

State of Sorted Collection and Recycling of Used Containers and Packaging in FY 2004

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	442,140	346,671 (0.97)	334,659 (0.97)	2,815	92.2	96.8
Brown glass containers	380,735	301,262 (0.97)	291,868 (0.98)	2,826	92.6	98.1
Other colored glass containers	202,541	166,076 (1.01)	157,145 (1.00)	2,788	91.3	95.7
Paper containers and packages	165,355	69,197 (0.90)	59,668 (0.86)	772	25.3	27.6
PET bottles	229,089	238,469 (1.13)	231,377 (1.13)	2,796	91.6	96.6
Plastic containers and packages	628,982	471,488 (1.17)	455,487 (1.18)	1,757	57.5	63.8
White plastic trays included in figures for the items above	12,556	3,933 (0.93)	3,633 (0.91)	1,050	34.4	26.4
Steel cans	515,802	362,207 (0.92)	355,106 (0.92)	2,995	98.1	97.3
Aluminum cans	175,560	139,477 (1.00)	137,905 (1.01)	2,988	97.9	97.2
Corrugated cardboard	660,852	547,149 (0.99)	542,163 (1.01)	2,391	78.3	79.6
Paper cartons	26,657	15,807 (0.95)	15,402 (0.98)	1,966	64.4	78.3
Total	3,427,713	2,657,803 (1.01)	2,580,780 (1.02)	-	-	-

- Notes:
1. Numbers in parentheses are year-on-year figures
 2. The number of municipalities is as of October 2004.
 3. Municipalities nationwide totaled 3,053 including 23 wards of Tokyo as of March 31, 2005
 4. Planned annual volume of sorted collection, annual volume of sorted collection and annual volume of recycled wastes include volume of waste recycled solely by municipalities