

Milk Jug Recycling by the Numbers

of California consumers say recyclability is important.

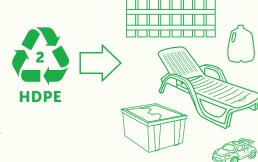
Nearly half of California consumers find the milk jug difficult to recycle.

of California consumers who reported that they find the milk jug difficult to recycle said they don't trust it will actually be recycled.

*Via a 2021 perceptions study conducted by a dairy industry coalition

Recyclers love milk jugs, and they're easy to recycle!

- Milk jugs are made out of high-density polyethylene
 (HDPE) plastic one of the most widely accepted and desired plastics in recycling programs across the United States, including California.
- The plastic used in milk jugs can be collected, processed, and manufactured into **new products and packaging** after their initial use — like milk jugs!





Pour it. Cap it. Bin it.



Pour it

Make sure the jug is empty (rinsing is helpful, but not necessary).

Cap it

California recyclers ask that you put the caps back on the milk jug.

Too big to fit?Pour it. **Crush it.** Cap it. Bin it.

Bin it

Drop jugs into your curbside recycling bin. If you don't have curbside recycling, search Earth911's recycling database to find the HDPE (#2) plastics recycling location nearest you at Earth911.com.

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