

Table A2. Paper and Paperboard Products Weight in Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) by Category, 2005 (Thousand Tons)

Material	Generation	Recovery	Discards
Newsprint	9,790	8,730	1,060
Groundwood Inserts	2,260	1,980	280
Books	1,120	260	860
Magazines	2,520	970	1,550
Office Papers ^a	6,580	4,120	2,460
Telephone Directories	660	120	540
Standard Mail ^b	5,830	2,090	3,740
Other Commercial Printing	7,340	760	6,580
Tissue Paper and Towels	3,430	s	3,430
Paper Plates and Cups	970	s	970
Other Non-Packaging Paper ^c	4,410	s	4,410
Corrugated Boxes	30,930	22,100	8,830
Milk Cartons	420	s	420
Folding Cartons	4,970	590	4,380
Other Paperboard Packaging	150	s	150
Bags and Sacks	1,190	250	940
Other Paper Packaging	1,370	s	1,370
Total Paper and Paperboard	83,940	41,970	41,970

^a High-grade papers such as copy paper and printer paper.

^b Formerly called Third Class Mail by the U.S. Postal Service.

^c Includes tissue in disposable diapers, paper in games and novelties, cards, etc.

s=value less than 5,000 tons.

Notes: Details may not add to totals due to rounding. Discards includes all MSW material available for combustion with energy recovery, discards to landfill, and other disposal

Source: Environmental Protection Agency, Municipal Solid Waste in the United States, 2005. <http://www.epa.gov/msw/msw99.htm>