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TESCO COLLECTION



Over 2 days in March, 733kg of food were donated by Tesco customers. These items were specifically requested so that families can be helped with summer parcels during the holiday

PILOT - Greengrocery vouchers

We received a generous financial donation for the work of the Foodbank and decided to use the money to pilot giving £5 green grocery vouchers to clients with children. These are given to clients when they collect a food parcel at a distribution centre and can be taken to Hamiltons in Cross Keys to exchange for fruit and vegetables. These have been well received by clients and volunteers are really positive about this development in the work of the Foodbank.



Pupils at Priory Junior School learning about what goes into a 3-day emergency food parcel during a visit in March.

We would like to thank staff and pupils for their continued high level support for our work.



MONEYLIFE

Last year there were over 16 billion pounds of unclaimed benefits. Several Foodbank volunteers have been trained to use an online programme for checking the benefits of clients to see if they are entitled to additional funding or grants. We run this with an appointment system once every two weeks, on Friday mornings at St Mary's, Eaton Socon.





1415 people
 were helped in 2017
 with 3-day food parcels
 (an increase of 39% over the previous year).



69% of food donations come from drop-boxes at our local supermarkets—Tesco, Waitrose, Co-op

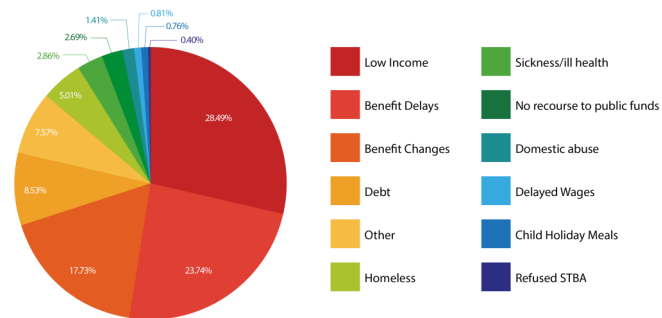
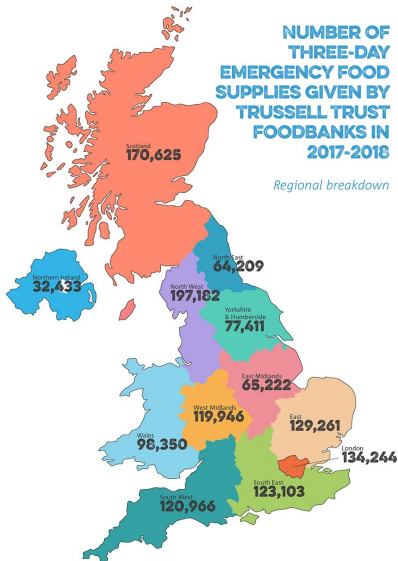
	Stock in	Stock out
2017	18,493kg	17,413 kg
2016	14,165 kg	15,244 kg
(% increase)	23%	12.5%

A HUGE THANKYOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS AND SUPPORTERS

Trussell Trust National Picture in 2017-2018

<https://www.trusselltrust.org/news-and-blog/latest-stats/>

78.5% of supplies were needed because of low income, benefit delays, benefit changes and debt.



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