

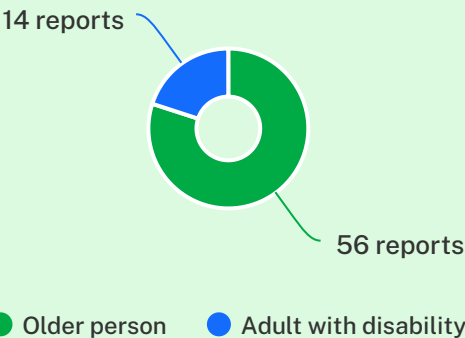
# Ageing and Disability Commission Lismore



The Ageing and Disability Commission (ADC) received 70 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from **Lismore** in 2019-2024\*.

**80%**

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



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

**50%**

were male



Of reports relating to **older people\***

**72%**

were female



**50%** of reports about adults with disability were made by a **paid worker**^



**29%** of reports about **older people** came from a **paid worker**^

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

**22%** of reports came from the **older person** experiencing abuse



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



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

今日は!



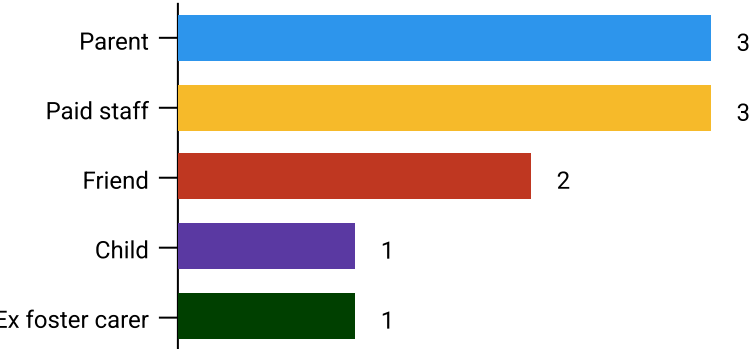
\* Information taken from the Ageing and Disability Commission data on reports received between 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

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

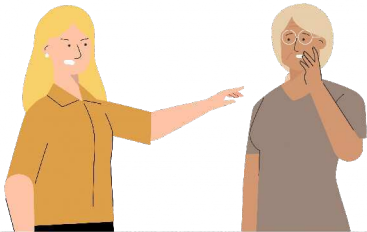
~ People who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and who are over 18 with disability, or an older person 50+.

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

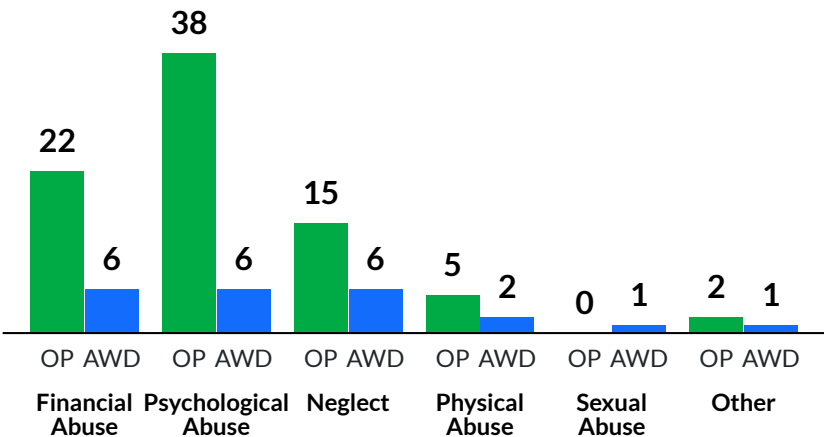
Reports about adults with disability **most commonly involved paid staff\*** as the subject of allegation



**63%** 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`**



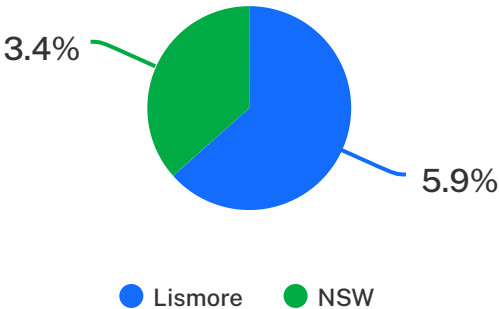
The most commonly reported types of abuse towards **adults with disability (AWD)** was **failure to meet support needs, verbal abuse and financial exploitation`**

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

**21%** of the population are over the age of 65<sub>1</sub>



**5.9%** of the population identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander<sub>1</sub>



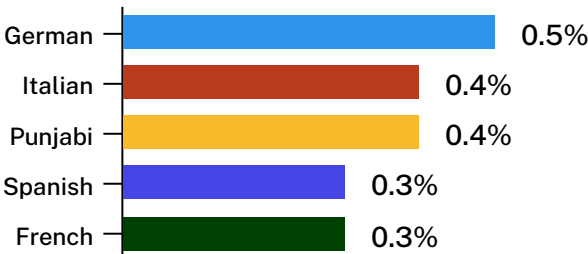
**65%** of all households are family households  
**31%** are single person households and **5%** are group households<sub>2</sub>



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



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



<sup>`</sup> The ADC classifies abuse into 5 broad categories, with a list of signs to indicate the type of alleged abuse reported.

<sup>1</sup> 2021 Census data by LGA (QuickStats)

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