

# FRANCE



👤 TOTAL POPULATION (MILLION): 67.03

🏙️ % CITIES: 47.6%

🏘️ % TOWNS AND SUBURBS: 19.3%

👨‍👩‍👧‍👦 % RURAL: 33.1%

📄 RECEIVED EARLY WARNING REPORT: NO

🗑️ FOOD WASTE

POTENTIAL GENERATION (KG/CAPITA): 122.3

POTENTIAL GENERATION (T): 8,199,668

POTENTIAL MAXIMUM CAPTURE WITH OPTIMISED COLLECTION SCHEMES (T): 6,969,718

CURRENT CAPTURE (T): 1,720,000

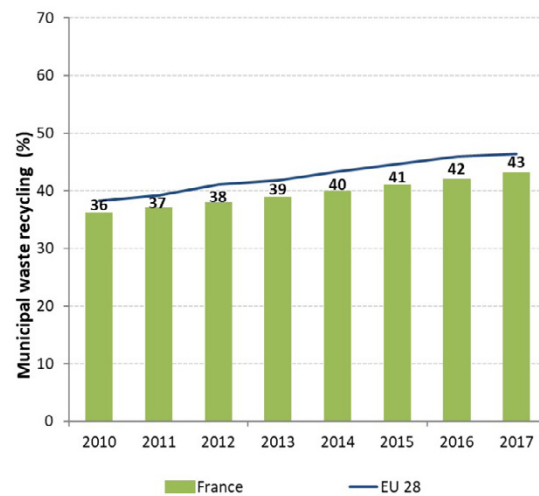
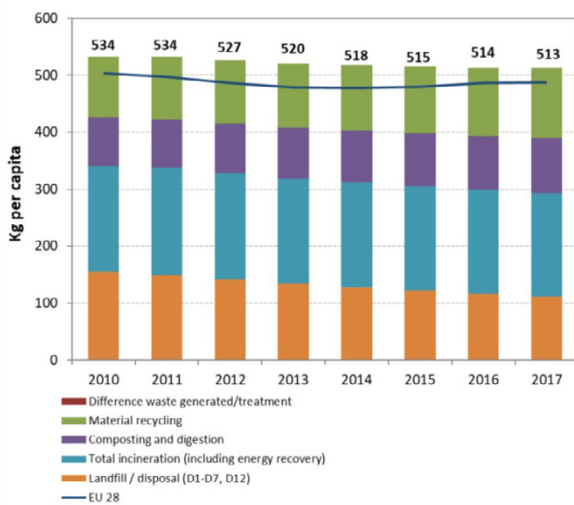
CURRENT CAPTURE (% ON POTENTIAL GENERATION): 21%

AMOUNT STILL TO BE CAPTURED (T): 5,249,718

🌿 BIO-WASTE

CURRENT CAPTURE (% ON POTENTIAL GENERATION): 54%

[LINK TO NATIONAL WASTE DATA](#)



Source: EC Environmental legislation implementation assessment, national reports 2019

## COLLECTION:

Separate collection of bio-waste is not common in France, implemented in just 125 municipalities, representing 5.7% of the French population, as of 2016, according to The National Environmental Agency ADEME. Réseau Compost Plus, mentioned above, estimated in 2018 that only 9% of the population was covered by this kind of collection, compared to 99% for dry recyclables.

## PLANS AND PROPOSALS:

Since 2016, an obligation to separately collect bio-waste has applied to large producers generating more than 10 tonnes/year (i.e. more than 30 kg/day, so the entire Horeca sector is covered). The Energy Transition Law of 2015 states that from 2025 all producers, including households, shall implement such collection.



Kitchen caddy delivered in Paris.  
Photo Sophie Robichon / Ville de Paris

## RECENT UPDATE - CASE STUDY

In Paris, since 2017 separate collection of food waste with the 'Italian scheme' based on vented kitchen caddies and compostable bags is in place in 2 districts (2nd and 12th arrondissement, 130,000 people). The capture rate is still quite low, at 15 kg per capita per year, but the quality is good as it is still somewhat voluntary, and visual inspections are performed. In October 2019 the scheme was expanded to another 185,000 people in the 19th arrondissement bringing the total to 315,000 people.

Source: [paris.fr](http://paris.fr)