

Independent food banks call on PM to address rise in hunger

The Independent Food Aid Network (IFAN) has written to Boris Johnson asking him to take “immediate and urgent action to reduce the rapidly growing number of people needing our support”.

The number of emergency parcels distributed by independent food banks across Britain has increased 177 per cent since last year.

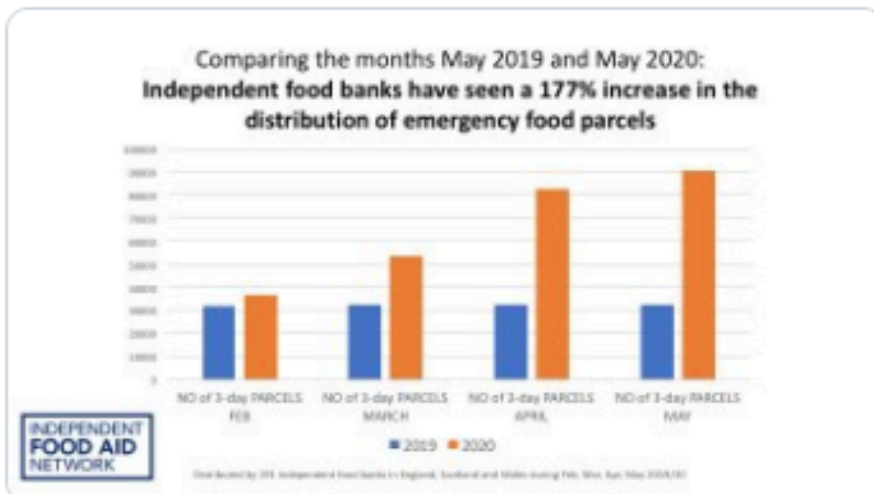
Sabine Goodwin, IFAN coordinator, said: “Food bank teams have provided incredible and vital support during the Covid-19 crisis but it’s clearer than ever that short-term fixes are not the answer. Food banks should not be relied on to fill the ever-growing gap.

“The chancellor’s concessions are welcome but they do not go anywhere near far enough to tackle the desperate crisis that is unfolding.”

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Independent food banks report a 177% increase in number of emergency food parcels distributed comparing May 2019 to May 2020. Read our full report - foodaidnetwork.org.uk/ifan-data-sinc... - IFAN analysed data from 100 organisations operating 191 independent food banks in 80 local authorities.



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