

Sydney

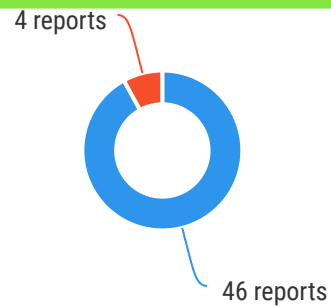
Burwood, Canada Bay, Strathfield & Woollahra



The Ageing & Disability Commission (ADC) received 50 reports related to allegations or concerns of abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability in **Sydney** (excluding Canterbury-Bankstown and the Inner West) in 2020*.

92%

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



● Older person ● Adult with disability

Of reports related to **adults with disability***

50%

were female



Of reports related to **older people***

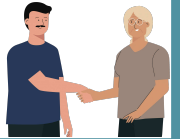
71%

were female



75%

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



23%

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

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

10%

of reports came from a **friend**



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reports 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, with **Arabic** the most commonly reported language

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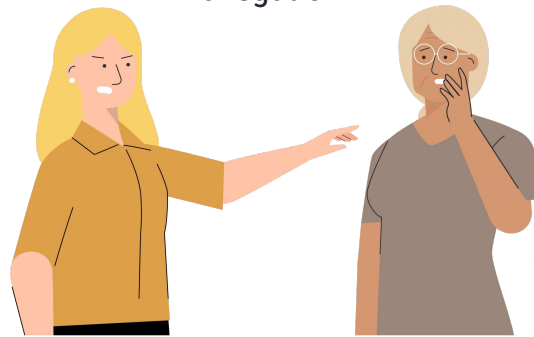
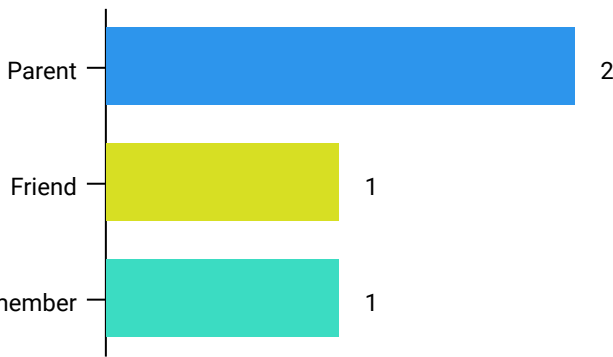
* Information taken from the Ageing & Disability Commission data collected between 1 January - 31 December 2020 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

^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.

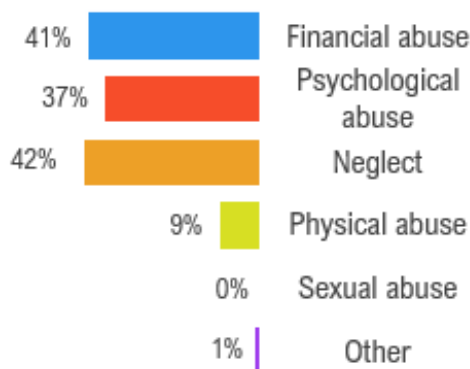
Reports about adults with disability most **commonly involved the parent*** as the subject of allegation.

67% of reports about older people involved family members, **mainly adult children***, as the subject of allegation.



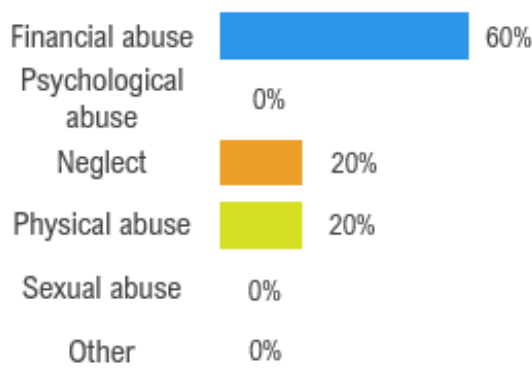
Older persons

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



Adults with disability

The most commonly reported types of abuse towards adults with disability were **financial exploitation**, **failure to meet support needs** and **physical abuse (hitting, kicking or punching the adult)**.



What else do we know about the Sydney region?

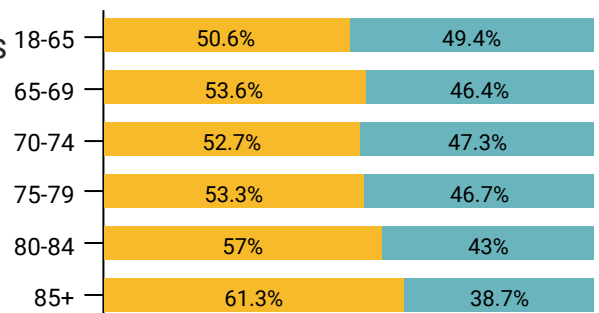
13%

of the population are over the age of 65.



The age splits across men and women are relatively even, with more women than men aged 85+

● Female ● Male



67% of all households are

family households **27%** are single person households and **5%** are group households₂

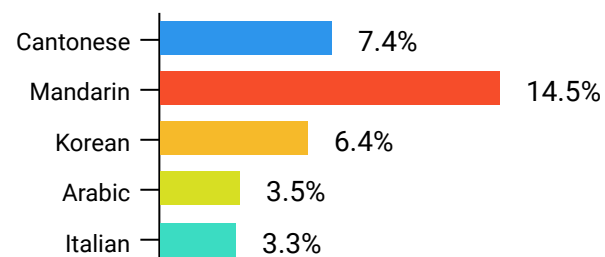


65.4%

of households speak a language other than English₂



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



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

² 2016 [Population data by LGA](#)

³ 2016 [Census QuickStats](#), where group household refers to unrelated flatmate or co-tenancy arrangements