

# SEPTEMBER 2021 **FOODBANK FACTS**

emergency food for local people in crisis

# September at a glance...

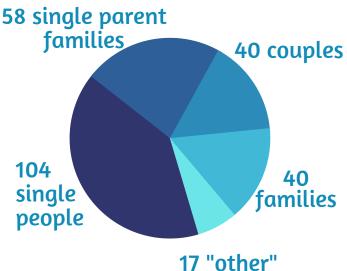


259, 3-day emergency food parcels given out

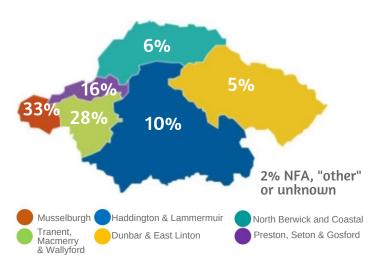


597 people fed 37% of these were children

## Who received our parcels?



# Where did our parcels go?



## Reasons for referrals

Low income

Benefit delays or changes

Refused crisis grant



\*homeless, sickness, domestic violence, delayed wages, other

49% of referrals in August were due to "low income", with refused crisis grant (16%), benefit delays/changes (15%), and debt (7%) accounting for over 1/3 of referrals

## How much did we give out?



5443kg given out

How much did we receive in donations?



3992kg of donations

## Who sends us referrals?

Everyone who receives a food parcel is referred to us by one of our partner organisations across the countu

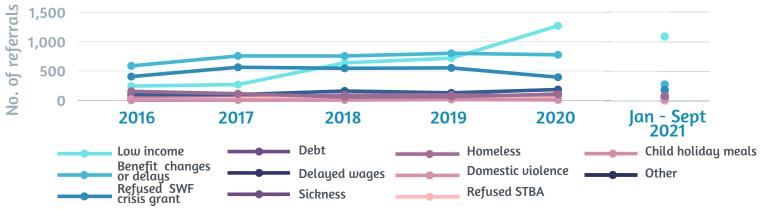
Other Citizen The Ridge **NHS East Lothian** Advice **Council Services** Services Bureau ot total referrals\*

In August the largest number of referrals from a single agency came from the Scottish Welfare Fund (17%). Referrals from East Lothian Council departments accounted for 34% and NHS services accounted for 20% of all referrals received.

## How have the no. of referrals we receive changed (by year)?



#### How have reasons for referrals changed over time?



Low income as a reason for referral continues to rise, accounting for 57% of 2021 referrals compared to 41% of referrals in the whole of 2020.



<sup>\*</sup>Pennypit Community Development Trust, North Berwick Community Centre, Home-Start East Lothian \*\* for further information on who refers to us please contact the foodbank