

Recycling Stats

September 2016



Represents Pounds Recycled of each product	Sept. 2016	August 2016
Cardboard	1,270	2,090
Plastic #1 & #2	545	505
Paper	985	1,295
Aluminum	378	320
Ink Cartridges	20	12
Light Bulbs	18	8
Batteries	37	0
Totals :	3,253	4,230



Fall Tips to Keep Your Home Lit Efficiently

Always turn off lights when you leave a room. Switching off just one light that would otherwise burn 8 hours a day saves you almost \$20 per year.

70% of all light sockets still have inefficient incandescent bulbs. If every household in Texas swapped out just one incandescent bulb for one ENERGY STAR® certified bulb, we could save enough energy to light a home for a year.





It's not too early to start thinking about holiday decor. Consider upgrading to strings of ENERGY STAR® certified lights. They can last up to 10 times longer, and they're also cool to the touch, minimizing the risk of fire.

The energy cost to operate a traditional incandescent bulb for a year is \$4.80. By comparison, a CFL costs about \$1.20 to operate, and an LED bulb only costs about \$1.00.





When shopping for efficient bulbs, look for lumens to measure the brightness of the bulb instead of watts. Watts indicate energy consumed and lumens indicate light output.



Replacing five light fixtures in your home with ENERGY STAR® certified models could save you \$75 a year in utility bills.



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