

Energy Statistics

- Recycling an aluminum can saves 95 percent of the energy required to make the same amount of aluminum from virgin materials.
- Producing glass from virgin materials requires 30 percent more energy than producing it from crushed, used glass.
- Producing recycled paper requires about 60 percent of the energy used to make paper from virgin wood pulp.
- Producing new plastic from recycled material uses only two-thirds of the energy required to manufacture it from raw materials.
- Recycling one ton of steel saves 74 percent of the energy that would have otherwise been used.

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