

35 Years of Creating Change

North-East Recycling Forum

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Which country was responsible for over half of global carbon dioxide emissions for over 100 years?

- A Russia**
- B China**
- C USA**
- D UK**

According to the ONS which of these 4 overall sectors caused the highest GHG emissions in the UK in 2021?

A Transport

B Manufacturing

C Energy generation

D Consumer purchased goods

45% of global GHG emissions are linked to the food, clothes and goods we produce and consume



PEOPLE ARE MORE WORRIED ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE

The Peoples' Climate Vote 2024 asked if people want bolder climate action from their country.



DEFRA: 5 priorities

1. **Clean up rivers, lakes and seas**
2. **Create a roadmap to move Britain to a zero-waste economy**
3. **Boost food security**
4. **Ensure nature's recovery**
5. **Protect communities from the dangers of flooding.**



Food waste

Households	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Collections from all properties (including flats)○ Food waste must be collected at least weekly○ By 31st March 2026○ Transitional arrangements will apply for LAs with long-term disposal contracts○ Exemption for co-collection with garden waste without need for written assessment: applies to hh and NHM
NHM	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ By 31st March 2025 (micro firms by 31st March 2027*)○ No requirement if premises do not produce food waste
Material included	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ All food intended for human or household pet consumption

*producers of NHM waste with fewer than 10 FTEs (measured per enterprise, not per unit)

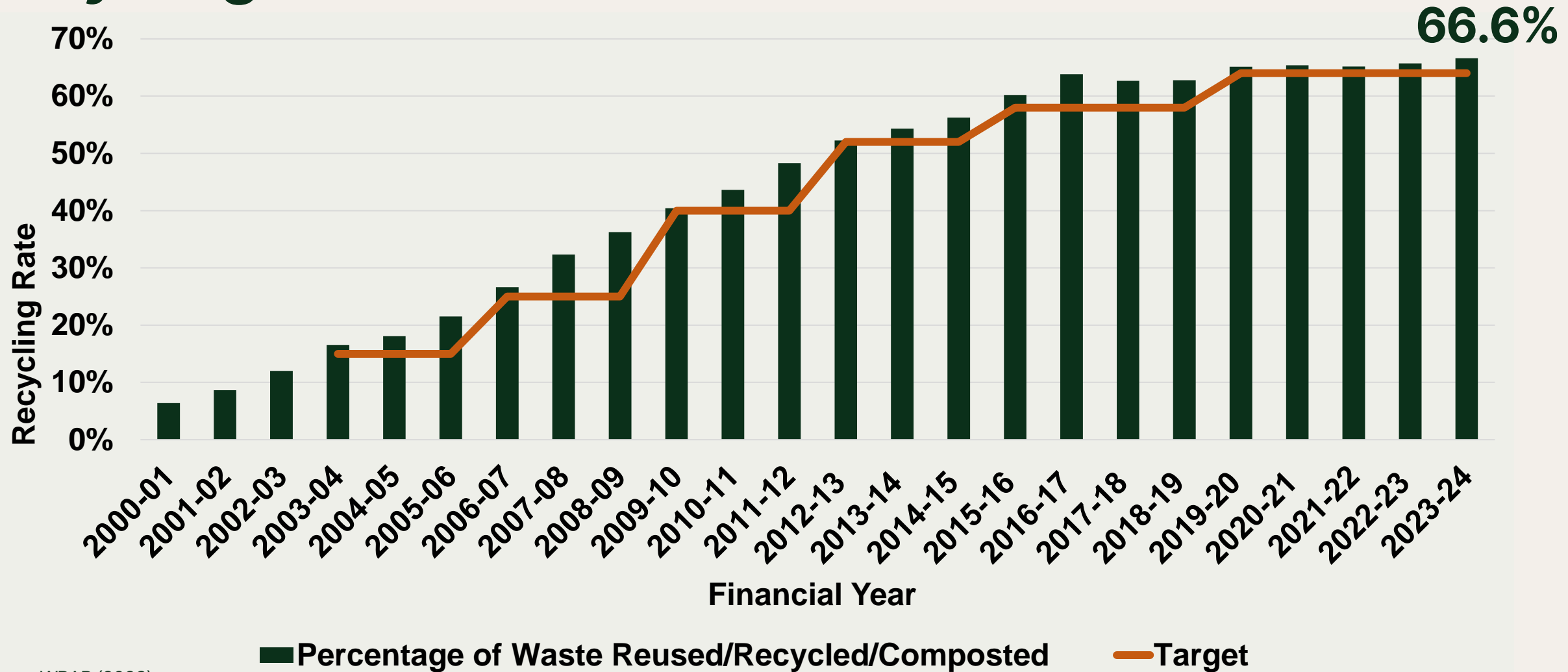
Dry recyclable material in scope

Require collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Glass: bottles and jars○ Metals: tins and cans, aerosols, foil, food trays○ Plastics: bottles (PET, PP, HDPE), PTT, cartons, plastic film○ Paper and card○ Exemption for co-collection of DMR without need for written assessment: applies to hh and NHM
Households	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ By 31st March 2026
NHM	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ By 31st March 2025 (micro firms by 31st March 2027)
Plastic film	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ By 31st March 2027 (for households and NHM)

Garden waste

Households	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ LAs required to collect where service requested by 31st March 2026○ Reasonable collection charge can continue to be levied (Controlled Waste Regulations 2012)○ Garden waste materials outlined○ Defra will <i>“continue to monitor garden waste recycling rates and gather further evidence on the additional options.....and how they can be used to minimise the amount of garden waste which ends up in the residual waste stream”</i>
NHM	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No requirement to collect: not listed as recyclable waste stream in Section 57 Environment Act 2021

Recycling in Wales – from 5% to over 65%



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Upcoming Policies

- Plastics & Packaging Extended Producer Responsibilities
- Deposit Return Scheme
- Textiles Extended Producer Responsibilities
- Ultimate Producer Responsibilities



What is happening to pre-loved clothing and textiles?



60% of reusable
clothes get exported out
of the UK



336,000
tonnes go to UK landfill or are
incinerated per year

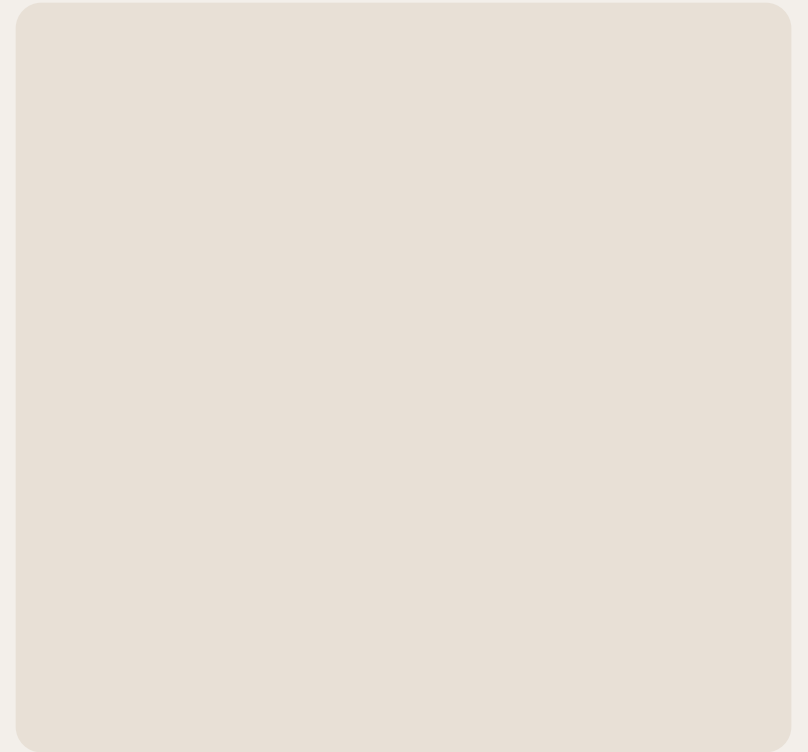


**Second hand clothes at
Gikomba Market, Nairobi,
Kenya**



Policies for the Circular Economy

- Ambitious target to halve resource consumption
- Design for life
- Ban planned obsolescence
- Right to repair



We're all in the business of recycling

Our 5-step guide can help you to:

1. Understand why your business needs to recycle
2. Plan your recycling needs
3. Calculate the collection cost of your waste
4. Set up recycling for your business
5. Monitor your recycling service

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HOUSEHOLD FOOD WASTE COLLECTIONS

Communications Guidance and Templates
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HOUSEHOLD FOOD WASTE COLLECTIONS: GUIDANCE AND CAMPAIGN PLANNING TEMPLATES

This guidance provides local authorities with a step-by-step approach to developing and implementing a communication campaign to support the introduction of a separate food waste collection service.

[Find out more](#)



Make the most of your food waste recycling service

Your food waste is recycled into energy to power our homes.

Check what you can and can't recycle at [insert website address]

[Location] recycles

[Insert WRAP logo]
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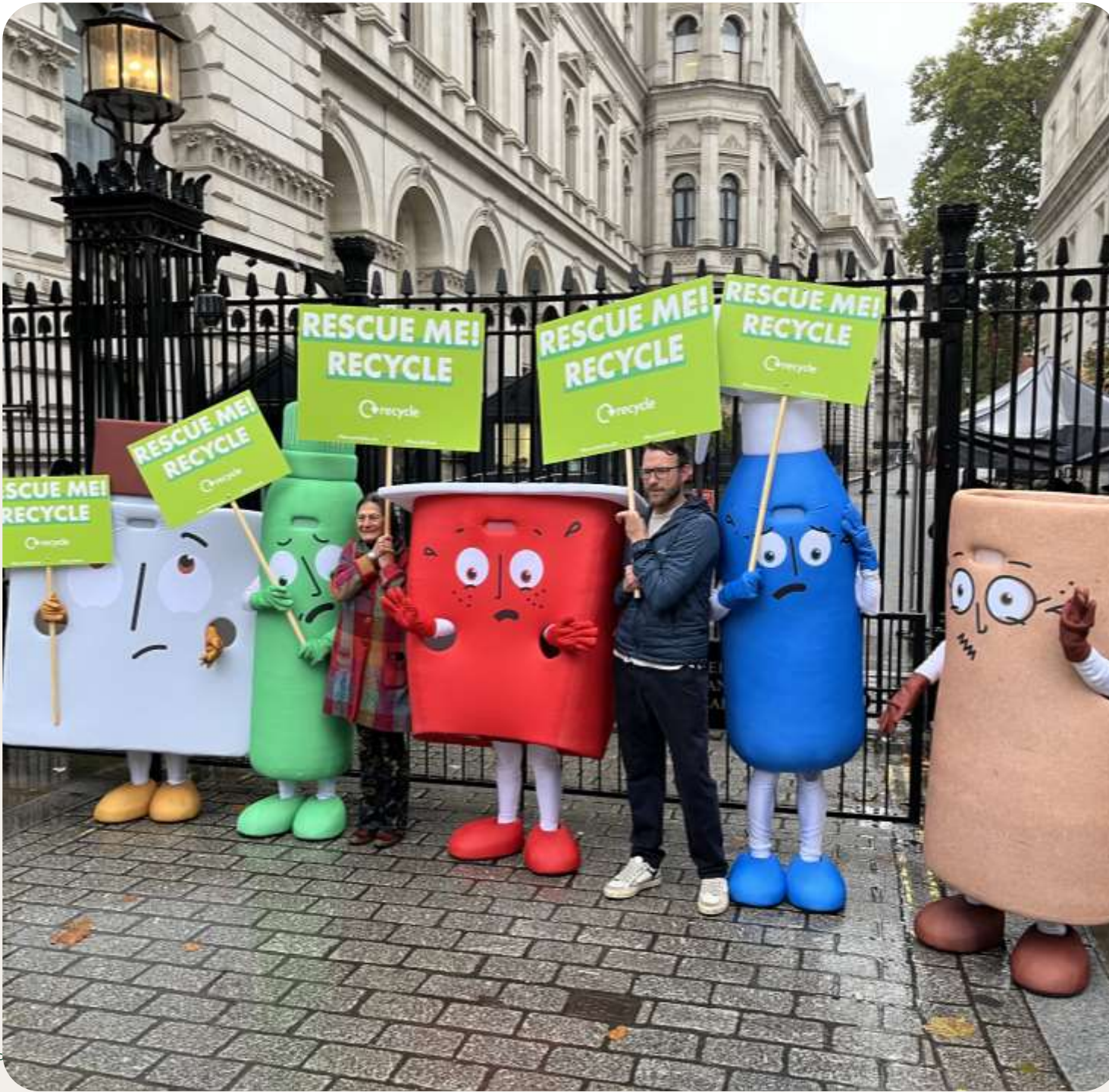
HOUSEHOLD FOOD WASTE COLLECTIONS: ADDITIONAL ASSETS

These assets have been developed to help you raise the profile of your new food waste collection service via web and social media banners, vehicle livery and posters.

[Find out more](#)

HOUSEHOLD FOOD WASTE COLLECTIONS: COMMUNICATIONS GUIDANCE AND TEMPLATES

[Household Food Waste Collections: Communications guidance and templates | WRAP](#)



**Rescue Me!
Downing Street
14 Oct 2024**

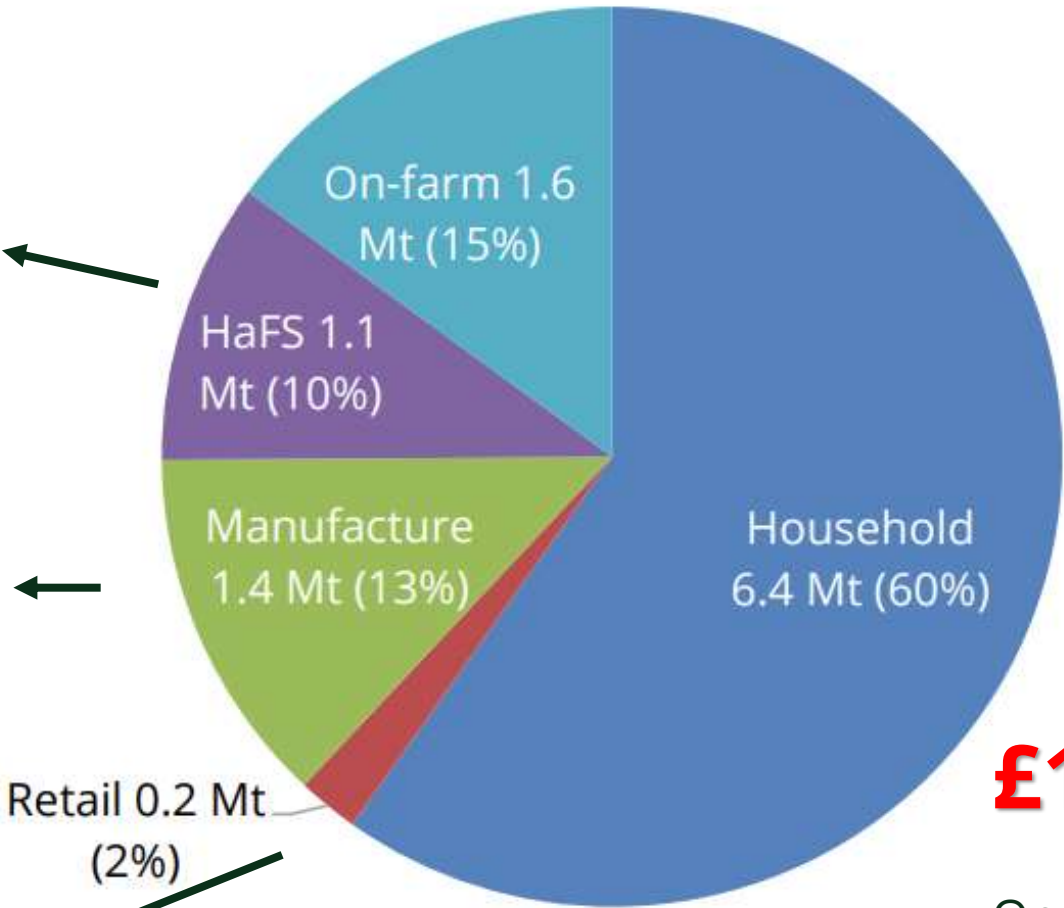
**Food Waste
Action Week =
19/3/25**

UK Food waste: 10.7 million tonnes

£3.2bn in edible food

£0.85bn in edible food

£0.74bn in edible food

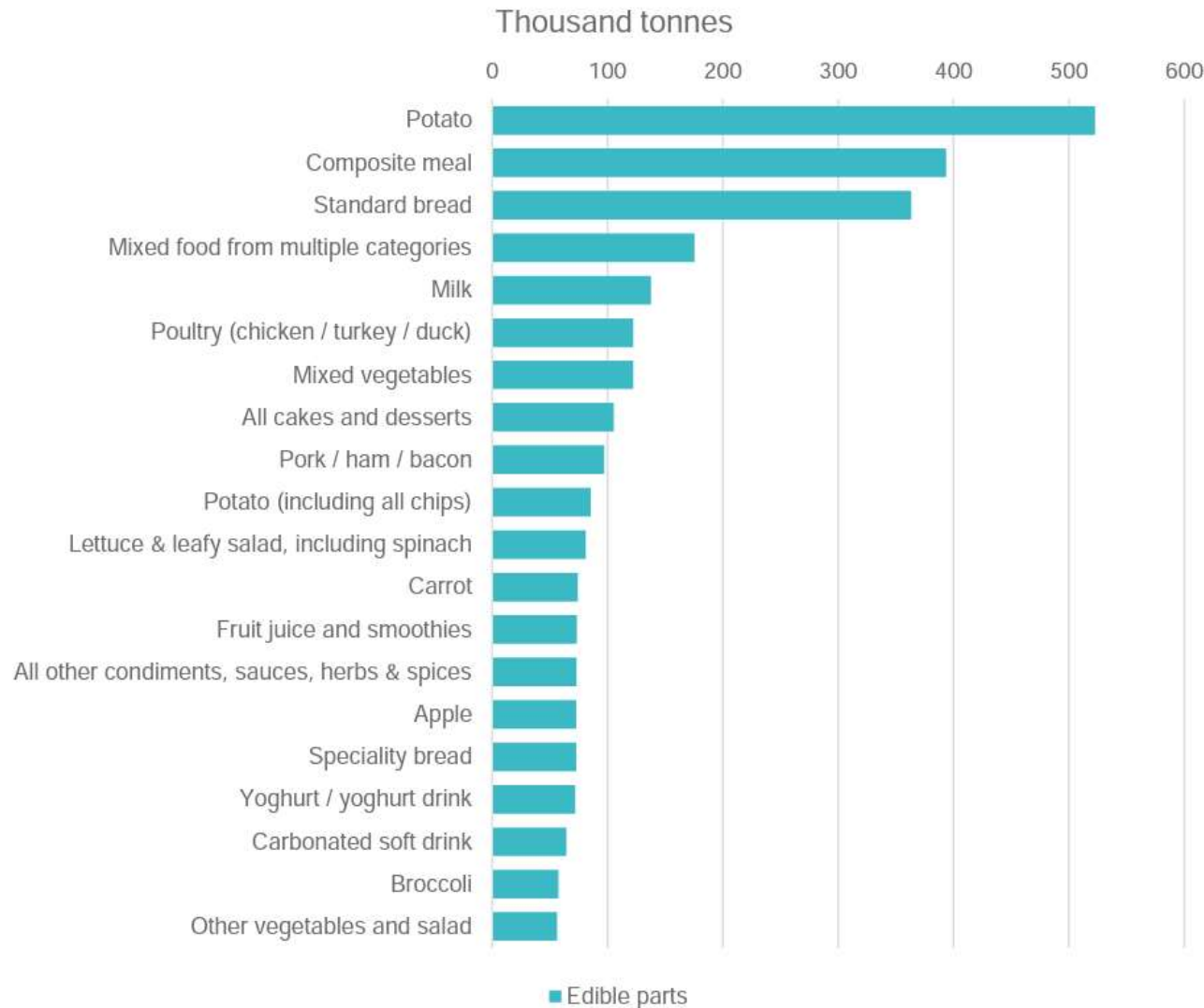


£17bn in edible food

Or

£1,000 for a household of 4

Top 20 Foods – Most Wasted in home



In UK homes we throw away approximately:

2.9 **million** whole potatoes

1.0 million whole bananas

1.4 **million** whole tomatoes

2.1 **million** whole carrots

1.1 million pints of milk

2.1 **million** slices of ham

25 **million** slices of bread

**....Every
day**

Unpacking the opportunity



- Selling fresh produce loose and removing date labels could prevent 1,100 rubbish trucks of avoidable plastic every year;
- And prevent 14 million shopping baskets worth of food going to waste.

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WHAT
YOU
WANT
TO USE

LJ Betts