



Data Report: April 2022

(showing data to the end of March 2022)

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

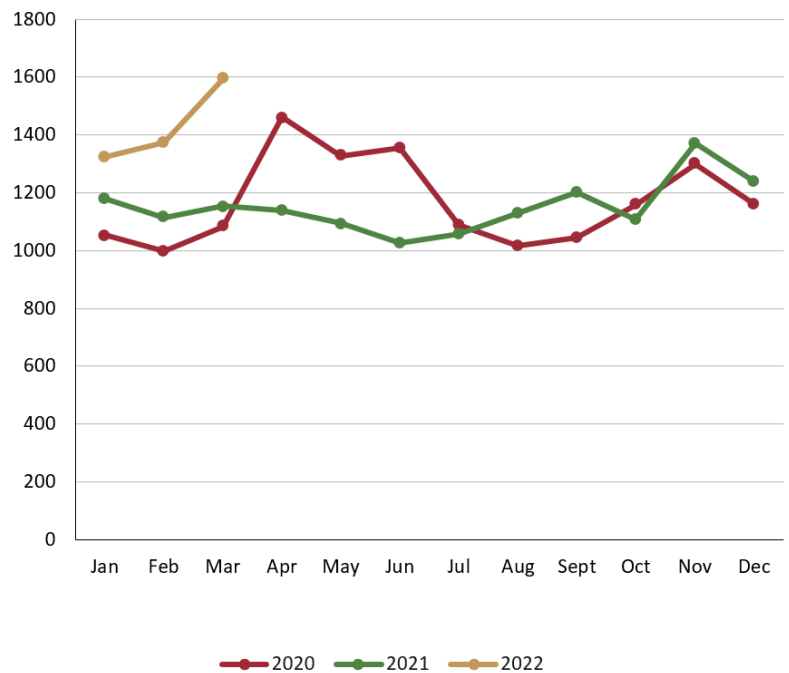
Key messages from the data:

- In March we had more visits than ever before – 134 more than in April 2020 (the first month of the pandemic), our previous highest month.
- In every month since October last year, the number of visits each month has shown an increase from the previous year. In March 2022 we had 38% more visits than in March 2021; in January 2022 we had over 12% more visits than the previous year, and in February we had 23% more visits.
- Previously we have noted that the number of client visits had 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. However, in every month since October 2021, we have had more than 1200 client visits per month. The upward trend shown in the graph at the top of 2 is extremely worrying.
- We and many other foodbanks had predicted that the reduction in Universal Credit last October, and the increase in energy prices and the overall cost of living would lead to an increase in demand in our services. Since October that predicted impact has been evident – and that increase has been seen *before* the recent significant increase in energy bills.
- The dramatic increase in visits in March was reflected in increases in the volume of all parcel sizes given out, and in all of distribution centres. However, the most significant increases were seen at Linton Lane and Viewforth.
- 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 39% in Viewforth.
- The graph on page 6 shows the number of different parcel sizes we gave out in March at each of our distribution centres. It shows a clear difference in the proportion of family parcels given out – more than any other kind at Viewforth, but the least we gave out at New Volunteer House.

Table and graph showing number of visits in 2020, 2021 and 2022 —the table also shows the change from the same month in the previous year as a percentage

NUMBER OF VISITS (not including those for extras only)

	2020	2021	2022	% change from 2021
Jan	1053	1179	1325	12.4%
Feb	999	1114	1375	23.4%
Mar	1083	1153	1595	38.3%
Apr	1461	1138		
May	1327	1095		
Jun	1355	1027		
Jul	1089	1057		
Aug	1018	1129		
Sept	1044	1202		
Oct	1159	1106		
Nov	1299	1370		
Dec	1161	1239		



Graphs and table showing the different parcel sizes given out and the total number of meals provided in 2020—2022 (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

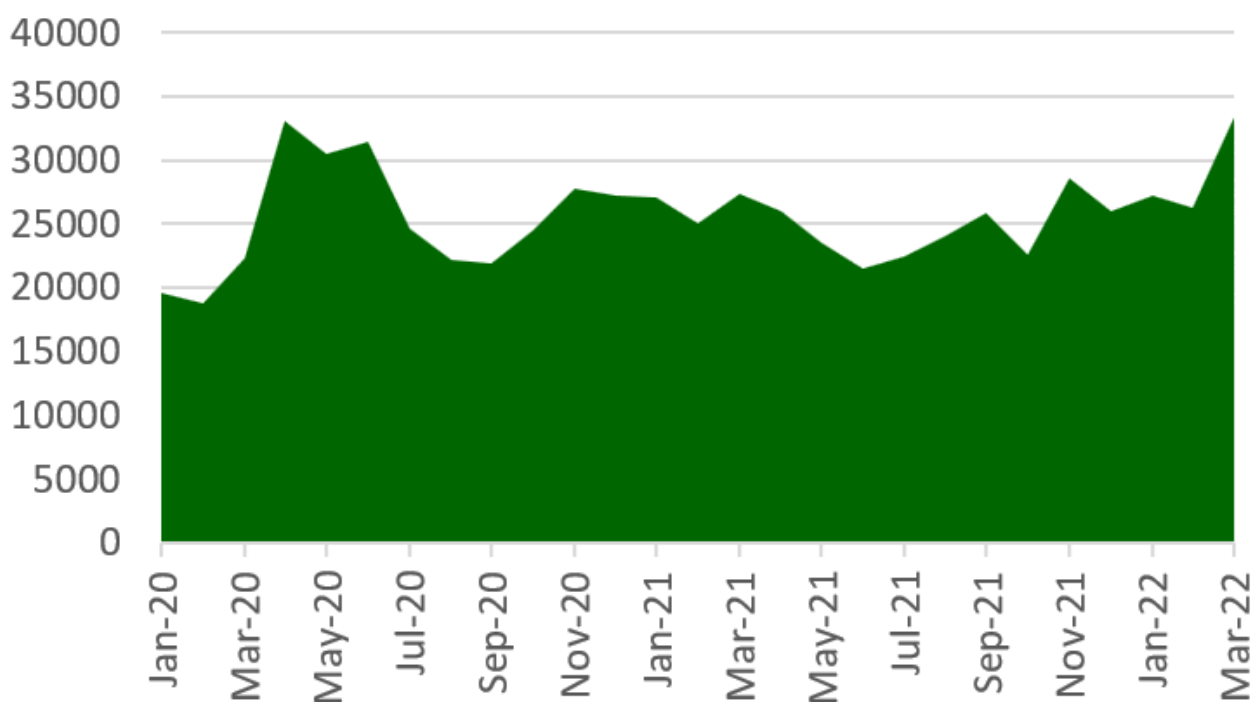
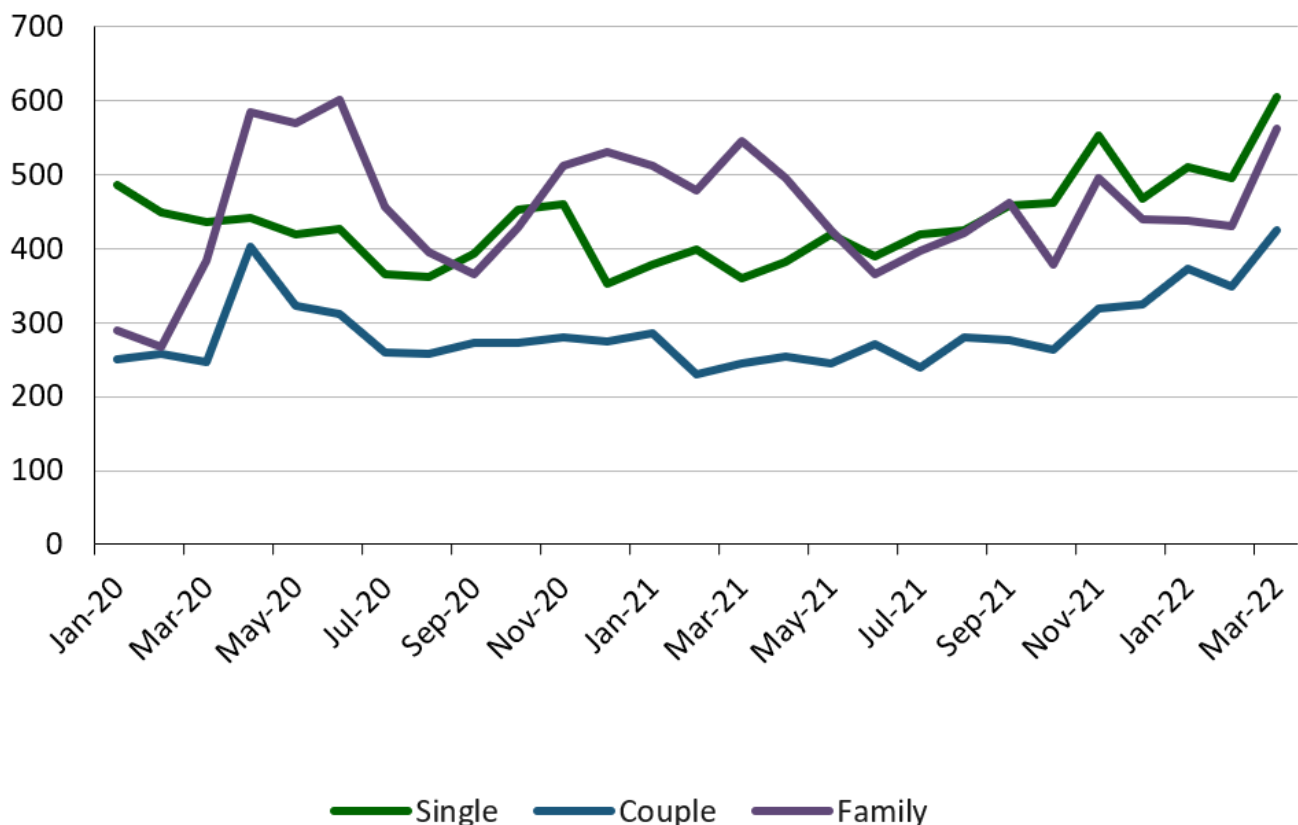


Table showing the different parcel sizes given out and the total number of meals provided in this and the previous year

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-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%
Dec-21	468	325	439	7	101	26055	2895	-4.5%
Jan-22	510	373	438	4	94	27180	3020	0.4%
Feb-22	496	348	431	3	97	26325	3198	4.8%
Mar-22	606	426	562	1	99	33381	3709	22.0%

Graph showing the different parcel sizes given out: 2020—2022



Tables showing the total number of adults and children provided with food and the numbers at each distribution point (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%
Dec-21	2059	1101	34.8%
Jan-22	2162	1063	33.0%
Feb-22	2129	1069	33.4%
Mar-22	2592	1410	35.2%
OVERALL PERCENTAGE CHILDREN			35.6%

	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%
Dec-21	211	82	28.0%	4	6	60.0%	18	12	40.0%	645	390	37.7%	272	84	23.6%	909	527	36.7%
Jan-22	124	51	29.1%				36	27	42.9%	621	303	32.8%	337	116	25.6%	1044	566	35.2%
Feb-22	144	46	24.2%				24	24	50.0%	552	340	38.1%	368	121	24.7%	1041	538	34.1%
Mar-22	172	90	34.4%				19	7	26.9%	765	443	36.7%	407	151	27.1%	1229	719	36.9%
			28.8%			39.8%			36.5%			36.9%			25.6%			38.8%

Graph showing the number of visits to our distribution points since January 2021 (NB Enlightenments was closed between January and April 2021 due to the lockdown but has now closed as a distribution centre)

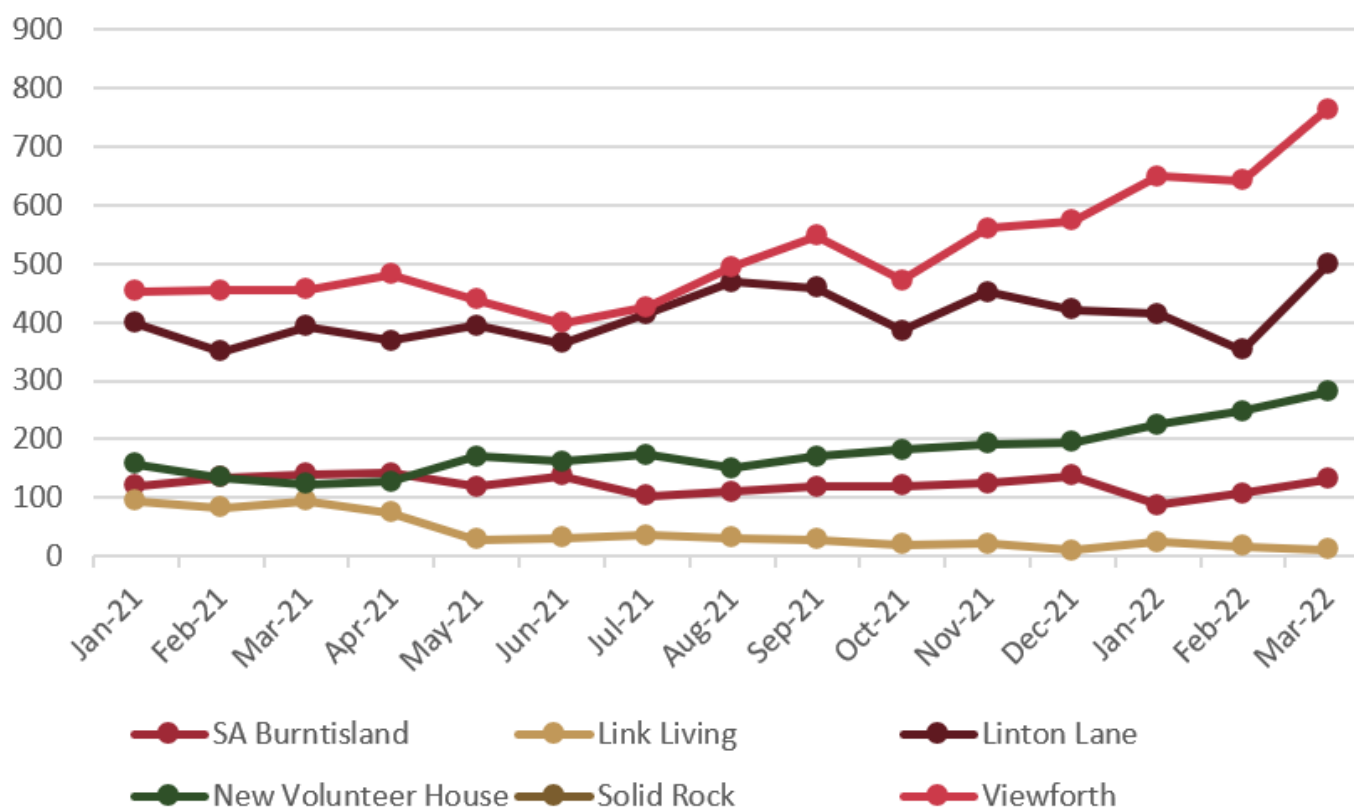


Table showing the percentage of our visits to our distribution points in the past 12 months

	SA Burntisland	Enlightenments	Link Living	Linton Lane	New Volunteer House	Viewforth
Mar-21	11.6%	0.0%	7.9%	32.6%	10.2%	37.8%
Apr-21	11.9%	0.1%	6.2%	30.8%	10.7%	40.3%
May-21	10.3%	0.7%	2.5%	34.0%	14.7%	37.8%
Jun-21	12.4%	1.2%	2.8%	32.9%	14.7%	36.0%
Jul-21	8.8%	1.4%	3.0%	35.5%	14.8%	36.5%
Aug-21	8.7%	0.4%	2.5%	37.2%	11.9%	39.3%
Sep-21	8.9%	0.6%	2.1%	34.5%	12.8%	41.1%
Oct-21	10.1%	1.8%	1.7%	32.1%	15.2%	39.3%
Nov-21	9.1%	1.5%	1.5%	33.0%	14.0%	40.9%
Dec-21	10.2%	0.2%	0.7%	31.5%	14.6%	42.8%
Jan-22	6.2%	0.0%	1.8%	29.6%	16.1%	46.3%
Feb-22	7.9%	0.0%	1.2%	25.8%	18.1%	46.9%
Mar-22	7.8%	0.0%	0.7%	29.6%	16.6%	45.3%
TOTAL	12.2%	0.8%	3.8%	32.3%	13.8%	38.6%

Graph showing parcel types provided from each of our distribution points in March 2022

