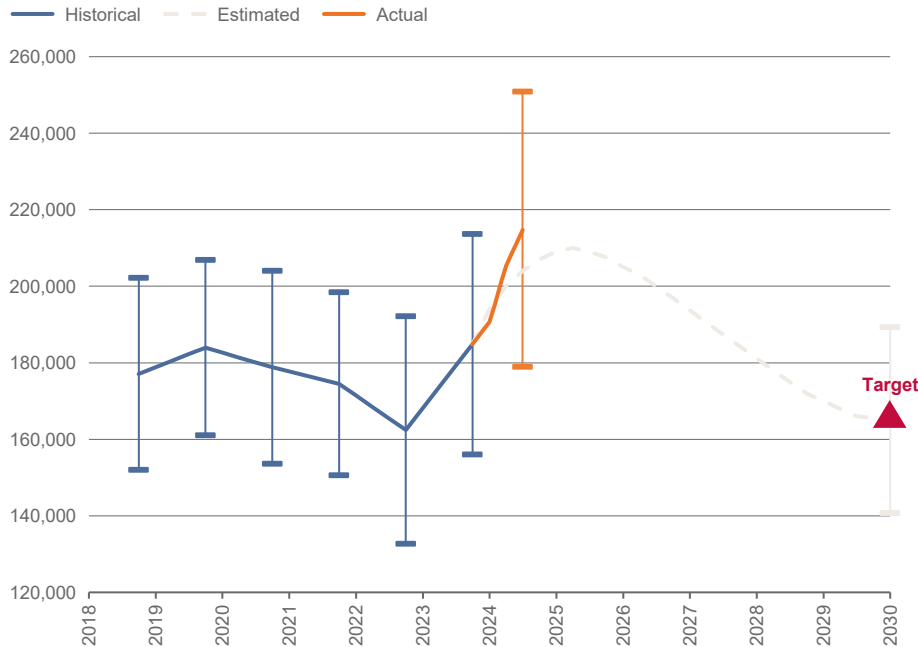
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## TARGET DELIVERY PERFORMANCE - QUARTER ENDING JUNE 2024

Target	Baseline	Current (June 2024)	Status
20k reduction (165k people)	185,000	214,737	 At Risk

## PROGRESS TOWARDS TARGET

People in New Zealand who were the victim of an assault, robbery, or sexual assault offence



The margins of error for the NZCVS are high, meaning the range of results will be highly variable.

## TARGET DELIVERY ACTIONS

**The Government is focused on restoring law and order, to ensure all New Zealanders feel safe in their communities.**

The New Zealand Crime and Victims’ Survey (NZCVS) asks respondents of their experience of reported and unreported crime over the past 12 months. Due to the way that the information is captured and reported, any violent crime reported in the latest result could have been experienced between July 2022 and June 2024, up to two years ago.

**The Government is focused on:**

- **Increasing the chance of violent offenders being caught and held to account.** The Government is moving at pace on a package of measures that includes limiting sentencing discounts and establishing new aggravating factors that respond to retail crime and victimisation of sole charge workers (such as staff working in dairies, bus drivers, taxi drivers) through the **Sentencing Reform Amendment Bill**. This builds on the Government’s Three Strikes, and Gang Harm legislation.
- **Targeting resources to where they are needed** by increasing Police numbers, Police presence in communities, and giving Police the tools they need to do their jobs effectively.
- **Breaking the cycle of violence** through supporting victims of serious crime and expanding rehabilitation services to people on remand.

## HOW TO FIND OUT MORE

The latest results from the NZCVS can be found on [www.justice.govt.nz/justice-sector-policy/research-data/nzcvcs/](http://www.justice.govt.nz/justice-sector-policy/research-data/nzcvcs/)

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