

## Municipal waste generation, total

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Total Municipal waste consists of waste generated by households primarily, but may also include similar wastes generated by small businesses and public institutions and collected by the municipality.

(Source Eurostat, <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/tgm/refreshTableAction.do?tab=table&plugin=...> [2])

### Data host:

Eurostat

### Unit of Measurement:

Kilogram / Capita (kg/capita)

### Link to Data:

<http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/tgm/table.do> [3]

### Description to get data:

Municipal waste generation (CSI 016/WST 001) -

### Type of Indicator source:

- [Statistical office](#) [4]

### Geographical Coverage:

Austria  
Belgium  
Bulgaria  
Croatia  
Cyprus  
Czech Republic  
Denmark  
Estonia  
Finland  
France  
Germany  
Hungary  
Ireland  
Italy  
Latvia  
Lithuania  
Luxembourg  
Malta  
Netherlands

Poland  
Portugal  
Romania  
Slovakia  
Slovenia  
Spain  
Sweden  
United Kingdom

## Geographical Level:

- [European Union](#) [5]

## Same/similar indicators appears in the following sets:

- [OECD Environmental Indicators](#) [6]
- [Eurostat](#) [7]
- [EEA's environmental indicators/Environmental Pressure indicators](#) [8]

## Methodological transparency:

- [Complete methodology available](#) [9]

**Indicator relation:** Indicator: [Municipal waste generation — outlook from EEA](#) [10]

**Relationship explanation:** this indicator is used for forecasts

**Type of relation:** Similar indicator

Indicator: [Municipal waste generation — outlook from OECD](#) [11]

**Relationship explanation:** this indicator is used for forecasts

**Type of relation:** Similar indicator

Indicator: [Generation and recycling of packaging waste](#) [12]

**Relationship explanation:** This is a similar type of indicator, but not confined to households (municipalities) and also includes recycling

**Type of relation:** Similar indicator

## Temporal Coverage:

1995 to 2009

## Frequency of Updates:

- [annually](#) [13]

## Indicator developer:

eurostat

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## Link to Methodology:

[EEA page on indicator](#) [14]

## Aggregation level of indicator:

- [Index or Composite](#) [15]

## Data quality assesment:

- [other organisational assessment](#) [16]

## Publishing delay:

- [more than 3 years](#) [17]

## Link to data quality assessment:

[Eurostat manual for waste statistics](#) [18]

## Contribution to the green economy:

Waste represents an enormous loss of resources in the form of both materials and energy. The amount of waste produced can be seen as an indicator of how efficient we are as a society, particularly in relation to our use of natural resources and waste treatment is. A decreasing waste generation could indicate a successful transition towards a Green Economy.

## Cost of accessing data:

- [free of charge](#) [19]

**Potential misinterpretation:** Is the municipal waste generation decreasing, but the total waste generated is increasing?

**Related Indicator:** [Total waste generated](#) [20]

**Potential misinterpretation:** Is less municipal waste generated, but the share of industrial hazardous waste is increasing?

**Related Indicator:** [Generation of hazardous waste, by economic activity](#) [21]

**Potential misinterpretation:** This indicator excludes sewage, does the sewage trend differ from the municipal waste trend?

**Related Indicator:** [Sewage coverage \(access to sewerage system within the service area\)](#) [22]

## Use of indicator in mandates, international agreements or legislation:

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## Name of agreement or policy:

Waste Framework Directive (2008/98/EC)

## Name of body or organisation:

European committee

## Link to body or organisation:

[Directive 2008/98/EC on waste \(Waste Framework Directive\)](#) [23]

## Section or page to find indicator:

<http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/tgm/table.do?tab=table&init=1&plugin=1&pcode=tsdpc240&language=en>



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**Source URL:** <https://measuring-progress.eu/municipal-waste-generation-total>

### Links

- [1] <https://measuring-progress.eu/coll-del/nojs/718>
- [2] <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/tgm/refreshTableAction.do?tab=table&plugin=1&pcode=tsdpc240&language=en>
- [3] <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/tgm/table.do?tab=table&init=1&plugin=1&pcode=tsdpc240&language=en>
- [4] <https://measuring-progress.eu/taxonomy/term/45>
- [5] <https://measuring-progress.eu/taxonomy/term/32>
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- [10] <https://measuring-progress.eu/municipal-waste-generation-%E2%80%94-outlook-eea>
- [11] <https://measuring-progress.eu/municipal-waste-generation-%E2%80%94-outlook-oecd>
- [12] <https://measuring-progress.eu/generation-and-recycling-packaging-waste>
- [13] <https://measuring-progress.eu/taxonomy/term/17>
- [14] <http://www.eea.europa.eu/data-and-maps/indicators/municipal-waste-generation/>
- [15] <https://measuring-progress.eu/taxonomy/term/30>
- [16] <https://measuring-progress.eu/taxonomy/term/40>
- [17] <https://measuring-progress.eu/taxonomy/term/26>
- [18] <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/documents/3859598/5926045/KS-RA-13-015-EN.PDF/055ad62c-347b-4315-9faa-0a1ebcb1313e?version=1.0>
- [19] <https://measuring-progress.eu/taxonomy/term/9>
- [20] <https://measuring-progress.eu/total-waste-generated>

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[21] <https://measuring-progress.eu/generation-hazardous-waste-economic-activity-%C2%A0%C2%A0>

[22] <https://measuring-progress.eu/sewage-coverage-access-sewerage-system-within-service-area>

[23] <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/waste/framework/>