



TEXTILES BY THE NUMBERS

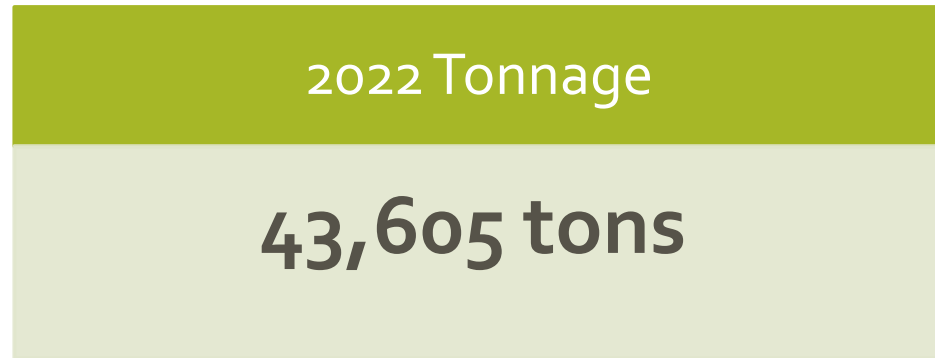
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What's in Our Trash and What's Our Goal?

- 230,000 tons of textiles in trash (5.2%)
 - Based on 2022 data
- 2030 Goal – reduce disposal of textiles to 127,000 tons
 - 50% reduction from 2018 baseline of 254,000 tons
- Part of overall Solid Waste Master Plan waste reduction goals



Textile Tonnages Collected from Vendors Operating in MA

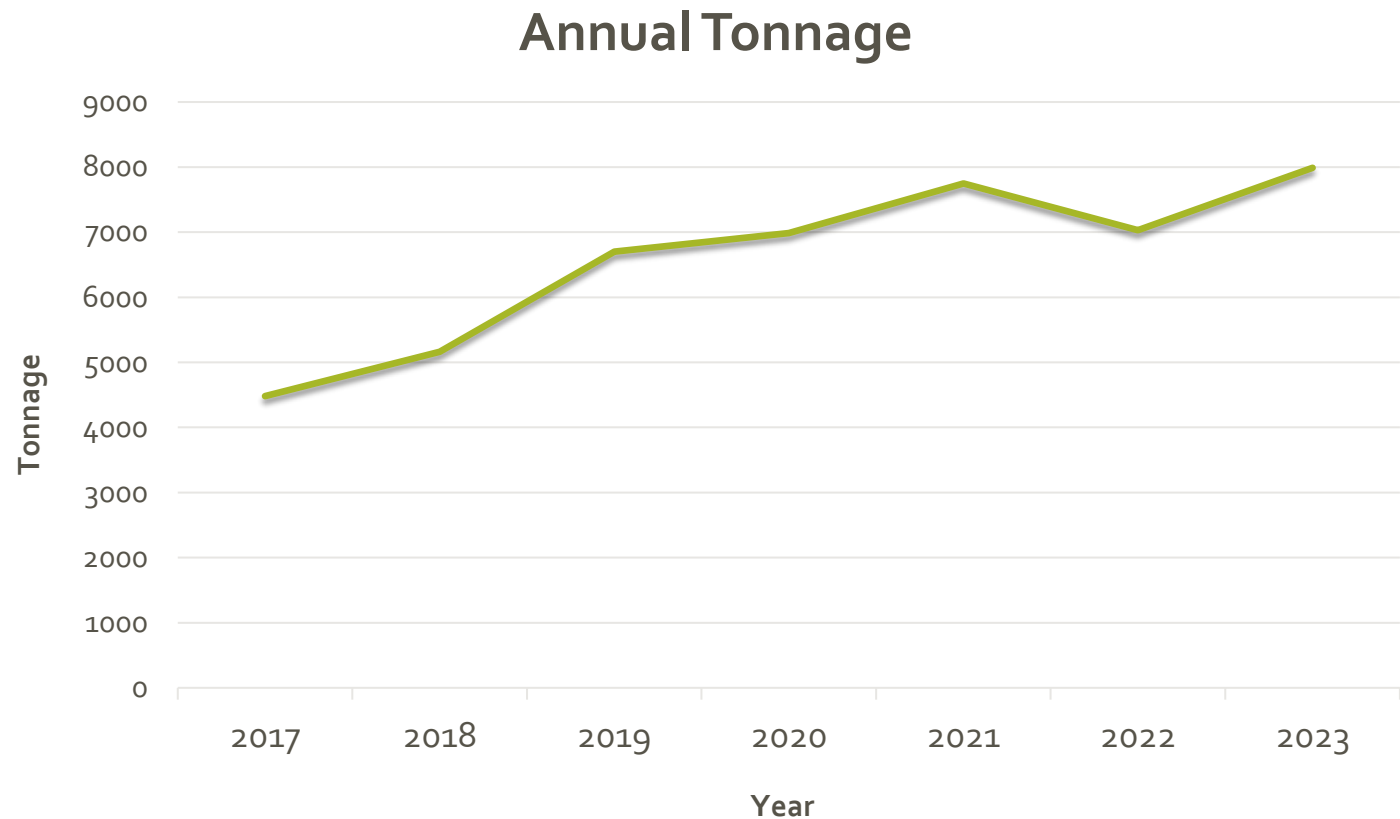


- Overall, a 7% increase from 2022 to 2023.
- 11 vendors reported an increase.
 - 5 of these vendors reported an increase of over 40%, one reported an increase of over 100%.
- 4 vendors reported a decrease.
 - Most have donation model where items were resold at their store front.
 - Stockpiled material post COVID pandemic may have skewed data.
- Note that this does not include all textiles recovery

Total MA Municipal Textile Tonnage Collected 2017-2023

Year	Total Tonnage
2017	4,481.63
2018	5,161.09
2019	6,699.89
2020	6,987.44
2021	7,750.45
2022	7,032.88
2023	7,988.87

Its great to see the number of textiles being diverted from the waste stream increasing over the years!



Municipal Textile Collection Mechanisms

298 out of the 352 municipalities in MA reported data about the type of collection program they have



237 reported a drop off textile collection program in their municipality



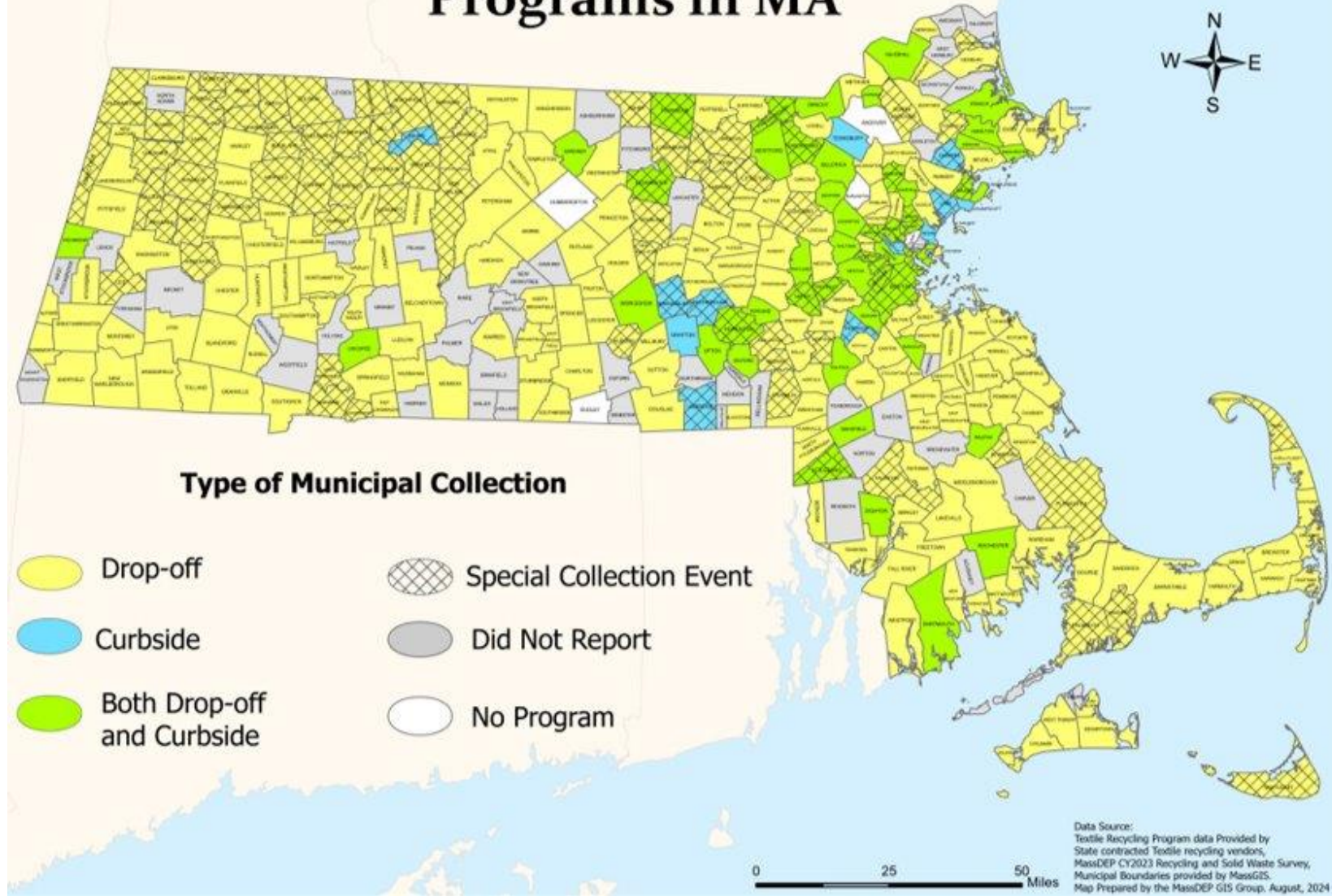
12 reported a curbside textile collection program in their municipality



49 reported having both a drop off and a curbside textile collection program in their municipality

Out of these 298 municipalities, 89 also reported having a one-day collection event.

Municipal Textile Recovery Programs in MA



Please note that this data only applies to municipal textile collection programs and does not include textile collection bins on private property.