





Pennsylvanians' Access to Recycling

At least 91% of Pennsylvania's population has access to 1,061 curbside and/or 814 drop-off recycling programs



The Pennsylvania Recycling Markets Center (RMC) is a non-profit corporation with mission to reduce barriers leading to expansion and development of markets for recycled materials. Services include one-on-one materials management technical assistance; business growth consultancy; industry outreach and programming; applied research; and service as a portal to recycling markets development information.

Fast-tracking use of Pennsylvania's recycled materials, the RMC is centrally located at Penn State Harrisburg with offices near Pittsburgh. The Pennsylvania Recycling Markets Center is funded in part by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

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Environmental Impact of the Pennsylvania **Recycling Marketplace**

Sourcing recycled items for new product ingredients comes from:



Residential

Recycled items from the home





9,744,376 Tons **Recycled Municipal and Residual Waste** by PA DEP Region

Northwest Region 359,704

Northcentral Region 3,209,432

Northeast Region 1,019,202

Southwest Region

1,102,624

Southcentral Region

2,969,657

Southeast Region

1,083,758

The Recycling Marketplace delivered significant environmental benefits to Pennsylvania:

Greenhouse Gases

25 million metric tons of CO₂ emissions were avoided per year. This is equivalent to removing 5.3 million or about 64% of Pennsylvania's vehicles from the road.

Energy Savings

284 trillion BTUs of energy were saved which can power 2.96 million households for a year. This is nearly 60% of all PA households.



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