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# Framing the Issue: Hunger & Food Waste

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# **Food Waste**

Any food that is grown and produced for human consumption but ultimately is not eaten; including food residuals, and food manufacturing byproducts.



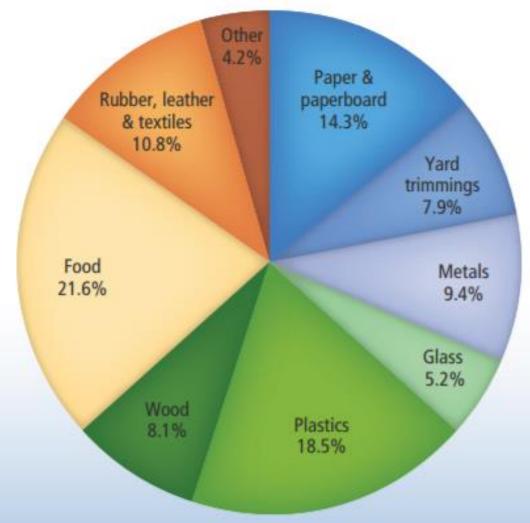


# NRDC ISSUE PAPER

AUGUST 2012 IP:12-06-B

**Wasted:** How America Is Losing Up to 40 Percent of Its Food from Farm to Fork to Landfill

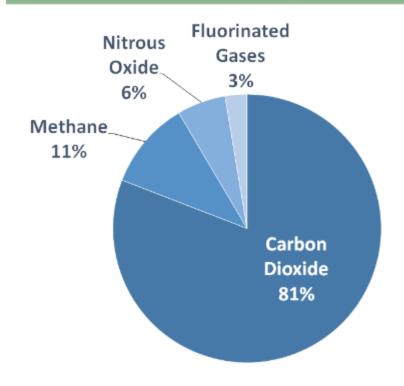
Figure 8. Total MSW Landfilled (by material), 2014
136 Million Tons



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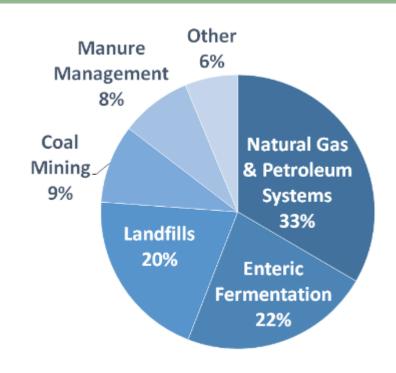
Advancing Sustainable Materials Management: 2014 Fact Sheet <a href="https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-11/documents/2014">https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-11/documents/2014</a> smmfactsheet 508.pdf

# U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions in 2014



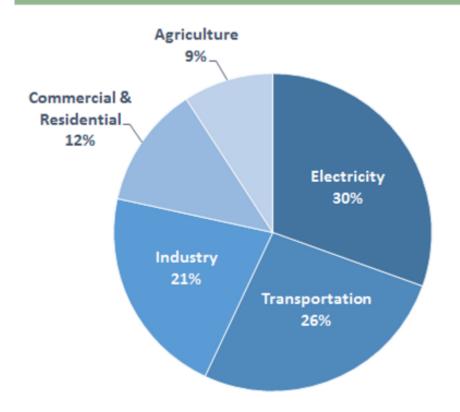
Total Emissions in 2014 = 6,870 <u>Million Metric Tons of CO<sub>2</sub></u> <u>equivalent</u>.

# U.S. Methane Emissions, By Source



Note: All emission estimates from the <u>Inventory of U.S.</u> Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990–2014.

# Total U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions by Economic Sector in 2014



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### EPA Sources from left to right:

Greenhouse Gas Emissions by type: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/ghgemissions/overview-greenhouse-gases">https://www.epa.gov/ghgemissions/overview-greenhouse-gases</a>
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# A YEAR ON FOOD THEY DON'T EAT

COOK IT, STORE IT, SHARE IT. JUST DON'T WASTE IT.

SAVETHEFOOD.COM

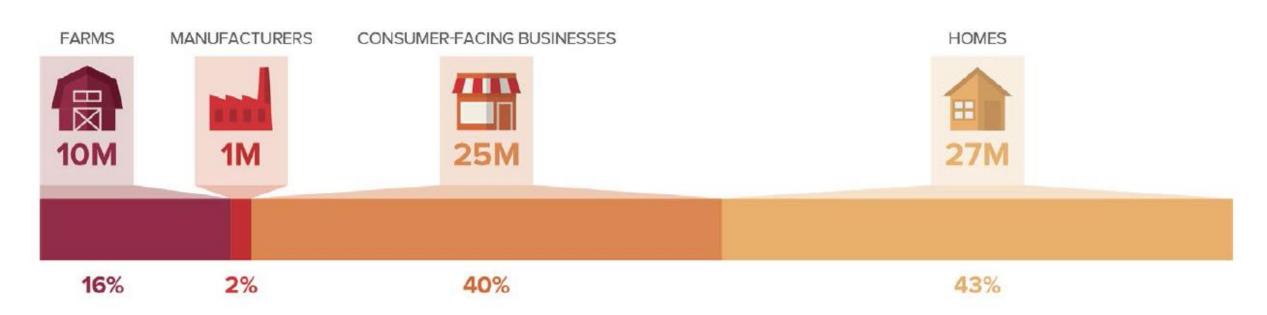




# **Rethink Food Waste**

Through Economics and Data

### FOOD WASTED BY WEIGHT — 63 MILLION TONS

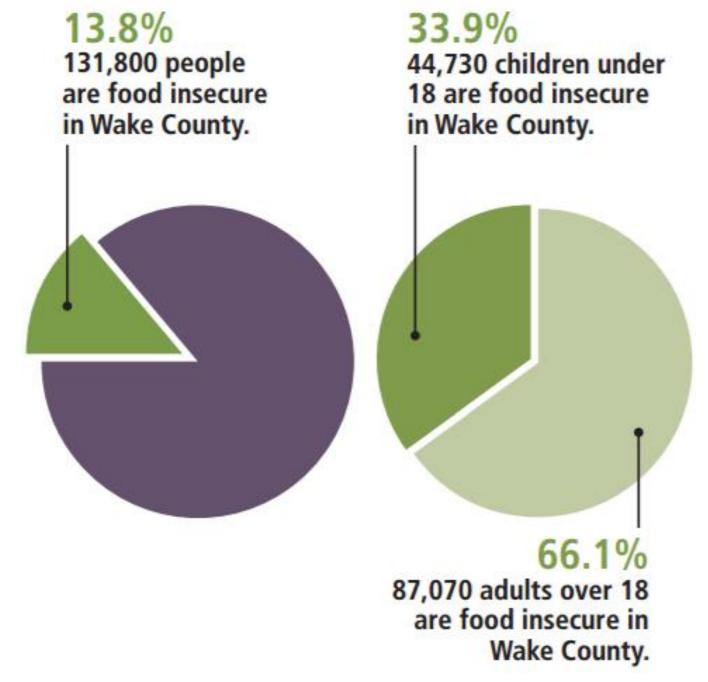


How much is edible?

How much are you paying to dispose of excess food?









# North Carolina 2012 Food Waste Generation Study

August 2012



A comprehensive report quantifying the amount of food waste generated in North Carolina by residents and commercial businesses.



# **2012 Wake County**

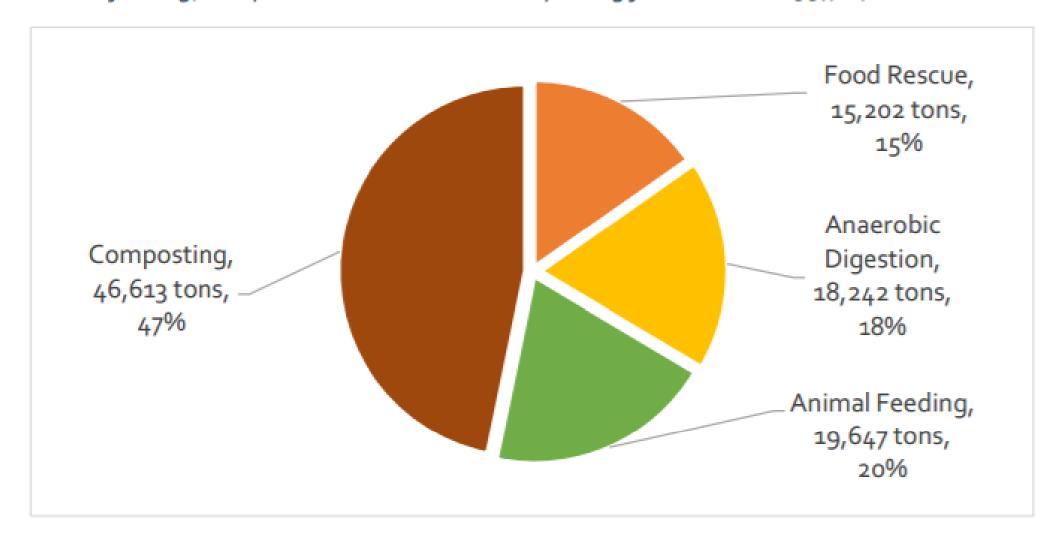
Estimated 107,100 tons of MSW food waste 952,143 (2012 population)

225 lbs food waste/Wake County resident/year

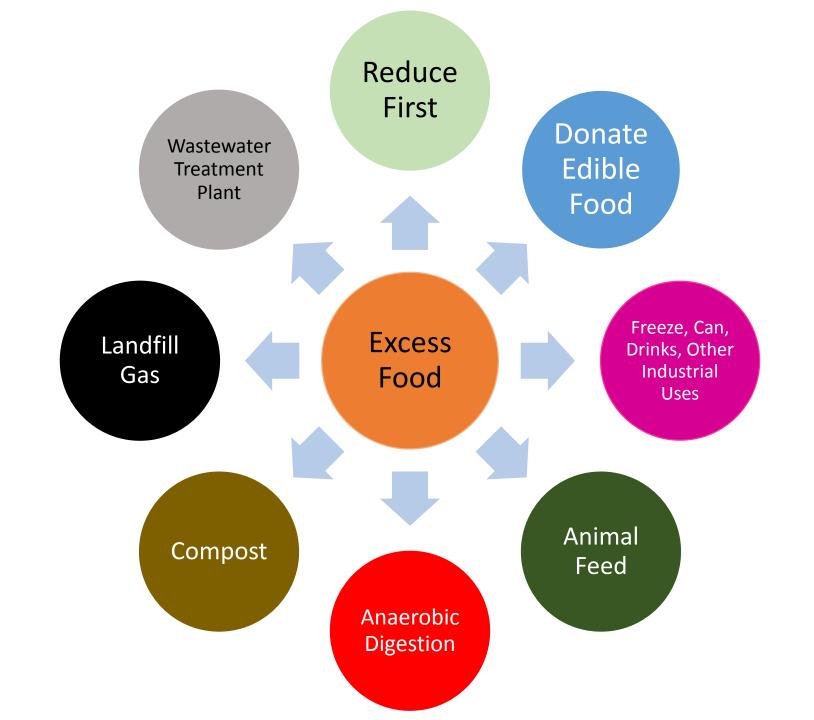
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Figure 16 – 2015 Food diverted from the landfill through food rescue/donations, anaerobic digestion, animal feeding, and permitted commercial composting facilities (total 99,704 tons diverted).

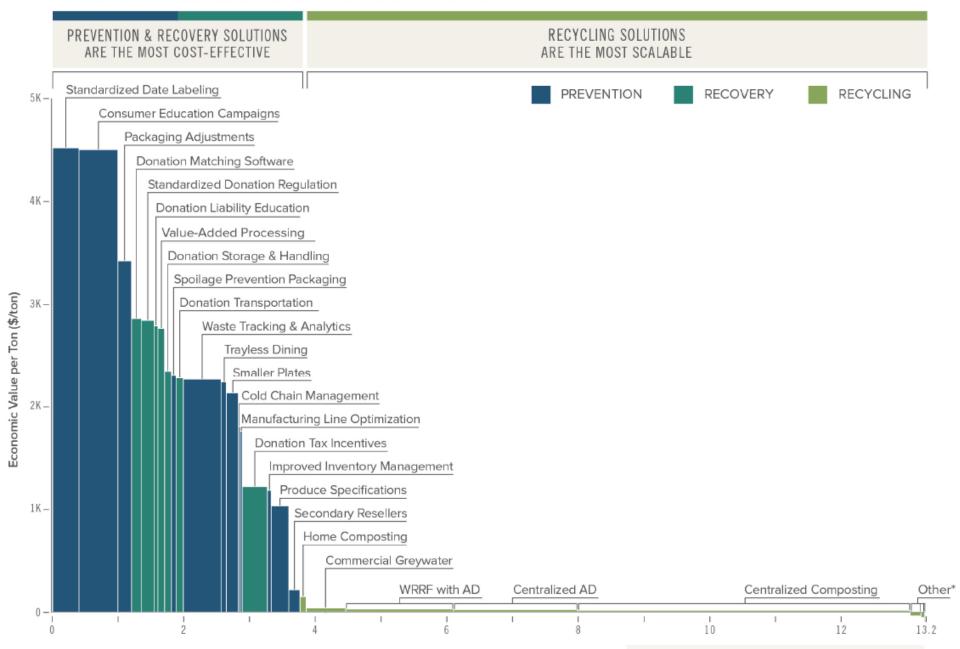








### MARGINAL FOOD WASTE ABATEMENT COST CURVE





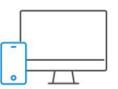






Freshspire connects people with their grocers, rerouting food that would otherwise be wasted.





2. Wait for a Match



3. Connect with Your Driver



# FOOD

USES LOCATIONBASED TECHNOLOGY
TO ROUTE FOOD
"WASTE" TO ITS
HIGHEST AND
BEST USER



"LIKE
MATCH.COM
FOR FOOD
WASTE"
- MODERN FARMER



# FOOD RESCUE US

formerly community plates





# NORTH CAROLINA FOOD RECOVERY PLAN?

