

FOODBANK FACTS

emergency food for local people in crisis

December at a glance...

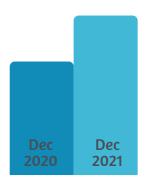
Busiest month at the foodbank ever!



392, 3-day emergency food parcels given out



961 people fed 41% of these were children



40% increase in no. of parcels compared to Dec 2020



316 jingle bags given out providing Christmas dinner for 460 adults and 338 children

Reasons for referrals

Low income continues to be the main reason for referrals, increasing again to levels seen earlier in the year (48%)

Low income

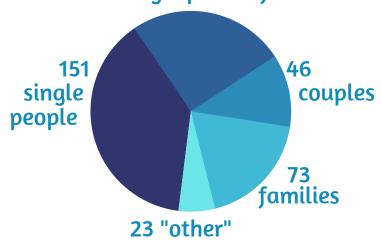
Benefit delays or changes Refused crisis grant Jept Jomeless Sickness



*domestic violence, delayed wages, child holiday meals, other reason

Who received our parcels?

99 single parent families



What's come in and gone out



10,447kg donated



8,707kg given out in standard food parcels



2,455kg give out in jingle bags



550kg given to partner organisations

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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

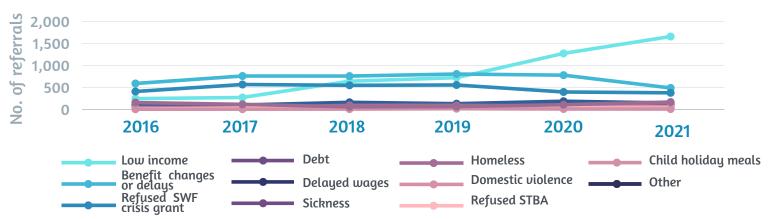
Roots and Fruits Other Citizen partners Pennypit* Penumbra **East Lothian NHS** referring Advice 2% or **Council Services** Services Bureau of total referrals

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%), followed by Musselburgh Citizen Advice Bureau (13%). NHS services accounted for 15% 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 53% of 2021 referrals compared to 41% of referrals in 2020.

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