

Ageing and Disability Commission Port Macquarie-Hastings

242*
reports

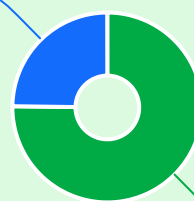


The Ageing and Disability Commission (ADC) received 242 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from **Port Macquarie-Hastings** in 2019-2024*.

75%

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

60 reports



182 reports

● Older person ● Adult with disability

Of reports relating to adults with disability*

62%

were female



Of reports relating to older people*

67%

were female



63%

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



32%

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

23%

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



16%

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

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



6

reports involved an adult who spoke a language other than English at home with Italian 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.

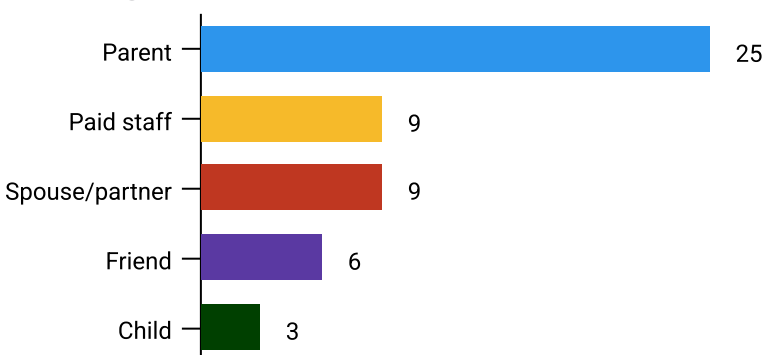
^ Paid workers include people acting in a professional capacity, for example direct care staff, service workers and health providers.

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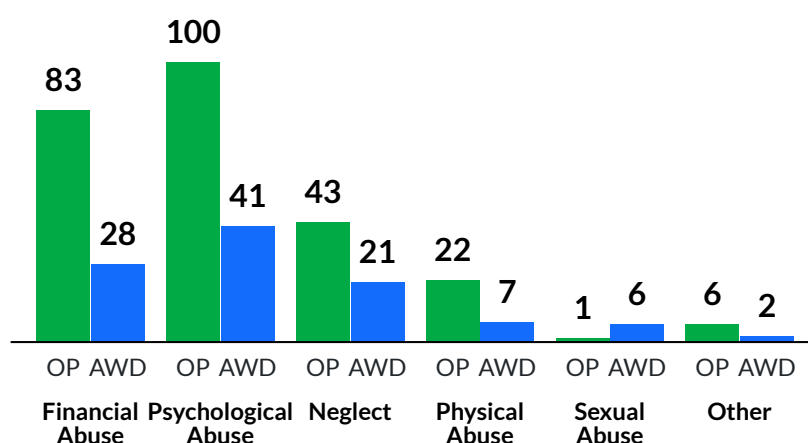
Reports about adults with disability **most commonly involved a parent*** as the subject of allegation



57% 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 preventing or restricting access to family or others**



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards **adults with disability (AWD)** was **verbal abuse, preventing or restricting access to supports to services and financial exploitation**

What else do we know about the Port Macquarie-Hastings community?

30%

of the population are over the age of 65¹



5.5%

of the population identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander¹



69%

of all households are family households **29%** are single person households and **3%** are group households²



6%

of households speak a language other than English²



German 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.