KP Snacks
UK Wide - Head Office, Slough

Food waste inventory – 31st December 2017 – 29th December 2018
About KP Snacks

KP Snacks is the UK’s number one manufacturer of nuts and popcorn, and number two manufacturer of bagged snacks. We have been making some of Britain’s best-loved snacks for nearly 70 years. Our iconic snack brands include McCoy’s, Hula Hoops, Tyrrells, Butterkist, KP Nuts, Pom-Bear and popchips. We also produce many fantastic products for the UK’s retailers.

We employ over 2,000 people at our seven manufacturing sites across the UK and our Head Office in Slough, Berkshire.

KP is part of the Intersnack Group, which with nearly 50 years’ combined experience in savoury snacks is now Europe’s No. 2 snack producer.

At KP we constantly strive to do good for our consumers, the environment, our people and our local communities – we call this ‘Our Taste for Good’.

From the ingredients we use to our colleague development, the local causes we support, to the amount of energy we use, ‘Our Taste for Good’ means our business is working to create more happy snacking moments each day.

We have always monitored and challenged waste levels within our business. We are proud in our operations that none of our food goes to waste.

We are a business that produces 0% food waste.
What we are doing to tackle food waste

KP has developed close working partnerships with our suppliers both in the UK and abroad. Through these partnerships we are working to improve the fundamentals of our raw materials, both with farmers and with regards to storage, to ensure we maximise quality and minimise waste.

All KP sites have been zero waste to landfill since 2012. All our waste oil is sent for conversion to biodiesel and used in the fleet that delivers our products. In 2018 the recycling of waste oil from our sites meant a saving of 687,935KGs of carbon, which is equivalent to over 150,000 cars off the road.

Food waste is tracked and monitored at each of our production sites. Everything is used wherever it can be, including the use of waste salt for farmers to provide essential nutrients to cattle through a ‘salt lick’ block placed in pastures or road grit. We support farmers in our local communities by providing potato peelings for animal feed.

KP have undertaken a number of projects to review and improve the shelf life of our products. This has resulted in longer life for a number of our products within the supply chain and reduced levels of waste due to aged stock.

In addition to our commitment to reduce all food waste in our manufacturing sites by 50% by 2030, we also aim to reduce our total waste levels by more than 5% per year. In 2018 we achieved a 13% reduction.
Total food produced
88,501 tonnes

Waste as a % of production
0%

Overall food waste
0 tonnes

Surplus food sent to animal feed
4,025 tonnes

Food waste data commentary

• This data for food waste covers five sites in the UK, it excludes the Tyrrells and Popchips business acquired in mid-2018.

• Our total food production for 2018 was 88,501 tonnes. We calculated our food waste as 0 tonnes which equates to 0% of food produced.

• We did produce 4,025 tonnes of surplus food which was sent to animal feed.

• The majority of our animal feed designated surplus food (84%) is created at the production stage with a small proportion (16%) being generated as finished goods.

• The majority of the production generating animal feed surplus food is due to losses, end of run cleans and out of specification material.

• The majority of the finished goods losses are due to aged stock within the supply chain.

• 100% of our food surplus goes to animal feed where its high calorific content adds value back into the food chain, or is re-processed for other uses.