

State of Sorted Collection and Recycling of Used Containers and Packaging in FY 2003

Items	Volume of sorted collection		Volume of recycled waste	Number of municipalities conducting sorted collection		
	Planned annual volume of sorted collection (tons)	Annual volume of sorted collection (tons)	Annual volume of recycled wastes (tons)	Number of implementing municipalities	Implementation rate (percentage of all municipalities)	Population coverage (%)
Colorless glass containers	431,395	356,977 (1.02)	345,208 (1.02)	2,911 (1.04)	92.3	97.5
Brown glass containers	372,004	309,857 (1.02)	297,510 (1.01)	2,922 (1.04)	92.6	97.6
Other colored glass containers	197,500	165,011 (1.01)	157,217 (1.00)	2,872 (1.05)	91.0	97.0
Paper containers and packages	147,590	76,878 (1.33)	69,508 (1.28)	748 (1.42)	23.7	27.0
PET bottles	214,209	211,753 (1.13)	204,993 (1.12)	2,891 (1.05)	91.6	96.5
Plastic containers and packages	486,585	401,697 (1.42)	384,865 (1.43)	1,685 (1.29)	53.4	59.3
White plastic trays (included in figures for the item above)	10,214	4,217 (1.19)	3,993 (1.23)	1,013 (1.27)	32.1	23.1
Steel cans	507,815	393,650 (0.94)	387,875 (0.93)	3,116 (1.00)	98.8	98.5
Aluminum cans	170,742	139,321 (0.96)	137,055 (0.95)	3,108 (0.99)	98.5	98.5
Corrugated cardboard	641,117	554,309 (1.1)	538,043 (1.08)	2,446 (1.16)	77.5	80.4
Paper cartons	24,911	16,636 (1.06)	15,742 (1.03)	2,031 (1.10)	64.4	79.0
Total	3,193,868	2,626,089 (1.08)	2,538,016 (1.07)	—	—	—

Notes: 1. Numbers in parentheses are year-on-year figures.

2. Municipalities nationwide totaled 3,155 including 23 wards of Tokyo as of March 31, 2004.