

# Northern Beaches

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reports

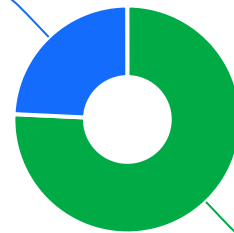


The Ageing & Disability Commission (ADC) received **165** reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from the Northern Beaches in 2020-2022\*.

76%

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

40 reports



125 reports

● Older person ● Adult with disability

Of reports relating to adults with disability\*

58%

were male



Of reports relating to older people\*

70%

were female



60%

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



34%

of reports about older people came from a paid worker^

26%

of reports came from the adult child of the older person

14%

of reports came from the older person experiencing abuse



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report was 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 **Italian**\* the most common language reported

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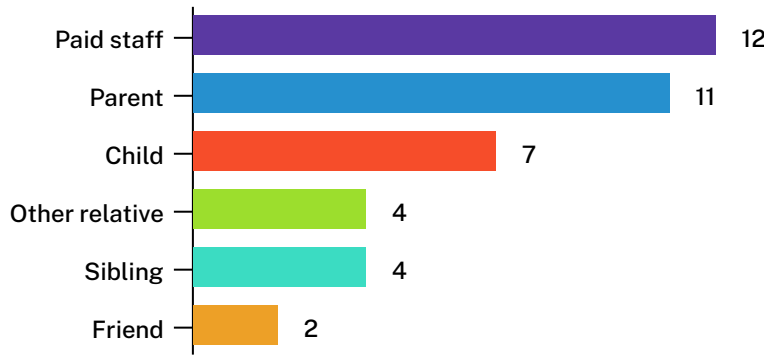


\* Information taken from the Ageing & Disability Commission data on reports received between 1 January 2020 - 31 December 2022 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

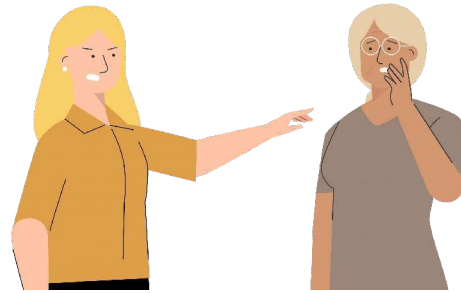
^A paid worker is defined as a formal paid support worker, for example an NDIS support worker or CHSP provider.

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

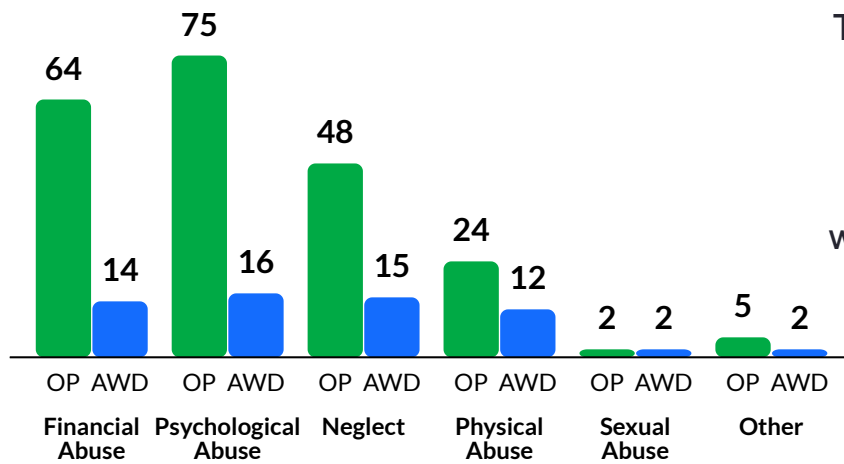
Reports about abuse of adults with disability most commonly involved **paid staff\*** as the subject of allegation



**56%** of reports about older people involved family members, mainly **adult children** followed by the adult's friends,\* as the subject of allegation



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards older people (OP) were **verbal abuse, financial exploitation** and **neglect of medical care\*^**



The most commonly reported types of abuse towards adults with disability (AWD) were **failure to meet support needs, financial exploitation** and **verbal abuse\*^**

## What else do we know about the Northern Beaches community?

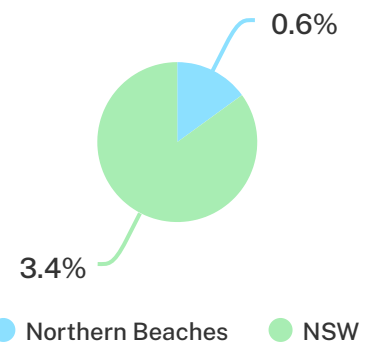
**18%**

of the population are over the age of 65.



**0.6%**

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



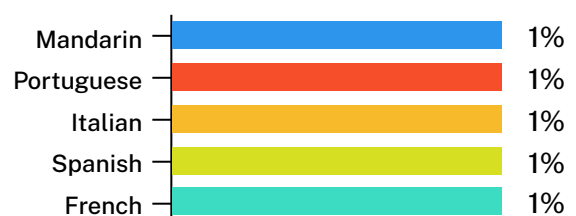
**75%** of all households are family households  
**22%** are single person households and **3%** are group households<sup>2</sup>



**20%** of households speak a language other than English<sup>2</sup>



**Mandarin and Portuguese** are among the common languages other than English spoken at home<sup>2</sup>



<sup>1</sup> The ADC classifies abuse into 5 broad categories, with a list of signs to indicate the type of alleged abuse reported.  
<sup>2</sup> 2021 Census data by LGA (QuickStats), where group household refers to unrelated flatmate or co-tenancy arrangements.