

Number of Special Needs Grants for food that were granted or declined from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2025

Quarter ending	Decline		Grant		Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
March 2023	13,380	3.7%	345,291	96.3%	358,671
June 2023	11,157	3.5%	311,637	96.5%	322,797
September 2023	12,411	3.5%	339,222	96.5%	351,633
December 2023	17,994	5.1%	336,270	94.9%	354,264
March 2024	19,926	5.7%	328,593	94.3%	348,519
June 2024	19,149	6.2%	291,495	93.8%	310,644
September 2024	21,504	6.3%	322,395	93.7%	343,899
December 2024	24,816	7.0%	331,299	93.0%	356,115
March 2025	21,861	6.2%	330,555	93.8%	352,416
June 2025	20,679	6.4%	304,527	93.6%	325,203
September 2025	22,056	6.3%	327,708	93.7%	349,764
December 2025	24,117	6.4%	350,094	93.6%	374,208

Notes:

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