

Materials Management Plan Survey Results -- Year 1

Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance

341 Respondents

Question #	Question Title	Response Options	# of respondents	% of respondents
1	What town or city do you reside in? <i>Enter up to 20 town names.</i>	<i>Arlington</i>	46	13%
		<i>Bennington</i>	67	20%
		<i>Dorset</i>	33	10%
		<i>Manchester</i>	20	6%
		<i>Pownal</i>	55	16%
		<i>Rupert</i>	7	2%
		<i>Sandgate</i>	20	6%
		<i>Searsburg</i>	8	2%
		<i>Shaftsbury</i>	20	6%
		<i>Stamford</i>	28	8%
		<i>Sunderland</i>	23	7%
		<i>Woodford</i>	9	3%
		<i>No response</i>	5	1%
Totals			341	
2	What do you do with your household recyclables?	1. Drop off at recycling location	218	64%
		2. Set out for curbside collection	107	31%
		3. Put in trash (curbside or drop-off)	13	4%
		4. Other	17	5%
		5. Don't know	0	0%
		Totals		

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3	What do you do with yard trimmings?	1. Leave on lawn or elsewhere	210	62%
		2. Compost at home	174	51%
		3. Drop off at composting location	15	4%
		4. Set out for curbside collection	2	1%
		5. Removed by landscaper/maintenance	15	4%
		6. Put in my trash	7	2%
		7. Other	8	2%
		8. Don't know	0	0%
		Totals		
4	What do you do with food scraps?	1. Put down garbage disposal	27	8%
		2. Compost at home	206	60%
		3. Drop off at composting location	1	0%
		4. Set out for curbside collection	9	3%
		5. Put in my trash	135	40%
		6. Other	37	11%
		7. Don't know	1	0%
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5	What do you do with your leftover hazardous products?	1. Take to community HW collection events	256	75%

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		2. Drop off at designated HW collection location	119	35%
		3. Put in my trash (curbside or drop-off)	13	4%
		4. Don't generate any	9	3%
		5. Other	20	6%
		6. Don't Know	6	2%
		Totals	423	
6	What do you do with electronic waste?	1. Take to community collection events	153	45%
		2. Drop off at designated recycling location	197	58%
		3. Put in my trash (curbside or drop-off)	7	2%
		4. Other	27	8%
		5. Don't Know	8	2%
		Totals	392	
7	Which of the following C&D project wastes do you know can be recycled in your region?	1. Clean wood	68	20%
		2. Drywall scrap	18	5%
		3. Asphalt shingles	6	2%
		4. All of the above	48	14%
		5. None of the above	28	8%

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		6. Don't Know	202	59%
		Totals	370	
8	Do you currently pay for your trash based on:	1. The size of the can you set out	44	13%
		2. How frequently your trash is picked up	59	17%
		3. The number of bags you dispose	165	48%
		4. I pay the same rate no matter my volume	46	13%
		5. Other	54	16%
		6. Don't Know	7	2%
		Totals	375	
9	Which of the following materials are currently banned from disposal in landfills?	Cardboard and paper products	30	9%
		Electronics	164	48%
		Paint	181	53%
		Motor oil	185	54%
		Glass bottles and jars	40	12%
		Fluorescent lamps/bulbs	178	52%
		Metal cans	45	13%
		Scrap metal	57	17%
		Yard trimmings	31	9%

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		Plastic bottles and jugs	49	14%
		Concrete	72	21%
		Large appliances	142	42%
		Tires	141	41%
		Household food scraps	19	6%
		Untreated wood	27	8%
		All of the above	67	20%
		None of the above	8	2%
		Don't Know	74	22%
		<i>Some of the above</i>	192	56%
		Totals	1702	
10	What changes will you need to make to comply with the new Universal Recycling Law?	1. Start recycling	7	2%
		2. Keep my food scraps out of the trash	76	22%
		3. Keep my yard trimmings out of the trash	12	4%
		4. Keep trees/logs/brush/untreated wood out of the trash	9	3%
		5. Nothing: I'm already in compliance	149	44%
		6. Other	19	6%
		7. Never heard of Universal Recycling	55	16%

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		8. Don't Know	67	20%
		Totals	394	