# 2003 Annual Report on Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling in Fort Collins RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE RECYCLING PARTICIPATION 

December 1991 through December 2003

| Residential Curbside Recycling Participation |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Population | Year | \# Total Single- <br> Family Homes | \# Single-Family <br> Homes Recycling | \% Homes <br> Recycling |
| 88,439 | Dec 91 | 21,368 | 3,843 | $18 \%$ |
| 91,117 | Dec 92 | 21,913 | 4,839 | $22 \%$ |
| 93,181 | Dec 93 | 22,660 | 8,501 | $38 \%$ |
| 95,899 | Dec 94 | 23,552 | 8,892 | $38 \%$ |
| 99,726 | Dec 95 | 24,488 | 14,813 | $61 \%$ |
| 102,569 | Dec 96 | 25,444 | 20,497 | $81 \%$ |
| 106,466 | Dec 97 | 26,435 | 22,633 | $86 \%$ |
| 108,981 | Dec 98 | 27,138 | 23,327 | $86 \%$ |
| 112,912 | Dec 99 | 28,527 | 23,668 | $83 \%$ |
| 117,280 | Dec 00 | 29,671 | 24,799 | $84 \%$ |
| 122,377 | Dec 01 | 30,589 | 24,526 | $80 \%$ |
| 126,848 | Dec 02 | 31,766 | 30,764 | $97 \%$ |
| 130,464 | Dec 03 | 32,719 | 32,110 | $98 \%$ |


| \# Multi-Family <br> Recycling <br> Customers | \% Commercial <br> Customers <br> Recycling * |
| :---: | :---: |
| na | na |
| na | $4 \%$ |
| 83 | $7 \%$ |
| 68 | $15 \%$ |
| 42 | $14 \%$ |
| 94 | $16 \%$ |
| 59 | $17 \%$ |
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| 104 | $18 \%$ |
| 305 | $17 \%$ |
| 371 | $12 \%$ |
| 235 | $29 \%$ |
| 207 | $22 \%$ |

* based on number of licensed businesses


## RECYCLING MILESTONES

June 1, 1991 -- Ordinance requires trash haulers to provide recycling service (not "for free") to customers who desire the service. December 1, 1992 - Larimer County Recycling Center opens.
January 1, 1993 - All trash haulers in Larimer County are required to charge customers for the amount of trash disposed. Flat fees are no longer allowed.
October 1, 1995 - Ordinance requires trash haulers to provide weekly recycling collection as part of basic trash collection service. January 1, 1996-Ordinance requiring volume based rates becomes effective. Haulers permitted to establish a flat monthly base fee to recover fixed costs.
December 1999 - Resolution to increase City's waste diversion rate to a 35\% rate by 2004, and a 50\% diversion goal by 2010.
March 7, 2000 - Amendments were made to the Ordinance adding provisions pertaining to procedural requirements and adding a document retention requirement.
April 20, 2004 - Amendment to the Ordinance clarifying the application of the pay-as-you-throw system ("unit based" prices) to group accounts, and to provide more specific guidance as to how group accounts must be administered.


GOAL INDICATOR: 80-90 Percent participation in residential curbside recycling services.
MEASUREMENT SOURCE: Semi-annual tonnage reports from local solid waste haulers, and 2000 census data from
City Planning Department.
Curbside Recycling Participation: Increased another 1\% from December 2002 to 98\% in December 2003, or 33,211 single-family households recycling.

## 2003 Annual Report on Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling Reported by Fort Collins Haulers <br> TONS OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS COLLECTED (wood \& yard waste not included)

 January 1992 through December 2003| Reporting Period | Total Tons <br> Per Year | City Recycling <br> Drop-off Site <br> Tonnage | Total Tons per <br> Year Including <br> Drop-off | \% Increase or <br> Decrease from <br> Previous Year |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1992 | 4,746 |  | 4,746 |  |
| 1993 | 7,802 |  | 7,802 | $+64.4 \%$ |
| 1994 | 10,667 |  | 10,667 | $+36.7 \%$ |
| 1995 | 11,159 |  | 11,159 | $+4.6 \%$ |
| 1996 | 13,874 |  | 13,874 | $+24.3 \%$ |
| 1997 | 11,763 |  | 11,763 | $-15.2 \%$ |
| 1998 | 12,137 |  | 12,137 | $+3.2 \%$ |
| 1999 | 13,960 |  | 13,960 | $+15 \%$ |
| 2000 | 15,246 |  | 15,246 | $+9.2 \%$ |
| 2001 | 13,337 |  | 13,337 | $-12.5 \%$ |
| 2002 | 13,063 | 847 | 13,910 | $+4.3 \%$ |
| 2003 | 13,297 | 1,371 | 14,668 | $+5.5 \%$ |

Tons of Recyclable Materials Collected by Fort Collins Haulers from Commercial, Multi-Family, and Residential Customers, and City of Fort Collins Recycling Drop-off Center


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| Year | Total Paper Mix * | Total Commingled | Total OCC | Yearly Total |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1998 | $5,202.39$ | $3,223.60$ | $3,710.53$ |  |
| 1999 | $7,092.16$ | $2,789.87$ | $4,076.87$ | $13,958.90$ |
| 2000 | $8,014.81$ | $3,060.75$ | $4,170.84$ | $15,246.40$ |
| 2001 | $6,511.74$ | $3,117.56$ | $3,707.94$ | $13,337.24$ |
| 2002 | $5,867.72$ | $3,576.47$ | $4,460.92$ | $13,905.11$ |
| 2003 | $6,175.75$ | $3,971.91$ | $4,520.25$ | $14,667.91$ |

*includes newspaper, \#7 ONP, office paper, junk mail, paperboard, magazines \& catalogs

2003 Annual Report on Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling in Fort Collins BREAKDOWN OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS COLLECTED IN CURBSIDE PROGRAM AND AT DROP-OFF LOCATIONS IN FORT COLLINS BY HAULERS (Residential and Commercial)

| Material | Number of Tons |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: |
|  | January-June 2003 | July-December 2003 | TOTAL |
| Paper Mix* | 2,897 | 3,278 | 6,175 |
| Commingled containers | 1,972 | 2,000 | 3,972 |
| Corrugated cardboard | 2,192 | 2,329 | 4,521 |
| TOTAL TONS | 7,061 | 7,607 | 14,668 |
| Material |  | Number in Cubic Yards |  |
| Construction Wastes (cubic yards) | 0 | 3,525 | 3,525 |
| Yard Wastes (cubic yards) | 0 | 124 | 124 |
| Wood Wastes (cubic yards) | 0 | 8,206 | 8,206 |
| TOTAL CUBIC YARDS | 0 | 11,855 | 11,855 |

Tons of Recyclables Collected by Commodity (excluding wood \& yard waste) January - December 2003

Corrugated Cardboard


Commingled Containers 28\%

Annual Pounds of Recyclables Collected Per Capita and Per Household (includes residential and commercial sources)

*Paper Mix includes OMX and \#7 ONP

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CUBIC YARDS OF SOLID WASTE LANDFILLED (Reported by Haulers) June 1995 - December 2003

|  | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 * | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hauler 6 | 13,915 | 9,802 | 6,686 | 8,049 | 27,619 | 35,166 | 113,591 | 46,885 | 23,596 |
| Hauler 4 | 23,480 | 22,860 | 25,300 | 25,680 | 26,722 | 26,698 | 26,895 | 27,080 | 27,435 |
| Hauler 2 | 119,578 | 217,964 | 154,070 | 142,106 | 201,813 | 236,509 | 236,810 | 234,057 | 226,176 |
| Hauler 3 | 44,201 | 36,788 | 36,550 | 36,130 | 36,006 | 35,609 | 33,997 | 33,206 | 33,015 |
| Hauler 5 | 5,674 | 5,508 | 5,306 | 4,318 | 3,669 | 2,467 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hauler 1 | 453,880 | 417,994 | 400,328 | 316,485 | 368,705 | 157,209 | 187,846 | 187,329 | 199,962 |
| Hauler 7 |  |  |  |  | 3,008 | 6,624 | 12,264 | 13,063 | 15,979 |
| Hauler 8 |  |  |  |  | 150 | 210 | 300 | 0 | 0 |
| Hauler 9 |  |  |  |  | 3,952 | 9,456 | 6,011 | 18,148 | 49,060 |
| Hauler 10 |  |  |  |  |  | 2,817 | 2,601 | 577 | 1,496 |
| Hauler 11 |  |  |  |  |  | 2,580 | 3,711 | 1,176 | 1,094 |
| Hauler 12 |  |  |  |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,280 |
| Hauler 13 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7,775 |
| TOTAL Cubic <br> Yards SW <br> Landfilled | 660,728 | 710,916 | 628,240 | 532,768 | 671,644 | 515,345 | 624,026 | 561,521 | 586,868 |
| Conversion to Tons: 3cy/ton | 220,243 | 236,972 | 209,413 | 177,589 | 223,881 | 171,782 | 208,009 | 187,174 | 195,623 |
| \% Increase / Decrease |  | +7.6\% | -11.6\% | -15.2\% | +26.1\% | -23.3\% | +21.1\% | -10\% | +4.5\% |



## Solid Waste Landfilled

 (Commercial and Residential)| Total MSW Reported by Haulers by Type (in Cubic Yards) |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Year | Compacted MSW <br> (Rearload) (CY) | Roll-off Compacted <br> MSW (CY) | Roll-off Loose MSW (CY) | TOTAL Cubic Yards |  |
| 1999 | 375,686 | 69,934 | 226,024 | 671,644 |  |
| 2000 | 262,771 | 71,769 | 180,805 | 515,345 |  |
| 2001 | 292,255 | 93,605 | 238,166 | 624,026 |  |
| 2002 | 300,982 | 87,419 | 173,120 | 561,521 |  |
| 2003 | 277,359 | 98,098 | 211,411 | 586,868 |  |

GOAL INDICATOR: Decrease volume of Fort Collins waste disposed at landfills by $35 \%$ by 2004, and 50\% by 2010

MEASUREMENT SOURCE: Semi-annual tonnages report from local solid waste haulers.

