

Ballina

98*
reports

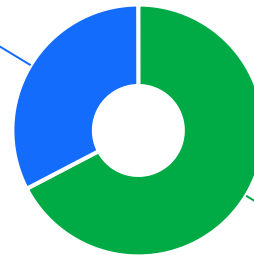


The Ageing & Disability Commission (ADC) received **98** reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from **Ballina** in 2020-2022*.

67%

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

32 reports



66 reports

● Older person ● Adult with disability

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

63%

were female



Of reports relating to **older people***

73%

were female



78% of reports about **adults with disability** were made by a **paid worker**^



24% of reports about **older people** came from a **paid worker**^

23% of reports came from the **child** of the older person

21% of reports came from the **older person** experiencing abuse



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reports were about an adult 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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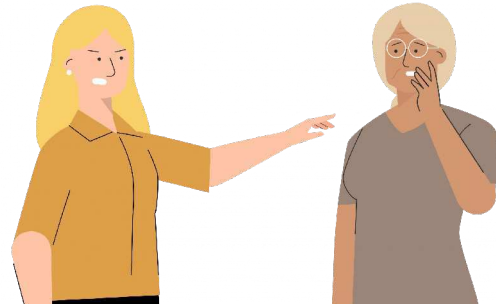
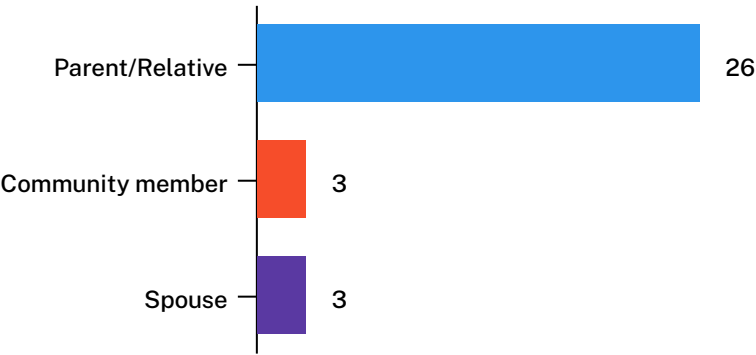
* Information taken from the Ageing & Disability Commission data on reports received between 1 January 2020 - 31 December 2022 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

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

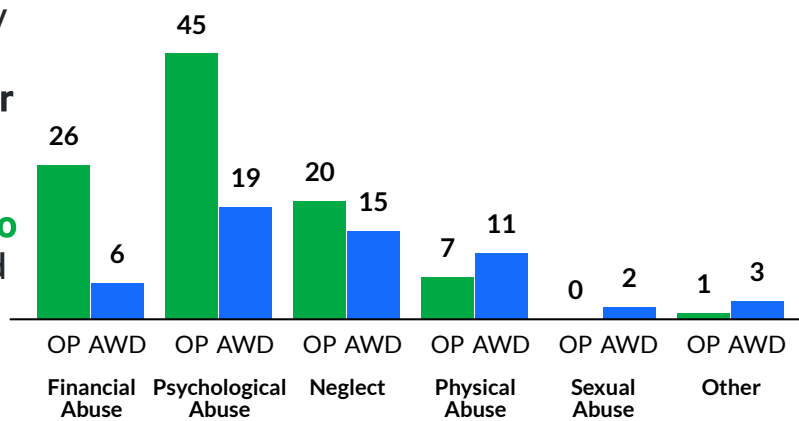
~ People who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and who are over 18 with disability, or an older person 50+

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

76% of reports about older people involved family members, mainly adult children followed by a paid worker,* as the subject of allegation



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards older people (OP) were verbal abuse, restricting access to family or others and failure to meet support needs**



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

What else do we know about the Ballina community?

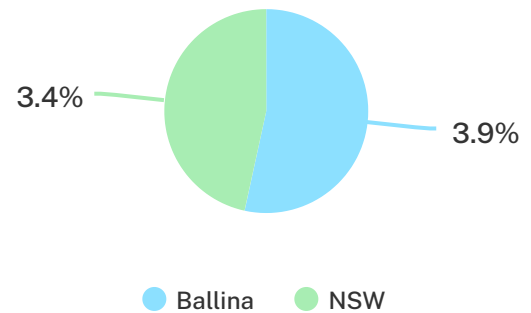
27%

of the population are over the age of 65₁



3.9%

of the population identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (ATSI)₁



68%

of all households are family households 28% are single person households and 4% are group households₂

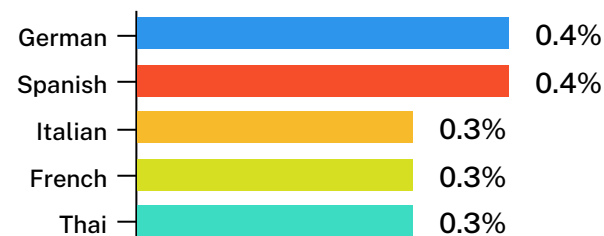


6%

of households speak a language other than English₂



German and Spanish are common languages other than English spoken at home₂



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.