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21st Century Organics: Food Diversion Update



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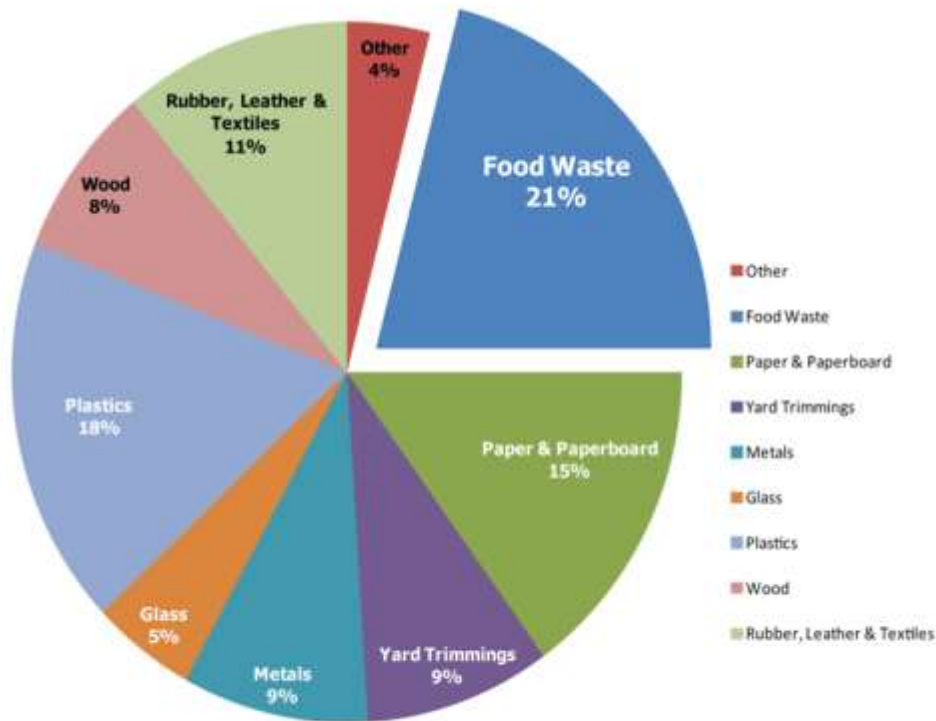
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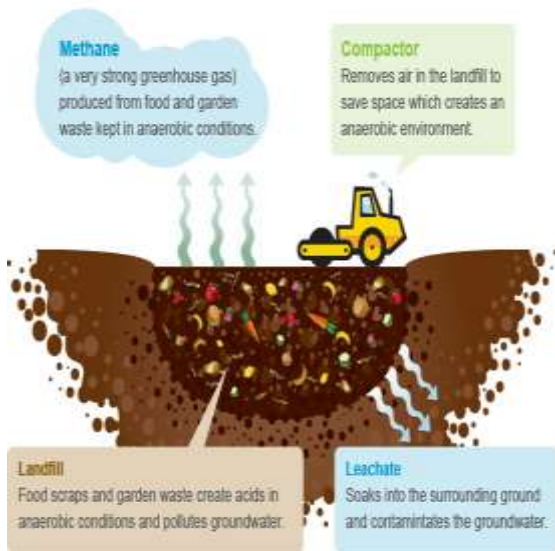
U.S. Wasted Food Profile



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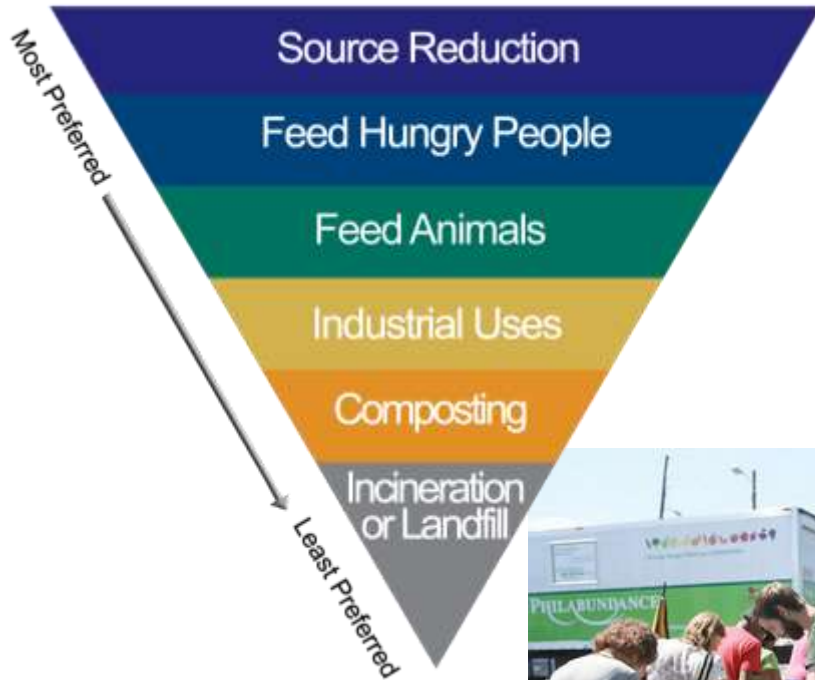
The Cost of Wasted Food



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EPA and Wasted Food



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EPA Sustainable Management of Food



Food Recovery Challenge



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U.S. 2030 Food Loss & Waste Reduction Goal

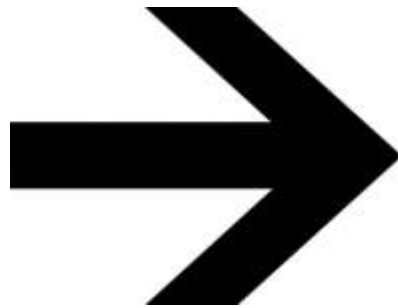


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Reaching the 2030 Goal

Baseline:
218.9 pounds
per person



Goal:
109.4 pounds per
person



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2015 Food Recovery Summit: Emerging Themes

- Public Awareness
- Improving Data
- New Partnerships
- Date labeling
- Building Infrastructure
- Seek Prevention Strategies



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Tackling the Wasted Food Problem – A Partnership Among Key Players

Charitable
organizations

Faith based
organizations

Grocery stores

Restaurants

Food producers

Local, state, and
federal
government
agencies

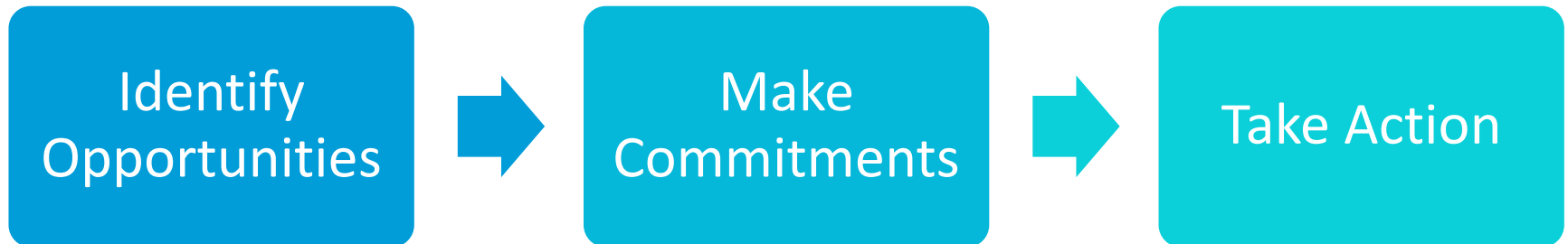
Composters,
anaerobic
digestion, haulers

Consumers,
consumer groups



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Food Loss and Waste Call to Action

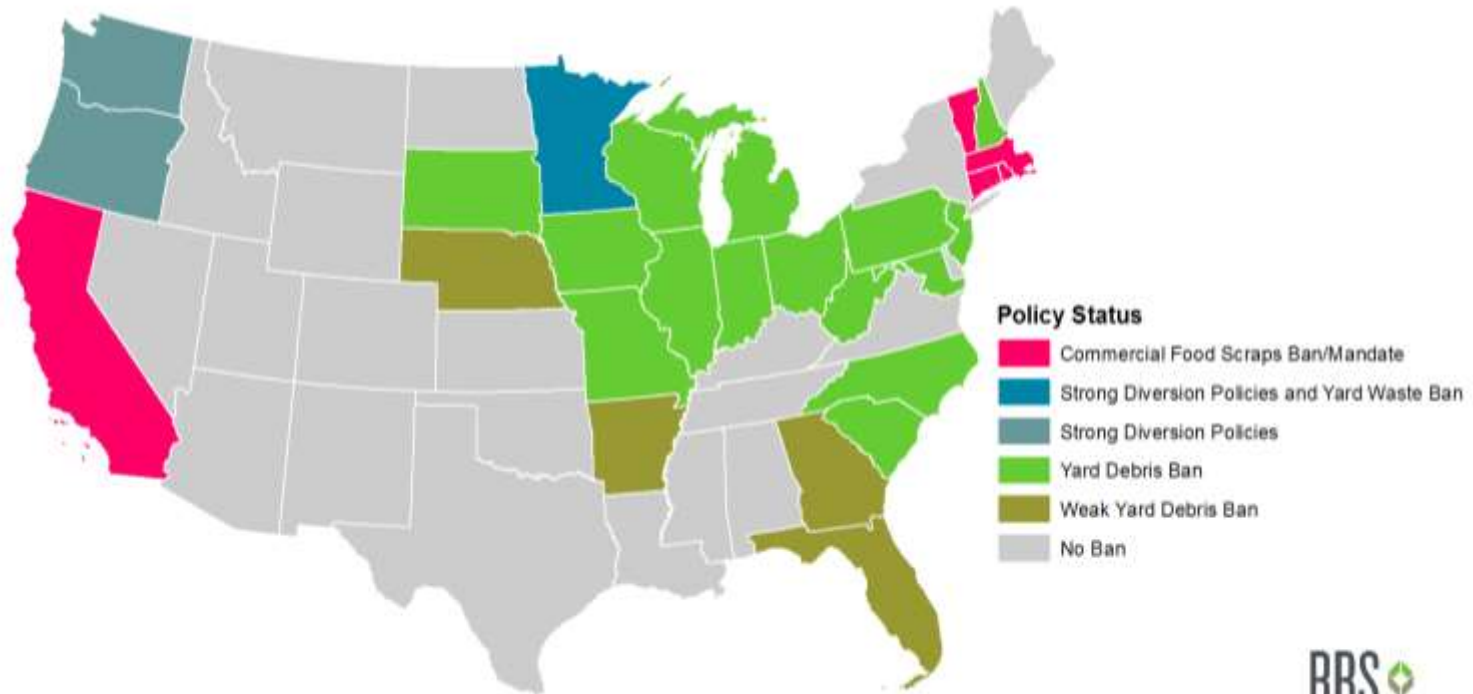


**2030 Food Loss and
Waste Reduction Goal**

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Policies to Increase Organics Diversion From Landfills



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Organics Bans: State Examples



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What Can You Do?



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