## Ageing and Disability Commission

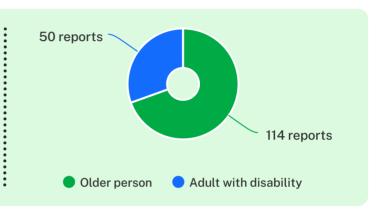
## **Bathurst**



The Ageing and Disability Commission (ADC) received 164 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from **Bathurst** in 2019-2024\*.

70%

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



Of reports relating

to adults with disability\*

were male

Of reports relating to older people\*

were female

of reports about adults with 68% disability were made by a paid



32% of reports about older people came from a paid worker^

26% of reports came from the child of the older person

of reports came from the 13% older person experiencing abuse



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



reports involved an adult who 8 spoke a language other than English at home with Italian being the most common language reported



<sup>\*</sup> 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.

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

<sup>~</sup> 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

Parent — 2

Spouse/partner — 8

Paid staff — 7

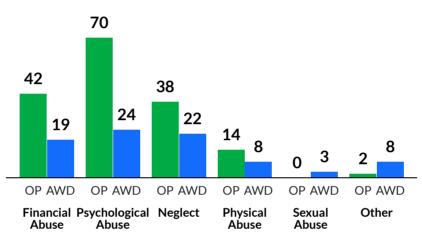
of reports about older people involved family members, mainly adult children followed by the adult's spouse or partner,\* as the subject of allegation



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Child

Other



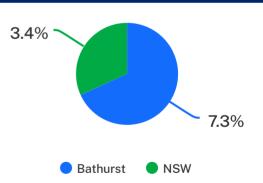
The most commonly reported types of abuse towards adults with disability (AWD) was failure to meet support needs, restricting access to supports or services and financial exploitation`

## What else do we know about the Bathurst community?

19% of the population are over the age of 65<sub>1</sub>



7.3%
of the population identified as
Aboriginal or Torres
Strait Islander

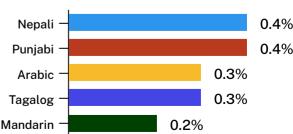


69%
of all households are family households
28% are single person households and 4% are group households<sup>2</sup>

**8%**of households
speak a language
other than English<sub>2</sub>



**Nepali** is the most common language other than English<sub>2</sub>



`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)

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