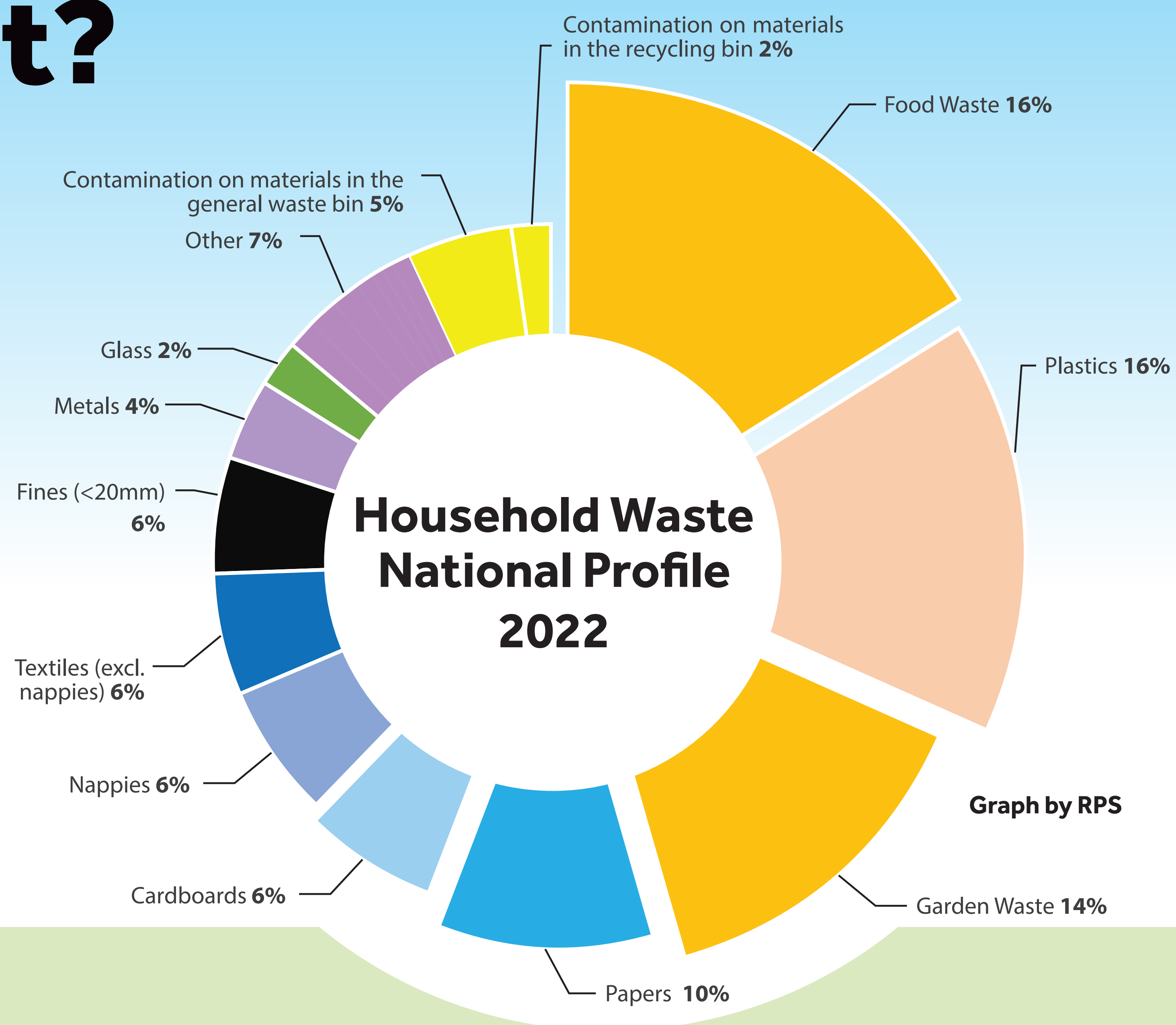


Waste Management at Home



What do we throw out?

This is the national profile for kerbside collected household waste. Overall there have been small changes in the composition of Ireland's kerbside bins since 2018 BUT improvements can be made!



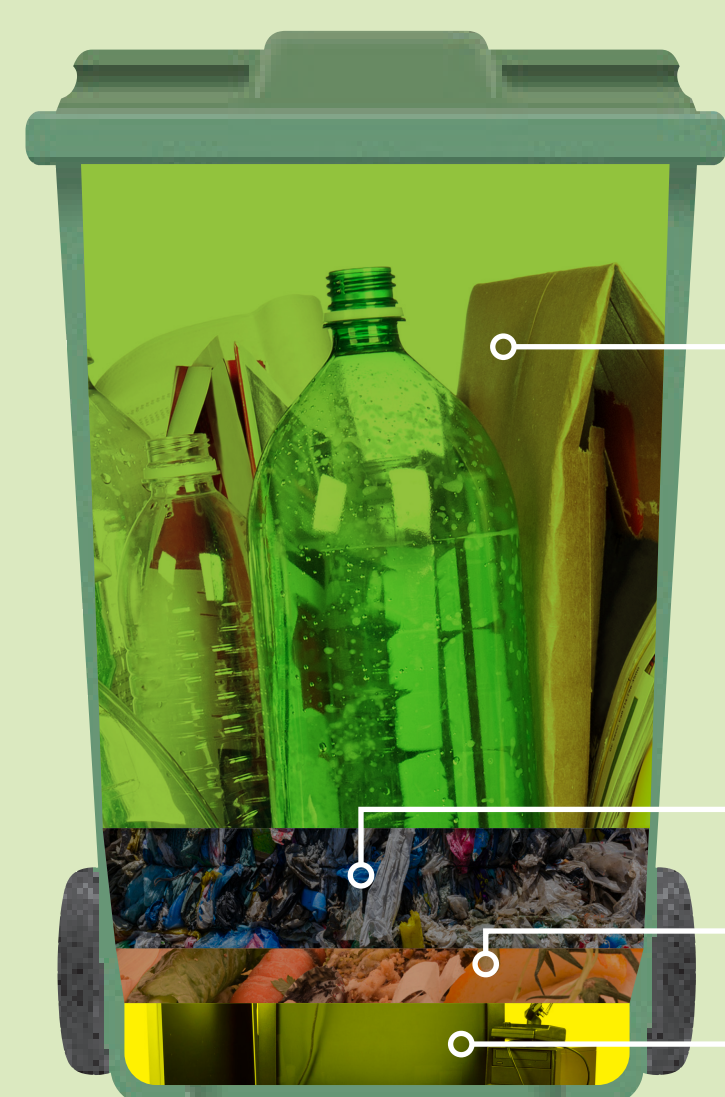
Where it's going...



General Bin

36% of the materials found were in the correct bin

- 24% could have been recycled
- 21% could go into organic bins
- 19% could go to bring centres



Recycle Bin

64% of the materials found were in the correct bin

- 15% could go into general waste bins
- 3% could go into organic bins
- 8% could go to bring centres



Organic Bin

95% of the materials found were in the correct bin

- 3% could have been recycled
- 1% could go to bring centres
- 1% could go into general waste bins

The above figures show two factors we need to improve...



1. Reduce the amount we waste



2. Put waste in the correct bin!

5 ways to improve!



IMPROVE WASTE SEGREGATION

General waste and organic waste cost more to dispose of so filling these bins with needless waste costs you in the long run.

- **Recycle** paper, card, plastic
- **Compost** food waste, scraps, garden clippings
- **Dump** soiled items, wipes, nappies



REDUCE FOOD WASTE

Food waste is costly to you and the environment as it releases harmful gases to the atmosphere.

- **Plan** your meals
- **Beware** of bargain buys
- **Don't** overload portions
- **Freeze** your leftovers



TAKE ADVANTAGE OF BRING CENTRES

Did you know you can bring cardboard, grass clippings and old clothes to Civic Amenity Sites!

- Be safe and dispose of large hazardous items properly:
- Electronics (WEEE)
 - Batteries
 - Chemicals
 - Old paint cans
 - Mattresses



AVOID SINGLE-USE PLASTIC

- Switch to reusable materials such as
- Shopping bags
 - Water bottles
 - Coffee cups
 - Food containers

When you can, buy products with minimal or recyclable packaging



REPAIR/REUSE/DONATE

Consider repairing items or finding alternative uses

Donate unwanted items.