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# Florida Organics Recycling Center for Excellence (F.O.R.C.E.)

The mission of F.O.R.C.E. is to provide a framework to promote organics recycling and serve as clearinghouse of information in a statewide effort to streamline compost processing, food diversion, research, demonstration, marketing and education information in

Florida.

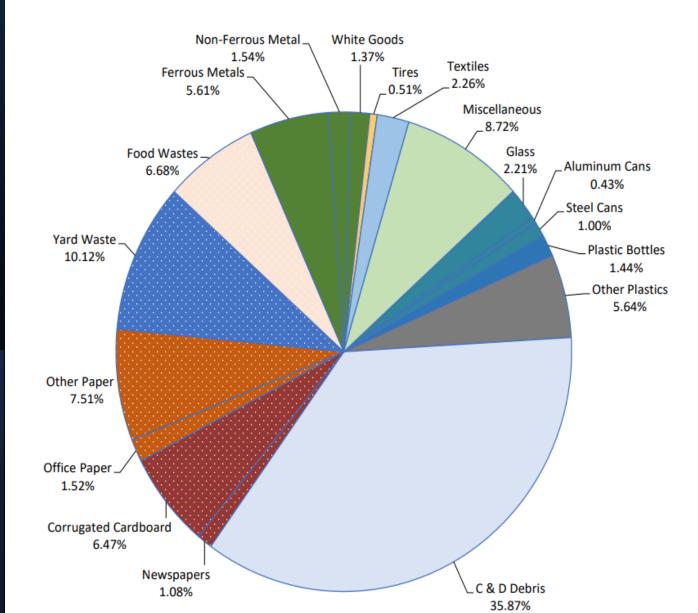


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Florida MSW Collected (2022)

#### 2022 Florida Municipal Solid Waste Collected (50.7 million tons)



## Current State of Organics in Florida MSC Collected and Recycled in 2022 - ORGANICS

FLORIDA MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTED AND RECYCLED (2022) - ORGANICS					
ORGANIC MATERIALS	MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTED <sup>1</sup>		MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE RECYCLED		
	TONS PER YEAR	% OF TOTAL TONS PER YEAR	TOTAL TONS RECYCLED	% OF TOTAL TONS RECYCLED	MATERIAL RECYCLING RATE <sup>2</sup> (PERCENT)
Newspapers	548,096	1.1	68,123	0.3	12%
Corrugated Cardboard	3,284,760	6.5	1,292,183	6.3	39%
Office Paper	772,232	1.5	125,677	0.6	16%
Other Paper	3,812,386	7.5	304,762	1.5	8%
Yard Waste	5,132,790	10.1	3,043,215	14.7	59%
Food Wastes	3,391,072	6.7	211,106	1.0	6%
Process Fuel <sup>3</sup>	$N/A^4$	N/A	111,460	0.5	100%

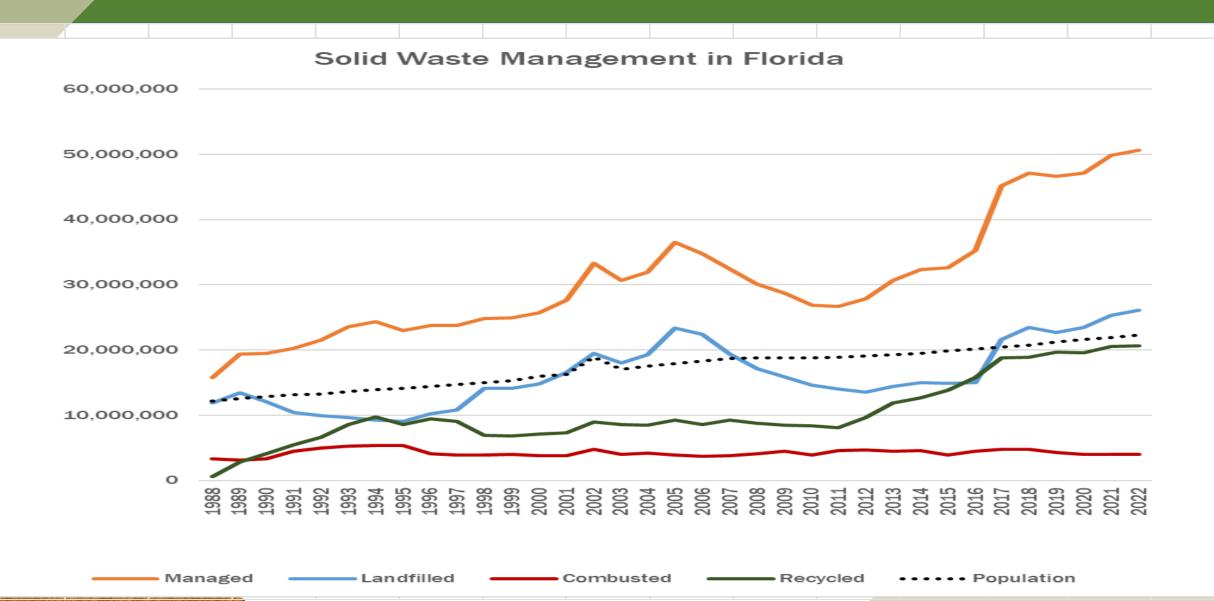
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Municipal solid waste collected is the total recycled, landfilled and combusted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Unadjusted traditional recycling rate.

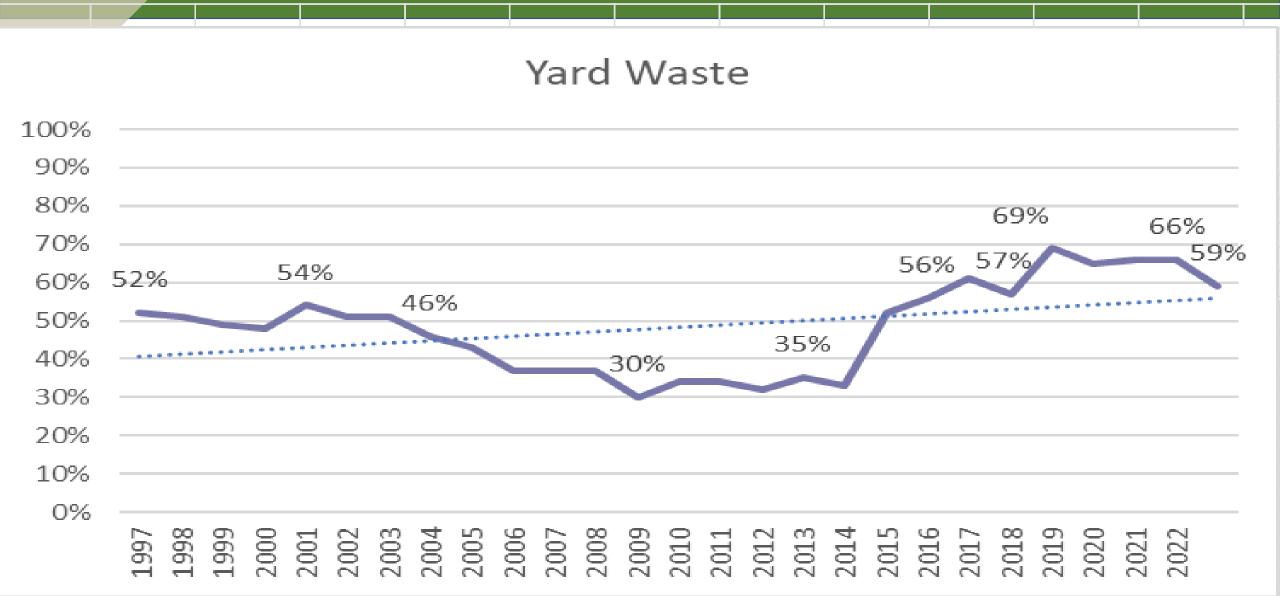
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Process fuel is composed of yard, wood and paper waste used in process boilers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Process fuel is not included in the total. The tonnage collected has been counted in other material categories.

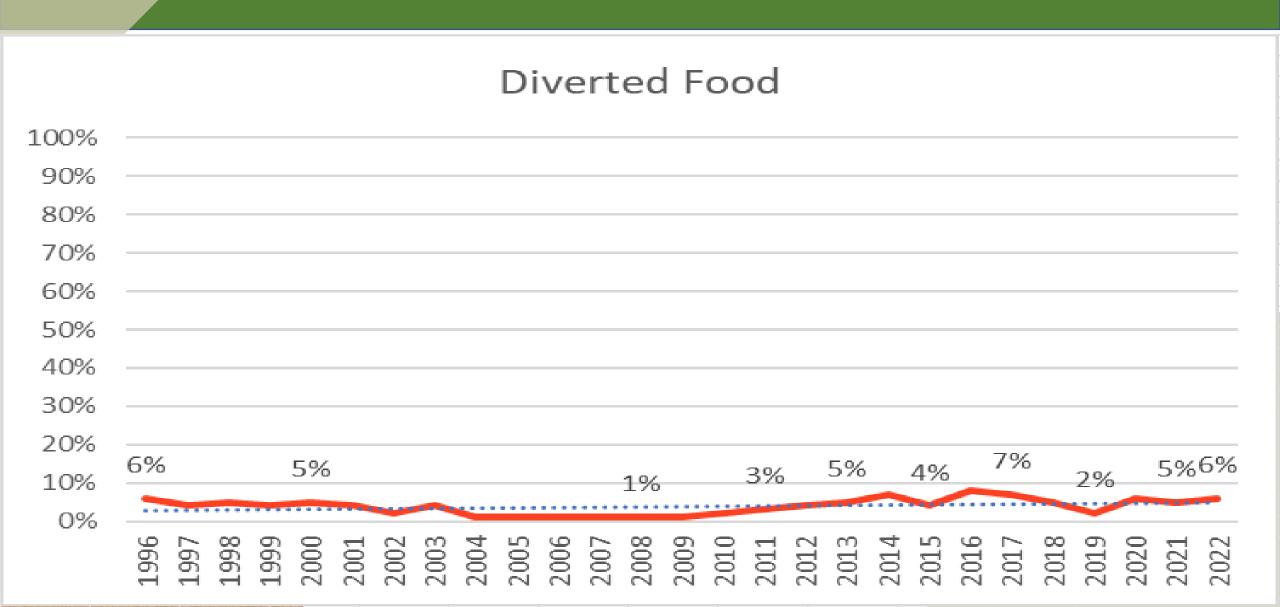
## Solid Waste Management in FL (1988-2022)



## Yard Waste in Florida (1988 – 2022)



### Diverted Food Waste in Florida (1996 – 2022)



# Current State of Organics in Florida

The focus of Florida organics recycling has been on the production and use of compost made from solid waste and materials handled in source-separated organic processing facilities (SOPFs). The materials in SOPFs include yard trash, manure, animal byproducts and vegetative wastes.

In 2022, Florida had approximately 350+ SOPFs processing over 3 million tons of organics that were diverted for beneficial use. Most of these facilities managed yard waste only.

DEP has opened Chapter 62-709, Florida Administrative Code – Criteria for Organics Processing and Recycling Facilities – for updates.

## FORCE Website

### https://floridaforce.org/

It serves as a clearinghouse of organics recycling information since 2001 for the FDEP. Use the words "Florida Force" in your web browser to find it. We will review the **six (6) key header pages** on the site and a

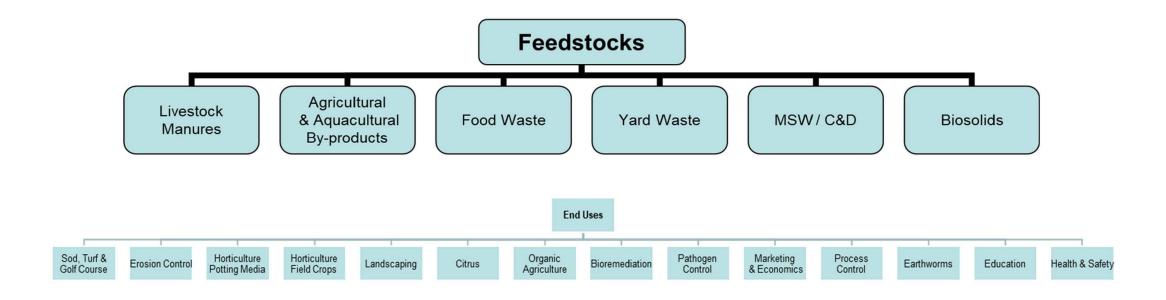
few subpages.

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