

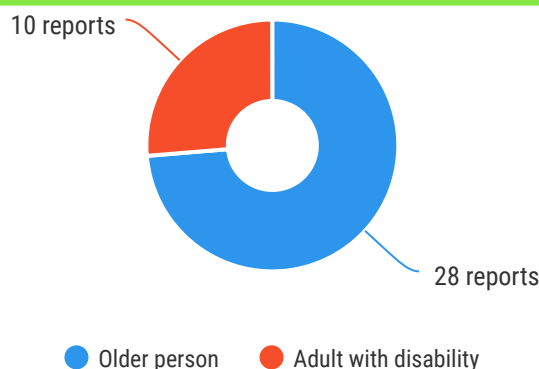
38\*  
reports



The Ageing & Disability Commission (ADC) received 38 reports related to allegations or concerns of abuse, neglect and exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from **Maitland** in 2020\*.

74%

of reports received in this LGA related to an older person.\*



Of reports relating to **adults with disability**\*

60%

were female



Of reports relating to **older people**\*

64%

were female



60% of reports about **adults with disability** were made by a **paid worker**<sup>^</sup>



39% of reports came from the **adult child** of the older person

36% of reports about **older people** came from a **paid worker**<sup>^</sup>

21% from the adult experiencing abuse themselves



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report came from adults who identified as **Aboriginal** or **Torres Strait Islander**~



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report involved an adult who spoke a language other than English at home.

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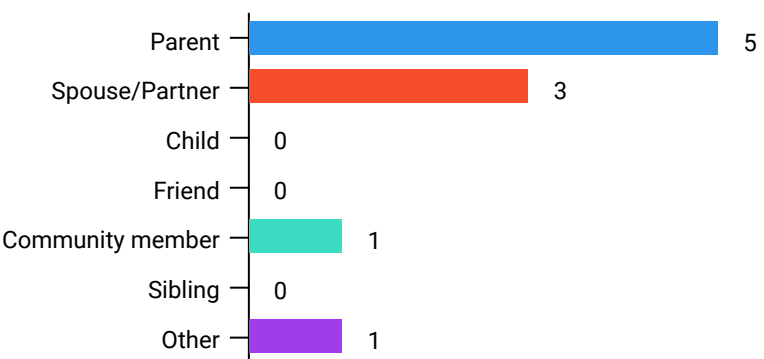


\* Information taken from the Ageing & Disability Commission data collected between 1 January - 31 December 2020 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

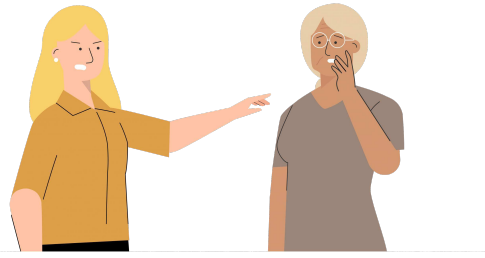
<sup>^</sup>A paid worker is defined as a formal paid support, for example an NDIS support worker or CHSP support worker.

~ Adults who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and who are 50 years of age and over.

Reports about adults with disability **most commonly involved the parent\*** as the subject of allegation.

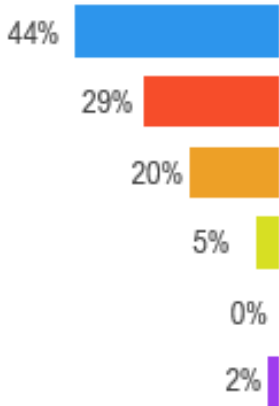


**60%** of reports about older people involved family members, **mainly adult children** followed by the adults spouse or partner,\* as the subject of allegation.

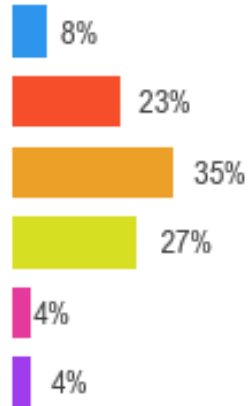


The most commonly reported types of abuse towards older people were **financial abuse**, **verbal abuse**, **failure to meet support needs**.

**Older persons**



**Adults with disability**



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards adults with disability were **withholding person's money**, **failure to meet support needs** and **verbal abuse**.

**What else do we know about the Maitland community?**

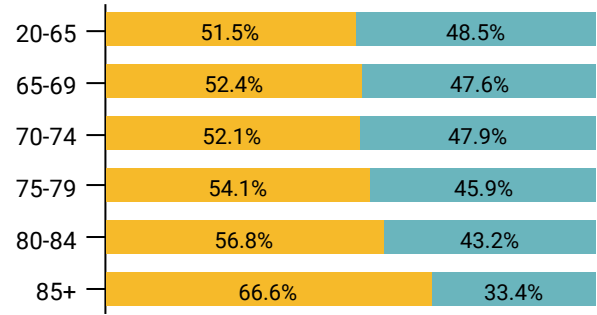
**13%**

of the population are over the age of 65<sup>1</sup>



There are more women than men over the age of 85<sup>1</sup>

● Female ● Male



**75%**

of all households are family households **21.7%** are single person households and **2.4%** are group households<sup>2</sup>



**5.6%**

of households speak a language other than English<sup>2</sup>



<sup>1</sup> The ADC classifies abuse into 5 broad categories, with a list of signs to indicate the type of alleged abuse reported.  
<sup>2</sup> 2016 Population data by LGA data  
<sup>2</sup> 2016 Census QuickStats, where group household refers to unrelated flatmate or co-tenancy arrangements

