

Mid North Coast

Bellingen, Coffs Harbour, Kempsey, Nambucca Valley, Port Macquarie-Hastings and Mid Coast

496*
reports

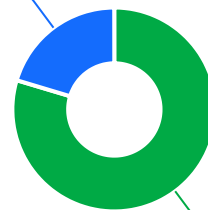


The Ageing & Disability Commission (ADC) received 496 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability across the Mid North Coast in 2020 - 2022*.

80%

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

101 reports



395 reports

● Older person ● Adult with disability

Of reports related to adults with disability*

57%

were female



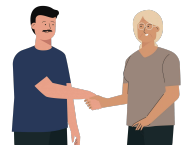
Of reports related to older people*

64%

were female



71% of reports about adults with disability were made by a paid worker^



31% of reports about older people came from their adult child

27% of reports about older people came from a paid worker^

13% 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 with Greek* the most common language reported

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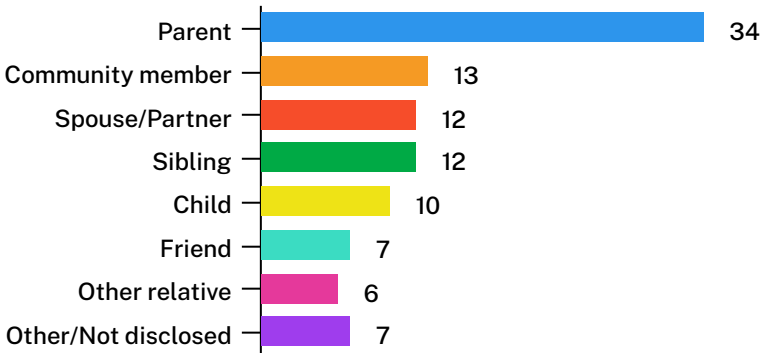


* Information taken from the Ageing & Disability Commission data on reports received between 1 January 2020 - 31 December 2022 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

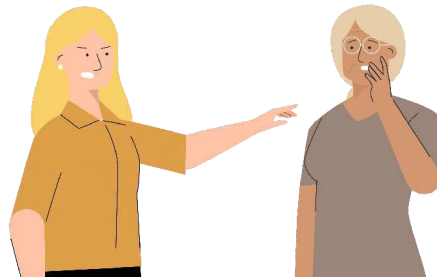
^ A paid worker is defined as a formal paid support worker, for example an NDIS support worker or CHSP provider.

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

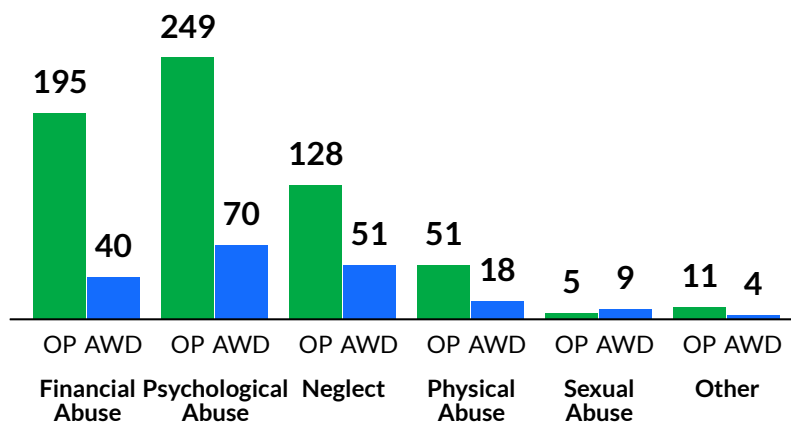
Reports about adults with disability most commonly involved a parent* as the subject of allegation



57% of reports about older people involved family members, mainly adult children,* as the subject of allegation



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards older people (OP) were verbal abuse, financial exploitation, 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 Mid North Coast?

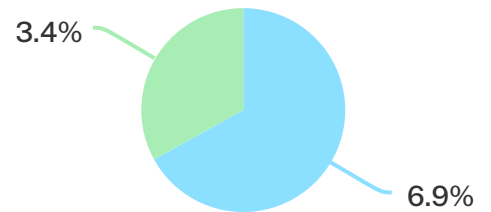
27%

of the population are over the age of 65₁



6.9%

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



● Mid North Coast ● NSW

66%

of all households are family households 30% are single person households and 3% are group households₂

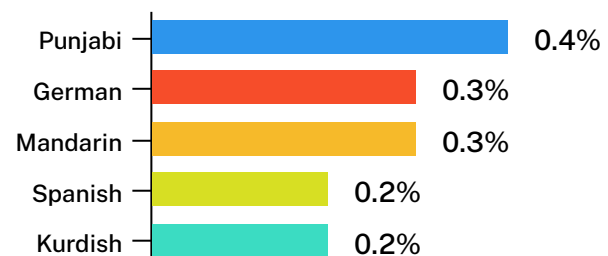


7%

of households speak a language other than English₂



Punjabi is a common language 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.