



## Paper recycling statistics for 2013

(All values in metric tonnes)

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### Paper production and consumption

	Paper Production	Paper Imports	Paper Exports	Paper Consumption
Newsprint	241 722	16 140	40 756	217 107
Printing/writing	498 571	585 510	223 049	861 032
Corrugated materials/containerboard	1 197 699	141 355	279 861	1 059 193
Other wrapping papers	15 411			15 411
Tissue	221 656	22 370	14 651	229 374
Other paper	111 995	59 254	52 251	118 998
Board	31 129			31 129
<b>Total</b>	<b>2 318 183</b>	<b>824 629</b>	<b>610 568</b>	<b>2 532 244</b>

**62,1% of recoverable paper was collected in 2013**

### Recoverable paper

Paper consumption	2 532 244
Less paper exported in agricultural products	211 671
Less paper unsuitable for recovery	438 093
<b>Recoverable paper</b>	<b>1 882 480</b>

### Recovery of recyclable paper

	Paper Recovered in South Africa	Recovered Paper Imports	Recovered Paper Exports	Consumption of Recycled Paper in SA
Newspapers	115 715	737	20 302	96 150
Magazines	53 845	538	12 194	42 189
Corrugated, solid cases, kraft papers	815 229	25 575	57 202	783 602
Office, graphic papers	81 965	8 454	515	89 904
Mixed and other papers	102 541	3 993	6 160	100 374
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 169 296</b>	<b>39 297</b>	<b>96 374</b>	<b>1 112 219</b>

### Recycling rates

**1,169,296 tonnes of paper** were collected for recycling, equivalent to **3,5 million cubic metres** of landfill space. That's enough to fill **1,403 Olympic-sized swimming pools!**

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