

The aluminum beverage can returns to the grocer's shelf as a new, filled can in as few as _____ days after collection. That means you could purchase basically the same recycled can from a store every nine weeks, or almost six times a year!

- A) 10 days B) 60 days C) 100 days

Answer: 60 days

Source: Can Manufacturers Institute

Recycling steel saves natural resources. By recycling one ton of steel, 2500 pounds of iron ore, 1400 pounds of coal, and 120 pounds of limestone are conserved. So, for each ton of steel recycled, just over _____ tons of other minerals are saved.

- A) 2 tons B) 8 tons C) 20 tons

Answer: 2 tons

Source: Steel Recycling Institute, 2001

If you piled up all the litter thrown away in the U.S. each year, it would cover at least _____ soccer fields with piles of waste 30 stories high.

- A) 24 soccer fields B) 57 soccer fields
C) 100 soccer fields

Answer: 100 soccer fields

Source: Skidmore, Steve. "What a Load of Trash!" The Milford Press, Inc., Brookfield, CT, 1991.

The number of glass bottles and jars used in America in one year is enough to fill a building _____ stories high!

- A) 25 stories B) 220 stories
C) 1000 stories

Answer: 220 stories

Source: The Earth Works Group, 1990

Recycling one aluminum can saves the energy to light a 100-watt light bulb for _____ hours (210 minutes).

- A) 3.5 hours B) 7.9 hours C) 12.6 hours

Answer: 3.5 hours

Source: Can Manufacturers Institute

In 2000, the steel industry recycled enough steel from old cars to produce more than _____ million new automobiles, enough for every person in Pennsylvania plus two million more people.

- A) 2 million B) 5 million C) 14 million

Answer: 14 million

Source: Steel Recycling Institute, 2001

Every year Americans use enough motor oil to fill _____ supertankers.

- A) 120 supertankers B) 530 supertankers
C) 780 supertankers

Answer: 120 supertankers

Source: The Earth Works Group, 1990

Recycling one aluminum can saves the energy equivalent of _____ cup(s) of gasoline.

- A) 1 cup B) 3 cups C) 6 cups

Answer: 1 cup

Source: Can Manufacturers Institute

New York's Colonel Waring was the first to try to implement curbside _____ in the late 1800's.

- A) litter cleanups B) recycling
C) trash pickup service

Answer: recycling

Source: Modern Marvels-Garbage, 1999 A&E Television

One pound of newspaper can be recycled to make six cereal boxes, six egg cartons, or _____ sheets of writing paper.

- A) 2,000 sheets B) 7,000 sheets
C) 10,500 sheets

Answer: 2,000 sheets

Source: www.erie.oh.us

Each year, Americans dispose enough plastic bottles to circle the earth _____ times.

- A) 2 times B) 4 times C) 9 times

Answer: 4 times

Source: The Earth Works Group, 1990

There are more than _____ can manufacturing plants in 38 states.

- A) 50 plants B) 100 plants C) 200 plants

Answer: 200 plants

Source: Can Manufacturers Institute

The amount of office paper thrown away by Americans in 1990 would have been enough to build a _____-foot high wall of paper from New York to Los Angeles.

- A) 12-foot B) 20-foot C) 35-foot

Answer: 12-foot

Source: The Earth Works Group, 1990

The United States has only 5% of the world's population, yet generates _____% of its waste.

- A) 13% B) 19% C) 25%

Answer: 19%

Source: E/The Environmental Magazine, March/April 1997

Making new cans from recycled aluminum saves 95% of the energy needed to make aluminum from virgin metal. Energy savings in 1995 alone were enough to light up a city the size of Pittsburgh for _____ years!

- A) 2 years B) 5 years C) 6 years

Answer: 6 years

Source: Can Manufacturers Institute

Recycling steel saves energy. In a year, the steel industry saves the equivalent energy to electrically power about _____ million households for a year.

- A) 18 million B) 22 million C) 34 million

Answer: 18 million

Source: Steel Recycling Institute, 2001

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