# **Ageing and Disability Commission**

5 year data snapshot\*

We act to prevent and respond to reports of abuse, neglect and exploitation of **adults with disability** and **older people** in their family, home and community





### **18,896** reports

a 109% (two-fold) increase over five years



77% involved older people



involved adults with disability^



Most reports were about women

Paid workers have been the main reporters about older people and adults with disability.

The main alleged abuse of **older people** has involved



39%

Psychological abuse



29%

Financial abuse



21%

Neglect

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Most reports have been about alleged abuse by **relatives**, (mainly adult children and parents) for both older people **(63%)** and adults with disability **(52%)**.



of reports have been about adults living in regional NSW, with the **Hunter**, **Illawarra Shoalhaven and Central Coast** the most common areas.

The main alleged abuse of adults with disability has involved



35%

Psychological abuse



26%

**Neglect** 



14%

Financial abuse

3%



of reports have involved Aboriginal older people and adults with a disability.

8%



of reports have involved older people and adults with disability from culturally diverse backgrounds.

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#### **Key outcomes**

We have directly assisted older people and adults with disability to:

- Obtain necessary supports, including aged care (411 people), legal (328), disability (251) and advocacy supports (237)
- Receive assistance or further actions from police (370)
- Move to safer accommodation (323)
- Access health services (172)





The ADC ascertained the will and preference of **2,600** older people and adults with disability, including through **1,233** home visits across NSW.

#### **Key outcomes**

In relation to subjects of allegation:

- 1,968 received education and advice
- 433 were assisted to receive more support
- 115 had an ADVO taken out against them
- 56 were removed as the Power of Attorney or Enduring Power of Attorney (EPOA)
- **53** were charged with criminal offences



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community engagements ||||| across NSW supporting workers and the community to better detect and respond to abuse.



Over 11.600

users accessed our online training modules on identifying and responding to abuse, neglect and exploitation.





An increase to 19 abuse prevention Collaboratives that support and raise awareness of abuse in their local communities across NSW, including 11 regional areas.



**53**%

increase in 'visitable services' in the Official Community Visitor (OCV) scheme (2,160 to 3,311)

13,901

visits conducted by OCVs, an **11% increase** over 5 years

13,951

issues raised by OCVs, an **21% increase** over 5 years