

Deposit Return Systems: Where are we headed?

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About Reloop

Reloop is an international non-profit organization that brings together stakeholders under a common vision of a system where resources remain resources

We believe a thriving circular economy is built on policy that

- supports the waste hierarchy;
- encourages existing best practices and fosters innovation;
- applies economic instruments when necessary;
- and strives for continuous improvement.

Reloop works to accelerate the transition to a circular economy by using research and multi-stakeholder education to drive supportive public policy.

To achieve lasting change, we focus on five interrelated areas that form the basis of a circular economy.



DRS Updates



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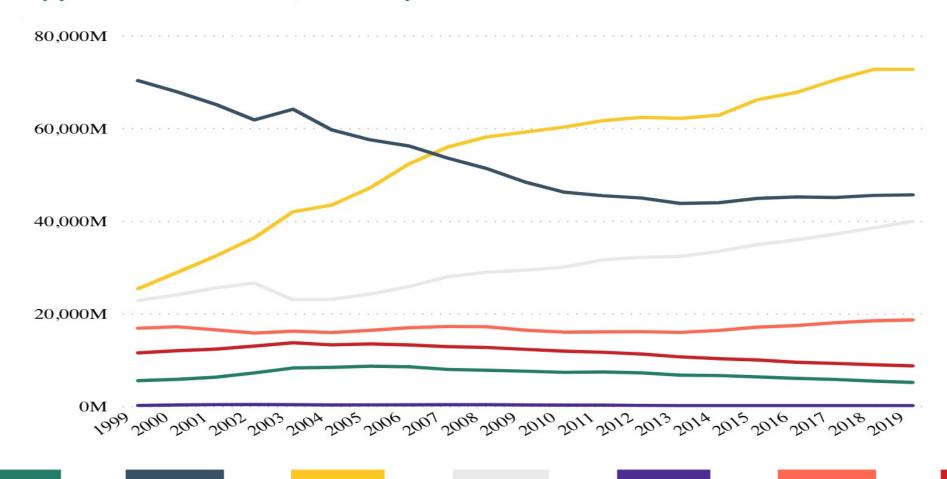
what we waste

Tracking 20 years of growth in international drinks container wastage, and how refillables and deposit return systems can reverse this trend



Beverage sales:

By year from 1999 until 2019, measured by container sales in millions.



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R GLASS

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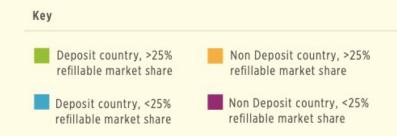
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NR HDPE

NR GLASS

NR BOARD







Produced by Reloop using data and insights from GlobalData PLC.

Single-use PET beverage containers wasted per capita, by country, 2017/18

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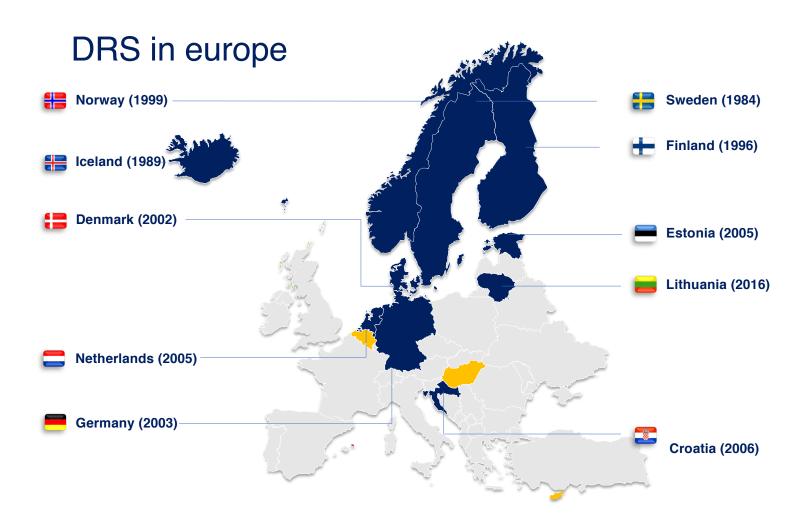
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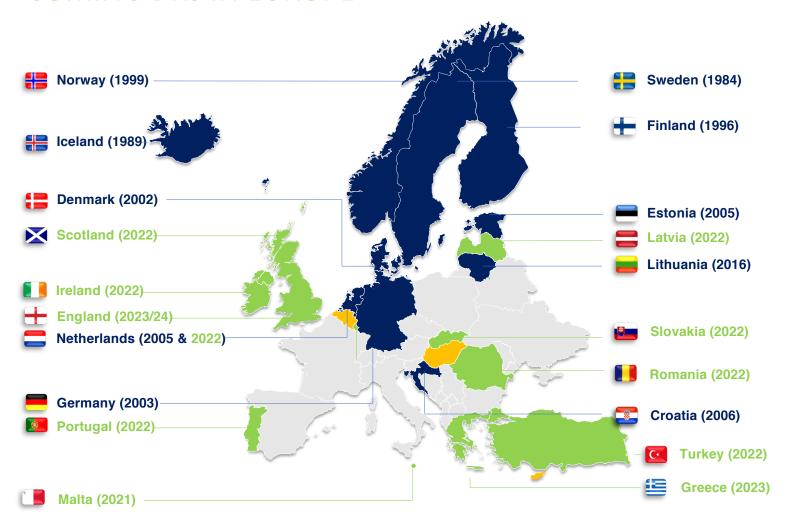
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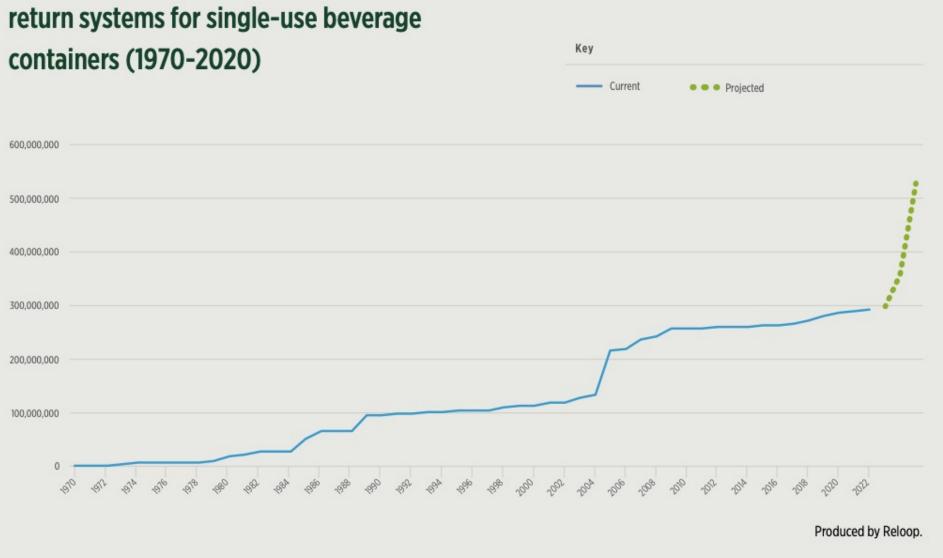
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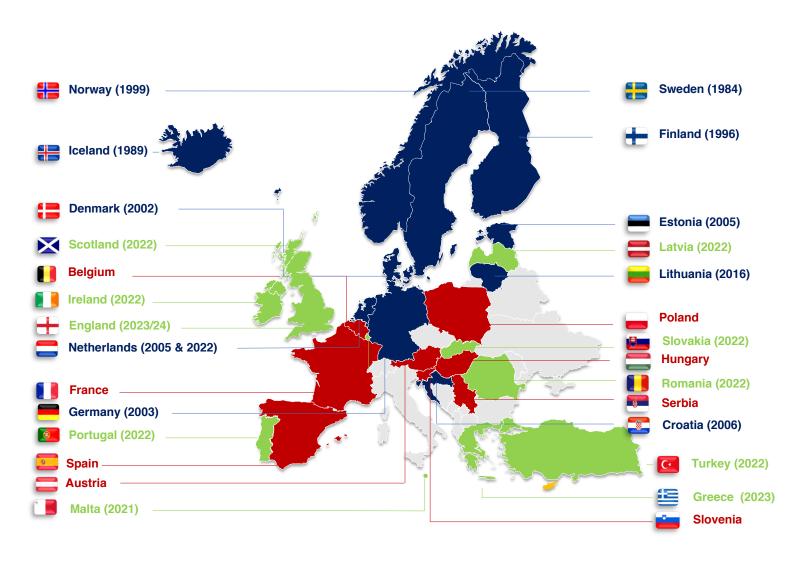
COMING DRS IN EUROPE



Global population with access to deposit



FUTURE DRS?



Defining "Best in Class" DRS

















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CANS: INFINITELY RECYCLABLE "

Soft Drinks Europe

Natural Mineral & Spring Waters

Coca-Cola European Partners (CCEP) and Coca-Cola Great Britain (CCGB): '11 Key Principles' for a well-designed Deposit Return Scheme



- Easy for public to recycle and no penalty for doing the right thing (i.e. good provision of return points and deposit not subject to VAT)
- 2. Good financial management and fraud control
- 3. A common approach covering the whole of GB
- 4. Run by one not-for-profit management company
- 5. Retailers, machine suppliers and hauliers are paid for the services they provide
- Scheme costs are covered by the sale of collected materials, deposits which aren't redeemed by the public and a fee on producers and retailers
- The management company designs and runs the scheme to achieve targets agreed with Government, including responsibility for determining the number and type of collection points, administration and fraud control.
- 8. The management company is run by the producers and retailers who have an obligation to fund the scheme
- Scheme is flexible enough to work in different retail outlets, specific exemption criteria for small stores and those with sensitive hygiene or security requirements
- 10. Underpinned by legislation so all parties engage in the same scheme
- Sits alongside other policy initiatives such as changes to the current producer responsibility schemes and other proposed taxes

For more information please contact: Coca-Cola European Partners GB Press Office 01895 844 828 | ccep@3monkeyszeno.com





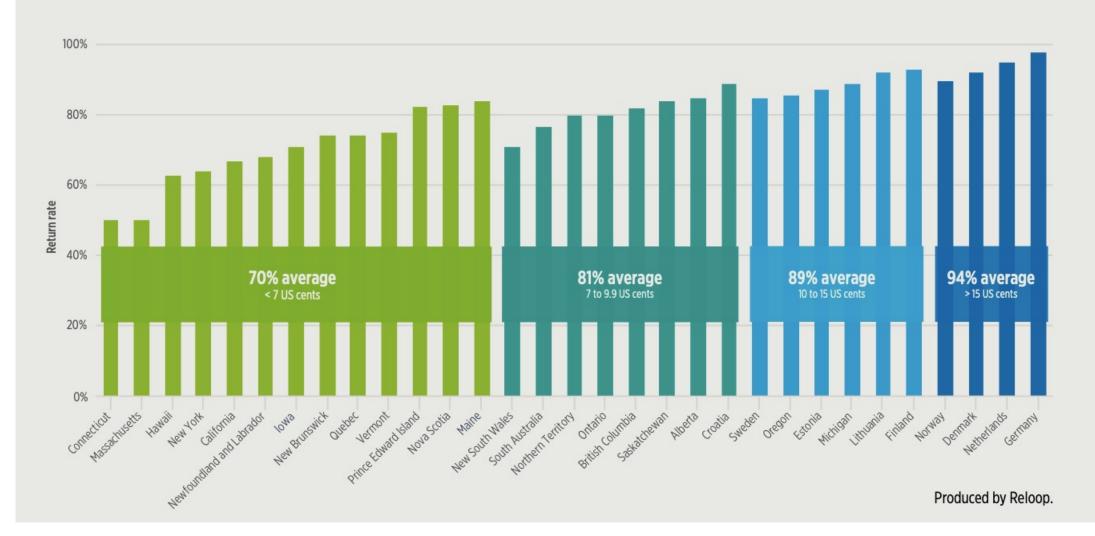


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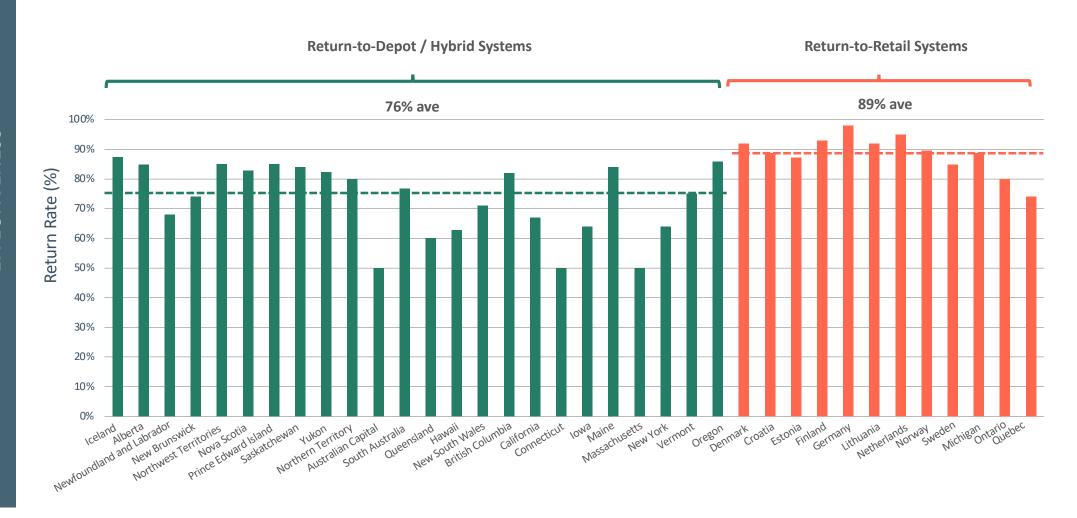
- **1.1** 90%+ collection target
- **1.2** Effective deposit
- **1.3** Minimum recycled content
- **1.4** Convenience & improved experience return to retail
- **1.5** Comprehensive, technology-driven approach

Latest return rates in deposit jurisdictions, by minimum deposit level





DRS & Maximized Convenience







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MANAGEMENT, OVERSIGHT & GOVERNANCE

- **2.1** Management through a Single organization
- **2.2** Government plays an oversight and enforcement role
- **2.3** Producer reporting on units sold and recycled
- **2.4** Barcode verification for fraud mitigation

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- 3.1 Producer funded
- 3.7 Fair pay for service providers
- 3.3 Unredeemed deposits remain in the system



Sales in Millions of units

	Northern Europe	Western Europe	Southern Europe	
Refillable Glass	9,033	36,681	5,135	
Refillable PET	114	4,998	6	

Reusable packaging policy trends

Growing political ambition at EU and Member State level

Economy Action Plan includes a number of hooks for reuse/refill

EC is influenced by NGOs on packaging reuse, e.g. calls for targets

Ongoing EC work on reuse measures for packaging, including:

- Mandatory reuse targets for primary, secondary and tertiary packaging
- Including grocery, horeca and transit packaging

A fast-moving topic for emerging Member State regulation

• Driven by EU direction , NGO pressure and local political and consumer interest

Country regulation examples

France

- 2019 "anti-waste law" commits to 20% packaging waste reduction, of which 50% (10% percentage points) by reuse, which includes specific targets for packaging waste in the food and nonfood grocery sectors and in the transport sector
- Mandatory reusable plates and cups (at least) in restaurants by 2023

Germany

- Packaging Law 2018 commits to 70% reuse target for all beverage containers by 2022
- Under 2021
 amendment, all
 restaurants must
 offer reusable
 takeaway containers
 by 2023
 - Restaurants cannot charge more for reusable packaging, but can place a deposit on them
 - Restaurants must accept return of reusable packaging

Romania

- Under 2018
 government
 ordinance on
 packaging and waste
 management, goods
 packaged in glass,
 plastic or metal
 (volumes 0.1 to 3
 litres), 5% have to be
 in reusable packaging
 (annual average) of
 their total packaging
 placed on the market.
- Percentage set to increase annually by 5% until 2025.

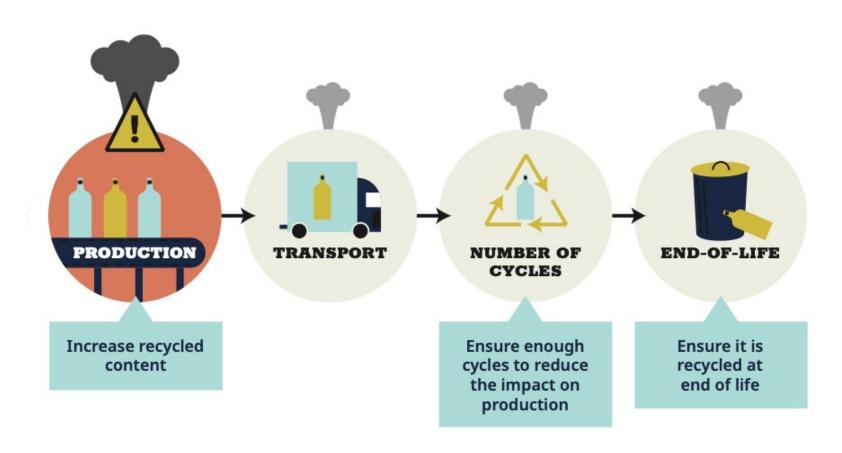
Portugal

 Planning mandatory reusable beverage containers for restaurants (eat-in)

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March 2021:
 packaging EPR
 consultation
 proposals for
 mandatory reuse
 requirements (details
 in 2023), with the
 introduction of
 obligations from
 2025, plus publication
 of Wales 'Beyond
 Recycling' strategy

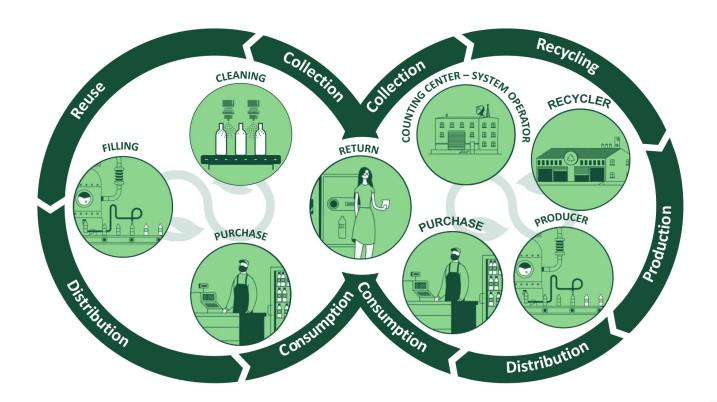
Refillable PET from an life cycle perpective



Collection infrastructure



In modern deposit systems, collection infrastructure is the same for one way and refillable containers.



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PET AVAILABLITY IN EUROPE 2017-2029

PLASTIC BOTTLE RETURN/ RECYCLING RATE IN 9 EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WITH DEPOSIT RETURN 2017/2018

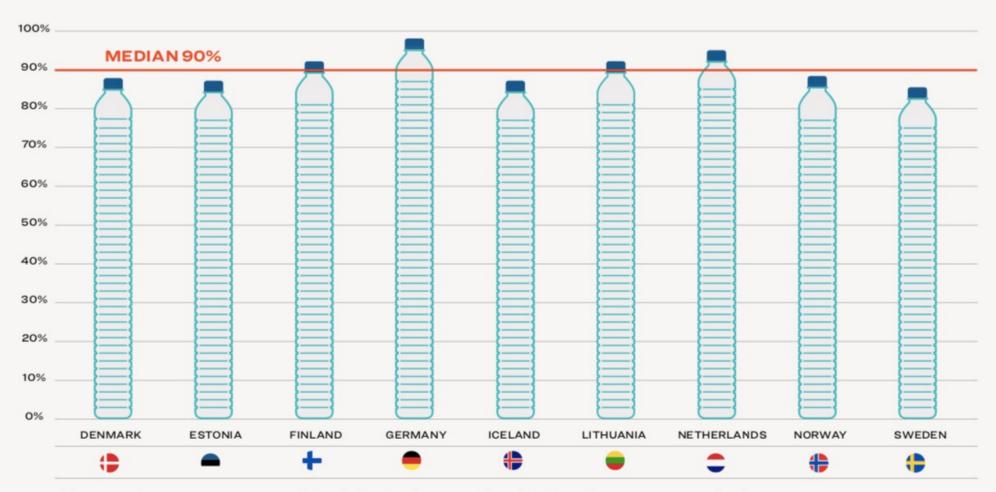


Figure 1: Average return rates of plastic bottles in countries with deposit return systems in place.

Source: Reloop (2019).9



Determining how much PET is available in Europe in thousand tonnes

This data comes from the ICIS and Petcore Europe Annual Survey on the European PET Recycle Industry

Country	2017
Germany	530.0
Italy	520.0
France	419.0
United Kingdom	397.0
Spain	364.6
Poland	210.0
Romania	127.5
Netherlands	102.4
Czech republic	65.2
Bulgaria	65.0
Belgium	63.5
Greece	59.3
Hungary	49.4
Switzerland	49.2
Austria	42.2
Portugal	43.1
Slovak Republic	34.0
Ireland	25.0
Sweden	24.1
Norway	22.5
Denmark	19.2
Croatia	17.4
Slovenia	16.0
Lithuania	15.1
Finland	13.7
Luxembourg	6.0
Estonia	4.2
Latvia	3.7
Total	3308.3





Determining how much PET may be available in Europe in 2022 — 2025 – 2029 An increase in the number countries with DRS Programs will add to the tonnes of available PET

European Countries with active DRS programs

- Croatia
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- Germany
- Lithuania
- The Netherlands
- Norway
- Sweden

Have currently signed into <u>law</u> initiating DRS programs by 2022

- Romania
- Portugal
- Latvia
- Malta
- Slovakia

Have either signed laws or announced intention to begin a DRS program in 2023

- Austria
- Turkey
- The United Kingdom
- Greece
- Republic of Ireland

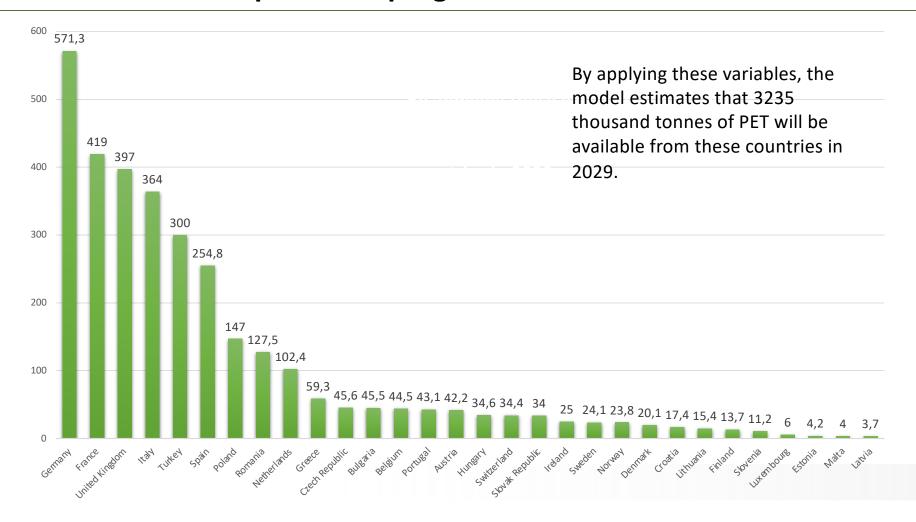
2029

• France has not announced adoption of DRS, but has signalled intention to do so by 2025



Determining how much PET may be available from European DRS programs in 2029 (in thousand tonnes)







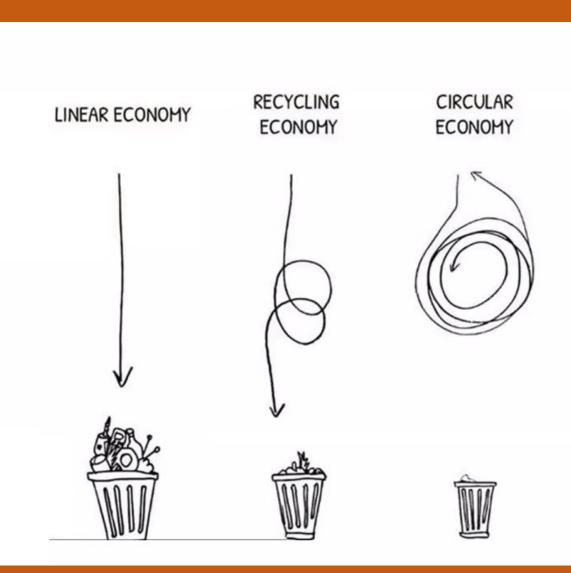


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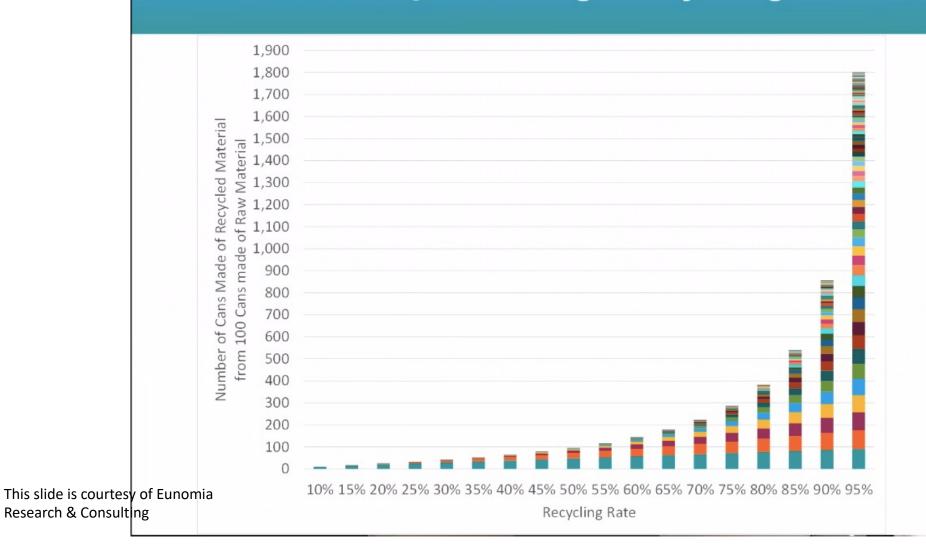


	Total million tonnes 2017	Total million tonnes 2019		Total million tonnes 2025	Total million tonnes 2029
Available PET	1,65	1,67	1,8	2,78	3,23

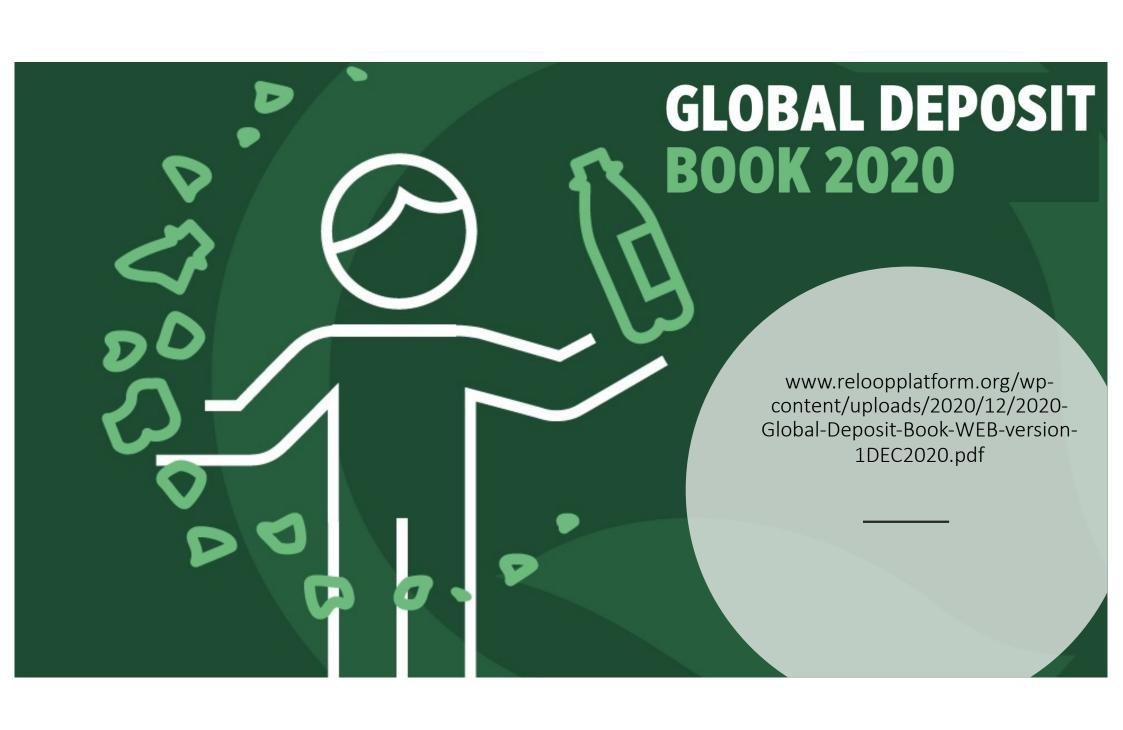
Circular PET



Cumulative impact of high recycling rates



Research & Consulting



Thank you!