

# Port Macquarie-Hastings

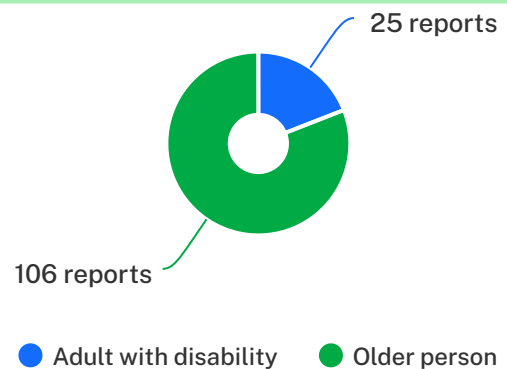
**131\***  
reports



The Ageing & Disability Commission (ADC) received 131 reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person or adult with disability from Port Macquarie-Hastings in 2020 - 2022\*.

**81%**

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



Of reports relating to adults with disability\*

**76%**

were female



Of reports relating to older people\*

**64%**

were female



**76%** of reports about adults with disability were made by a paid worker^



**29%** of reports about older people came from the adult child of the older person

**28%** of reports came from a paid worker^

**17%** 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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report involved an adult who spoke a language other than English at home\*

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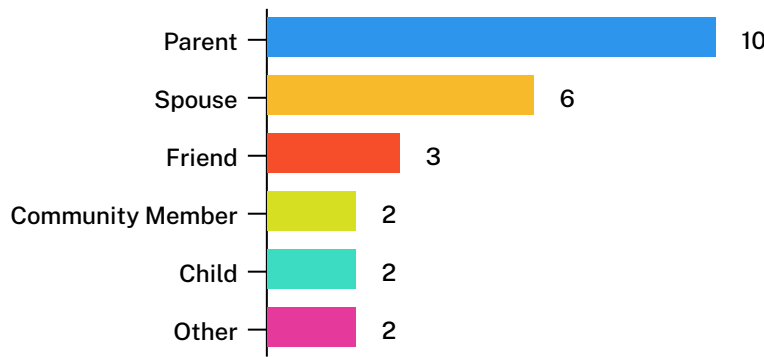


\* Information taken from the Ageing & Disability Commission data on reports received between 1 January 2020 - 31 December 2022 where the location of the adult identified in the report was known.

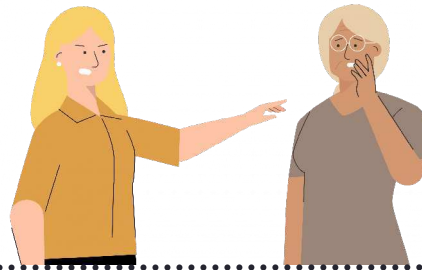
^A paid worker is defined as a formal paid support worker, for example an NDIS support worker or CHSP provider.

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

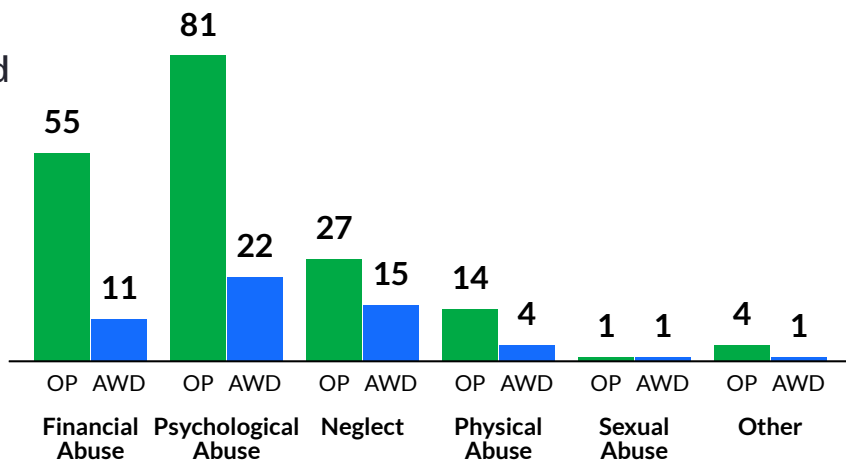
Reports about adults with disability most commonly involved a parent\* as the subject of allegation



**55%** of reports about older people involved family members, mainly adult children followed by the adult's spouse or partner,\* as the subject of allegation



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



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

## What else do we know about the Port Macquarie-Hastings community?

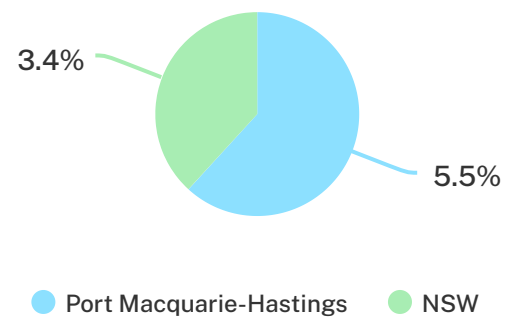
**29%**

of the population are over the age of 65<sub>1</sub>



**5.5%**

of the population identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (ATSI)<sub>1</sub>



**68%**

of all households are family households 28% are single person households and 3% are group households<sub>2</sub>



**5%**

of households speak a language other than English<sub>2</sub>



<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)  
<sup>2</sup> 2021 Census QuickStats, where group household refers to unrelated flatmate or co-tenancy arrangements.