



Nestlé UK

All Nestlé UK food producing sites and distribution centres

Food waste inventory – January 1st 2018 – December 31st 2018



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About Nestlé

In 2015, Nestlé achieved zero waste for disposal across our operations in the UK and Ireland. As part of a continuous improvement programme and our sustainability commitments, Nestlé has continued to strive to reduce the impact of our physical wastes.

As one of the UK and Ireland’s leading food manufacturers our businesses span a diverse range of products, from healthcare nutrition through to bottled water, from catering products through to confectionery.

Nestlé’s purpose is enhancing quality of life and contributing to a healthier future. We want to help shape a better, healthier, and more sustainable world. We also want to inspire people to live healthier lives. This is how we contribute to society while ensuring the long-term success of our company.



As part of this approach, we are striving for zero environmental impact across our operations.

In 2016 we made a commitment to reduce food waste in our own operations by 50% by 2030.



What we are doing to tackle food waste

Nestlé recognises that a consistent approach to measurement and reporting of food waste enhances our ability to identify and implement further opportunities and collaborate to deliver the pace and scale of change required.

The effective management of food waste is one of our key priorities, whether it be within our own operations, across our supply base or in the home. Initially, we have primarily focused on reducing food waste within our operations.

Although we endeavour to ensure our processes are as efficient as possible and have continued to drive waste out of our business, there are occasions where we have product which doesn't end being sold and eaten as intended. Some of the main reasons for this are product that is removed from the machines when they are cleaned, unexpected changes in product demand or process and equipment issues leading to products which don't meet our usual high standards.

We have been working to reduce our food waste for a number of years and already send zero waste to landfill, but we know there is still more we can do to reduce our food waste even further. To improve food waste measurement and ensure we can have the biggest possible impact when it comes to cutting down our food waste, we have taken a number of actions:

- **Put better systems in place:** We are always looking at ways to improve the way we manufacture our products, working with our employees on the factory floor to identify and implement actions to reduce waste from this process. We have also modified our reporting systems to provide the required level of detail and insight to help identify the causes of waste so that we can resolve them. We co-developed and implemented a food waste audit programme, Waste Not, Want Not, across our operations to identify further opportunities to reduce waste at source, ensure we are disposing of waste in the most environmentally friendly way possible, and increase redistribution opportunities.
- **Identified new ways of re-using product** which could otherwise have ended up as waste.
- **Increased the amount of food we redistribute:** We reviewed how we work with our redistribution partners such as FareShare, Company Shop, Community Shop and Food Cloud to identify how we can increase donations of surplus food which does not meet requirements for sale, but is still perfectly good to eat. Although Nestlé has been redistributing finished surplus product for a number of years, we have been able to identify new ways that we can make part-processed products ready to redistribute.

This has led to a further reduction in food waste of over 8% across UK operations in the last two years.

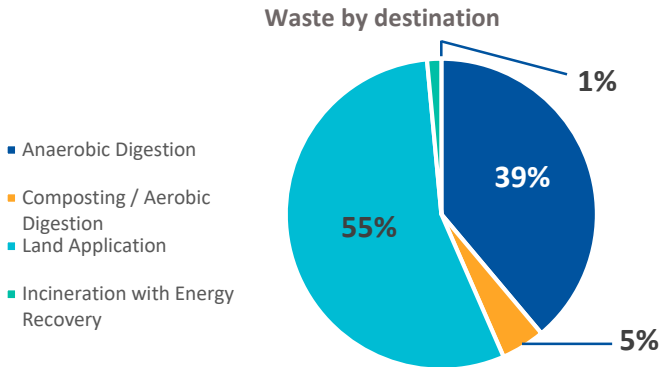
Total food produced
789,098
tonnes

Waste as a % of production

1.3%

Overall food waste

10,082 tonnes



Food waste data commentary

- This summary covers food and beverage waste generated across all our food production sites and distribution centres in the UK for 2018.
- It currently excludes any food waste going to drain when washing down our production lines, and subsequently treated by the local water company. We are currently working on a process to measure this.
- In 2018, total food production was 789,098 tonnes. Total food waste was 10,082 tonnes, equal to 1.3% of production. This was an increase on 2017, when total food waste was equal to 0.8% of production. The increase was due to the installation and testing of a new project at one of our sites, which generated waste above usual levels.
- Since our baseline year of 2016, we have achieved a cumulative reduction in food waste of 8.2%.
- The majority of our waste was sent for land application or Anaerobic Digestion (AD). None of our food waste went to landfill.