

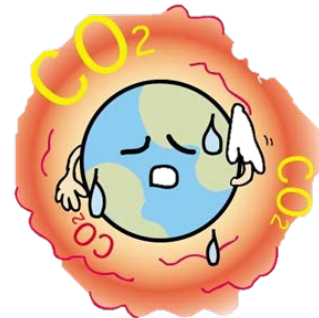


A collaborative effort by:  
IUPUI Office of Sustainability and IUPUI Campus Facility Services

# Recycling Education

# Benefits of Recycling

- Reduces amount of land needed for landfills and incinerators
- Conserves natural resources like timber, water, petroleum, and minerals by re-using materials
- Increases economic security by using domestic resources
- Prevents pollution by reducing the need to use raw materials from the environment
- Saves energy and greenhouse gas emissions, curbing the effects of climate change
- Creates jobs in US recycling and manufacturing industries – in Indiana alone, the recycling industry employs ten times as many people as the trash industry



# IUPUI Performance

# Our Peers



Coalition of  
Urban Serving Universities



University	Recycle Rate
University of Cincinnati	65%
Boise State University	61%
University of Louisville	56%
Ohio State University	47%
University of Illinois-Chicago	46%
University of Colorado	45%
Temple University	44%
University of New Mexico	35%
Virginia Commonwealth University	35%
University of Utah	33%
Wayne State University	28%
University of South Florida	25%

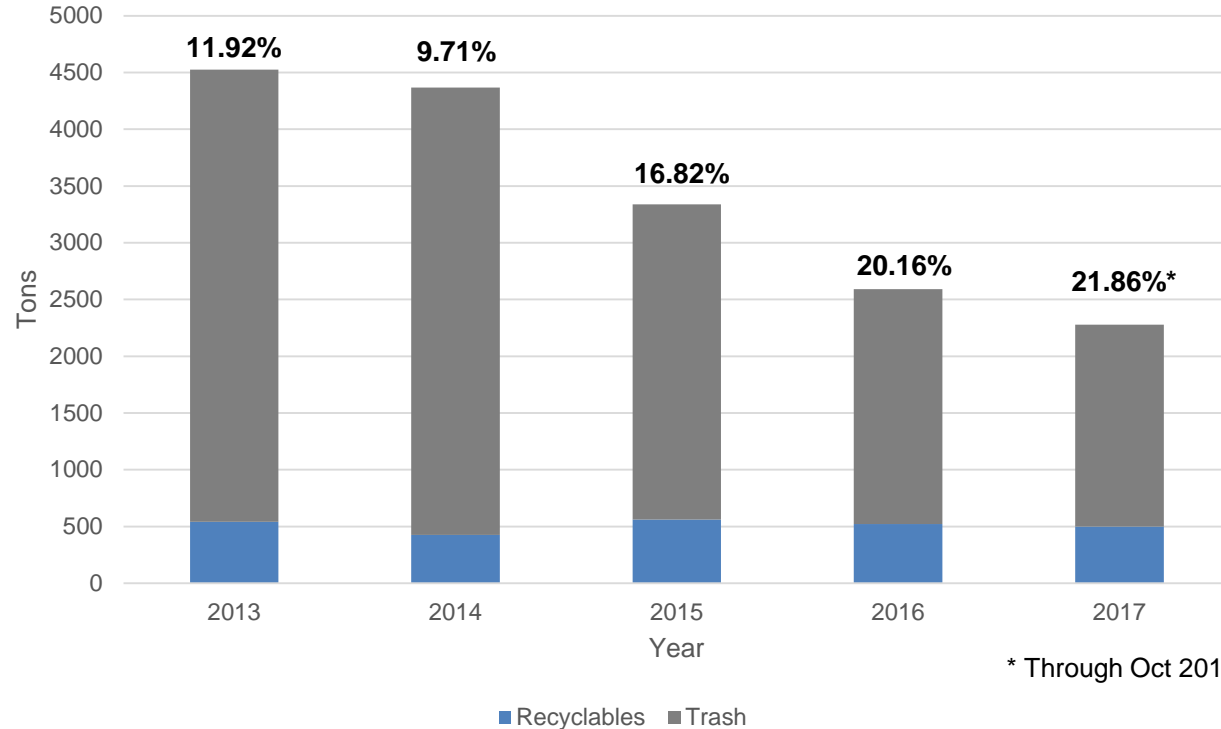
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IUPUI	16%



# What about at IUPUI?

Waste at IUPUI



Campus Average  
Recycling Rate  
2013-present:

16%



# Waste Audits By Building

Location	Gross Trash Weight (lbs)	Weight (lbs) of items in trash that were recyclable	% of trash that could have been recycled
Cavanaugh Hall	198	134	67.7
University Library	239	97	40.6
Business/SPEA	126	103	81.8
Education & Social Work	178	86	48.3
Taylor Hall	67	44	65.7
<b>ALL LOCATIONS</b>	<b>808</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>57.4</b>

Gross Trash (lbs)	Bottles/cans (lbs)	Fiber (lbs)	Metals (lbs)	Weight (lbs) of items in trash that were recyclable	% of trash that could have been recycled
1400	575	305	35	915	65



# Recycling Education



# Recycle



Aluminum Cans



Paper Cups



Plastics #1-7



Paper & Cardboard



Cardboard Jugs



Cans & Other Metals



Pizza Boxes



Shredded Paper in Clear Bag



Glass



# Trash



Paper Towels  
& Tissues



Foam/Polystyrene



Food Wrappers



Plastic Straws



Plastic Cutlery



Food Waste



Coffee Pods



Plastic Bags\*

\* These are recyclable, but please recycle at the grocery store



# Electronics



All university-owned property – including electronics – must go to IUPUI Surplus for reuse or recycling.  
[surplus.iupui.edu](http://surplus.iupui.edu)



Personal electronics cannot currently be recycled on campus. Please take them to ToxDrop or RecycleForce.  
[Indy.gov/toxdrop](http://Indy.gov/toxdrop) | [recycleforce.org](http://recycleforce.org)



# Other Items



Batteries: Lead-acid, lithium, nickel-cadmium, nickel-metal hydride, and batteries containing mercury are recycled by Environmental Health & Safety. Request a pick up by filling out the form at the link below.  
*Please note: Alkaline batteries are not collected for recycling and can be thrown in the trash bin.*  
[apps.ehs.iupui.edu/waste-manifest.asp](https://apps.ehs.iupui.edu/waste-manifest.asp)



All laboratory waste is subject to regulation by Environmental Health and Safety. Please follow their guidelines.  
[protect.iu.edu/environmental-health/environmental-management/waste-management/waste-guide/iupui.html](https://protect.iu.edu/environmental-health/environmental-management/waste-management/waste-guide/iupui.html)



# The Culture of Waste

Creating trash is a choice. We choose to purchase items with disposable or non-recyclable packaging. We choose to put our waste in the incorrect bin. We choose to use disposable items over reusable.



The IUPUI Office of Sustainability, in partnership with Campus Facility Services, strives to address our campus culture of waste by making the right choice – recycling – the easy choice across all of campus.





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