

# General Waste



Food Waste



Plastic Bags & Packaging



Nappies



Polystyrene Products



Ceramics & Glass  
(excluding bottles and jars)



Dry leaves & grass

Paper and  
Cardboard

Flowers

Food  
scraps

Fresh  
leaves &  
grass

60% of the average household bin contains compostable materials - 40% food & 20% garden waste



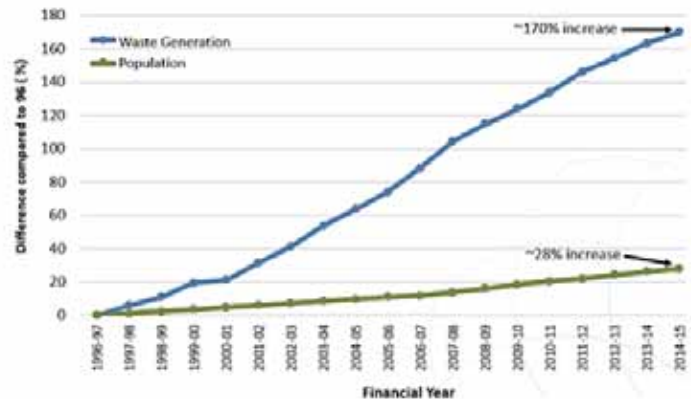
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# Waste in Australia

In February 2016, Australia's population rose to 24 million people. We are now generating approximately 50 million tonnes of waste each year, averaging 2 tonnes per person. Unfortunately for us, we are generating waste at a much faster rate than population growth.

In addition to this, only 58% of this is currently being recycled - 21 million tonnes are still going to landfill.

There are currently over 50,000 people employed in the waste sector, and **recycling employs 3 times more** people than landfill. So the more we recycle - the more jobs we create.



## The Rise of E-Waste

Australia is ranked within the TOP 10 consumers of electronic goods. We purchase over 2.4million computers each year, yet 88% of them will end up in landfill.

The average Australian home contains 22 electronic devices, including appliances, games consoles, telephones and computers. Yet fewer than 1% of Tv's and 10% of PCs are recycled Australia wide.

Electronic waste is responsible for 70% of toxic chemicals found in landfill.

Fortunately, around 95% of E-Waste can be recycled, containing valuable non-renewable resources such as gold, steel, copper, zinc, aluminium and brass.

Deliver you E-waste to the **Dungog Waste Management Facility** and keep our resources in the loop.

## Not-So-Fun Food Facts

Australian's love their food - there is no argument there! But the sad reality is that we are throwing away 20% of the food we buy each week - equating to \$1036 every year.

WHY? because we buy too much, we cook to much, we don't know what to do with our leftovers. We are tired and busy and buy takeaway rather than cooking what we have. We don't check the cupboards before going shopping... we are all guilty.

We all need to change - to become more respectful. Respectful of our time, our money, the the growers and distributors, and our environment.

For tips on changing the world - one meal at a time, go to [www.lovefoodhatewaste.com](http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com)