

# Corporate report: Regulating the waste industry: evidence summaries

There are reports for 2013 to 2015. Waste industry data for 2016 is included in the [2016 Regulating for people, the environment and growth summary](#).

These annual reports show facts and statistics about the number of permits the Environment Agency issued to the waste industry. They report the amount of waste that was recycled, reused or sent to landfill. The reports also give details of environmental consequences including:

- numbers of serious pollution incidents relating to the waste industry
- the waste industry's environmental performance
- facts about illegal waste

The way society manages waste has changed radically over the last 20 years. More waste is recycled and reused than ever before. This has brought significant environmental benefits, but the many new and innovative waste treatments now available may cause increased risk to the environment if not properly managed. The reports explain how the Environment Agency is adapting its regulatory approach to manage these risks.

See the [2015 datasets that support the 2015 report](#).

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