



## Data Report: June 2023 (showing data to the end of May 2023)

This report provides data on Foodbank use up to the previous month.

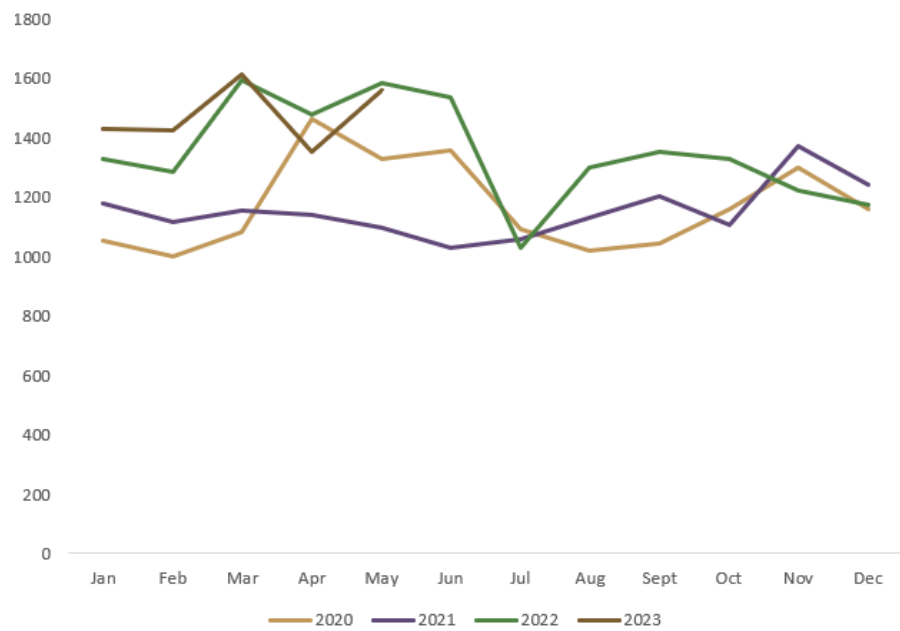
### Key messages from the data:

- After our busiest month ever in March 2023, we saw a significant reduction in visits in April, but then an increase again in May. May 2023 was our 4<sup>th</sup> busiest month ever, although it showed a small reduction from May 2022. Looking at the graph at the top of page 2, it shows that in both this year and last there was the same pattern of March and May being particularly busy months, with April being much quieter.
- April is the month when benefits, pensions, tax credits and the minimum wage increase (in line with the inflation rate the previous September), so it's probably no surprise that more money in people's pockets leads to a reduction in visits to the foodbank. In addition Fife Council provide free meals at Café Inc during the school holiday (which accounted for 2 of the 4 weeks of April).
- The graph at the foot of page 3 shows that there was an increase in all parcel sizes given out in May.
- During 2023 34% of the people receiving food from us have been children.
- The percentage of children receiving food in our various distribution centres continues to vary as shown in the graph on page 4 – at both Linton Lane and Viewforth there is a considerably larger percentage of children who receive food from us, when compared to New Volunteer House and Burntisland. There has been a particular reduction in the proportion of children receiving food from us at Burntisland in the last few months.
- The graph on page 5 shows that there was an increase in visits to all of our distribution points other than Link Living (which only accounts for 2% of our total visits in any event).
- The graph on page 6 shows the number of different parcel sizes we gave out in May at each of our distribution centres. It shows a continued clear difference in the proportion of different parcels given out – there are considerably less family parcels given out at New Volunteer House and Burntisland. At both Linton Lane and Viewforth, the most common parcel size was family parcels. Not surprisingly, this reflects the data on the percentage of children who receive food from us at our various distribution points.

*NB: In July 2022 we made significant changes to our way of working as from that date we limited people to one food parcel per week. Previously, we limited people to one every 3 days, so some received more than one parcel in a week. Our volunteers may still provide some extras in the same week, but not more than one food parcel. We required to make these changes as the increase in demand for our services, increases in food prices and reductions in donations meant that we were not financially sustainable. This change is very likely to have reduced the number of visits we record each month since mid-July.*

**Table and graph showing number of visits (not including visits for extras only) —the table also shows the change from the same month in the previous year as a percentage**

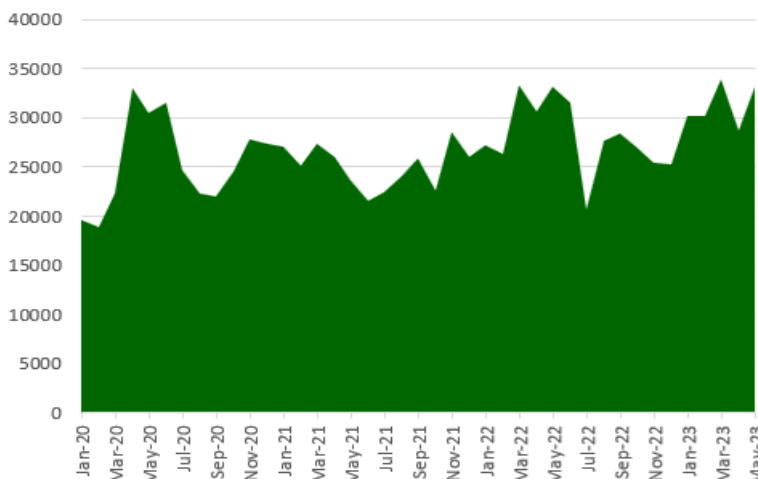
<b>NUMBER OF VISITS (not including those for extras only)</b>			
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>% change from 2022</b>
<b>Jan</b>	1326	1427	7.6%
<b>Feb</b>	1285	1424	10.8%
<b>Mar</b>	1595	1612	1.1%
<b>Apr</b>	1475	1352	-8.3%
<b>May</b>	1582	1559	-1.5%
<b>Jun</b>	1537		
<b>Jul</b>	1027		
<b>Aug</b>	1301		
<b>Sept</b>	1354		
<b>Oct</b>	1327		
<b>Nov</b>	1223		
<b>Dec</b>	1173		



**Graph showing number of visits (including those for extras only)**



**Graphs and table showing the different parcel sizes given out and the total number of meals provided in 2020—2023 (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**

month	Single	Couple	Family	Single + Couple	Extras (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	proportion of singles	proportion of family
Jan-22	510	373	439	4	94	27216	3024	0.5%	38.46%	33.11%
Feb-22	496	349	434	3	97	26325	3198	4.8%	38.69%	33.85%
Mar-22	606	426	562	1	99	33381	3709	22.0%	37.99%	35.24%
Apr-22	573	383	514	5	81	30690	3410	18.0%	38.85%	34.85%
May-22	618	392	570	2	98	33192	3688	40.5%	39.06%	36.03%
Jun-22	619	391	527	0	76	31581	3509	46.4%	40.27%	34.29%
Jul-22	415	280	331	1	41	20718	2302	-7.6%	40.41%	32.23%
Aug-22	466	367	463	5	70	27603	3067	14.6%	35.82%	35.59%
Sep-22	503	376	473	0	69	28323	3147	9.5%	37.20%	34.99%
Oct-22	514	388	423	2	88	26892	2988	19.2%	38.73%	31.88%
Nov-22	448	357	415	3	98	25479	2831	-10.9%	36.63%	33.93%
Dec-22	400	341	428	4	95	25254	2806	-3.1%	31.55%	33.75%
Jan-23	531	383	512	1	108	30132	3348	10.7%	37.21%	35.88%
Feb-23	530	375	516	3	131	30177	3353	14.6%	37.22%	36.24%
Mar-23	611	423	576	2	129	33903	3767	1.6%	37.90%	35.73%
Apr-23	494	371	485	2	120	28638	3182	-6.7%	36.54%	35.87%
May-23	579	402	573	5	155	33210	3690	0.1%	37.14%	36.75%

**Graph showing the different parcel sizes given out: 2020—2023**

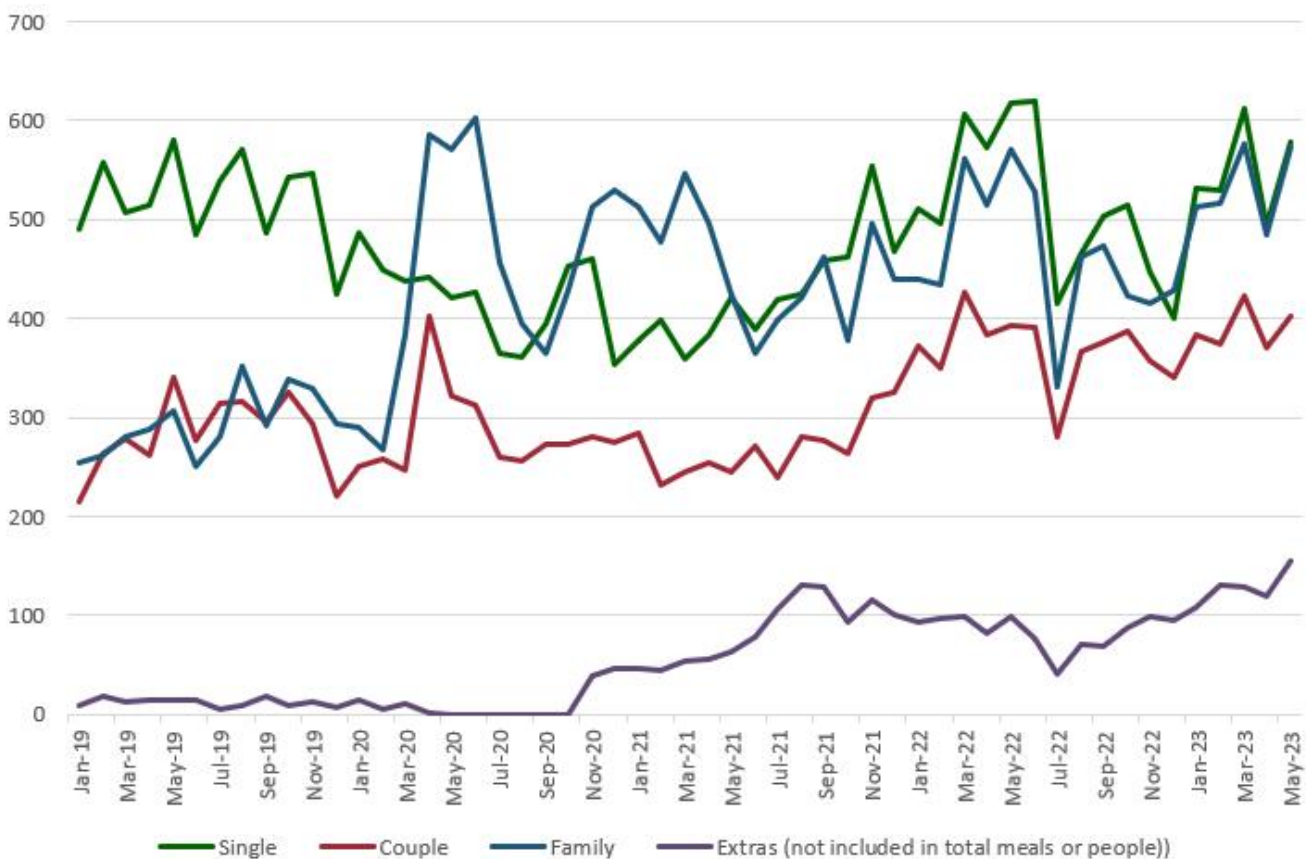
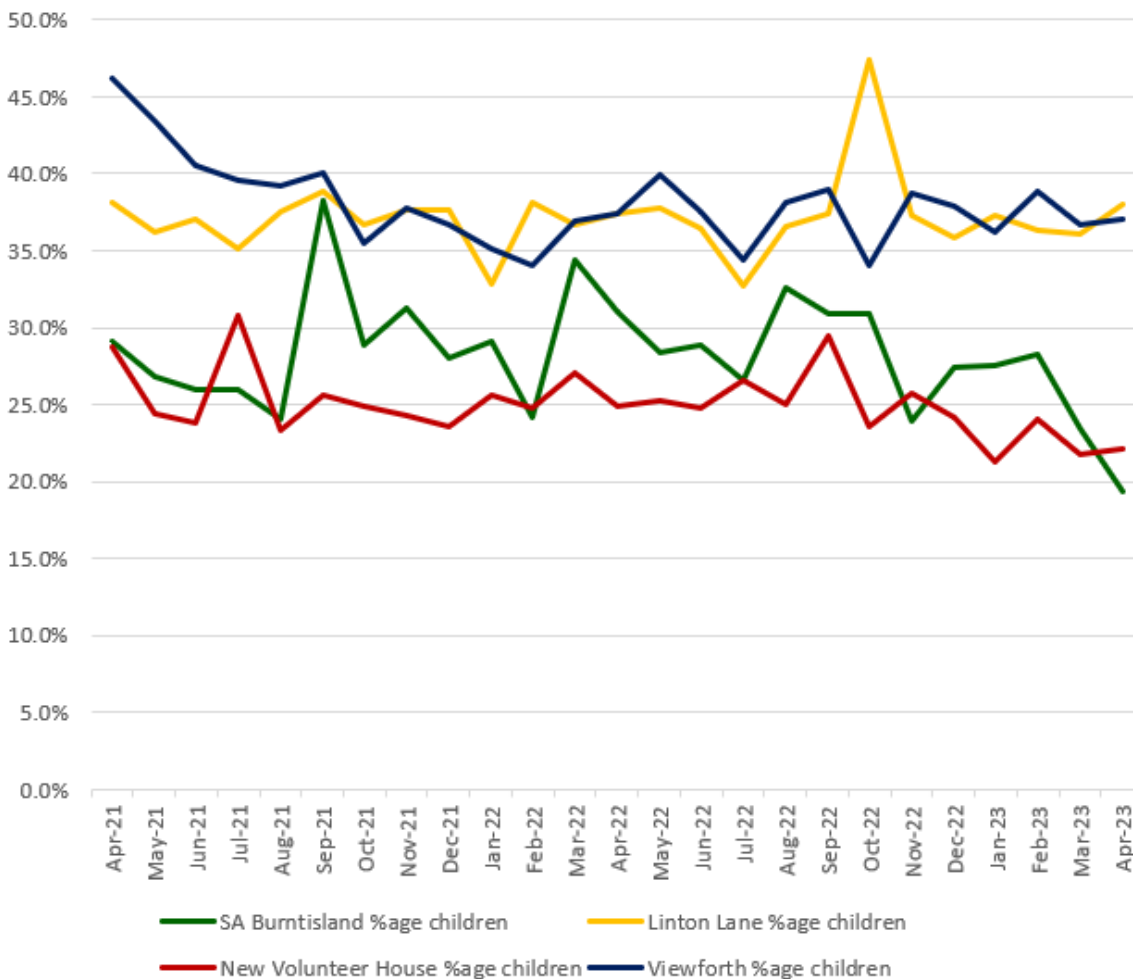


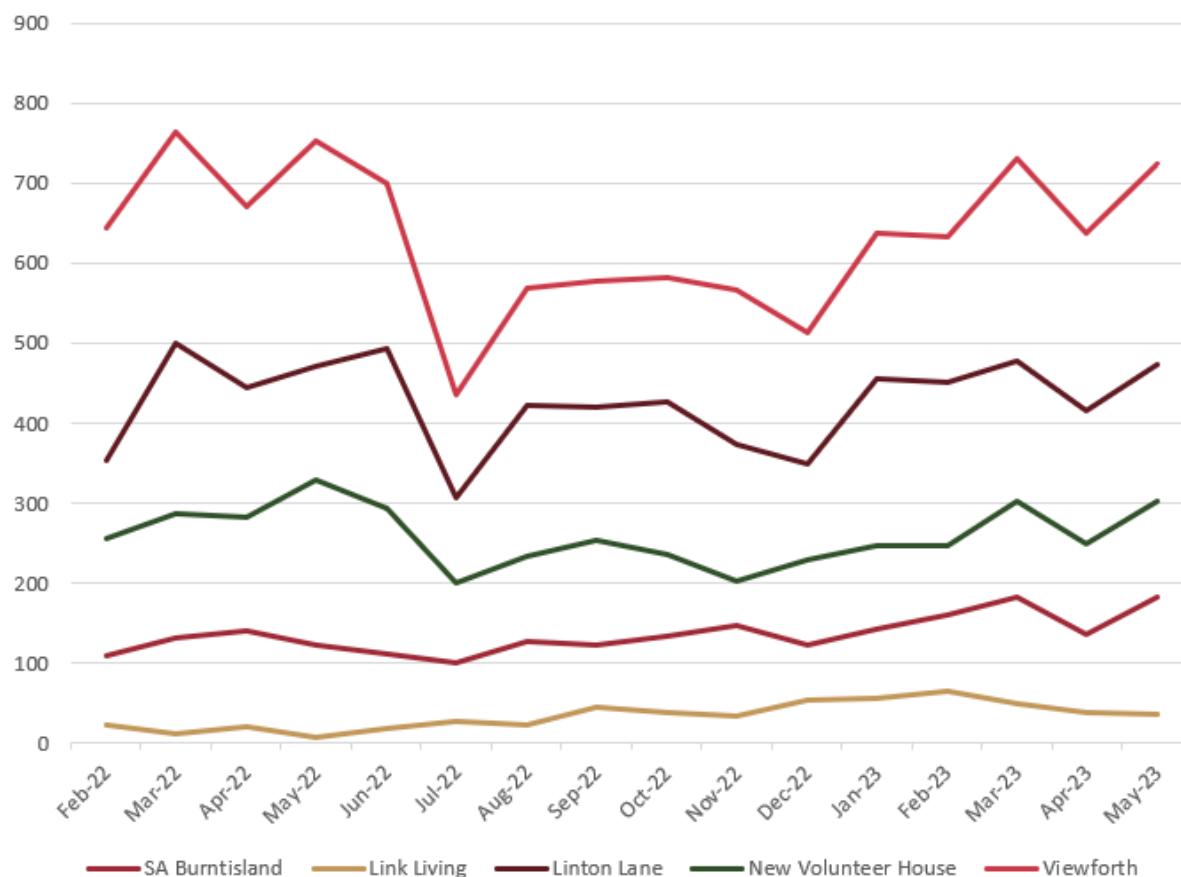
Table showing the total number of adults and children provided with food and the percentage of children in the past 12 months *NB: as the adults and children may be provided with food more than once in the month, this is not a count of the total number of individual adults and children we have helped.*

	ADULTS	CHILDREN	%AGE CHILDREN
May-22	2540	1445	36.3%
Jun-22	2436	1291	34.6%
Jul-22	1641	779	32.2%
Aug-22	2152	1171	35.2%
Sep-22	2167	1228	36.2%
Oct-22	1855	1086	36.9%
Nov-22	2008	1096	35.3%
Dec-22	2013	1065	34.6%
Jan-23	2385	1209	33.6%
Feb-23	2356	1265	34.9%
Mar-23	2694	1329	33.0%
Apr-23	2251	1153	33.9%
May-23	2640	1370	34.2%
<b>TOTAL %AGE CHILDREN IN 2023</b>			<b>33.9%</b>

Graph showing the percentage of children being provided with food at each of our distribution points since April 2021



**Graph showing the number of visits to our distribution points since February 2022**



**Table showing the percentage of our visits to our distribution points since February 2022**

	SA Burntisland	Link Living	Linton Lane	New Volunteer House	Viewforth
Feb-22	7.8%	1.6%	25.6%	18.5%	46.6%
Mar-22	7.8%	0.7%	29.5%	16.9%	45.1%
Apr-22	9.0%	1.3%	28.5%	18.1%	43.1%
May-22	7.3%	0.4%	28.0%	19.6%	44.8%
Jun-22	6.9%	1.1%	30.5%	18.2%	43.3%
Jul-22	9.4%	2.4%	28.7%	18.7%	40.7%
Aug-22	9.2%	1.6%	30.8%	17.0%	41.4%
Sep-22	8.7%	3.1%	29.6%	17.9%	40.7%
Oct-22	9.5%	2.6%	30.2%	16.7%	41.1%
Nov-22	11.1%	2.5%	28.2%	15.4%	42.8%
Dec-22	9.7%	4.3%	27.5%	18.1%	40.5%
Jan-23	9.3%	3.6%	29.6%	16.1%	41.4%
Feb-23	10.3%	4.1%	29.0%	15.9%	40.7%
Mar-23	10.5%	2.8%	27.4%	17.3%	42.0%
Apr-23	9.2%	2.5%	28.2%	16.8%	43.3%
May-23	10.6%	2.1%	27.6%	17.6%	42.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>28.7%</b>	<b>17.4%</b>	<b>42.6%</b>

Graph showing parcel types provided from each of our distribution points in the previous month

