

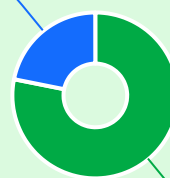


The Ageing and Disability Commission (ADC) received 1391 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from the **Sydney** region in 2019-2024*.

78%

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

304 reports



1,087 reports

● Older person ● Adult with disability

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

57%

were female



Of reports relating to
older people*

65%

were female



55% of reports about adults with
disability were made by a **paid
worker**^



31% of reports about **older people** came
from a **paid worker**^

22% of reports came from the
child of the older person



13% of reports came from a **person
experiencing abuse**

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



281 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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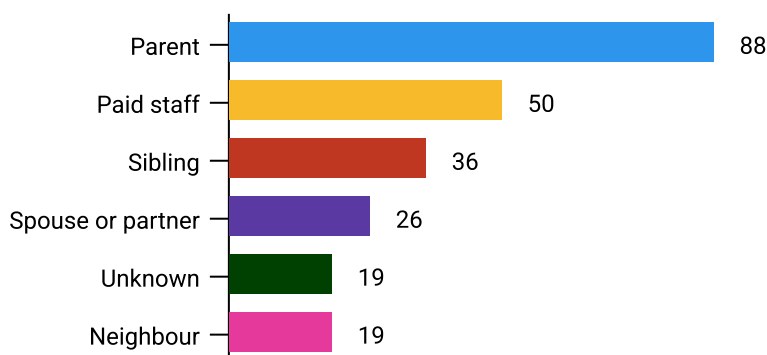
* Information taken from the Ageing and Disability Commission data on reports received between 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

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

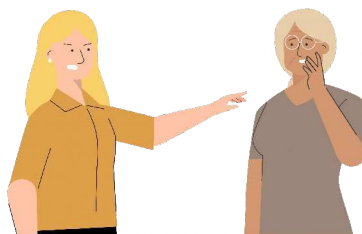
~ People who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and who are over 18 with disability, or an older person 50+.

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

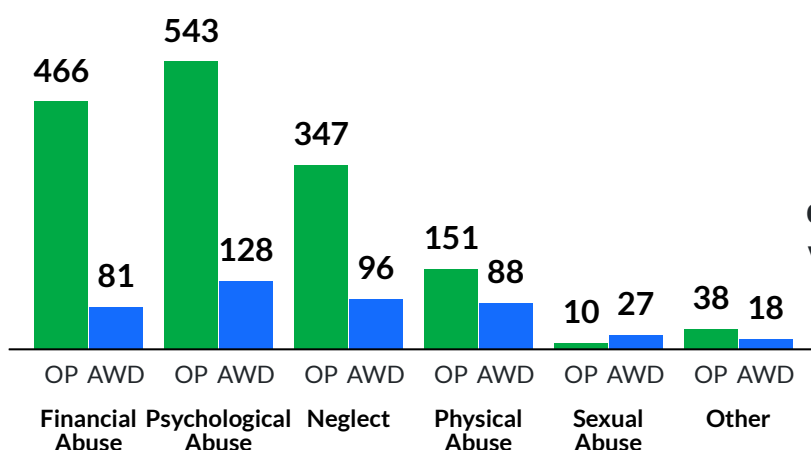
Reports about adults with disability **most commonly involved a parent*** as the subject of allegation



56% 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**¹



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards **adults with disability (AWD)** was **verbal abuse, failure to meet support needs and hitting, kicking or punching**¹

What else do we know about the Sydney Region community?

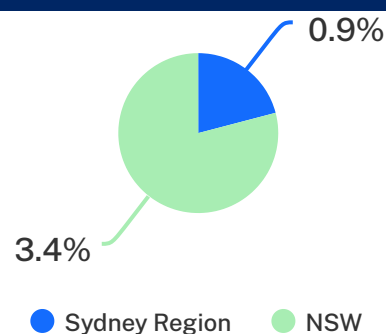
14%

of the population are over the age of 65¹



0.9%

of the population identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander¹



64%

of all households are family households **29%** are single person households and **7%** are group households²

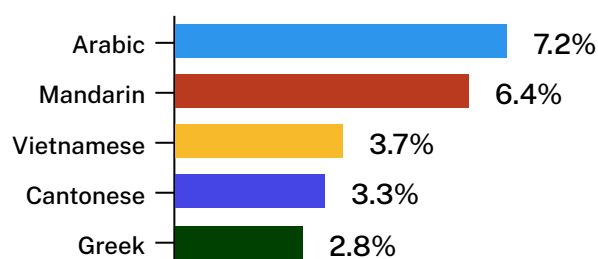


51%

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.