**Municipal Waste**

In 2023/24, the largest proportion of municipal waste in Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough was reused, dry recycled or composted, a total of 61,671 tonnes (54.9%). This represented an increase of 6,229 tonnes since 2022/23. Energy recovery accounted for 37.4% of municipal waste in 2023/24 in the borough which was a slight increase from 2022/23.

A total of 5,209 tonnes were landfilled in 2023/24 which produced a landfill rate of 4.6%, which represents a 2.4 percentage points decrease on the previous year. Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon borough has the third lowest landfill rate of the eleven LGD’s and is well below the Northern Ireland average of 18.4%.

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|   | Reuse, dry recycling and composting (Tonnes) | Energy recovery (Tonnes) | Landfilled (Tonnes) | Unclassified (Tonnes) | Total (Tonnes) |
| 2014/15 | 49,091 | 32,877 | 18,945 | 263 | 101,176 |
| 2015/16 | 50,101 | 33,366 | 19,158 | 332 | 102,957 |
| 2016/17 | 51,098 | 31,699 | 21,365 | 181 | 104,342 |
| 2017/18 | 54,183 | 30,907 | 18,582 | 2,107 | 105,778 |
| 2018/19 | 55,737 | 29,828 | 16,678 | 3,585 | 105,828 |
| 2019/20 | 58,268 | 31,191 | 11,805 | 5,478 | 106,742 |
| 2020/21 | 61,181 | 38,716 | 7,831 | 5,983 | 113,712 |
| 2021/22 | 61,398 | 36,573 | 12,784 | 4,573 | 115,327 |
| 2022/23 | 55,442 | 37,568 | 7,228 | 3,141 | 103,379 |
| 2023/24 | 61,671 | 42,053 | 5,209 | 3,402 | 112,335 |

*Table 1: Municipal waste sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling, composting, energy recovery and landfill in Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough 2014/15 to 2023/24. Source: Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs.*

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The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs also publish provisional quarterly figures during the financial year which will then be superseded by finalised data being published around November of each year.

Further information on municipal waste and details of the quarterly provisional results can be found via the following link:

<https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/topics/waste/local-authority-collected-municipal-waste-data-reporting>