

CALIFORNIA RECYCLING PROGRAM RATES

July 1, 2021

Table 1: RECYCLING CENTERS (RC)

Material Type	Containers Per Segregated Pound	Refund Value Per Segregated Pound
Aluminum	30.1	\$1.65
Glass	2.03	\$0.106
#1 PET (Polyethylene Terephthalate)	23.8	\$1.31
#2 HDPE (High Density Polyethylene)	7.3	\$0.58
#3 PVC (Polyvinyl Chloride)	9.7	\$0.48
#4 LDPE (Low Density Polyethylene)	41.6	\$2.08
#5 PP (Polypropylene)	11.1	\$0.56
#6 PS (Polystyrene)	106.2	\$5.31
#7 Other Plastic	3.1	\$0.31
Bi-metal	7.9	\$0.40

California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 2500(e) (2), requires Recycling Centers to post refund prices by weight, by container, and by material type.

Table 2: REVERSE VENDING MACHINES (RVM) *

Material Type	Containers Per Segregated Pound	Refund Value Per Commingled Pound	Refund Value Per Segregated Pound	CRV %
Aluminum	31.3	\$1.64	\$1.68	97.62%
Glass	1.90	\$0.102	\$0.104	98.08%
PET Plastic	28.1	\$1.49	\$1.52	98.03%
HDPE Plastic	19.3	\$0.96	\$.97	98.97%

* Due to unavailability of Reverse Vending Machines to survey, RVM rates remain the same as prior period.

Table 3: CURBSIDE PROGRAMS (CS)

Material Type	Containers Per Segregated Pound	Refund Value Per Commingled Pound	Refund Value Per Segregated Pound	CRV %
Aluminum	31.7	\$1.63	\$1.64	99.39%
Glass	1.94	\$0.042	\$0.104	40.38%
PET Plastic	15.3	\$0.59	\$0.96	61.46%
HDPE Plastic	5.1	\$0.033	\$0.46	7.17%

Table 4: DROP-OFF / COLLECTION PROGRAMS (CP)

Material Type	Containers Per Segregated Pound	Refund Value Per Commingled Pound	Refund Value Per Segregated Pound	CRV %
Aluminum	30.9	\$1.62	\$1.62	100.00%
Glass	1.91	\$0.042	\$0.103	40.78%
PET Plastic	16.6	\$0.72	\$1.00	72.00%
HDPE Plastic	5.3	\$0.041	\$0.48	8.54%

Table 5: COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS (SP)

Material Type	Containers Per Segregated Pound	Refund Value Per Commingled Pound	Refund Value Per Segregated Pound	CRV %
Aluminum	30.9	\$1.62	\$1.62	100.00%
Glass	1.91	\$0.042	\$0.103	40.78%
PET Plastic	16.6	\$0.72	\$1.00	72.00%
HDPE Plastic	5.3	\$0.041	\$0.48	8.54%

Note: The containers that produce the Containers per Segregated Pound (CPP) vary in size, volume, and weight. The refund value is \$0.05 for some containers (<24 oz.) and \$0.10 for others (>24 oz.). Therefore, you cannot simply multiply the CPP average by either refund value to get the Refund Value per Segregated Pound rates.