

Recycle
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AB 79	Budget Act of 2020.
AB 504	Solid waste: commercial and organic waste: recycling bins.
AB 581	Cybersecurity.
AB 649	Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery: Office of Environmental Justice and Tribal Relations.
AB 661	Recycling: materials.
AB 923	Government-to-Government Consultation Act: state-tribal consultation: training.
AB 1001	Environment: mitigation measures for air quality impacts: environmental justice.
AB 1035	Department of Transportation and local agencies: streets and highways: recycled materials.
AB 1067	Beverage containers.
AB 1086	Organic waste: implementation strategy: report.
AB 1454	The California Beverage Container and Litter Reduction Act.
AB 1634	Employment: clean economy: the Office of Just Transition.
AB 1733	State bodies: open meetings.
AB 1740	Catalytic converters.
AB 1857	Solid waste.
AB 1956	Solid waste: woody biomass: collection and conversion.
AB 1985	Organic waste: recovered organic waste product procurement targets.
AB 1996	State government: administrative regulations: review.
AB 2026	Recycling: plastic packaging.
AB 2048	Solid waste: franchise agreements: database.
AB 2374	Crimes against public health and safety: illegal dumping.
AB 2419	Environmental justice: federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: Justice40 Advisory Committee.
AB 2440	Responsible Battery Recycling Act of 2022.
AB 2479	Forest restoration and protection: wildfire prevention.
AB 2481	Household hazardous waste: facilities: transportation and acceptance.
AB 2613	Farmers and ranchers: solid waste cleanup: grants.
AB 2779	Beverage containers: wine and distilled spirits.
AB 2784	Solid waste: thermoform plastic containers: postconsumer thermoform recycled plastic.
AB 2804	Public records.
AB 2893	Administrative Procedure Act: standardized regulatory impact analysis: comments, updates, and format.

Current Recycling Laws being Proposed and discussed in 2022-2023

Looming Or Already Signed

Measure	Topic-Status
SB 1013	CRV charges on Wine and Sprits bottles
AB 2784	Requires Post -consumer plastic be incorporated into new containers - increments from 10 - 30% by 2030
SB 1046	Bans plastic bags in grocery stores starting in 2025 - some cities will start next year
SB 1215	Starting in 2026 - consumers would pay an Battery-embedded Waste Recycling Fee
AB 2440	Requires that all retailers who sell batteries must provide free recycling for consumers
And...	Cities are starting to override some State laws by adding additional requirements
	For Example: The state allows compliance of the law several different ways...
	some cities are limiting those options for "local" issues or contract obligations...

1	Food Waste	✓
2	Wood	✓
3	Metal	✓
4	Plastics - Film, A- grade	✓
5	Plastics - Hard, Mixed C- grade	✓
6	Plastics - Corrugated	✓
7	Plastics - Pill Bottles	✓
8	OCC (Standard Cardboard)	✓
9	Waxed Cardboard	✓
10	Waxed Paper	✓
11	Styrofoam - White	✓
12	Grease	✓
13	Meat	✓
14	Glass	✓
15	CRV Containers	✓
16	Paper/Books/Magazines/Register Tape	✓

What we Recycle...



Assorted Pallets...



Soft Plastics, CRV, Cardboard, Metals,
Hard Plastics, Pill Bottles, Styrofoam, Glass, Paper/books,
Waxed Cardboard, wood...

SORTING AREA BINS





Pill Bottles



Plastic Film (soft)



Cardboard



Dirty (Hard) Plastics



Waxed Cardboard & Mixed Plastics





INVESTIGATIONS

Recycling plastic is practically impossible — and the problem is getting worse

October 24, 2022 · 6:31 PM ET
Heard on All Things Considered



LAURA SULLIVAN



4-Minute Listen

+ PLAYLIST



Frequent
Articles
reporting
back-ups...

More price drops for recycled paper and plastic - October 10, 2022 by [RecyclingMarkets.net](https://www.RecyclingMarkets.net)



The commodities market downturn continues to punish MRFs, with plummeting prices for OCC, mixed paper, PET and HDPE this month.

For OCC, the current price isn't horrible by historical standards, but the speed at which values have nose-dived over the past couple of months is notable. **Other recyclables have fallen far below the four-year average.**

The national average price for **corrugated containers (PS 11) is down 32%**, from an average \$114 per ton last month to a current average \$78 per ton. This compares with \$169 per ton this time last year.

According to historical data from RecyclingMarkets.net, the **OCC** price has averaged about \$82 over the past four years, so the current price isn't much

lower than recent history. But the latest drop has been remarkably fast – it has **fallen over 40% in just two months** this summer.

Meanwhile, **mixed paper (PS 54)** also took a dive, **falling from \$44 per ton last month to \$18 per ton this month, or a drop of 59%**. This compares with \$96 per ton this time last year.

The current price is still well above the doldrums of late 2019 and early 2020, when mixed paper had negative values, but it's still the lowest it's been in two years. The average over the past four years was \$29 per ton.

Sorted residential papers (PS 56) are down 17%, from \$99 to \$82 per ton. One year ago, the price was \$118 per ton.

The only good fiber news was in sorted office papers (PS 37), which remain steady at \$241 per ton this month, compared with an average \$164 one year ago.

In plastics, the numbers are equally dismal.

The national average price of **PET beverage bottles and jars dropped again this month, by 27%**. The price is now averaging 7.53 cents per pound, compared with 10.31 cents per pound this time last month. Some regions are still trading as high as 10.00 cents per pound, with most offering as low as 6.00 cents. PET was trading at 25.31 cents one year ago.

By the standards of recent history, the PET price is bad. Past RecyclingMarkets.net data shows that, over the past four years, the price has averaged 15.70 cents per pound. That means the current price is less than half the four-year average price.

The national average price of natural **high-density polyethylene (HDPE) is also down**. The price is now around 39.50 cents per pound, compared with 45.50 cents last month, or a drop of **about 13%**. The price was 108.44 cents this time last year, when it reached a record high.

The current price is notably below the last-four-years average of 53.53 cents per pound.

Color HDPE has fallen even more dramatically and is now trading at 6.16 cents per pound. It was 11.88 cents this time last month, meaning it has **fallen by 48% in just a month**. Color HDPE averaged 58 cents one year ago. The latest numbers aren't good by historical standards either. Over the past four years, bales of color HDPE have averaged 20.25 cents per pound, over three times the current price.

A similar fall in plastics pricing occurred with **polypropylene (PP), which is also down by 48%**. This grade is now trading for about 8.31 cents per pound, down from 16.13 cents last month. PP was 32.91 cents one year ago.

On a historical basis, the current pricing is exceptionally bad. Over the past three years, the PP bale price has averaged 17.85 cents per pound, or nearly three times the current value.

Lastly for plastics, films have also seen notable price drops.

The national average price of **Grade A film** is now 20.75 cents per pound, compared with 22.69 last month and 20.38 cents one year ago.

Grade B film is 7.00 cents, compared with 8.31 last month.

Grade C film is now averaging 0.94 cents per pound, down from 1.13 cents last month.

There was a glimmer of good news for MRFs: Curbside metals prices held steady.

Aluminum cans are selling for about 73.31 cents per pound, compared to 74.63 cents last month, or a **drop of less than 2%**. This material was trading at an average 78.66 cents per pound this time last year.

Finally, baled steel cans remain steady this month at an average \$188 per ton. The price was \$249 per ton one year ago.

- Other recyclables have fallen far below the four-year average.
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- Grade A film -9.38%
- Grade B film -18.71%
- Grade C film -20.21%
- Aluminum cans a drop of less than 2%.

Thinking About Recycling (or Trash) Service

Bin Size	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Ttl Yds
3	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	18
Bin Size	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Ttl Yds
3	X		X		X			9
3	X		X		X			9
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