



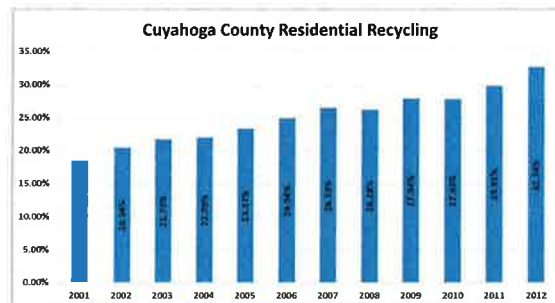
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CUYAHOGA COUNTY RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING REPORT RELEASED

Garfield Heights, Ohio – Cuyahoga County communities recycled 227,473 tons of all residential waste produced last year - an average of 356 pounds per person in 2012, according to the annual *Residential Recycling Report* published by the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District. The report shows how much each community recycled through their curbside and drop-off recycling programs, composting programs and other documented waste reduction activities.

Since 2001, residential recycling in Cuyahoga County has steadily grown from 18.47% to 32.74% according to the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District, a public agency that works to promote environmentally-sustainable and economical solid waste management practices in Cuyahoga County.



“Recycling is up because it is more convenient than ever with 57 communities offering curbside recycling along with “single stream” collection which enables residents to commingle all their paper, cans, glass and metals into one recycling container or bag,” according to Diane Bickett, Executive Director of the District.

This recycling supports a number of recycling businesses. After these materials leave the curb, they are taken to one of the four recycling facilities called MRF’s to be sorted, cleaned and baled prior to being sent to recycled product manufacturers. These MRF’s are located in Cuyahoga, Lorain and Summit counties and are owned by private sector companies that have invested millions into providing state-of-the-art processing capacity for the hundreds of thousands of tons of recyclables being diverted from landfills each year in northeast Ohio.

A copy of the report is available by calling (216) 443-3749 or visiting www.cuyahogaswd.org.

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This report documents the results of community recycling efforts in Cuyahoga County. The data was provided to the Solid Waste District by the communities. For each community, we report the tonnage of recyclables collected and the tonnage of organics collected. The combined tonnage was then used to calculate the community's recycling rate, which is shown as the percentage of waste the community diverted from landfills in 2012. The key below explains each column of data in the report.

Key

Tons Landfilled = the amount of residential waste the community landfilled in 2012. This includes waste collected through the community's waste collection program and from public buildings.

Tons Recycled (Recyclables) = the amount of recyclable materials collected through the community's curbside, drop-off, and public facility recycling programs. Recyclable materials include mixed paper, office paper, plastics, cans, glass, scrap metal, appliances, computers, household hazardous wastes and scrap tires.

Tons Recycled (Organics) = the amount of organic waste collected through the community's leaf collection, brush chipping and other programs.

Total 2012 Recycling Rate = the total percentage of the community's residential waste that was diverted from landfills through recycling and composting activities in 2012. This was calculated by dividing the Tons Recycled (recyclables + organics) by the total tons of waste generated (Tons Landfilled + Tons Recycled).

Total 2011 Recycling Rate = the total percentage of a community's residential waste that was diverted from landfills through recycling and composting activities in 2011 (provided for comparison purposes).

Community	2012 Tons Landfilled Solid Waste	2012 Tons Recycled		2012 Total Recycling Rate	2011 Total Recycling Rate
		Recyclables	Organics		
Bay Village	4,521.26	1,591.14	8,072.40	68.13%	56.84%
Beachwood	3,189.26	958.88	4,391.00	62.65%	59.64%
Bedford	4,431.59	503.02	1,390.67	29.94%	42.80%
Bedford Heights	2,514.67	382.48	1,432.00	41.91%	42.41%
Bentleyville	435.72	166.03	0.00	27.59%	30.71%
Berea	7,295.44	970.06	1,088.80	22.01%	23.53%
Bratenahl	443.37	163.04	334.50	52.87%	44.43%
Brecksville	5,098.80	1,123.35	1,150.05	30.84%	45.71%
Broadview Heights	6,798.45	1,463.98	1,123.41	27.57%	26.33%
Brook Park	9,884.68	8,606.51	599.56	48.22%	9.41%
Brooklyn	3,229.70	872.50	1,230.08	39.43%	41.57%
Brooklyn Heights	705.96	198.12	77.00	28.04%	21.74%
Chagrin Falls Township	156.00	28.70	0.00	15.54%	23.08%
Chagrin Falls Village	2,111.30	664.60	443.33	34.42%	31.77%
Cleveland	144,246.84	14,236.88	1,295.04	9.72%	7.82%
Cleveland Heights	15,041.54	3,226.97	27,278.32	66.98%	59.98%
Cuyahoga Heights	256.68	60.49	81.67	35.64%	36.38%
East Cleveland	6,844.51	92.13	0.33	1.33%	1.64%
Euclid	15,958.63	2,191.61	3,010.33	24.58%	21.21%
Fairview Park	6,229.00	1,403.48	3,045.67	41.67%	25.03%
Garfield Heights	12,064.32	908.07	722.34	11.91%	9.41%
Gates Mills	890.87	287.78	1.00	24.48%	24.32%
Glenwillow	191.05	54.84	259.50	62.20%	57.43%
Highland Heights	3,935.00	734.69	1,697.67	38.20%	34.81%
Highland Hills	178.57	27.64	28.50	23.92%	20.99%
Hunting Valley	504.88	142.60	2.25	22.29%	23.99%
Independence	3,162.28	907.43	3,489.67	58.17%	61.27%
Lakewood	16,049.49	4,610.41	11,538.00	50.15%	49.38%
Linndale	41.60	8.53	0.00	17.02%	11.77%
Lyndhurst	5,349.00	1,547.43	3,168.33	46.85%	43.13%
Maple Heights	9,206.00	539.63	747.67	12.27%	11.56%
Mayfield	1,361.72	338.09	1,350.67	55.36%	47.64%
Mayfield Heights	5,895.00	496.18	1,069.33	20.98%	21.10%
Middleburg Heights	5,417.10	1,079.27	2,584.03	40.34%	41.24%
Moreland Hills	1,159.39	512.56	641.75	49.89%	44.73%
Newburgh Heights	1,083.30	17.52	0.00	1.59%	1.73%
North Olmsted	9,779.12	3,316.05	7,254.15	51.94%	46.97%
North Randall	96.16	0.52	0.00	0.54%	1.70%
North Royalton	10,182.15	2,392.98	4,420.33	40.09%	38.59%
Oakwood	1,405.10	348.23	803.25	45.04%	37.48%
Olmsted Falls City	4,555.00	440.12	737.60	20.54%	24.65%
Olmsted Township	4,934.00	514.23	404.00	15.69%	18.79%
Orange	1,135.64	473.71	728.77	51.43%	53.63%
Parma	37,382.46	3,618.91	729.46	10.42%	10.79%
Parma Heights	5,959.71	1,446.84	2,083.33	37.20%	23.36%
Pepper Pike	2,478.38	1,103.50	4,708.06	70.10%	70.98%
Richmond Heights	3,602.96	228.54	1,944.00	37.62%	33.83%
Rocky River	8,788.17	1,129.59	3,783.07	35.86%	35.59%
Seven Hills	5,660.07	1,313.58	202.67	21.13%	20.51%
Shaker Heights	9,443.00	2,259.93	8,559.67	53.40%	57.47%
Solon	7,473.00	1,676.06	7,424.93	54.91%	63.95%
South Euclid	8,252.89	1,413.82	5,555.42	45.78%	46.95%
Strongsville	16,310.25	2,630.33	6,459.07	35.79%	32.35%
University Heights	4,892.00	348.39	2,371.90	35.74%	19.25%
Valley View	898.95	146.32	274.05	31.86%	24.65%
Walton Hills	884.64	233.63	1,207.92	61.97%	61.41%
Warrensville Heights	3,985.94	110.39	0.00	2.69%	17.55%
Westlake	13,080.34	1,975.31	5,830.85	37.37%	32.68%
Woodmere	155.44	17.10	391.41	72.44%	68.60%
Community Totals	467,218.54	78,254.71	149,218.78	32.74%	29.91%