

Recycling Quality: Communications - Recycling End Destination Markets

Recycling collected from your home during 2024/25 at Ford Materials Recycling Facility and where it goes:

Material	Weight Sold (Tonnes)	Market/End Use	UK (%)	UK (Tonnes)	Mainland Europe (%)	Mainland Europe (Tonnes)	Countries	Rest of World (%)	Rest of World (Tonnes)	Countries
Newspapers, Magazines and Pamphlets	4503.86	Recycled	25.5%	1149.96	74.5%	3354.00	Belgium Germany Netherlands	0.0%	0	
Mixed Paper	23428.36	Recycled	73.5%	17232.34	26.5%	6201.14	France Germany Netherlands	0.0%	0	
Old Corrugated Cardboard	6812.35	Recycled	6.9%	472.45	36.8%	2507.66	Belgium France Germany Turkey Spain	56.3%	3832.24	Malaysia Thailand Vietnam India
Clear Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) Bottles	3227.68	Recycled	100.0%	3227.68	0.0%	0.00		0.0%	0	
Colour Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) Bottles	187.68	Recycled	100.0%	187.68	0.0%	0.00		0.0%	0	
High-Density Polyethylene (HDPE) Bottles 80/20 Blend	1088.26	Recycled	70.5%	767.34	29.5%	320.92	Poland Switzerland	0.0%	0	
HDPE Bottles Natural	344.86	Recycled	100.0%	344.86	0.0%	0.00		0.0%	0	
HDPE Bottles Jazz	254.90	Recycled	18.8%	47.82	81.2%	207.08	Switzerland	0.0%	0	
Polypropylene	875.56	Recycled	100.0%	875.56	0.0%	0.00		0.0%	0	
Mixed Plastic Packaging	1600.54	Recycled	100.0%	1600.54	0.0%	0.00		0.0%	0	
Steel Cans	2564.76	Recycled	100.0%	2564.76	0.0%	0.00		0.0%	0	
Scrap Metal	390.06	Recycled	100.0%	390.06	0.0%	0.00		0.0%	0	
Waste Electrical Electronic Equipment	117.56	Recycled	100.0%	117.56	0.0%			0.0%	0	
Aluminium Cans	1539.82	Recycled	100.0%	1539.82	0.0%	0		0.0%	0	
0 - 5mm Glass	6568.12	Recycled	100.0%	6568.12	0.0%	0		0.0%	0	
12 - 50mm Glass	16462.04	Recycled	100.0%	16462.04	0.0%	0		0.0%	0	
Total / average	69966.41	Recycled	76.53%	53548.60	18.00%	12590.80		5.48%	3832.24	

What happened to materials collected at your local Recycling Centres during 2024/25:

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Asbestos	124.94	Landfill	100%	124.94	0%	0		0%	0	
Bikes	139.52	Reuse	100%	139.52	0%	0		0%	0	
Books & Media (including CDs/DVDs)	313.75	Reuse	18.2%	57.07	0%	0		9%	26.86	200 countries globally
		Recycling (CDs/DVDs produce a polycarbonate pellet)	49.8%	156.28	0%	0		23%	73.54	
Bric-a-Brac	22.88	Reuse	100%	22.88	0%	0		0%	0	
Car Batteries	263.81	Produce graded products.	100%	263.81	0%	0		0%	0	
Domestic Seating containing POPS	2514.18	Specialist incineration & treatment	100%	2514.18	0%	0		0%	0	
Engine Oil	96.28	Recycled Fuel Oil	100%	96.28	0%	0		0%	0	
Hard Plastics	1473.47	Recycled	100%	1473.47						
Ferrous Metal	5744.61	Produce graded metal product	100%	5744.61	0%	0		0%	0	
Furniture	44.12	Reuse	100%	44.12	0%	0		0%	0	
Garden Tools	9.37	Reuse	100%	9.37	0%	0		0%	0	

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Gas Bottles (including Fire Extinguishers)	83.17	Recycled (Fire Extinguishers broken into component parts for recycling back into extinguishers. The metal though is sometimes sold for scrap)	100%	83.17	0%	0		0%	0	
Green Waste	14783.21	Agricultural Soil Conditioner for local farms, soil conditioner for landscapers & bagged compost sales	100%	14783.21	0%	0		0%	0	
Hazardous Chemicals	170.28	Specialist incineration & treatment	100%	170.28	0%	0		0%	0	
Household Batteries	51.01	Produce graded metal product	100%	51.01	0%	0		0%	0	
Mattresses	1318.55	Landfill	100%	1318.55	0%	0		0%	0	
Mixed Paper	3319.18	Grey card	0.0%	0	1.5%	50.49	Turkey Germany Belgium	98.5%	3319.18	India Thailand Vietnam Malaysia Taiwan
Non-Ferrous Metal	174.00	Produce graded metal product	100%	174.00	0%	0		0%	0	

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Oil Containers Empty	22.90	Recycled	100%	22.90	0%	0		0%	0	
Paint (non-hazardous)	15.56	Reuse	100%	15.56						
Plastics, Cans & Glass	See Ford MRF Table	Recycled, Recovered and Aggregate								
Plasterboard	1141.44	New Plasterboard and Agricultural Soil Conditioner	100%	1141.44	0%	0		0%	0	
Soil & Hardcore	15040.87	Produce graded Soil & Hardcore products	100%	15040.87	0%	0		0%	0	
Textiles	884.71	Sorting and grading process for reuse	91.0%	801.23	0.0%	0		0%	0	
		Recycled textiles	9.0%	83.48	0%	0		0%	0	
Tyres	67.27	Baled engineering material	100%	67.27	0%	0		0%	0	
Used Cooking Oil	13.06	Fuel	100%	13.06	0%	0		0%	0	
Vapes/Electronic Cigarettes	4.97	Graded Glass, Metal & Plastic products. Graded Metal Products from batteries.	100%	4.97	0%	0		0%	0	
Wood	19401.14	Biomass, Landfill	11.0%	2208.89	0.0%	0		0.0%	0	

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		Wood Product, Metal (recycled)	89.0%	17192.25	0%	0		0%	0	
		Stock	0.0%	0.00	0%	0		0%	0	
Waste Electrical Electronic Equipment - Large Domestic Appliances	916.13	Graded Metal Products	100%	916.13	0%	0		0%	0	
Waste Electrical Electronic Equipment - Fridges & Freezers	989.89	Graded Metal, Foam and Plastic Products	100%	989.89	0%	0		0%	0	
Waste Electrical Electronic Equipment - TVs & Monitors	638.03	Graded Glass, Metal & Plastic products	100%	638.03	0%	0		0%	0	
Waste Electrical Electronic Equipment - Fluorescent tubes	8.76	Graded Glass, Metal & Plastic products	100%	8.76	0%	0		0%	0	
Waste Electrical Electronic Equipment - Small Domestic Appliances	3091.65	Graded Glass, Metal & Plastic products. Graded Metal Products from batteries.	100%	3091.65	0%	0		0%	0	

Totals/averages	Weight Sold (Tonnes)	Market/End Use	UK (%)	UK (Tonnes)	Mainland Europe (%)	Mainland Europe (Tonnes)	Rest of World (%)	Rest of World (Tonnes)
MRF	69489.50	Recycled	76.2%	52971.13	19.0%	13233.67	4.7%	3284.71
HWRS	72882.70	Recycled/Reuse/Fuel (Asbestos/Mattresses landfill)	94.9%	68033.26	2.6%	1987.35	2.5%	1698.08
Combined	142372.20	Recycled/Reuse/Fuel	85.0%	121004.39	10.7%	15221.02	3.5%	4982.78

Note: The data in these tables significantly contributes to the countywide recycling rate published on our website. There are other recyclable materials collected by our District and Borough partners at bring banks across West Sussex that are not reflected in these tables.