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Weekly update on the work of the Commission

Operational activity

As at 11 December 2024, the National Anti-Corruption Commission (the Commission):

- is conducting 38 preliminary investigations
- is conducting 26 corruption investigations, including 6 joint investigations
- is overseeing or monitoring 19 investigations by other agencies
- has 5 matters before the court
- has 557 referrals pending assessment.

Over the period from 1 July 2024 to midnight Sunday 8 December 2024, the Commission:

- received 1147 referrals
- excluded 928 referrals at triage stage
- obtained 4 court convictions.

In addition, the Commission has closed five corruption investigations, including three joint investigations, having determined that corrupt conduct would not be found.

Read about [how the Commission assesses corruption issues](#) and [the investigation process](#).

Finalising an investigation

The Commission opens an investigation to examine a matter and gather evidence. It doesn't mean that corruption or wrongdoing will be discovered.

The Commissioner can decide at any time during the course of a NACC investigation that no further action is required and to discontinue or finalise the investigation. This is typically done if no further investigation is warranted in all the circumstances, including if it becomes clear that corrupt conduct will not be found. In those circumstances, the Commission is not required to produce a report.

Where an investigation proceeds to completion, the Commissioner must prepare a report for the Attorney-General.

Where the Commission has held a public hearing, the report must be tabled in Parliament. The Commission can also publish reports if satisfied it is in the public interest to do so.

The Commission does not make findings of criminal guilt. If evidence of a criminal offence is found, a brief of evidence may be sent to the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions (CDPP) for their consideration of whether there is sufficient evidence for charges to be laid.

Read more about [how investigations are finalised](#).

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