

Factsheet

# Waste Wise Cities Tool

## in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo



- Step 1: Preparation
- Step 2: Household MSW Generation and Composition
- Step 3: Non-Household MSW Generation
- Step 4: MSW Received by Recovery Facilities and Control Level of Recovery Facilities
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- Step 7: Calculating Food Waste, Recycling, Plastic Leakage, Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Air Pollution

In the rapidly urbanizing world, the crisis in waste management and plastic pollution is a reflection of current unsustainable lifestyles.

The availability of fact-based data on municipal solid waste can guide evidence-based planning and lead to increasingly effective and efficient solid waste collection systems, enhanced local resource recovery and controlled waste disposal, thereby improving the quality of life for urban residents.

UN-Habitat's Waste Wise Cities Tool (WaCT) assesses the parameters for Sustainable Development Goal indicator 11.6.1 - the proportion of municipal solid waste collected and managed in controlled facilities out of total municipal solid waste generated, by the city. It consists of seven steps and provides the necessary data to support evidence-based decision making by city managers.

**Together we can achieve a sustainable future.**

Have a look at the Waste Wise Cities website, learn about the WaCT and how its application created impact on the ground in other cities.



City **Kinshasa**  
Country **Democratic Republic of the Congo**

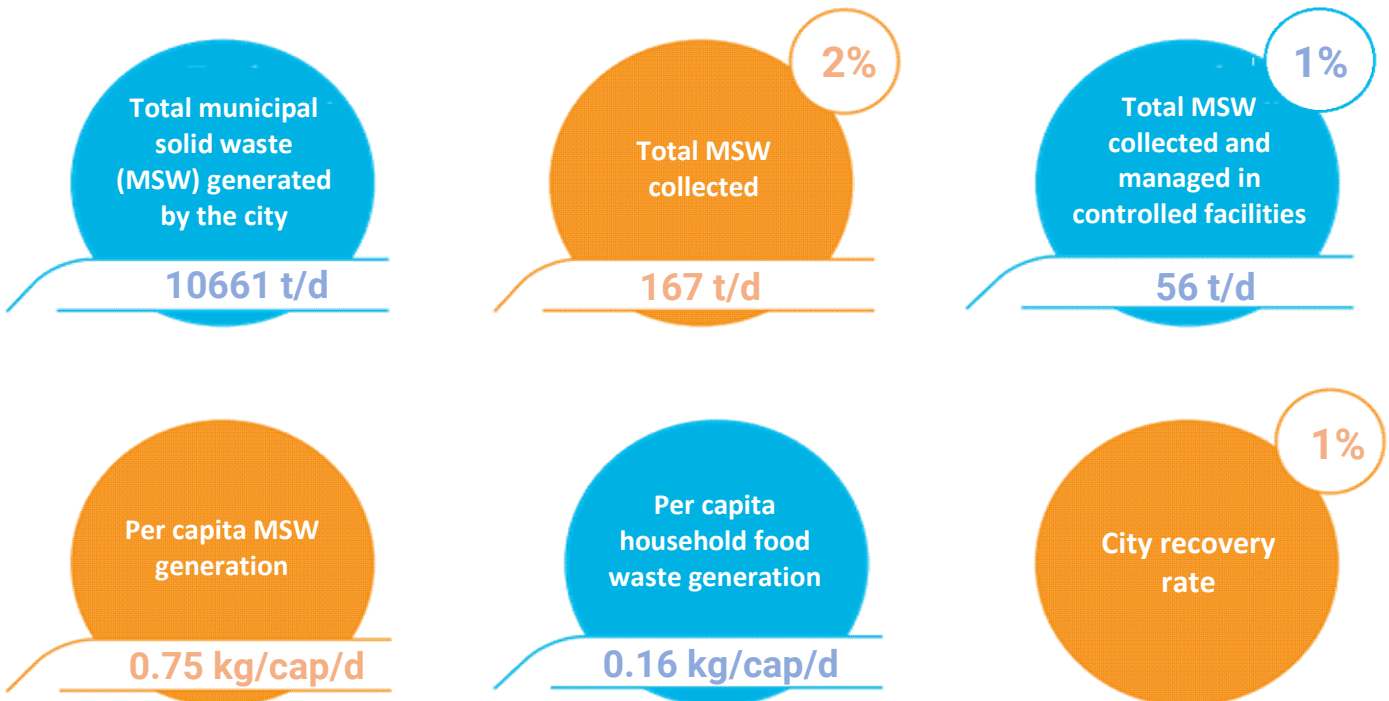


Population **14,292,610 (2022)**



Year of WaCT survey **2023**

## Key Waste Data



## Household and non-household waste generation



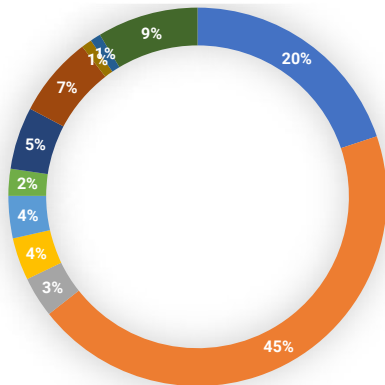
	Average household waste generation (kg/capita/day)	Total population	Total MSW generated by households (t/day)
Higher income	1.11	2,136,383	2,377
Middle income	0.38	6,861,618	2,582
Lower income	0.47	5,294,609	2,504
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.52</b>	<b>14,292,610</b>	<b>7,463</b>



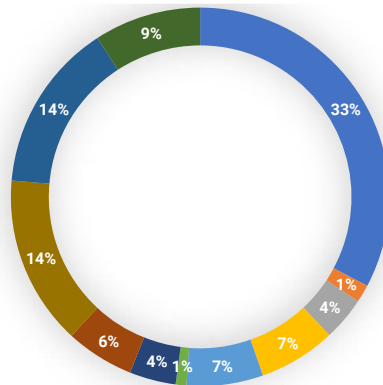
Total MSW generated from non-household sources (t/day) 3,198  
calculated using proxy of 30% of total MSW

## Composition of waste at the households and at the disposal site

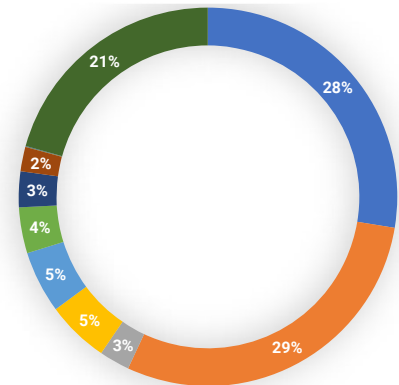
Household waste composition  
higher income areas



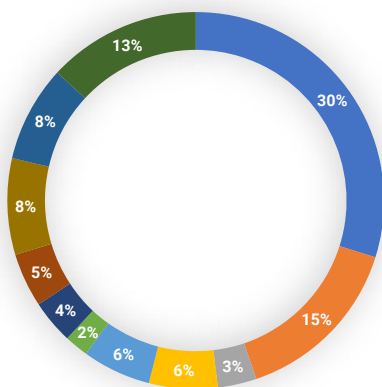
Household waste composition  
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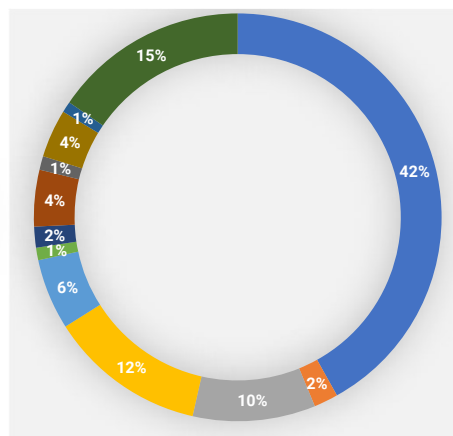
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lower income areas



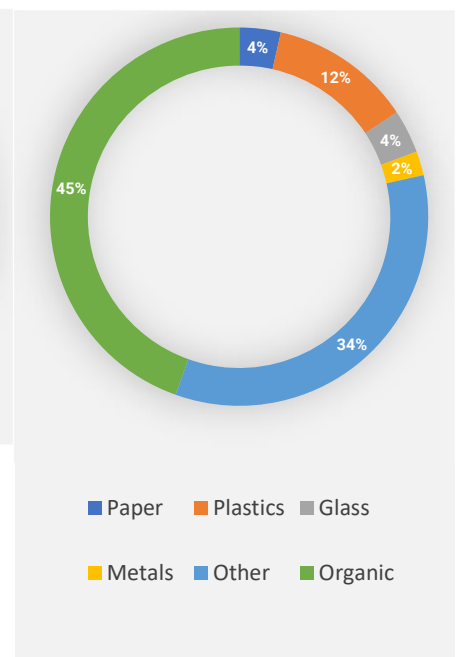
Average household waste  
composition



Waste composition at disposal site



Overall MSW composition  
Using WaCT -> WFD calculation



- Kitchen/canteen
- Plastic film
- Glass
- Special wastes

- Garden/park
- Plastics dense
- Textiles/shoes
- Composite products

- Paper/cardboard
- Metals
- Wood (processed)
- Other

- Paper
- Plastics
- Glass
- Metals
- Other
- Organic

