Separate paper collection and increasing paper recycling in Europe: a role model for the circular economy

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Recycling needs the right action at all stages of the circle

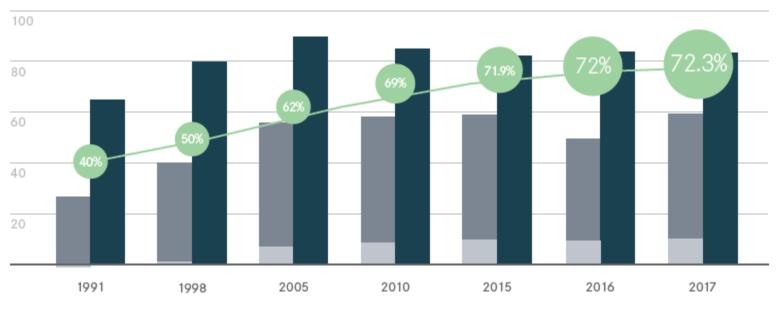




European Recycling 1991 - 2017



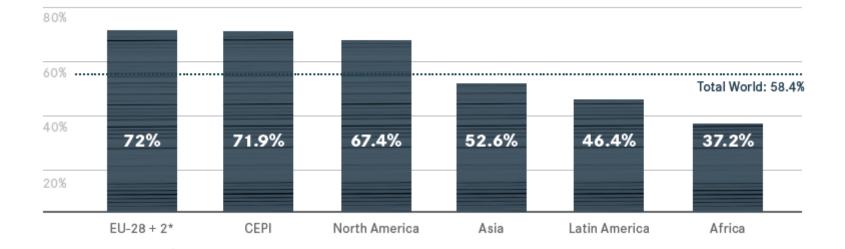
MILLION TONNES





Recycling Rate in World Regions in 2016





Devrope is the paper recycling champion!

Paper Recycling VS Paper Consumption



INDEX (1998 = 100) Paper Recycling - Paper Consumption

National Recycling Rates in Europe

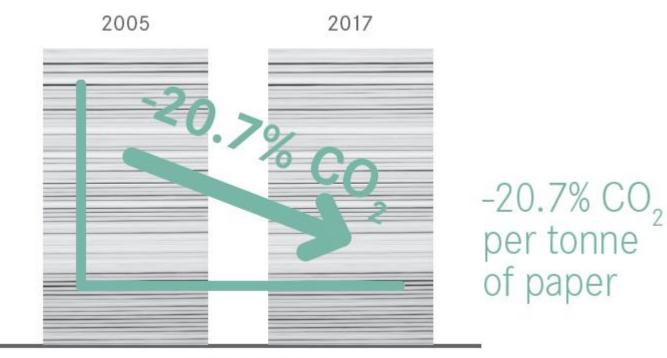




15 European countries exceeded the 70% recycling rate (17 in 2016).7 European countries were below 60% (9 in 2016).

Reduction of Specific Emissions of CO2 per tonne of paper production in Europe 2005 - 2017

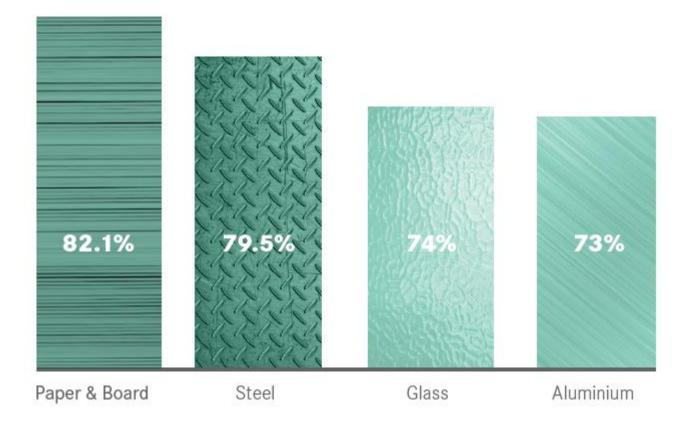




1 TONNE OF PAPER

2017 Packaging Recycling Rates





Paper and board is the most recycled packaging material in Europe

European Paper Recycling Awards



- Last edition
 October 2017
- Next edition: winter 2019/2020



CEPI approach to separate collection

The Confederation of European Paper Industries

The basics: separate means separate

Separate collection

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Commingled collection





Selective collection where appropriate



- Where there is a local market for graphic paper
- Where the population is already well informed about the benefits of separation



Multilayered paper packaging

Should be collected separately from paper and board

- 1. they are significant enough
- 2. they disturb the standard paper recycling process
- 3. they are totally recyclable only in dedicated paper mills
- 4. they contain residues





Other layered packaging

Should be collecting depending on the source

- where they occur in large quantities: separate stream
- In the household: lightweight packaging
- From both streams they should be sorted and recycled in dedicated mills





Food contact material

Should be cleaned and recycled

- If stains \rightarrow collect with the paper & board fraction
- If solid residues \rightarrow clean first, then collect with the paper and board fraction.
- If cleaning is not possible, collect with the residual waste



How to collect certain fractions to reach the right paper recycling mill?

CATEGORY	Product type	Estimated Discarded Volume in Europe	Where should it be collected?	How should it be sorted?	Where will it be normally recycled?
Paper and board from households	Transport packaging	24 million	In the paper and board stream	Into 1.01, 1.02, 1.04, 1.05, 1.11	In standard paper and board mills
Paper Packaging that was in contact with food	Used pizza boxes		If cleaned and only lightly stained in the paper and board stream. If food residues, discarded in the residual stream	Into 1.01, 1.02,	In standard paper and board mills
Multilayered board	Beverage cartons	under 1 million	With lightweight packaging (drink bottles and cans)	Into 5.03	Special
Other layered board	Used coffee cups	100.000- 200.000	In high streets, fast food restaurants: In a specific stream In households: With lightweight packaging (drink bottles and cans)	Into 5.14	In mills with special equipment which can use special grades (EN 643 Group 5)
	Sandwich boxes,		16	Into 5.02	In mills with special equipment which can



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GOOD AND BEST PRACTICE FOR THE COLLECTION OF PAPER AND BOARD FOR RECYCLING



Thank you

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