



Data Report: December 2021

(showing data to the end of November 2021)

This report provides data on Foodbank use from 2019 to the present.

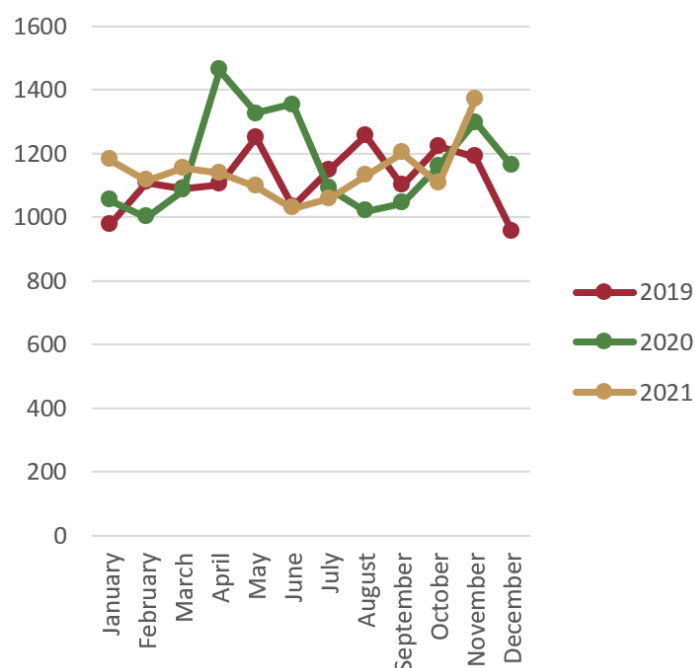
Key messages from the data:

- The total number of visits in November was our 2nd highest number of visits ever – only in April 2020 (the first month of the severe lockdown) have we had more visits. If we include visits when we have given out extras only (i.e. not a full parcel) it was our busiest month ever.
- Previously we have noted that how the number of client visits has remained between 1000 and 1200 since the beginning of 2019, other than the clear exceptions in April – June 2020, the months of the tightest lockdown restrictions. The other exception was in November 2020.
- From 6 October, Universal Credit was reduced by £20 per week. Shortly after that we began to ask clients whether the reason the client has come to the Foodbank connected to that cut in Universal Credit. 375 clients answered yes to that question.
- We and many other foodbanks had predicted that the reduction in Universal Credit, the ending of furlough support and the increase in energy prices would lead to an increase in demand in our services. Having not seen any increase in October, it looks like the predicted impact is now evident.
- Other than in October, since June there has been a clear upward trend in the overall number of client visits, the number of family parcels given out, and the total number of meals provided.
- The graph on page 5 shows that the increases in client visits were seen particularly at Viewforth and Linton Lane, after both had seen less visits in October.
- Since the end of March 2021, we have recorded the number of adults and children who we are providing with food – since then, 36% of those people receiving food from us were children.
- The percentage of children receiving food in our various distribution points varies from around 26 - 29% in New Volunteer House and Burntisland, to 40% in Viewforth.

Table and graph showing number of visits in 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021—the table also shows the change from the same month last year as a percentage

NUMBER OF VISITS (not including those for extras only)

	2019	2020	2021	% change from 2020
January	977	1053	1179	12.0%
February	1108	999	1114	11.5%
March	1088	1083	1153	6.5%
April	1102	1461	1138	-22.1%
May	1250	1327	1095	-17.5%
June	1032	1355	1027	-24.2%
July	1147	1089	1057	-2.9%
August	1255	1018	1129	10.9%
September	1099	1044	1202	15.1%
October	1222	1159	1106	-4.6%
November	1188	1299	1370	5.5%
December	955	1161		



Graphs and table showing the different parcel sizes given out and the total number of meals provided in 2019—2021 (table and one graph on next page)

(NB the total number of meals figure is calculated by multiplying the number of parcels x size of parcel (single, couple or family etc) x 3 days x 3 meals a day. Therefore it is an indicative and not exact figure. As 'Extras only' means that a full parcel was not given on that visit, they have not been taken into account in calculating the total number of meals or people provided with food.)

Graph showing the total number of meals provided

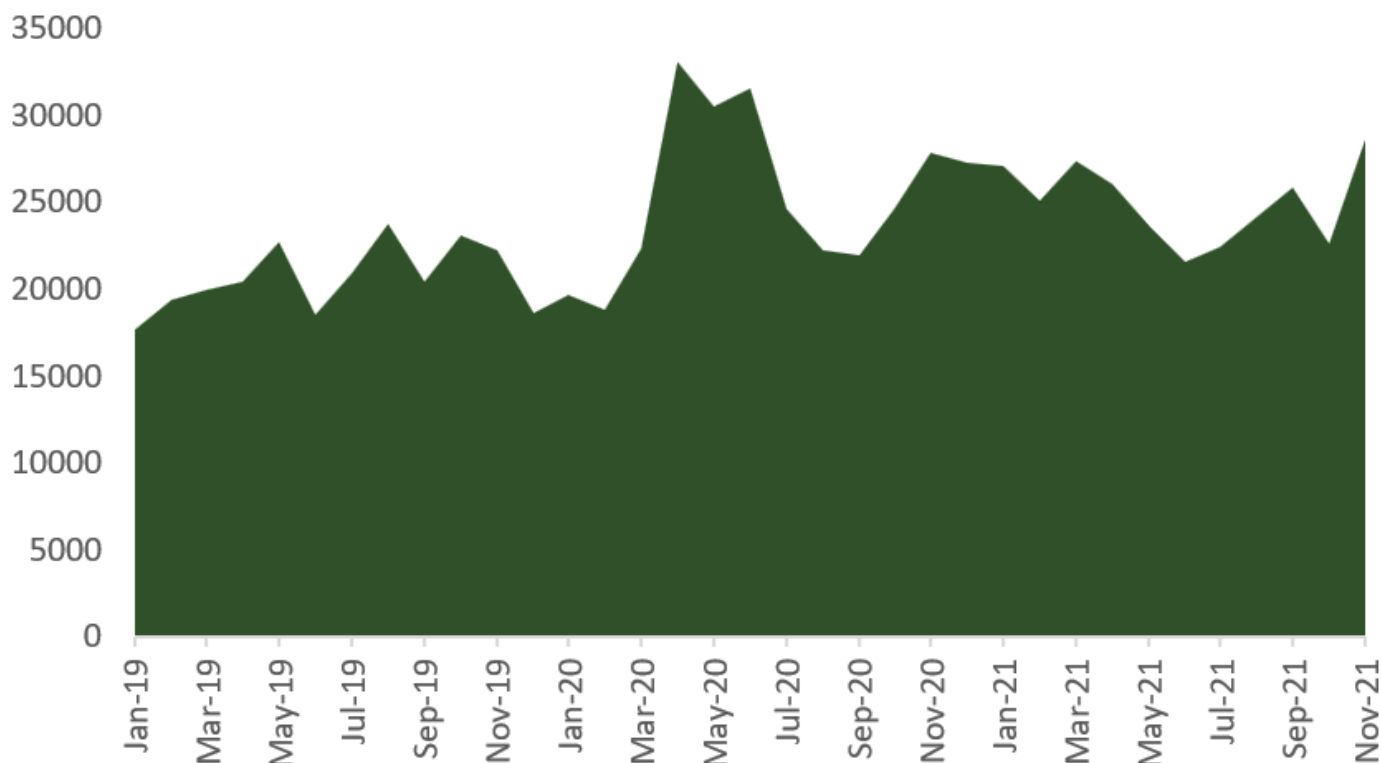
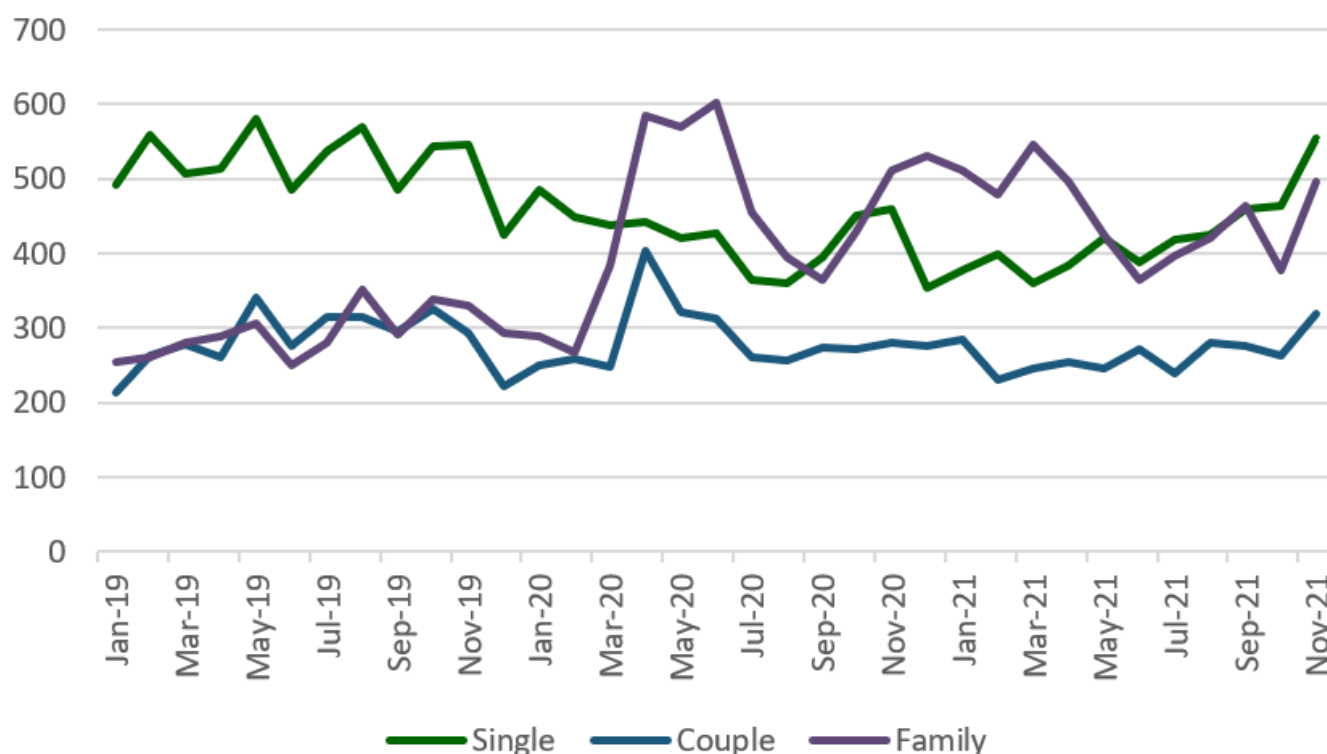


Table showing the different parcel sizes given out and the total number of meals provided in this and the previous year

Pack size	Single	Couple	Family	Single + Couple	Other (including extras only (not included in total meals or people))	Total number of meals provided	total number of people provided with food	%age change from previous year in number of meals provided
Jan-20	486	251	289	13	14	19647	2183	11.2%
Feb-20	449	258	268	18	6	18819	2091	-2.8%
Mar-20	437	247	384	4	11	22311	2479	11.8%
Apr-20	442	403	585	29	2	33075	3675	62.4%
May-20	420	322	570	15	0	30501	3389	34.5%
Jun-20	427	312	602	14	0	31509	3501	70.3%
Jul-20	365	260	456	8	0	24597	2733	18.0%
Aug-20	361	257	395	5	0	22230	2470	-6.2%
Sep-20	394	273	365	12	0	21924	2436	7.5%
Oct-20	452	272	429	6	0	24570	2730	6.3%
Nov-20	460	280	512	9	38	27855	3095	25.3%
Dec-20	353	275	530	3	47	27288	3173	46.8%
Jan-21	378	285	512	4	46	27072	3008	37.8%
Feb-21	399	231	478	6	44	25119	2791	33.5%
Mar-21	360	245	546	2	54	27360	3040	22.6%
Apr-21	383	255	496	4	56	26001	2889	-21.4%
May-21	420	245	425	5	63	23625	2625	-22.5%
Jun-21	389	271	365	2	78	21573	2397	-31.5%
Jul-21	419	240	398	0	106	22419	2491	-8.9%
Aug-21	425	281	421	2	130	24093	2677	8.4%
Sep-21	459	277	463	3	129	25866	2874	18.0%
Oct-21	463	263	378	2	94	22563	2507	-8.2%
Nov-21	554	319	496	1	116	28611	3179	2.7%

Graph showing the different parcel sizes given out: 2019—2021



Tables showing the total number of adults and children provided with food and the numbers at each distribution points (since April 2021, we have been recording the number of adults and children that we are providing with food)

NB: as the adults and children may be provided with food more than once in the month, this is not a count of the total number of individual adults and children we have helped.

	ADULTS	CHILDREN	%AGE CHILDREN
Apr-21	1946	1283	39.7%
May-21	1858	1094	37.1%
Jun-21	1743	959	35.5%
Jul-21	1782	977	35.4%
Aug-21	1919	1082	36.1%
Sep-21	2053	1250	37.8%
Oct-21	1830	937	33.9%
Nov-21	2265	1256	35.7%
OVERALL PERCENTAGE CHILDREN			36.4%

	SA Burntisland			Enlightenments			Link Living			Linton Lane			New Volunteer House			Viewforth		
	A	C	%age children	A	C	%age children	A	C	%age children	A	C	%age children	A	C	%age children	A	C	%age children
Apr-21	205	84	29.1%	1	2	66.7%	123	51	29.3%	579	357	38.1%	221	89	28.7%	817	700	46.1%
May-21	164	60	26.8%	8	14	63.6%	38	14	26.9%	610	346	36.2%	306	99	24.4%	732	561	43.4%
Jun-21	202	71	26.0%	16	8	33.3%	47	23	32.9%	568	335	37.1%	268	84	23.9%	642	438	40.6%
Jul-21	134	47	26.0%	13	4	23.5%	42	16	27.6%	648	350	35.1%	283	126	30.8%	662	434	39.6%
Aug-21	136	43	24.0%	6	5	45.5%	42	24	36.4%	706	425	37.6%	233	71	23.4%	796	514	39.2%
Sep-21	155	96	38.2%	11	4	26.7%	39	22	36.1%	717	456	38.9%	256	88	25.6%	875	584	40.0%
Oct-21	182	74	28.9%	24	4	14.3%	23	19	45.2%	579	335	36.7%	263	87	24.9%	759	418	35.5%
Nov-21	211	96	31.3%	25	8	24.2%	34	27	44.3%	720	434	37.6%	287	92	24.3%	988	599	37.7%
OVERALL %AGE CHILDREN			28.8%			37.2%			34.8%			37.2%			25.7%			40.3%

Universal Credit

Since the cut in Universal Credit in October 2021, we have been asking clients whether the reason they have come to the Foodbank is connected to the cut. Since we started recording this, 376 individual clients have answered “yes” to this question.

NB: We only record the client’s answer if they consent to us doing so.

Graph showing the number of visits to our distribution points since April 2020 (NB the Salvation Army in Burntisland only opened in mid-September, replacing Solid Rock from that time; Enlightenments only opened in September 2020 but was closed between January and April 2021 due to the lockdown; Link Living was closed for part of August and September 2020 due to flooding)

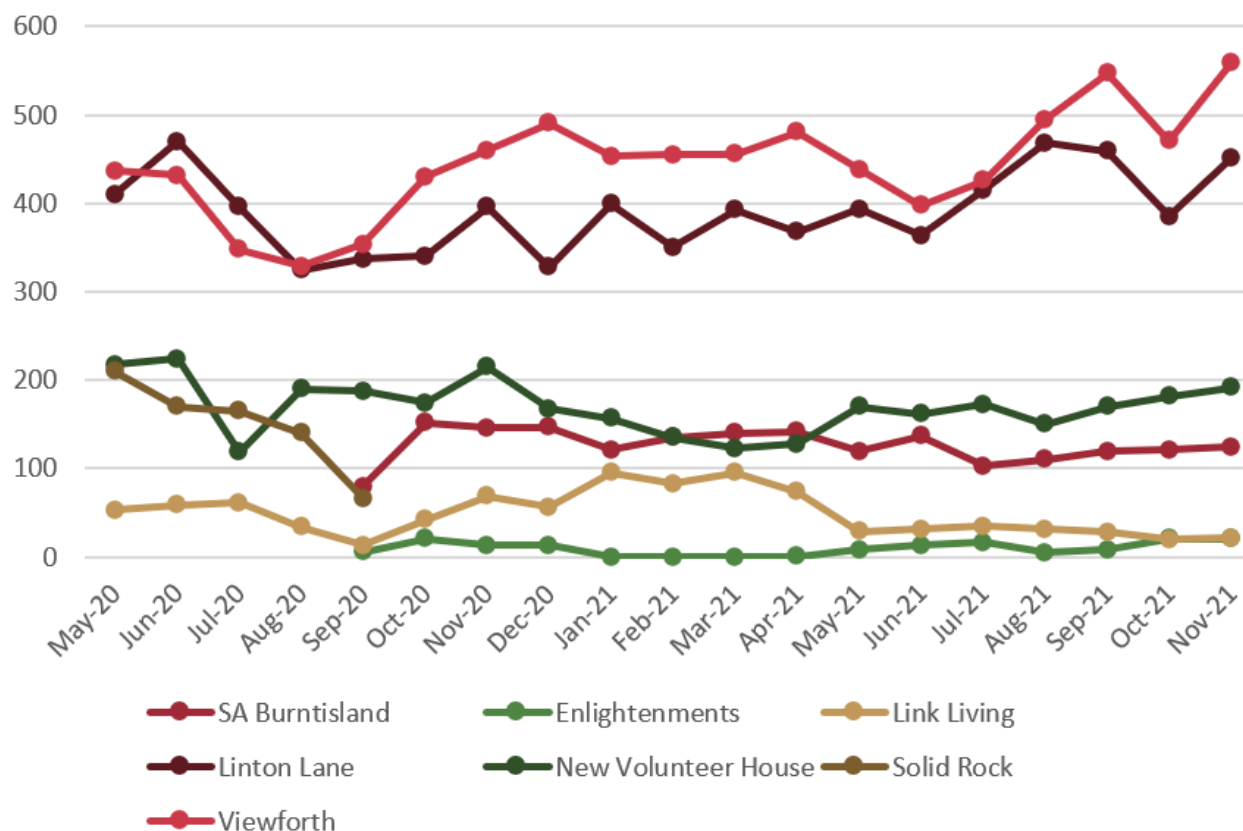


Table showing the percentage of our visits to our distribution points in the past 12 months

	SA Burntisland	Enlightenments	Link Living	Linton Lane	New Volunteer House	Solid Rock	Viewforth
Dec-20	12.2%	1.1%	4.7%	27.3%	14.0%	0.0%	40.8%
Jan-21	9.9%	0.0%	7.8%	32.6%	12.8%	0.0%	37.0%
Feb-21	11.7%	0.0%	7.2%	30.2%	11.7%	0.0%	39.3%
Mar-21	11.6%	0.0%	7.9%	32.6%	10.2%	0.0%	37.8%
Apr-21	11.9%	0.1%	6.2%	30.8%	10.7%	0.0%	40.3%
May-21	10.3%	0.7%	2.5%	34.0%	14.7%	0.0%	37.8%
Jun-21	12.4%	1.2%	2.8%	32.9%	14.7%	0	36.0%
Jul-21	8.8%	1.4%	3.0%	35.5%	14.8%	0	36.5%
Aug-21	8.7%	0.4%	2.5%	37.2%	11.9%	0	39.3%
Sep-21	8.9%	0.6%	2.1%	34.5%	12.8%	0	41.1%
Oct-21	10.1%	1.8%	1.7%	32.1%	15.2%	0.0%	39.3%
Nov-21	9.1%	1.5%	1.5%	33.0%	14.0%	0.0%	40.9%
TOTAL	10.5%	0.8%	4.0%	32.3%	13.8%	0.4%	38.2%