



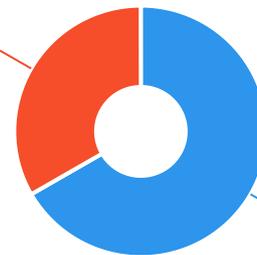
99*
reports

The Ageing & Disability Commission (ADC) received 99 reports related to allegations or concerns of abuse, neglect and exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from **Lake Macquarie** in 2020*.

66%

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

33 reports



66 reports

● Older person ● Adult with disability

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

60%

were female



63%

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



Of reports relating to **older people***

69%

were female



42%

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

21%

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

15%

from the adult experiencing abuse themselves



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reports came from adults who identified as **Aboriginal** or **Torres Strait Islander**~



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reports involved an adult who spoke a language other than English at home*

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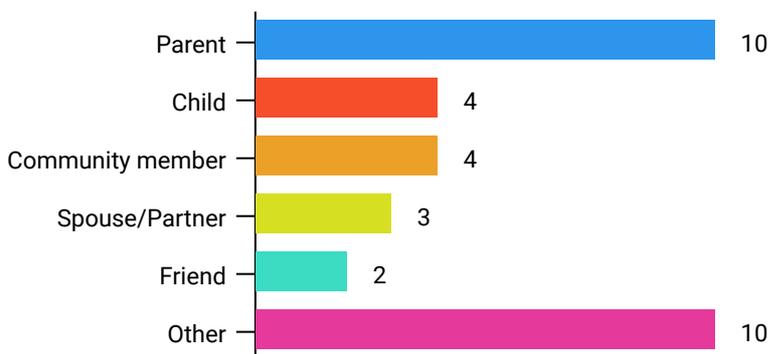


* Information taken from the Ageing & Disability Commission data collected between 1 January - 31 December 2020 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

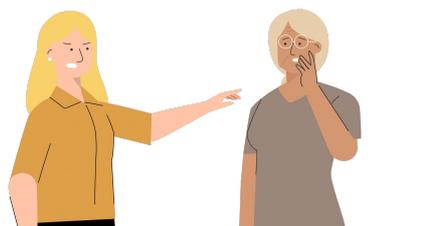
[^]A paid worker is defined as a formal paid support, for example an NDIS support worker or CHSP support worker.

~ Adults who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and who are 50 years of age and over.

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

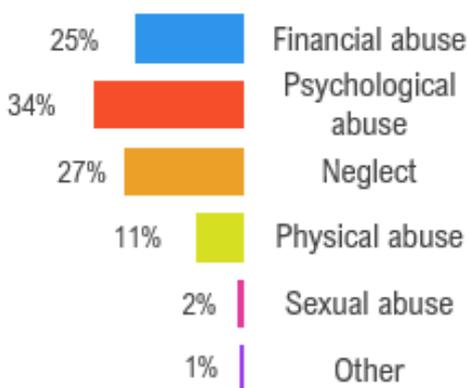


81% of reports about older people involved family members, **mainly adult children** followed by the adults spouse or partner* as the subject of allegation.

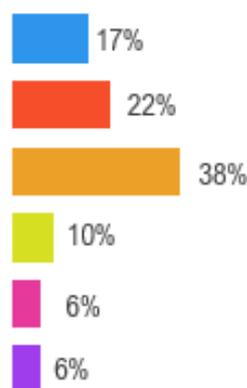


The most commonly reported types of abuse towards older people were **verbal abuse**, **failure to meet support needs** and **financial exploitation.***

Older persons



Adults with disability



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards adults with disability were **restricting access to family**, **financial exploitation** and **failure to meet support needs.***

What else do we know about the Lake Macquarie community?

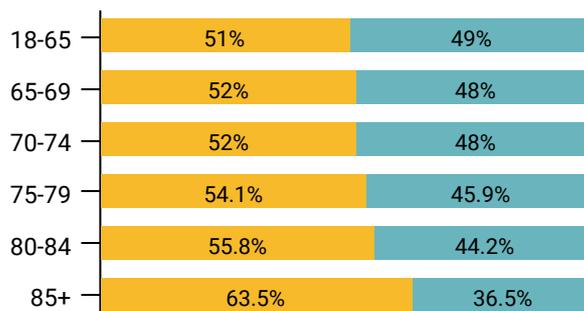
19%

of the population are over the age of 65₁



There are more women than men over the age of 85₁

● Female ● Male



74% of all households are

family households **24%** are single person households and **2%** are group households₂



6.5%

of households speak a language other than English₂



* The ADC classifies abuse into 5 broad categories, with a list of signs to indicate the type of alleged abuse reported.

₁ 2016 Population data by LGA data

₂ 2016 Census QuickStats, where group household refers to unrelated flatmate or co-tenancy arrangements