



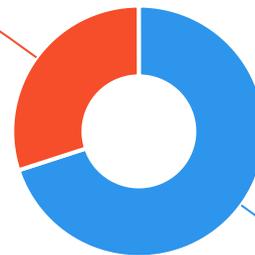
60*
reports

The Ageing & Disability Commission (ADC) received 60 reports related to allegations or concerns of abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from **Newcastle** in 2020*.

70%

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

18 reports



42 reports

● Older person ● Adult with disability

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

33%

were female



69%

of reports about **adults with disability** were made by a **paid worker**[^]



35%

of reports about **older people** came from a **paid worker**[^]

16%

from the adult experiencing abuse themselves

14%

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



Of reports relating to **older people***

64%

were female



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



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reports involved an adult who spoke a language other than English at home*

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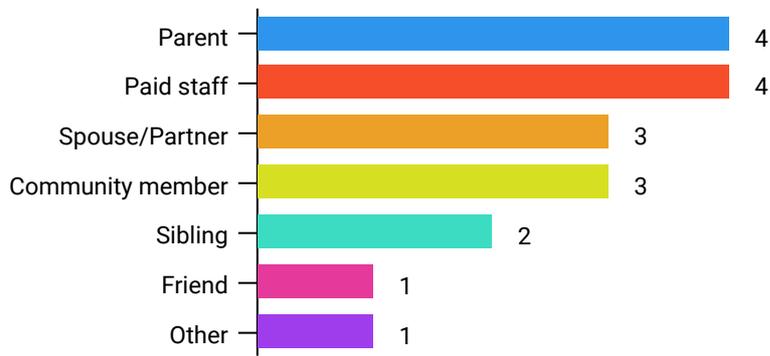


* Information taken from the Ageing & Disability Commission data collected between 1 January - 31 December 2020 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

[^]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.

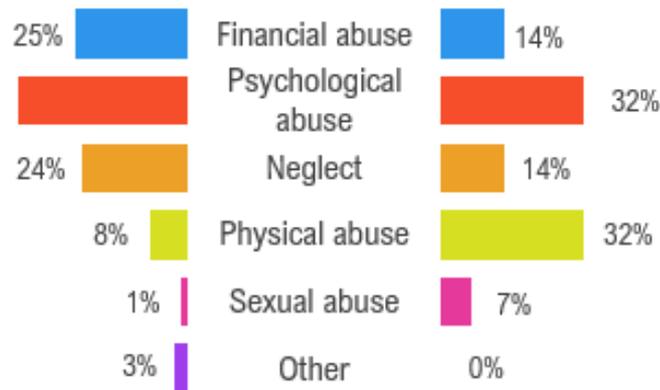


66% of reports about older people involved family members, **mainly adult children** followed by the adults spouse or partner,* as the subject of allegation.



Older persons

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



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards adults with disability were **verbal abuse, financial exploitation** and **restricting access to support services.***

What else do we know about the Newcastle community?

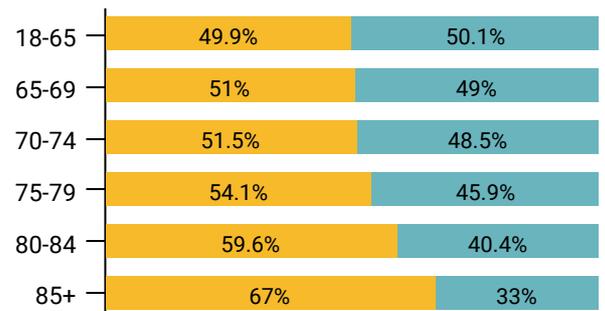
15%

of the population are over the age of 65¹



There are more women than men over the age of 85¹

● Female ● Male



64% of all households are

family households **29%** are single person households and **6%** are group households²

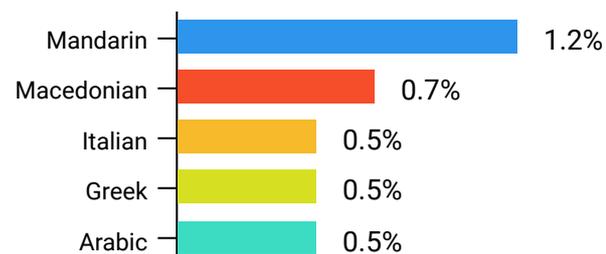


11%

of households speak a language other than English²



The most common language spoken at home is **Arabic**²



¹ The ADC classifies abuse into 5 broad categories, with a list of signs to indicate the type of alleged abuse reported.

¹ 2016 Population data by LGA data

² 2016 Census QuickStats, where group household refers to unrelated flatmate or co-tenancy arrangements