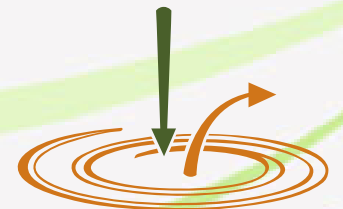




# Florida Organics Recycling Center for Excellence (FORCE) Website

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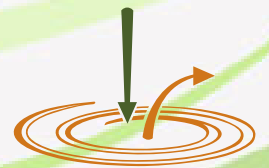


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# FL Organics Recycling (1988 - 2001)



- Solid Waste Mgt. Act Passed by Legislature (1988)
- 1988 Yard Waste Landfill Ban (YWLB)
- Started as Mulching State (prior to 1988)
- FL DEP Active Permitting Staff (Francine Joyal)
- FORA – FL Organics Recycling Association (early 90s)
- RFT – Organics Committee, DOT Outreach, ELLS Events, FDACS, FL Food Prevention Week, etc.
- University Research, UF IFAS Composting Research
- FORCE Established by the Legislature in (2001)



# FL Organics Recycling (2002 - 2010) *continued..*



- 75% Recycling Goal set by FL Leg (2008)
- Criteria for Organics Recycling Facilities, F.A.C. Chapter 62-709 is revised and adopted (Feb 2010)
- FL LEG Repeals the YWLB (June 2010)
  - FL Governor Vetoes the Repeal (June 2010)
  - LEG Overturned the YWLB (Dec. 2010)
- Private Organics Recycling Facilities Emergence in FL (2010+) and Subsequent Shift Out/Down (2015-2017)



# FL Organics Recycling (2011 - 2023) *continued...*

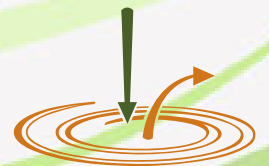
- FORCE Website Clearinghouse of Information (2011)
- EPA Shifts focus to *Food Waste* Reduction Prioritization
- DACS *Wasted Food* Reduction Prioritization
- FL DEP Active Permitting Staff (Lauren O'Connor)
- Private Organics Recycling Facilities Reemergence
- FL Composting Council (FLCC) Created (USCC affiliate and RFT)
- FAC 62-709, Criteria for Organics Recycling Facilities coming back up for review with new criteria



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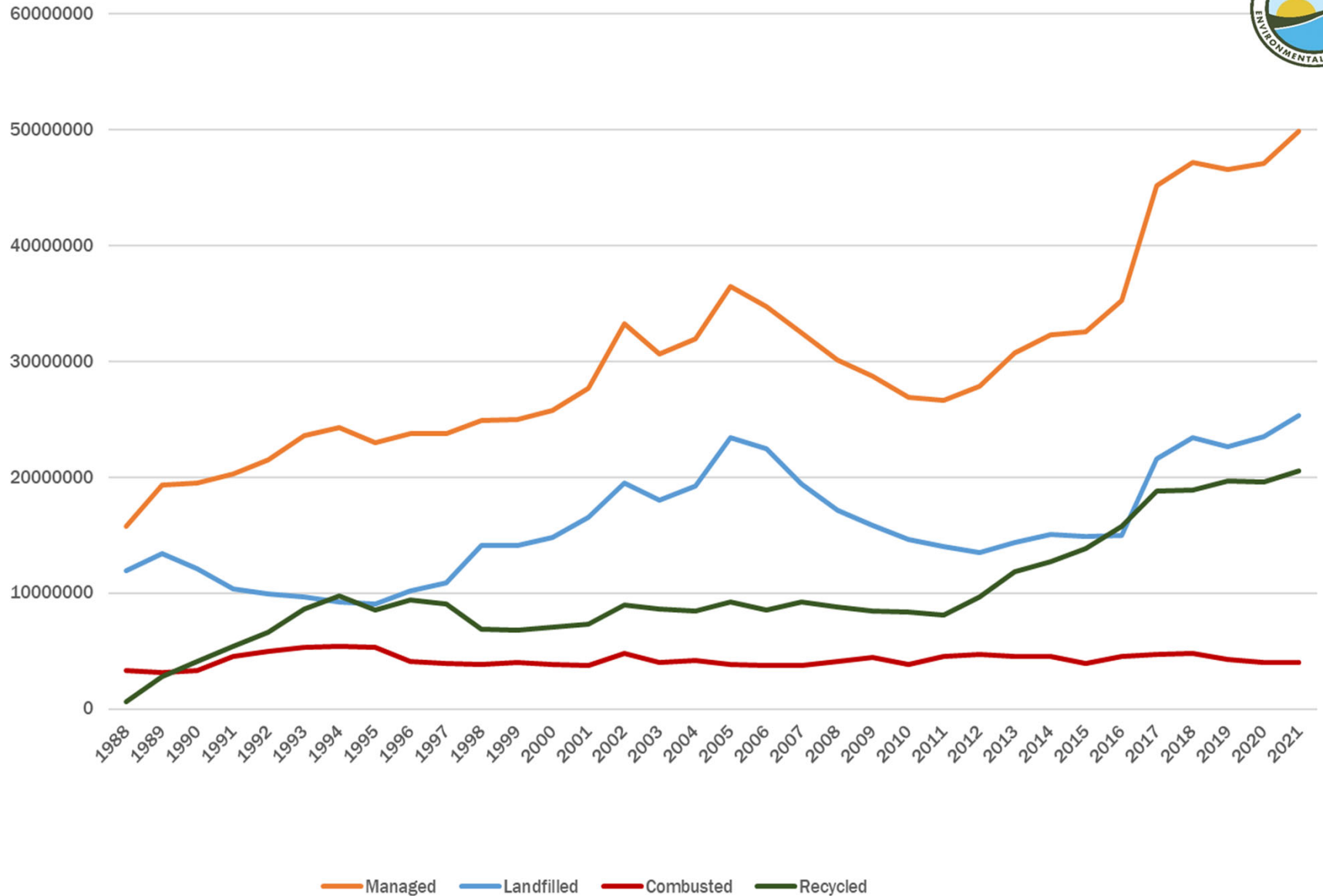


- FORCE, the Florida Organics Recycling Center for Excellence
  - DACS, DOT, and UF IFAS Outreach
  - Research and Demonstration Projects
  - Marketing Workshops
  - Educational Material & Website
  - Seven State Report
    - Formal Organics Committee
      - Regulatory Reform, FDEP Chapter 62-709
  - Statewide Operator Training Course in Three Parts of FL



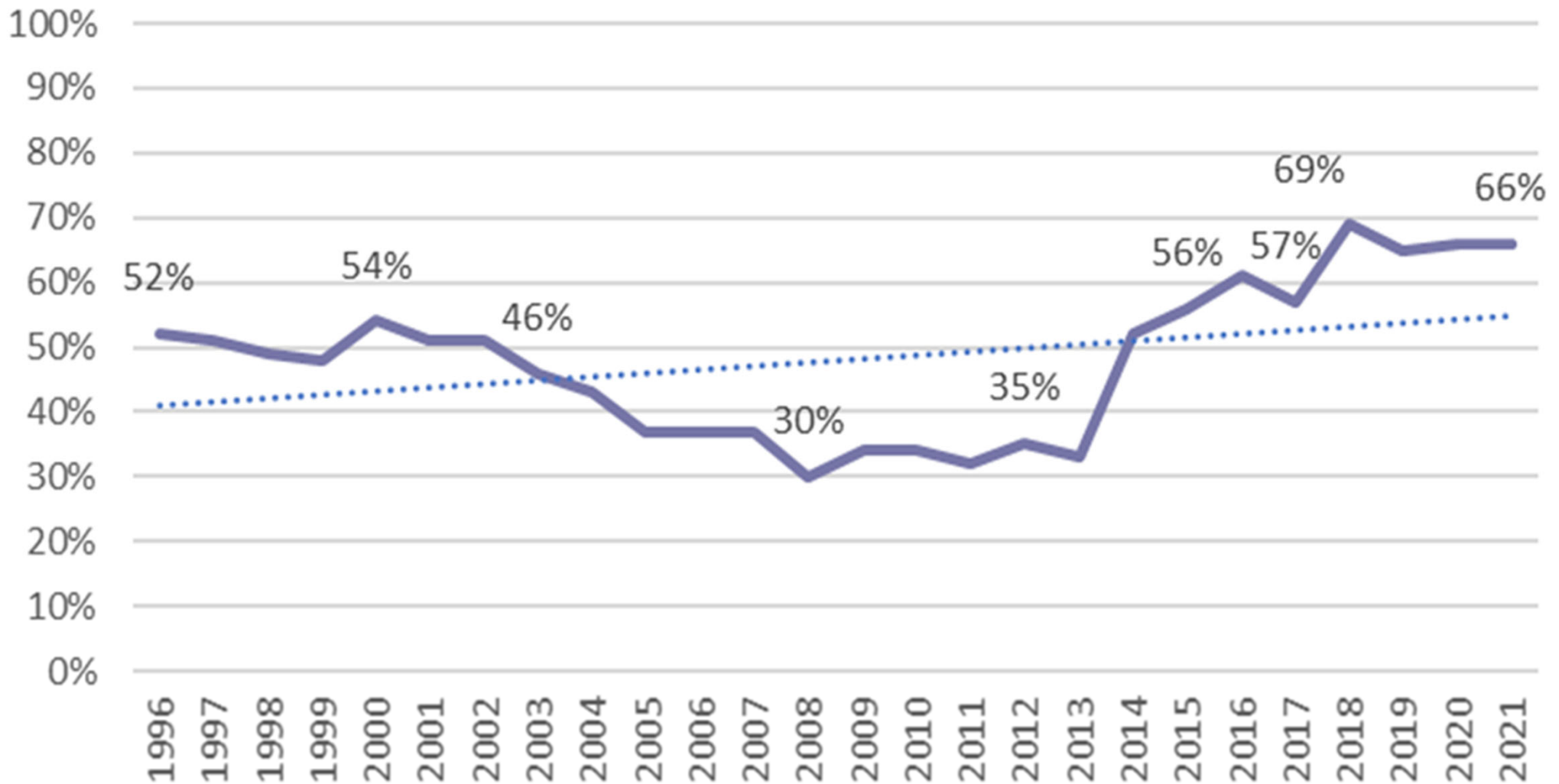
# FL Solid Waste Management (1996 – 2021)

Solid Waste Management in Florida



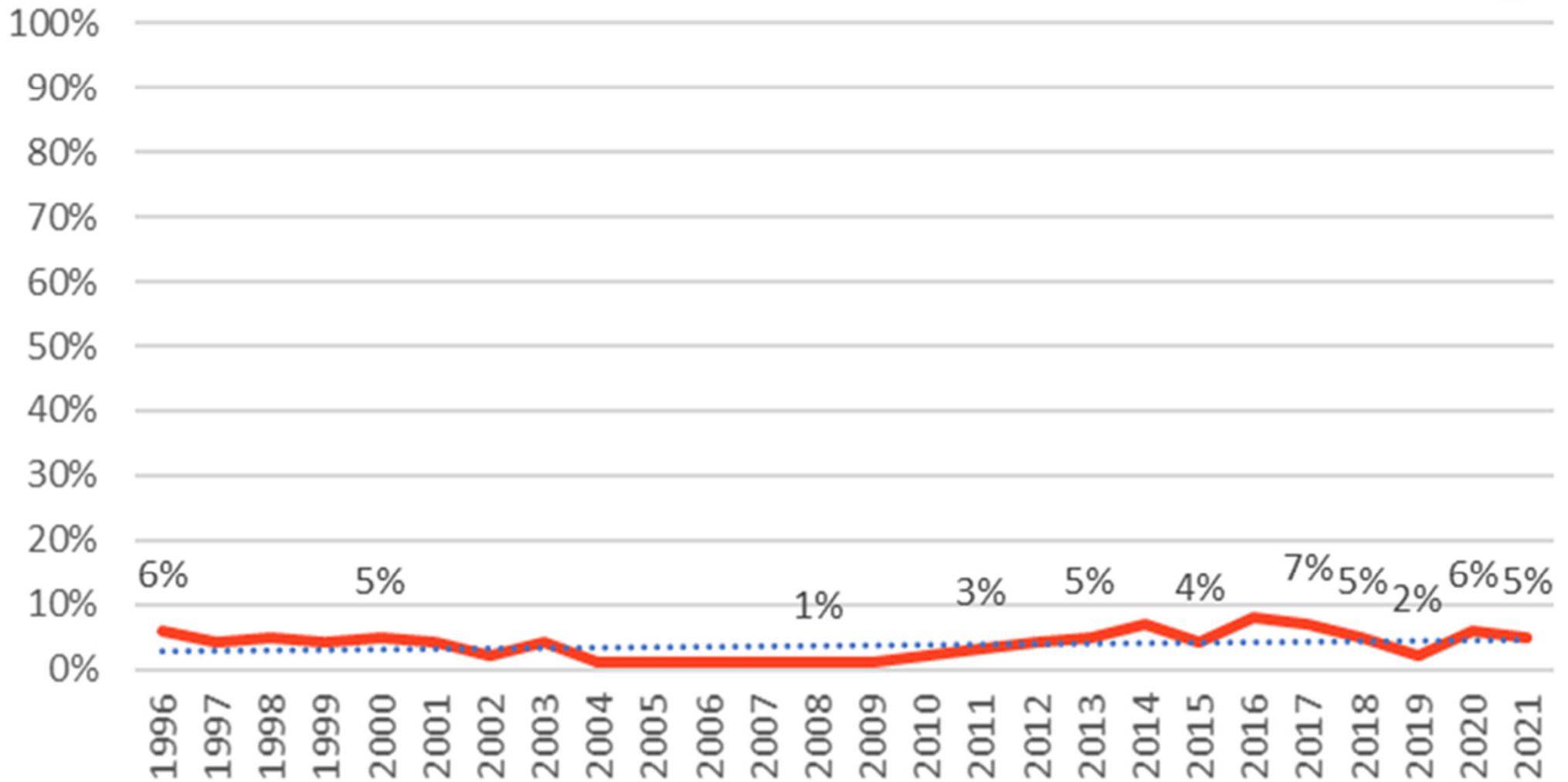
# FL Yard Waste (1996 - 2021)

Yard Waste



# FL Food Waste (1996-2021)

## Diverted Food





# FORCE Updates FY 2023-2024

- Presentations at conferences (e.g. RFT, FLCC, SWANA)
- Adding an all-inclusive research sub-page to the website.
- Organics regulations support (62-709)
- Annual update of the facilities Map.
- Increase website exposure with partner organizations.
- Send organics support questions to me or [info@floridaforce.org](mailto:info@floridaforce.org).
- Website navigation and research information there.

# FORCE Website

[www.floridaforce.org](http://www.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.

- About
- Education
- Events
- Resources
- Facilities
- Contact



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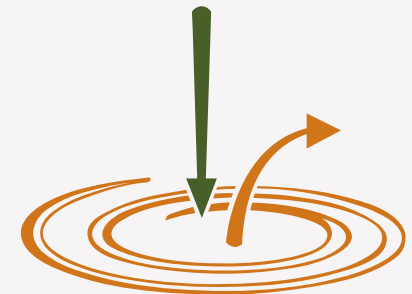
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