

Ageing and Disability Commission Inner West

243*
reports

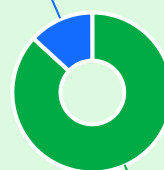


The Ageing and Disability Commission (ADC) received 243 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from Inner West in 2019-2024*.

87%

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

32 reports



211 reports

Older person

Adult with disability

Of reports relating
to adults with
disability*

56%

were male



Of reports relating to
older people*

71%

were female



50%

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



36%

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

19%

of reports came from the
child of the older person

11%

of reports came from the
neighbour of the older person



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



46

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

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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.

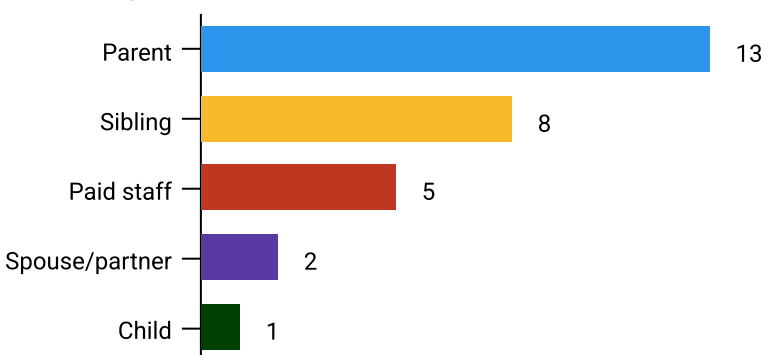
^ Paid workers include people acting in a professional capacity, for example direct care staff, service workers and health providers.

~ 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

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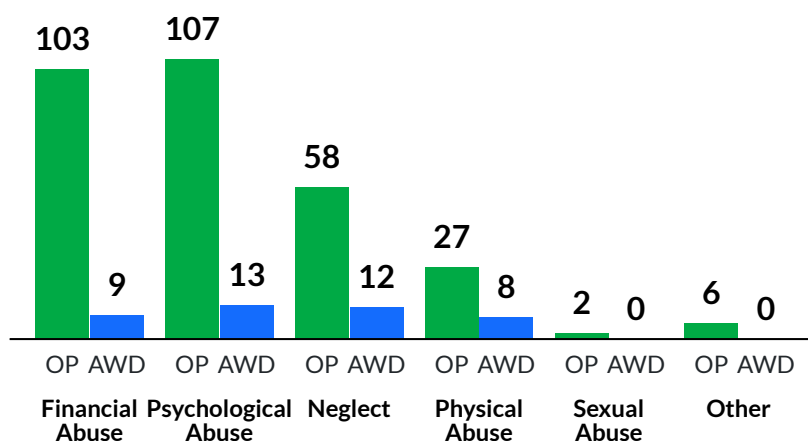
Reports about adults with disability **most commonly involved a parent*** as the subject of allegation



61% 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 **verbal abuse, financial exploitation and failure to meet support needs***



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

What else do we know about the Inner West community?

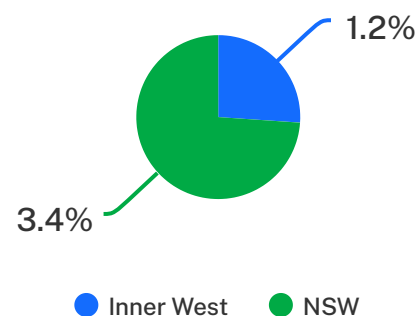
15%

of the population are over the age of 65₁



1.2%

of the population identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander₁



63%

of all households are family households
31% are single person households and **8%** are group households₂

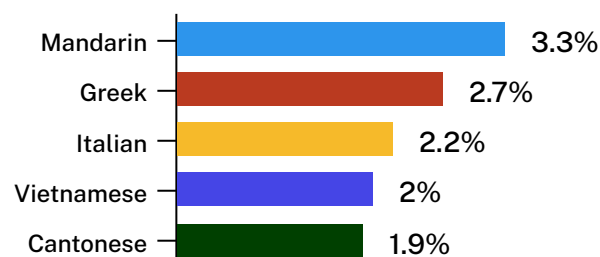


31%

of households speak a language other than English₂



Mandarin is the most common language other than English₂



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

² 2021 Census data by LGA (QuickStats)

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