





WHAT ARE THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF RECYCLING IN MICHIGAN NOW?

In Michigan,

there are an estimated

2,242 establishments

in the recycling

and reuse industry with

receipts of \$11.6 billion

a payroll of about \$2.06 billion and 61,700 jobs²

recycling rate is the direct result of state policy

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WHAT'S THE ECONOMIC POTENTIAL OF RECYCLING IN MICHIGAN?

By meeting the Governor's recycling goals and capturing material that's otherwise discarded,

Michigan would experience a positive economic impact of \$4.00 million annually.

Potential Value of MI MSW Commodities

Mixed Paper \$31,556,184

Newsprint \$5,972,444

Cardboard \$57,511,714

Plastic (#3,4,5,7) \$18,803,449

Plastic Bags \$14,481,222

Plastic Packaging \$74,841,415

PET Beverage (#1) \$20,652,352

Ferrous \$54,600,663

Aluminum \$50,343,782

Textiles \$24,657,272

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WHAT'S NEEDED TO CAPTURE ALL THE BENEFITS OF RECYCLING?

The recommendations of the

Governor's Recycling Council and Solid Waste & Sustainability Advisory Panel

advise policy makers to prioritize sustainable materials management by amending current law, adopting new law, and providing

\$17-20 million annually

to support community and industry investment in achieving recycling goals.

- 1 Improving Recycling performance in Michigan: Best practices, Options and Potential Costs, 2013
- 2 2011 State of Recycling in Michigan: The Way Forward
- 3 Economic Impact Potential and Characterization of Municipal Solid Waste in Michigan 2016
- 4 Governor's Recycling Council Report 2016



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The Michigan Recycling Coalition fosters sustainability by leading, educating and mobilizing business, government, nonprofits, and individuals to advance their own and collective resource recovery initiatives in Michigan.

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