



MASSACHUSETTS TEXTILE RECOVERY 2024 TEXTILE DATA UPDATE FACT SHEET

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MassDEP has been collecting tonnage data from municipalities, and textile recovery vendors since the Textile Waste Ban went into effect in 2022. Below is a summary of the data collected from 2024.

TONNAGES RECOVERED BY TEXTILE RECOVERY ORGANIZATIONS

MassDEP contacted some of the largest textile recovery organizations operating in Massachusetts to request their annual tonnages collected. This data helps us measure the impacts of the textile waste ban through the progress reported statewide. **In 2024, an estimated 50,869 tons of textiles were collected by 18 different vendors in MA.**

**50,569 tons of
textiles collected
in 2024!**

- Overall, there was a 9% increase in textile tonnage collected from 2023 to 2024.
 - There was a 7% increase from 2022 to 2023.
- 18 vendors reported tonnages in 2024.
 - 10 of these vendors reported an increase in the tonnage they collected since 2023.
 - 6 vendors reported a decrease in the tonnage collected since 2023.
 - 2 vendors reported data for the first time in 2024, so there was no comparison to previous years.

Note: This is not representative of all textiles recovered statewide but serves as a barometer of progress from the largest recovery organizations operating in Mass.

TONNAGES RECOVERED BY MUNICIPALITIES

**8,122 tons of
textiles diverted
from the
municipal
waste stream in
2024!**

Through the 2024 Municipal Recycling and Solid Waste Survey issued by MassDEP, municipalities across the state report annual program data, including textile recovery. Of the 352 municipalities in MA, 242 reported textile tonnages. These cities and towns reported a total of **8,122 tons collected in 2024, an increase from the 7,989 tons that were reported for 2023.**

Municipalities collect textiles in a variety of ways: the data below reflects the different collection methods reported to MassDEP by 301 out of the 352 municipalities in MA.

- 241 reported a **drop off** textile collection program in their municipality.
- 10 reported a **curbside** textile collection program in their municipality.
- 50 reported having **both** a drop off and a curbside textile collection program in their municipality.
- Out of these 301 municipalities, 89 also reported having a **one-day collection event**.

For more information about these tonnages and collection mechanisms, [please check out Textile By The Numbers on MassDEP's website.](#)