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The Department of Internal Affairs, along side NZ

Police and Customs swiftly identified perpetrators, issued warrants and prosecuted New Zealand

individuals that downloaded and spread the material.

46

Arrested

New Zealand 🏓

Key Statistics



Agencies

836 Cases investigated

146 Children safeguarded

What happened

We acted quickly to identify key material, work with our partner agencies to quickly arrest perpetrators.

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Suspects identified

Investigation in progress

Children safeguarded



Oct 2019

ESP uncovered over 90K users of child exploitation material and DIA undertook extensive analysis of account information.



Nov 2019 - Feb 2020

Operational planning commences New Zealand continued to extensively assist our international partners for their investigations.



Investigation commenced after receiving a report from an Electronic service Provider (ESP).



Oct- Nov 2019

Government analysis completed Domestic agencies begin their own investigations.





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Internationally

New Zealand worked with multiple countries and agencies including our large international partners.

Region	Cases investigated	Children safeguarded
New Zealand	71	6
Europe	72	1
United Kingdom	450	79
Canada	47	12
Australia	156	44
Singapore	4	-
United States of America	36	4



Statistics correct as of 01/03/2022







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Country	Region	Cases investigated
New Zealand	N/A	71
Czech Republic	N/A	8
Croatia	N/A	19
Greece	N/A	3
Hungary	N/A	30
Slovenia	N/A	8
Spain	N/A	2
Slovakia	N/A	2 ∧ ≪ €
United Kingdom	N/A	450
Canada	Prince Edward Island	2
	Ontario	26
	Nova Scotia	3
	Manitoba	2
	Saskatchewan	1
	Alberta	3
	British Columbia	3
	Quebec	7
Australia	Northern Territory	2
	New South Wales	26
	Victoria	27
	Australian Capital Territory	5
	Tasmania	4
	Queensland	69
	Western Australia	8
	South Australia	15
Singapore	N/A	4
United States of America	N/A	36





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Statistics correct as of 01/03/2022

Children safeguarded
6
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Countries that INTERPOL has engaged with







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