

Northern Sydney Region

Hornsby, Hunters Hill, Ku-ring-gai, Lane Cove, Mosman, North Sydney, Northern Beaches, Ryde, Willoughby & The Hills Shire

654*
reports

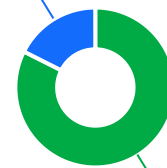


The Ageing & Disability Commission (ADC) received 654 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability across the Northern Sydney Region in 2020 - 2022*.

82%

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

115 reports



539 reports

● Older person ● Adult with disability

Of reports related to adults with disability*

53%

were male



Of reports related to older people*

69%

were female



54% of reports about adults with disability were made by a paid worker^



34% of reports about older people came from the adult child

27% of reports came from a paid worker^

17% 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 Italian the most commonly reported language

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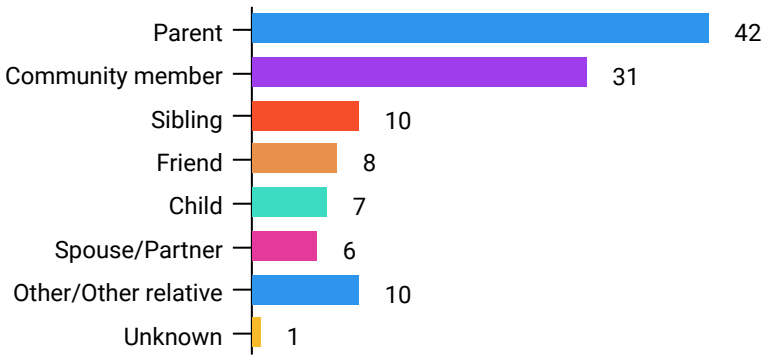


* Information taken from the Ageing & Disability Commission data on reports received between 1 January 2020 - 31 December 2022 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

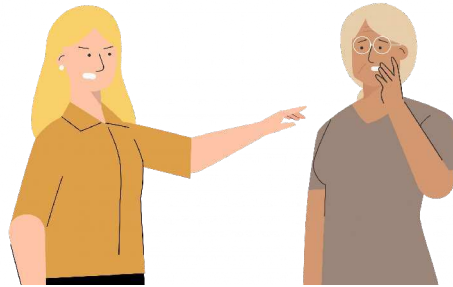
^A paid worker is defined as a formal paid support worker, for example an NDIS support worker or CHSP provider.

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

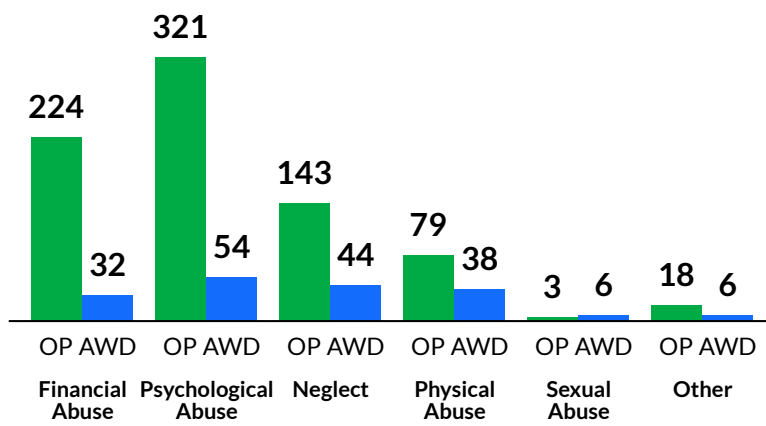
Reports about adults with disability most commonly involved a parent* as the subject of allegation



63% of reports about older people involved family members, mainly adult children,* as the subject of allegation



The most commonly reported type of abuse towards older people (OP) were verbal abuse, financial exploitation, and restricting access to family or others**



The most commonly reported type of abuse towards adults with disability (AWD) were failure to meet support needs, verbal abuse and hitting, kicking or punching**

What else do we know about Northern Sydney?

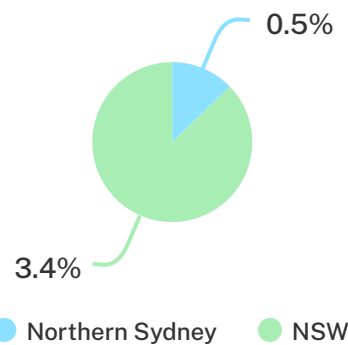
19%

of the population are over the age of 65₁



0.5%

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



79%

of all households are family households 19% are single person households and 2% are group households₂

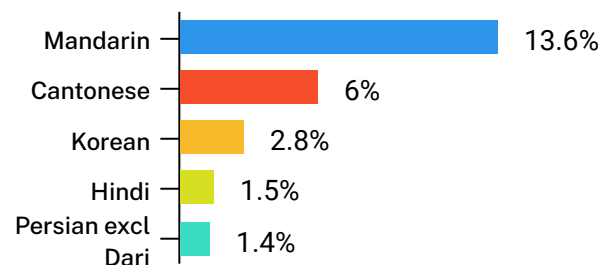


43%

of households speak a language other than English₂



Mandarin is the most 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 households refers to unrelated flatmate or co-tenancy arrangements.