

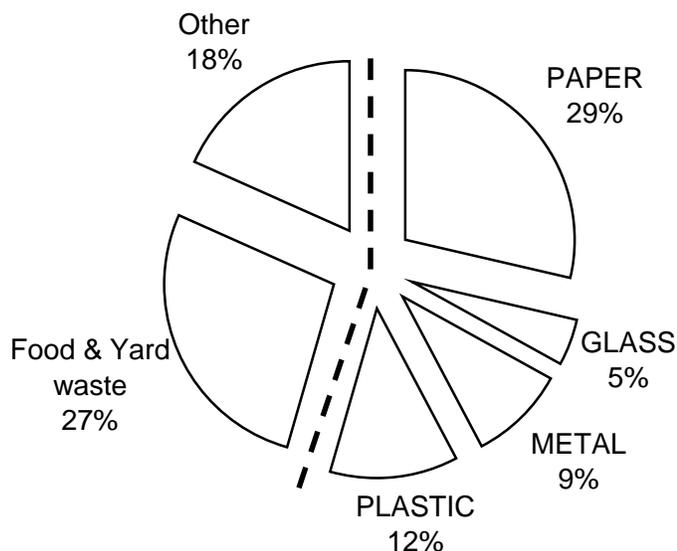
Why Recycle?

- **Saves money for you:** If your town requires "Pay As You Throw" trash bags or stickers, you can save money by keeping recyclables OUT of your trash bag. Your town saves tax dollars when less trash is disposed of and more is recycled.
- **Saves money for your school or business:** Recyclables are usually hauled away for less than trash.
- **Saves fossil fuels:** Recycling 200 pounds of aluminum saves 166 gallons of oil.
- **Slows climate change:** Recycling all of your home's newspaper, cardboard, glass, metal, and plastic can reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 850 pounds a year.
- **Creates jobs:** 14,000 jobs in Massachusetts are related to recycling.
- **Saves energy:** Recycled plastic saves 88% of the energy required to produce plastic from raw materials.



Over 50% of your trash is recyclable!

Not recyclable = 45% Recyclable = 55%



Recycling is easy...

- Use a paper bag in the kitchen to collect mixed paper products: cereal and pasta boxes, paper towel rolls, newspapers, office paper, and junk mail.
- Use a recycling bin or any sturdy bin to collect bottles, cans, milk/juice cartons, and containers.
- Containers do not need to be super clean: a simple rinse will do.
- Recycling bins are available at many transfer stations and the Solid Waste District office.

The **Franklin County Solid Waste Management District** serves 22 member towns in Franklin County. For more information about recycling, composting and household hazardous waste disposal, visit www.franklincountywastedistrict.org or contact us at (413) 772-2438, or at info@franklincountywastedistrict.org. *MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 (TTY/TDD). The District is an equal opportunity provider.*