

South Western Sydney Region

Camden, Campbelltown, Fairfield, Liverpool, Wingecarribee and Wollondilly

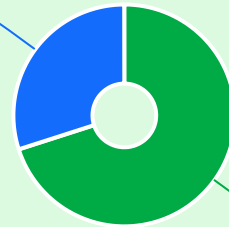


The Ageing and Disability Commission (ADC) received 1246 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from the **South Western Sydney** region in 2019-2024*.

70%

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

373 reports



873 reports

● Older person ● Adult with disability

Of reports relating to adults with disability*



61%

were female

Of reports relating to older people*



68%

were female

70%

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

35%

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

29%

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

10%

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

28

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

235

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

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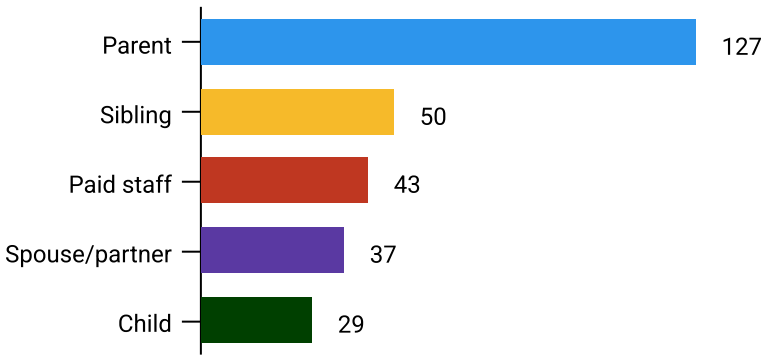
* Information taken from the Ageing and Disability Commission data on reports received between 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

^ 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

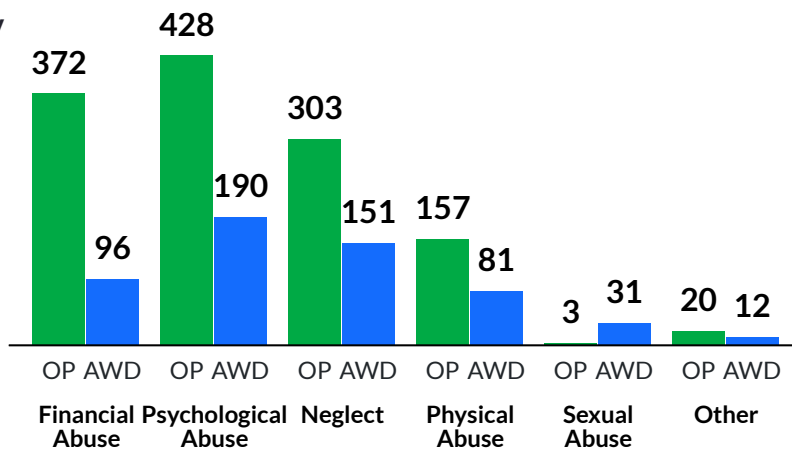
Reports about adults with disability **most commonly involved a parent*** as the subject of allegation



66% 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, failure to meet support needs and financial exploitation**



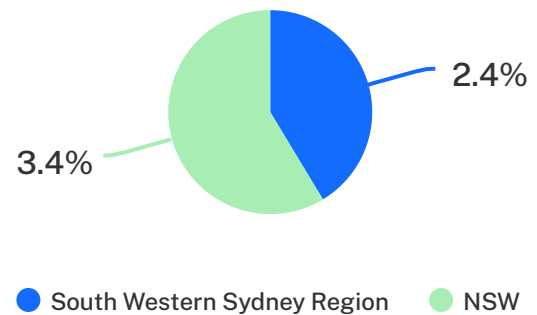
The most commonly reported types of abuse towards **adults with disability (AWD)** was **failure to meet support needs, verbal abuse and restricting access to supports or services**

What else do we know about the South Western Sydney Region community?

14% of the population are over the age of 65¹



2.4% of the population identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander¹



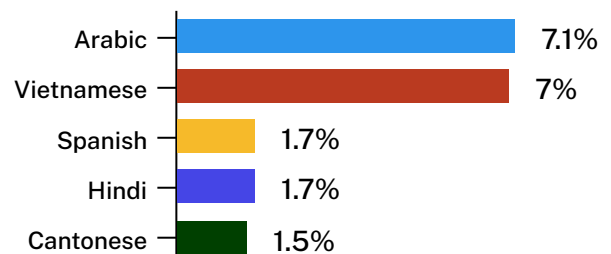
80% of all households are family households
18% are single person households and **2%** are group households²



49% of households speak a language other than English²



Arabic 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). Data is a total of LGAs within this region.

² 2021 Census QuickStats, where group household refers to unrelated flatmate or co-tenancy arrangements. Data is a total of LGAs within this region.