Ageing and Disability Commission

Far West NSW

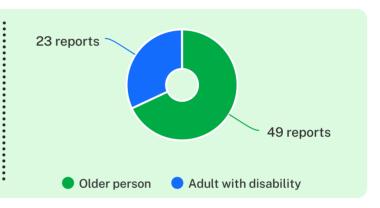
Central Darling, Wentworth and Broken Hill



The Ageing and Disability Commission (ADC) received 72 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from the Far West NSW region in 2019-2024*.

68%

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



Of reports relating to adults with disability*

were male

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



35% of reports about the from a paid worker of reports about older people came

12% relatives of the older person

27% of reports came from the child of the older person

of reports came from other

reports were about an adult who identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander~



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



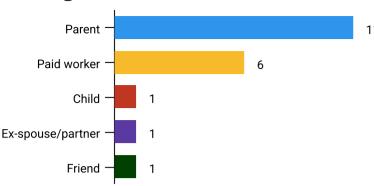
^{*} Information taken from the Ageing and Disability Commission data on reports received between 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

The ADC is currently working on improving our data collection to support reporting on gender identity

[^]Paid workers include people acting in a professional capacity, for example direct care staff, service workers and health providers.

[~] People who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and who are over 18 with disability, or an older person 50+.

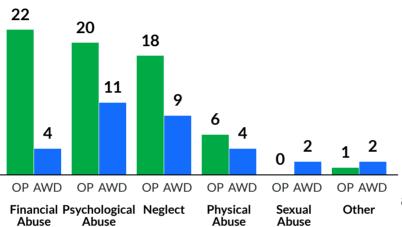
Reports about adults with disability **most commonly involved a parent*** as the subject of allegation



45% of reports about older people involved family members, mainly adult children followed by the adult's spouse or partner,* as the subject of allegation



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards older people (OP) was failure to meet support needs, verbal abuse and misuse of Power of Attorney or Enduring Power of Attorney`



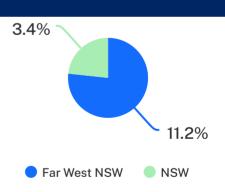
The most commonly reported types of abuse towards adults with disability (AWD) was failure to meet support needs, preventing or restricting access to supports or service and, hitting or kicking or punching`

What else do we know about the Far West NSW community?

22% of the population are over the



11.2% of the population identified as Aboriginal or Torres



64%

age of 65₁

of all households are family households

34% are single person households and **2%** are group households²



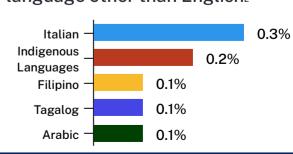
5%

of households speak a language other than English₂

Strait Islander



Italian is the most common language other than English₂



`The ADC classifies abuse into 5 broad categories, with a list of signs to indicate the type of alleged abuse reported. 12021 Census data by LGA (QuickStats). Data is a total of LGAs within this region.

<u>2 2021 Census QuickStats, where group household refers to unrelated flatmate or co-tenancy arrangements.</u> Data is a total of LGAs within this region.

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