

NOVEMBER 2021 FOODBANK FACTS

emergency food for local people in crisis

November at a glance...



303, 3-day emergency food parcels given out



751 people fed

40% of these were children

A 35% increase in parcels given out compared to the same period last year (Nov 2020). Second busiest month at the foodbank ever.

Reasons for referrals

Low income

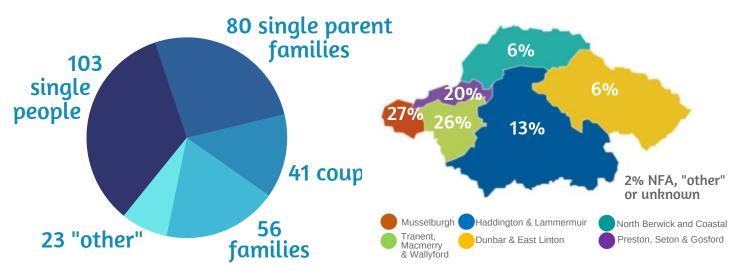
Benefit delays or changes Refused crisis grant



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

Low income continues to be the main reason for referrals (41%) and the increase in referrals due to benefits changes we saw in October continues with a further increase to 22% of total referrals.

Who received our parcels? Where did our parcels go?



How much did we give out?



🕇 6919kg given out

How much was donated?



14,103kg of donations, including 7353kg from our 3-day Tesco collection

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Who sends us referrals?

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

East Lothian Council Services

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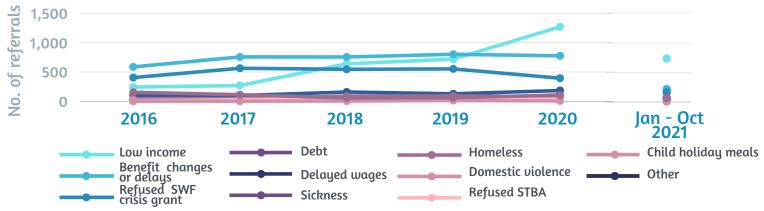
Service

East Lothian Council departments account for 36% of referrals, with the largest number of referrals from a single agency received from the Scottish Welfare Fund (18%), closely followed by Musselburgh Citizen Advice Bureau (14%). NHS services accounted for 21% 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 remains high, accounting for 54% of 2021 referrals compared to 41% of referrals in the whole of 2020.

^{*}Home-Start East Lothian **Pennypit Community Development Trust ***Blue Triangle Housing Association. For further information on who refers to us please contact the foodbank