

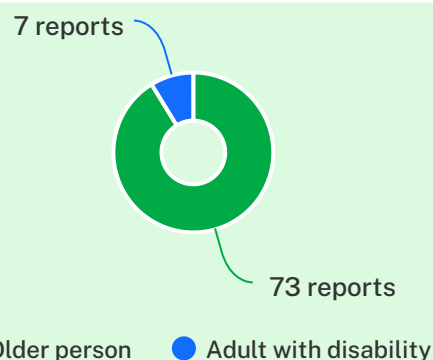
Ageing and Disability Commission North Sydney



The Ageing and Disability Commission (ADC) received 80 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from **North Sydney** in 2019-2024*.

91%

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



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

57%

were male



Of reports relating to **older people***

70%

were female



29% of reports about adults with disability were made by a **other^**



33% of reports came from the **child** of the older person

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

19% of reports came from the **older person** experiencing abuse



1 report was about an adult who identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander~



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

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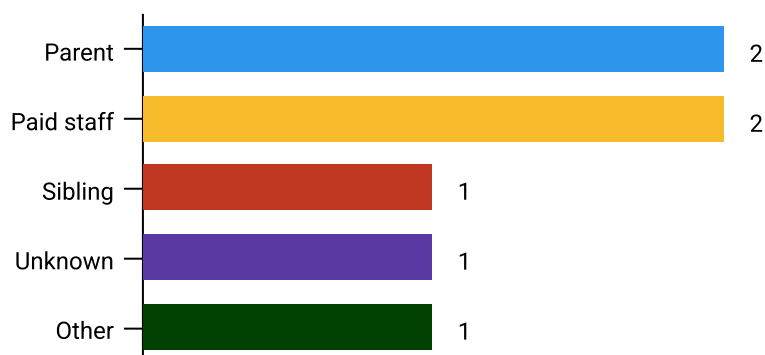
* Information taken from the Ageing and Disability Commission data on reports received between 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

^ 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

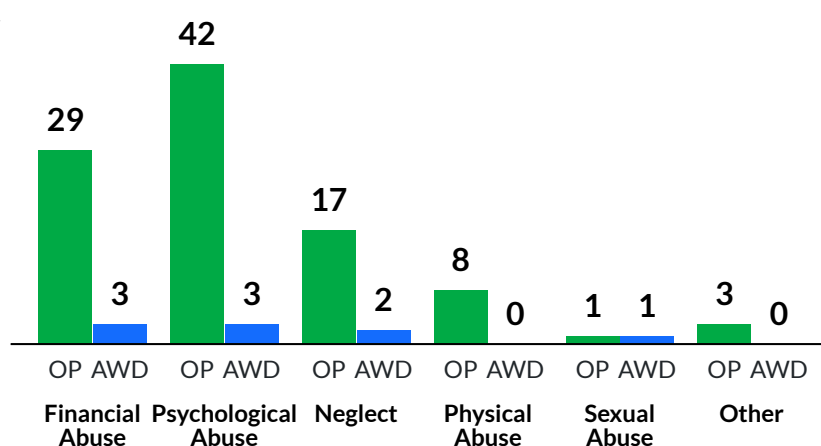
Reports about adults with disability **most commonly involved paid staff*** as the subject of allegation



44% of reports about older people involved family members, **mainly adult children** followed by paid staff,* as the subject of allegation



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards **older people (OP)** were **verbal abuse, preventing or restricting access to family or others and financial exploitation**



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards **adults with disability (AWD)** were **neglect, involving sexual intercourse and mismanagement of trust**

What else do we know about the North Sydney community?

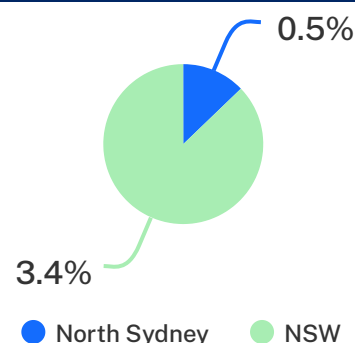
17%

of the population are over the age of 65₁



0.5%

of the population identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander₁



57%

of all households are family households
39% are single person households and **6%** are group households₂

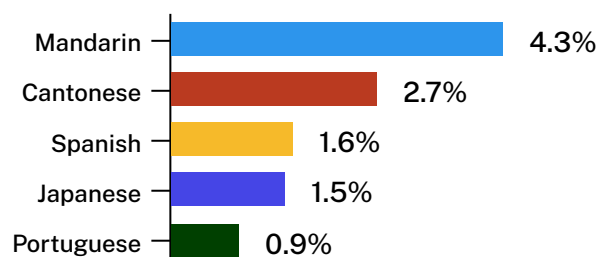


10%

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.