

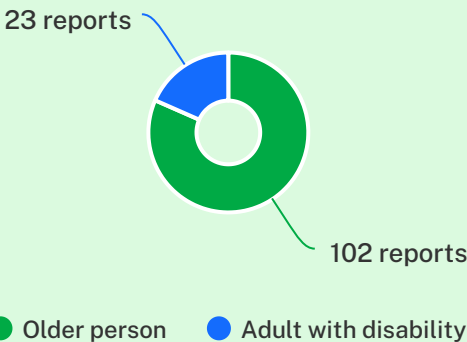
Ageing and Disability Commission Armidale



The Ageing and Disability Commission (ADC) received 125 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from **Armidale** in 2019-2024*.

82%

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



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

61%

were male



Of reports relating to **older people***

79%

were female



61%

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



26%

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

20%

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

17%

of reports came from a **friend** of the older person



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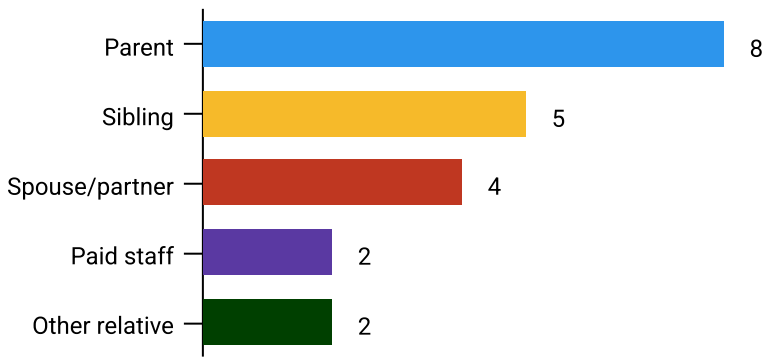
* Information taken from the Ageing and Disability Commission data on reports received between 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

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

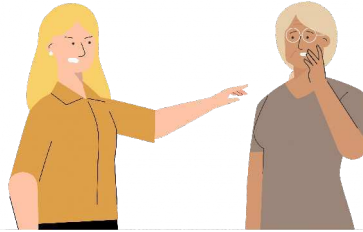
~ People who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and who are over 18 with disability, or an older person 50+.

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

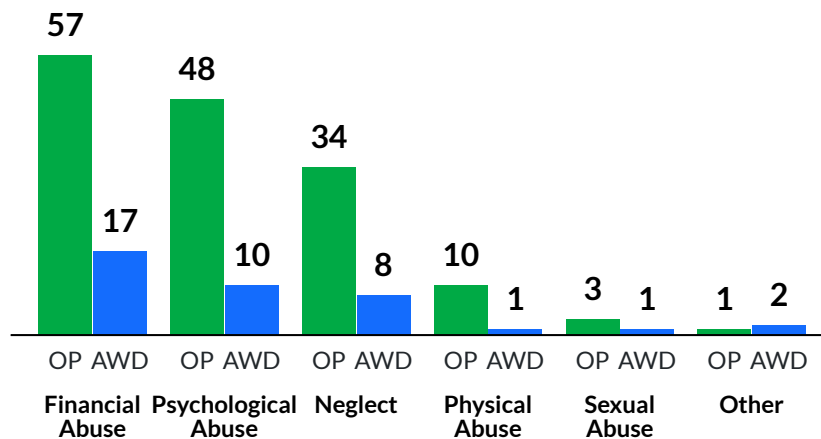
Reports about adults with disability **most commonly involved a parent*** as the subject of allegation



47% 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 **financial exploitation, failure to meet support needs and verbal abuse**[`]



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards **adults with disability (AWD)** was **financial exploitation, failure to meet support needs and theft (taking person's money)**[`]

What else do we know about the Armidale community?

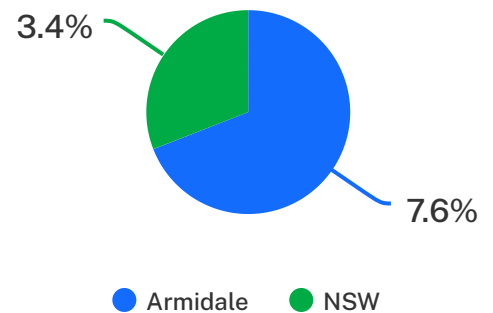
19%

of the population are over the age of 65¹



7.6%

of the population identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander¹



64%

of all households are family households
32% are single person households and **5%** are group households²

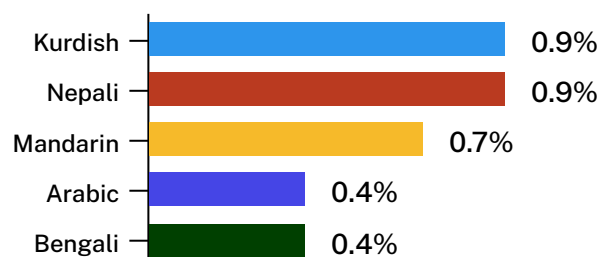


12%

of households speak a language other than English²



Kurdish 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.

¹ 2021 Census data by LGA (QuickStats)

² 2021 Census QuickStats, where group household refers to unrelated flatmate or co-tenancy arrangements.