

Hackney's recycling strategy focuses on waste prevention, re-use and recycling and fits within the North London Joint Waste Strategy, which covers waste treatment and disposal. The Council's vision and values serves to mobilise the Council and its residents to obtain a unified direction which results in a reduction in waste sent to disposal, a reduction of the environmental impact of this waste while working with local communities to reach the same goal. To do this, Environmental Services provides a comprehensive range of recycling services and supports a waste prevention programme that works with similar goals as described in the circular economy approach.

Recycling performance has followed an improving trend since services were introduced in 2001, with a gradual increase in service provision, from bring site services only to comprehensive kerbside collections of food and dry recycling for all street level and estate properties. Performance plateaued between 2009/10 and 2012/13 and then with the introduction of the commingled service in March 2013, 2013/14 saw an increase of over 1% that was sustained for the following year. Changes in regulations governing the materials recovery facility meant that contamination of recycling became a bigger issue in 2015/16 and this was seen in the recycling rate with a decrease to 24.8%. However from 2016 to 2019, with contamination stabilised and Hackney beginning to receive apportioned recycling from neighbouring reuse and recycling centres, the recycling rate is at an all-time high of 28%.

Hackney's situation is not unique to inner London boroughs and the challenges that the borough faces spread across most aspects of waste management. The Council has consistently addressed these challenges and provides one of the most comprehensive waste management and recycling services in London. Increasing housing growth is producing additional waste that requires collection, treatment and disposal capacity. Significantly, the ratio of estates based housing compared with street based housing is growing and with the current recycling performance on estates holding back overall recycling performance improvement the exposure to increasing disposal costs is clearly evident. Combined with the need to fund new waste disposal infrastructure, the [future financial impact](#) on Hackney is considerable.

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Baseline (2017/18) performance against common reporting metrics

Metric	Performance 2017/18	Additional guidance and expectations
Total annual household waste per head (kgs/head)	305.23	Defra stats (Ex BVPI84a)
Total annual household residual waste per household (kgs/household)	544.48	Defra stats (Ex NI191)
Total annual household avoidable (edible) food waste (kgs/head)	47.05	Borough to estimate based on own or RL/WRAP food waste composition data. Estimates should be based on avoidable
Annual household waste recycling rate (% by weight)	27.40%	Defra stats
Annual LACW recycling rate (% by weight)	26.20%	Defra stats
Proportion (%) of properties receiving the Mayor's minimum level of service for household recycling:	91%	Borough to take from own info
% of kerbside collected properties collecting six core dry materials and separate food waste	100%	Borough to take from own info. Separate food waste does not include co-mingled with garden waste
% of flats (communal collections and flats within commercial buildings) collecting six main materials	100%	Borough to take from own info
% of flats (communal collections and flats within commercial buildings) collecting six main materials and separate food waste	87%	Borough to take from own info
Proportion (%) of waste fleet heavy vehicles that are ULEZ compliant (Euro VI diesel)	37% (2018/19)	All HGVS Euro VI (diesel) compliant by April 2019 (central London) and October 2020 (throughout London). See www.tfl .
Performance of LACW activities against the Mayor's EPS (tonnes of CO2eq per tonne of waste managed). Use tool found here	0.021	Boroughs to set by uploading WDF data into the GLA tool. GLA will provide EPS training in early 2019
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Set Common Performance Targets	Target year		Additional guidance and expectations
	2022/23	2025/26	
Total annual household waste per head (kgs/head)	290.13	294.72	Borough sets own targets, informed by RL/WRAP good practice
Total annual residual waste per household (kgs/household)	474.43	468.23	Borough sets own targets, informed by RL/WRAP good practice
Total annual household avoidable (edible) food waste (kgs/head)	44.99	44.89	Based on estimated avoidable food waste produced. The focus should be on what communication/behaviour change
Annual household waste recycling rate (% by weight)	31.00%	31.50%	Borough sets own targets, informed by RL/WRAP Route map modelling and other good practice. The GLA will use the
Annual LACW recycling rate (% by weight)	26.80%	27.50%	Borough sets own targets, informed by RL/WRAP good practice. Targets should at least match household recycling
Proportion (%) of properties receiving the Mayor's minimum level of service for household recycling (by 2020):	93%		Borough sets own target, informed by RL/WRAP good practice
% of kerbside properties (all household on a kerbside collection) collecting six main dry materials and separate food waste	100%		Borough sets own target, informed by RL/WRAP good practice. Separate food waste does not include co-mingled with
% of flats (communal collections and flats within commercial buildings) collecting six main materials	100%		Borough sets own target, informed by RL/WRAP good practice
% of flats (communal collections and flats within commercial buildings) collecting six main materials and separate food waste	88%		Borough sets own target, informed by RL/WRAP good practice
Proportion (%) of waste fleet heavy vehicles that are ULEZ compliant (Euro VI diesel)	100%	100%	All HGVS Euro VI (diesel) compliant by October 2020 throughout London
Performance of LACW activities against the Mayor's EPS (tonnes of CO2eq per tonne of waste managed). Use tool found here	0.018	-0.039	Borough to run their own scenarios using GLA tool to determine planned service changes against the EPS for target years
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LACW: Local Authority Collected Waste