62 Billion
Cans Recycled by the U.S. Aluminum Industry in 2012

92 Billion
Cans Shipped by the U.S. Aluminum Industry in 2012

$900 Million
Money Wasted Sending Cans to Landfills in 2012

19 Million
Barrels of Oil Equivalent Saved By Recycling Cans in 2012

U.S. ALUMINUM INDUSTRY 2012 CAN RECYCLING RATE

67%
Industry recycling of aluminum beverage containers in the United States continued its decade-long upward trend in 2012 with a rate of 67%.

The new rate marks continued progress toward the industry’s goal of 75% recycling by 2015.

The 67% recycling rate reported in 2012 is the second highest rate since the industry survey began in 1972.

The increase in the industry’s recycling rate in recent years has been driven largely by the addition of imported cans into the U.S. recycling stream.

95%
Energy Saved by Producing a Recycled vs. New Can

60
Days Needed to Get a Recycled Can Back on the Shelf

37%
Weight Reduction of Average Aluminum Can Since 1972

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