



Did You Know? NYC Waste Facts

- NYC could recycle enough aluminum cans per year to save over 12 million gallons of gasoline.
- If NYC recycled all of our plastic bottles we could make enough carpeting to cover all of Manhattan below 14th St. each year.
- If NYC recycled all of our steel we could build 9 new Statues of Liberty each week.
- If we recycled all of our in NYC paper we could save enough energy to power all the residences in the Bronx and Staten Island every day.
- If we recycled all our bottles and jugs in NYC we could make enough plastic benches to replace all the benches in Central Park twice a week!
- If we recycled all of our paper we could save enough energy to power 668,484 NYC households.
- New Yorkers could save enough energy to power 42,675 NYC homes per year by recycling bottles and jars.

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- New Yorkers trash 1,579,600 pounds of plastic bottles and jugs every week
- New York City residents throw out over 400,000 tons of paper every year
- Every week, 460,000 pounds of beverage cartons are thrown away in NYC
- 26, 583 aluminum cans are thrown away each month in New York
- 720 aluminum cans are trashed every minute in New York
- New Yorkers throw away 30, 409 glass bottles and jars every hour
- 440 tons of steel cans are thrown away each week in New York
- 15, 134 plastic bottles and jugs are trashed every day by New Yorkers
- In one second, New Yorkers throw away 26 pounds of paper
- NYC trashes 1,763 tons of steel cans every month
- In New York, 182 tons of glass bottles and jars go into the trash every day
- New Yorkers throw away 2,208,571 pounds of paper every day

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