

UK Statistics on Waste

Some key statistics from the Department for Environmental Food and Rural Affairs' August 2016 release "UK Statistics on Waste"

In 2012, 86.5% of all non-hazardous construction waste generated in the UK was recovered.

Our 2020 target is just 70%.

86.5%
recovery rate

44.9%
recycled

2014

Recycling of 'waste from households' increased from 40.4% in 2010 to 44.9% in 2014.

40.4%
recycled

2010

72.7%
recycled or recovered

2013

In 2013, 72.7% of the UK's packaging waste was either recycled or recovered (compared to 69.1% in 2012).

69.1%
recycled or recovered

2012

100%

Biodegradable Municipal Waste sent to landfill has reduced by over 75% since 1995.

36%

29%

24%

1995

2010

2012

2014