

NATIONAL WASTE DATA REPORT

This report is a summary of the data available on waste in New Zealand. It is the first report of this kind to have been published, and is written for organisations and individuals who have an interest in waste management in New Zealand.

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FOREWORD

This report represents a major step forward in our understanding of waste generation and disposal in New Zealand. Historically policy makers have been severely constrained by the lack of good information.

The purpose of the first National Waste Data Report is to gather and summarise all reliable data available on waste in New Zealand. The report is written for organisations and individuals who have an interest in waste management in New Zealand, including the Ministry for the Environment, regional councils, district/city councils, industry, waste contractors, the public and environmental groups. This is the first attempt to present comprehensive and quantitative waste data, in particular regarding solid waste.

The report provides an overview of available data and highlights those areas where robust data is available or lacking. The report will be used for a number of purposes, such as:

- to review the effectiveness and focus of current policies;
- to provide a basis for the development of environmental indicators as part of the *National Environmental Indicators Programme*;
- to identify information gaps and accuracy problems; and
- to provide a benchmark upon which to measure progress nationally and regionally.

This report represents a first snapshot. It should be acknowledged that this picture is still blurred in places (e.g. hazardous waste). Nevertheless, we are committed to repeating the national report every five years so that trends can emerge.

In the meantime, we have requested the Ministry for the Environment to provide advice over the next few months on the implication this new information has for the Government's current waste policies.

There is much more information to be derived from this report. We look forward to using this report and subsequent reports to ensure that our policy decisions and those of waste managers are soundly based.

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Executive Summary

The first *National Waste Data Report* is written for organisations and individuals who have an interest in waste management. It presents data on the generation and management of waste in New Zealand. The data is presented in relation to the form or media in which waste is generated; that is, solid, liquid, gaseous and hazardous waste.

Solid waste includes all waste that is generated in a solid form or converted to a solid form for disposal. The solid waste chapter provides data on landfilled waste, and limited data on cleanfilled waste, litter, waste disposed at sea, recycling, and reduction. The data highlights that:

- in 1995, approximately 3,180,000 tonnes of waste was landfilled in New Zealand of which approximately 1,420,000 tonnes is residential waste and approximately 1,760,000 tonnes is industrial waste;
- organic waste is the largest proportion of waste going to landfills and the largest proportion in residential rubbish bags and bins;
- paper and construction and demolition waste represent the next largest categories, although the construction and demolition waste disposed of into cleanfills is probably much greater than that disposed to landfills;
- potentially hazardous waste represents 8% of landfilled waste;
- packaging is estimated to be between 10-14% of the waste going to landfills;
- an estimated average of 401 kg of residential waste is generated per capita in 1995, which is 20% less than the average of OECD countries;
- the total quantity of litter has declined from 1986 to 1994;
- it is estimated that more than 80% of the New Zealand population has access to one or more recycling schemes for paper, aluminium or glass.

Liquid waste includes all waste that is generated or converted to a liquid form for disposal. The liquid waste chapter provides data on wastewater and public water treatment plants drawn from the National Wastewater Treatment Plant Database, and limited data on point source and non-point source liquid waste. The main data include:

- the estimated average daily flow of New Zealand influent at wastewater treatment plants lies between 1.1 and 1.5 million cubic metres/day. In per capita terms this flow (0.41 cubic metres/capita/day) is about average internationally;
- sewage and waste water requiring treatment is generally much stronger (in terms of biochemical oxygen demand, BOD) compared to other developed countries;
- the main source of nitrogen discharges into surface water is agriculture;
- the major point sources of organic pollution (BOD) discharges into surface water in New Zealand are meat processing factories and farm dairies (cow sheds).

Gaseous waste includes small particles that can be carried by air, and gases in its associated forms, including dust, smoke, fumes, mist, and vapour. The gaseous waste chapter reports data on greenhouse gases, incineration facilities, and the Auckland Air Emissions Inventory. The main data include:

- emissions of all greenhouse gases have increased between 1990 and 1995, with the exceptions of methane and nitrous dioxide;
- agriculture was the main source of methane and nitrous dioxide emissions in 1995;
- transport was the main source of carbon dioxide, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide and non-methane volatile organic compounds in New Zealand in 1995.

Hazardous waste includes information on the acceptance of hazardous waste at New Zealand landfills, regional hazardous waste surveys in the Auckland region and the Otago region, regional hazardous waste collections, exported hazardous waste, the Used Oil Recovery Programme, and contaminated sites and soil clean-up. Main data include:

- 92% of New Zealand landfills do not accept hazardous waste;
- liquid waste (mainly trade waste) represented about 98% of hazardous waste generated by 609 businesses in the Auckland Region in 1995;
- the vast majority of hazardous waste in the Auckland region in 1995 was generated by businesses in the manufacturing sector;
- approximately 142,000 tonnes of hazardous waste (solid waste component) was handled by final disposal facilities in the Auckland Region in 1995, of which the majority was landfilled;
- New Zealand approved the import of 15,000 tonnes of hazardous waste and the export of 14,701 tonnes of hazardous waste in 1995;
- over 8,000 sites were identified as potentially contaminated in 1992.

The key issues identified in this report are:

Waste definitions

- a wide variety of waste definitions exist in New Zealand;
- waste definitions are inconsistently used in the absence of a set of legal or nationally agreed waste definitions;

Waste monitoring methods

- a number of methods are used to monitor waste;
- waste monitoring is mostly undertaken on an ad hoc basis around New Zealand;
- the *Waste Analysis Protocol* an important attempt to provide a uniform method to monitor waste, is not used consistently;

Waste data

- comprehensive data are scarce and reliability can often not be determined;
- national waste data are scarce, especially for hazardous waste, recycling, and gaseous waste;
- aggregation is often impossible because different definitions are used;
- the gathering of data is complicated by the fact that nobody is required to provide information about quantities of waste generated, treated and disposed;
- the gathering of data at a national level is difficult as most monitoring and data gathering is undertaken by local authorities;
- in the past few years there has been an increase in waste monitoring, in particular at a regional and local level.

The Ministry for the Environment has been asked to report on the policy implications of the *National Waste Data Report*. In May and June 1997 the Ministry will review whether the data indicate that any changes in priorities, different approaches or additional effort are required to achieve the Government's policy goals. This means analysing what the information is telling us about environmental problems and their causes, considering who is best placed to make any changes, and what role the Government has. This is likely to result in better policy advice and improved targeting of the Government's initiatives.

The data presented and the framework adopted in this report will also be used as the basis for developing environmental indicators for waste, hazardous substances and contaminated sites, as part of the *National Environmental Indicators Programme*.

Further work will also be required to ensure that information on waste is improved over the next few years. Only through monitoring can the effectiveness of the Government Waste Management Policy be gauged. This analysis will occur through:

- a review and extension of the *Waste Analysis Protocol*;
- development and implementation of the national environmental indicators.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Purpose of this report

This *First National Waste Data Report* gathers together and summarises all reliable data available to the Ministry for the Environment regarding waste in New Zealand. This is the first report to present quantitative waste data, particularly for solid waste. It should therefore be of real interest to New Zealand's waste stakeholders. This is a major step forward in New Zealand waste management.

Although comprehensive waste data are lacking in New Zealand, the report provides an initial overview of available data and highlights those areas where robust data can be found. While the Ministry for the Environment has included all the data available to it for this report, there will still be other material which it has not been able to access. The Ministry therefore would be grateful to receive any material readers may feel would contribute to the next Waste Data Report.

The report will be used by the Ministry for the Environment to review policy effectiveness and identify policy implications regarding waste management in New Zealand. The data presented and the framework adopted in this report will also be used as the basis for developing environmental indicators for monitoring waste, as part of the *National Environmental Indicators Programme* [Ministry for the Environment, 1995(a)].

Knowing how much, which types, why, and by whom waste is generated and disposed of in New Zealand is an essential step towards the goals stated in the *Environment 2010 Strategy* [Ministry for the Environment, 1995(b)] and in implementing the actions specified in the *Government's Waste Management Policy* [Ministry for the Environment 1992(a)].

1.2. Policy framework

In the *Environment 2010 Strategy* and the *Government's Waste Management Policy*, the New Zealand Government has committed to a number of goals and actions regarding the management of waste, contaminated sites and hazardous waste. In addition, the *Coalition Agreement* key commitments relevant to the waste data report are summarised below.

Objectives of the *Government's Waste Management Policy* include:

1. "to ensure that, as far as practicable, waste generators meet the costs of managing the waste they produce";
2. "to encourage implementation of the internationally recognised hierarchy of reduction, reuse, recycling, recovery and residual management (the "5 Rs") by waste producers."

A priority action which has been agreed for implementation of the *Government's Waste Management Policy* is to create a national waste data set using the Waste Analysis Protocol.

The *Environment 2010 Strategy* takes a longer-term view of New Zealand's environmental priorities and Government's approach to management. The vision for the New Zealand environment to 2010 is: "a clean, healthy and unique environment, sustaining nature and people's needs and aspirations". This vision is supported by 11

goals. One of these goals is "managing waste, contaminated sites and hazardous substances by:

- *managing waste to reduce risks to environmental quality and public health to levels that are widely agreed as being socially acceptable;*
- *cleaning up contaminated sites to reduce risk to the environment, people and the economy;*
- *managing or preventing the harmful effects of hazardous substances in order to protect the environment and well-being of people and communities so as to enable the maximum net national benefit to be achieved."*

Specific actions required to achieve the above goals on waste include:

- implementing the Government's "generator pays" policy for producers of waste to provide clear incentives for resource users to apply the waste hierarchy: **reduce, reuse, recycle, recover, manage the residual**;
- promoting minimisation of residential waste (e.g. through "green" labelling);
- establishing waste reduction targets with major industry groups and bringing about a progressive reduction in the quantity of waste requiring treatment or disposal;
- designing and establishing systems that will hold resource users accountable for effective waste reduction and management;
- achieving high standards of waste disposal (e.g. by encouraging all regional and territorial authorities to adopt the Landfill Guidelines);
- achieving high standards for the land disposal of sewage sludge (e.g. by encouraging all local authorities to adopt the Ministry of Health Guidelines).

Actions required to achieve the hazardous substances and hazardous waste goals include:

- promoting an assessment of contaminated sites on the basis of risk, and removing barriers to clean-up;
- identifying hazardous waste, and appropriate management strategies for them, starting with those wastes that pose the highest risk.

Key policy initiatives in the *Government's Coalition Agreement* in the environment area include:

- developing national standards and guidelines for landfills, solid waste disposal, and hazardous waste disposal, including a timetable for the phasing out of hazardous, toxic and bioaccumulative substances;
- working with waste producers to reduce waste at source (seek to reduce solid waste production to half the 1990 level by the year 2000) and to encourage reuse and recycling;
- phasing out persistent chemicals such as organochlorines by the year 2000 and working with the agricultural sector to develop alternatives;
- establishing a national register to record uses of pollutants and chemicals in agriculture, horticulture and industry.

As a complementary document to *Environment 2010*, the Ministry for the Environment will produce a *First New Zealand State of the Environment Report* (1997(a)) which describes the state of New Zealand's natural environment, impacts and modifications to it and actions to address this. The purpose of the *First New Zealand State of the Environment Report* is to establish a baseline record of the state of the New Zealand environment, and to provide an information base for environmental education, debate, and decision-making on issues of environmental monitoring, management and reporting.

A national *Environmental Indicators and Monitoring Programme* to improve understanding of the environment, and how activities affect it, is currently being developed for New Zealand by the Ministry for the Environment. Core sets of indicators

are being identified, the first being for land, water and air. Indicators for other issues will subsequently be developed, including for:

- waste, hazardous waste and contaminated land
- indigenous habitat and biodiversity
- pests, weeds and diseases
- fisheries resources
- energy
- climate change
- transport.

The intention is to have a core set of indicators in place by the turn of the century, so the environment can stand alongside economic and social considerations in the development of sound environmental policy and equitable laws in the new millennium.

To further assist in achieving the Government's environmental goals outlined in *Environment 2010*, the Ministry for the Environment established the Sustainable Management Fund (SMF) in 1994. A number of waste management projects have been funded through the SMF. A list of funded waste-related projects is provided in Appendix I.

The legislative framework is provided by the Resource Management Act 1991, the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996 and the Local Government Act. Specific reference to waste is made in the Local Government Amendment Act (Number 4) 1996, which requires local authorities to consider the waste hierarchy and develop a waste management plan for the district based on the hierarchy. It also gives specific powers to make by-laws, for example, to license collectors.

1.3. Stakeholders

A large number of organisations and individuals have an interest in waste management in New Zealand. Stakeholders include the Ministry for the Environment, regional councils, district/city councils, industry, waste contractors, the public and environmental groups. Figure 1.3.1 summarises the major stakeholders, their main interests and concerns regarding waste management and waste information. The arrows to indicate the influences between these stakeholders

1.4. Report structure

Chapter 1 provides the background to this report, while Chapter 2 summarises key waste definitions which are fundamental to the consistent interpretation and gathering of waste data in New Zealand.

The structure adopted for Chapters 3-5 is based on the form or media in which waste is generated. The data is therefore presented in relation to solid waste (Chapter 3), liquid waste (Chapter 4) and gaseous waste (Chapter 5). As hazardous waste is generated in the form of solid, liquid and gaseous waste it is discussed separately in Chapter 6, and includes waste generated from the clean-up of contaminated sites. This format minimises repetition as far as possible and should prove easy to follow for readers.

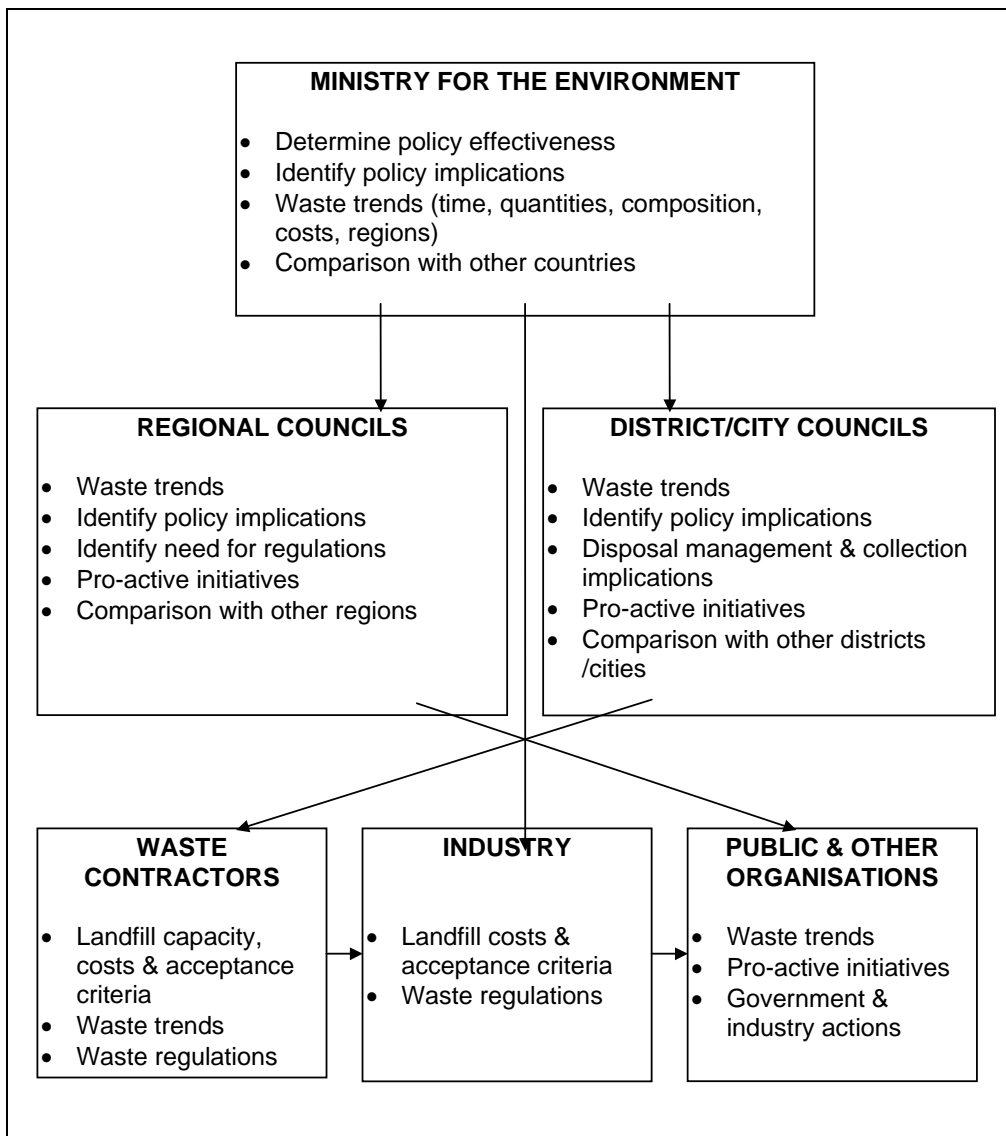


Figure 1.3.1 Stakeholders of the First National Waste Data Report.

Where possible, figures and tables have been included in the body of the report to provide easier interpretation of the available data. More detailed tables, figures and background information are provided in the appendices.

Definitions are given as they occur throughout the text. Most of these are contained in Chapter 2. A Glossary of Acronyms and Abbreviations appears on page 83.

2. WHAT IS WASTE?

2.1. General definition of waste

The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) defines waste in general terms as:

“unavoidable materials for which there is currently or no near future economic demand and for which treatment and/or disposal may be required”.

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) defines waste as [United Nations et al, 1995]:

“objects which the owner does not want, need or use any longer, which require treatment and/or disposal”.

There is no legal definition of waste in New Zealand. Although the purpose of this report is not to establish a standard set of waste definitions for New Zealand, it is important that data presented in this report are interpreted accurately and consistently.

Various organisations have used different terms and definitions to classify waste. This report aims to present the data using the same waste terms and definitions. Where data presented in this report are based on different definitions, this will be indicated.

Figure 2.1.1 shows an integrated model of waste generation, disposal and dispersion in the environment. The model addresses waste in the following sequence:

- the **form** in which waste is generated: solid, liquid or gaseous. Hazardous waste is treated as a separate category as it is generated in solid, liquid and gaseous form;
- the **source** of waste: residential or industrial;
- **transport** of waste or **direct release** into the environment;
- the **waste management method**, including
 - disposal to land: public, private landfilling, or littering;
 - disposal to air: controlled incineration, open burning or direct disposal to air (e.g. vehicle exhaust gases);
 - disposal to water: treatment at wastewater treatment plants, or direct disposal to surface waters and coastal waters;
 - other: recycling, storage or export of waste;
- the **dispersion** or **transfer** of waste between land, air and water.

This model is a useful way to capture and consider the forms and flow of waste and is consistent with the Resource Management Act 1991 (RM Act) with regard to disposal to land, water and air, and with the Waste Analysis Protocol (WAP). The RM Act is concerned with the effects of activities and controls discharges to air, land and water. The WAP classifies waste according to its source rather than its disposal method.

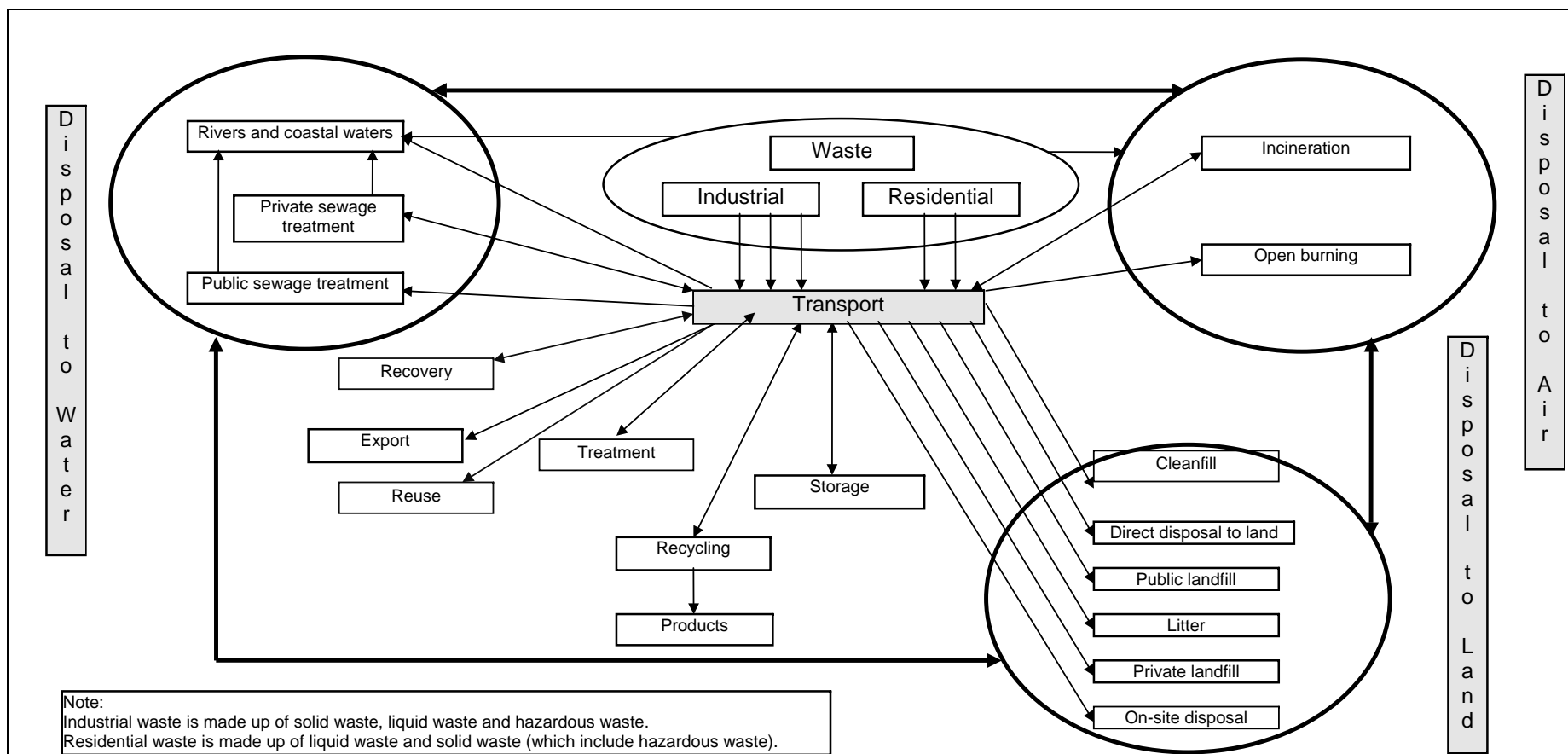


Figure 2.1.1 Integrated model of waste generation, disposal and dispersion in the environment.

2.2. Forms of waste

Waste is generated in either a solid, liquid or gaseous form. A number of complicating factors are involved in classifying waste in these three categories, including:

- waste can be transferred from one medium to another (land, air, water) and can change from solid to liquid to gaseous and vice versa depending on variables such as temperature and pressure;
- many types of waste consist of a mixture of the three phases. For example, sludge is considered by some to be a liquid waste and by others a solid waste. Also, gases can be dissolved in liquid solvents;
- hazardous waste can be in solid, liquid or gaseous form.

Figure 2.2.1 shows how solid, liquid and gaseous waste overlap.

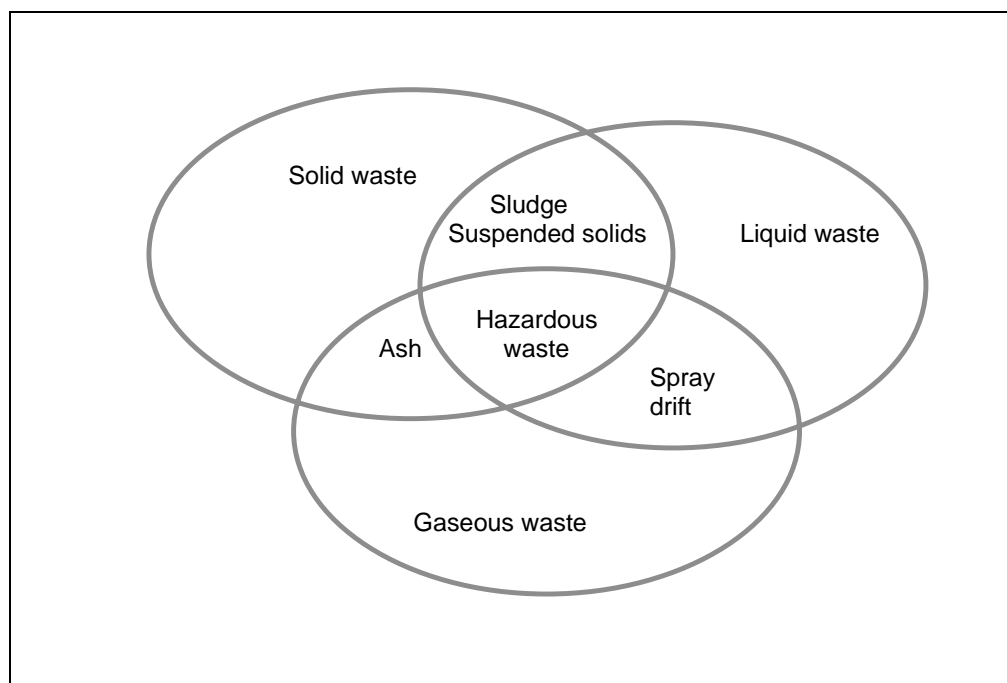


Figure 2.2.1 Relation between solid, liquid and gaseous waste.

The following sections specify for the purpose of this report which types of waste have been included under solid, liquid and gaseous waste. As hazardous waste is generated in the form of solid, liquid and gaseous waste, it is discussed separately.

2.2.1. Solid waste

Solid waste can be defined as all waste that is generated in a solid form or converted to a solid form for disposal. The New Zealand *Waste Analysis Protocol* (WAP) uses eight solid waste categories [Ministry for the Environment, 1992(c)]. These are:

1. **paper**, including newsprint, cartons, sheets paper, boxes, food wrappers, advertising materials, packaging etc.;
2. **plastic**, including bottles, bags, food containers, styrene foam, consumer durables, etc.;
3. **glass**, including container glass (bottles and jars), sheet glass, window glass etc.;
4. **metal**, including fabricated metals, aluminium and steel cans, car bodies, metal appliances etc.

5. **organic**, including garden, fruit and vegetable waste;
6. **construction and demolition (C&D)**, which is classified into five subclasses, including:
 - wood (sawn timber);
 - wood fibre products (softboard, hardboard, particle wood);
 - rubble (concrete, bricks, fired clay, gib board);
 - clean fill (clay, sand, rock, that is contaminated with less than 5% by materials that will leach into the environment such as metals, organic matter or timber);
 - other C&D waste not elsewhere;
7. **potentially hazardous**, including chemicals, household hazardous items, pesticides etc. It also includes waste requiring controlled disposal or co-disposal at landfills (mainly treated or untreated hazardous waste), which is sometimes referred to as “special waste”;
8. **other** waste, a wide range of materials present in relatively small quantities, including textiles, rubber, tyres, electrical cable, wood waste.

2.2.2. Liquid waste

Liquid waste can be defined as waste that is generated or converted to a liquid form for disposal. It includes:

- **wastewater or sewage**, which is collected through the sewerage system and transported to water treatment plants and then discharged into rivers and coastal waters;
- **point source discharges**, which include untreated or treated waste from farms, factories and mines discharged into rivers and coastal waters;
- **stormwater**, which is rainwater channelled from roads and urban properties into rivers and coastal waters (picking up street litter and contaminants on the way);
- **non-point source discharges**, such as livestock excrement and sprayed agrichemicals which are washed from paddocks into streams by rainwater.

2.2.3. Gaseous waste

Gaseous waste can be defined as small particles that can be carried by air, and gas in its associated forms, including dust, smoke, fumes, mist, and vapour. Gaseous waste can contaminate the ambient air we breathe. Gaseous waste can be divided into two categories depending on their source:

- **stationary gaseous waste**, coming from a stationary source such as incinerators, emission pipes, and including solvent emissions, emissions from incinerators, etc.;
- **mobile gaseous waste**, generated by mobile sources such as land-based vehicles, airplanes and ships, and including vehicle exhaust, spraydrift, etc.

2.2.4. Hazardous waste

Currently, there is no definition of hazardous waste that is nationally accepted. The Basel Convention developed by UNEP, and the OECD define hazardous waste as "waste that contains substances that are toxic to humans, plants or animals, are flammable, corrosive or explosive, or have high chemical reactivity". This definition excludes radioactive substances.

A range of national and international systems relevant to the classification of hazardous waste are currently in use in New Zealand. These include:

- **OECD classification system for hazardous waste**, which is largely qualitative and does not take into account the actual strength or degree of hazard of waste [Yasowitz, 1989];

- **Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movement of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal** [UNEP, 1989], which was based on the OECD classification system;
- **New Zealand Waste Identification Code (NZWIC)**, which is a slightly modified and truncated version of the system used in the Basel Convention, and has been adopted in WAP. The NZWIC is provided in Appendix II;
- **United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Regulations** for hazardous waste, which are embedded in the Code of Federal Regulations (parts 260 to 290) [USEPA, 1991]. The Regulations cover solid hazardous waste only and prohibit the dilution of any hazardous waste to a degree where they are no longer solid;
- **Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996**, which defines "hazardous substance", which potentially includes a substance that is hazardous waste, as any substance:
 - “(a) With one or more of the following intrinsic properties:
 - (i) Explosiveness;
 - (ii) Flammability;
 - (iii) A capacity to oxidise;
 - (iv) Toxicity (including chronic toxicity);
 - (v) Corrosiveness;
 - (vi) Ecotoxicity with or without bio-accumulation;
 - (b) Which on contact with air or water (other than air or water where the temperature or pressure has been artificially decreased) generates a substance with any one or more of the properties specified in paragraph (a) of this definition”.

The Auckland Region Hazardous Waste Survey [Auckland Regional Council, 1996], uses a definition of hazardous waste which covers and extends beyond the definitions provided by the above. Within the survey a hazardous waste is defined as *"any substance which:*

- *is listed in the New Zealand Waste Identification Code (NZWIC) (see Appendix II);*
- *exceeds USEPA TCLP (Toxicity Characteristics Leaching Procedure) criteria which are part of the USEPA Regulations for hazardous waste¹;*
- *conforms with the specifications of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996;*
- *has the potential to cause significant adverse environmental effects as defined under the Resource Management Act 1991, for example trade waste discharges and industrial organic waste;*
- *is a ‘special’ waste, that is a hazardous waste which was treated before being disposed of at a landfill;*
- *is a mixed hazardous waste such as access pit and grease trap waste, contaminated soil or treated timber;*
- *is radioactive;*
- *organic waste because they have a very high biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and need to be treated before they can be disposed of.”*

Definitions of hazardous waste used at landfills as identified as part of the *1995 Landfill Census* [Ministry for the Environment, 1997(b)] are given in Table 2.2.1.

Table 2.2.1 Definition of hazardous waste used at landfills as in 1995 [Ministry for the Environment, 1997(b)].

¹ The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) has established specific values for a range of materials to describe the degree of leaching that is permissible after the waste has been treated and immobilised. The test applied to measure the leaching is termed “Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure” (TCLP).

| Key word/concept | % of landfills using definition |
|---|---------------------------------|
| Toxic substances/chemicals/pesticides | 24 |
| A present or future threat to the environment | 22 |
| Harmful to people/dangerous to health | 12 |
| Our Waste: Our Responsibility [Centre for Advanced Engineering, 1992] | 11 |
| Infectious/medical waste | 9 |
| Explosive | 8 |
| Flammable/ignitable | 8 |
| Radioactive/reactive/irradiating | 8 |
| Corrosive | 8 |
| Landfill Guidelines [Ministry for the Environment, 1992(b)] | 5 |
| Offal/animal carcasses | 4 |
| Fuel/soil/diesel/automobile wastes | 4 |
| OECD classification system for hazardous waste [Yasowitz, 1989] | 4 |
| Hot ashes | 3 |
| Asbestos | 3 |
| USEPA Regulations [USEPA, 1991] | 2 |
| Guidelines for Waste Management Practice in New Zealand [NZCIC, 1991] | 2 |
| Other | 8 |
| No hazardous waste accepted at landfill | 6 |
| No definition used | 4 |
| Not known | 2 |
| No reply | 28 |

Hazardous waste also includes waste requiring controlled disposal or co-disposal at landfills (mainly treated or untreated hazardous waste), which is sometimes referred to as “special waste”. A review of consent files found that waste requiring special treatment at landfills includes agricultural chemicals, arsenate of lead, carbon tetrachloride, chromic acid sludge, electroplating sludge, formaldehyde, fungicides, galvanising liquids, waste, ink residue, lead paint, medical waste incinerator ash, mercury, oil, paint sludge, paint sumps, pesticides, poisons, soluble pure chemical reagents (laboratory chemicals like cadmium, mercury), solvents, still bottoms, tannery waste, timber treatment sludge, unknown military waste, and unspecified waste chemicals [Ministry for the Environment, unpublished]. However, there may be many more types of waste that are disposed of as special waste. Definitions of special waste used at landfills as identified as part of the 1995 *Landfill Census* are given in Table 2.2.2.

Waste resulting from the remediation of contaminated sites is in this report considered as hazardous waste, because the clean-up of locally contaminated sites can create large amounts of waste which will require some form of management, ranging from disposal to treatment. Contaminated sites are generally treated in two ways [Ministry of Housing, Spatial planning and the Environment, 1991]:

- the removal of pollutants from the soil by cleaning up on site, or by excavation of the polluted soil, possibly followed by decontamination;
- prevention of the spreading of the soil pollution and its damaging consequences by insulating the polluted soil through the application of the so-called "ICM criteria" (Insulate, Control, Monitor). Insulation can be done on the spot or elsewhere at a dump site.

Table 2.2.2 Definition of special waste used at landfills [Ministry for the Environment, 1997(b)].

| Key words/concepts | % of landfills using definition |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Require special disposal | 14 |

| | |
|---|----|
| Require special consideration | 11 |
| Our Waste: Our Responsibility [Centre for Advanced Engineering, 1992] | 6 |
| Require pre-treatment | 4 |
| Landfill Guidelines [Ministry for the Environment, 1992(b)] | 4 |
| Toxic substances/chemicals/pesticides | 3 |
| OECD classification system for hazardous waste [Yasowitz, 1989] | 2 |
| Fuels/oils/automotive wastes | 2 |
| Asbestos | 1 |
| Infectious/medical wastes | 1 |
| Offal/animal carcasses | 1 |
| Others | 8 |
| No special waste disposed/not applicable | 8 |
| No definition used | 10 |
| No reply | 49 |

Radioactive substances are not included in the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996 nor in the UNEP definitions of hazardous waste. Radioactive waste is classified according to the level of radiation at the surface. Low and medium radioactive waste has a radiation level less than 10 mSv (milliSievert) per hour. High level radioactive waste has a higher radiation level [Ministry of Housing, Spatial planning and the Environment, The Netherlands, 1991].

2.3. Sources of waste

A large number of definitions are used by different agencies and authorities to describe the source of waste generated in New Zealand. These include household, domestic, residential, industrial, commercial, municipal and business waste. The problem with using this number of definitions is that it becomes unclear what source waste is included, which makes a reliable comparison and interpretation of different data sets impossible.

The terms used in this report to consider the sources of waste are “residential” and “industrial” waste. Definitions are given below and are consistent with the Waste Analysis Protocol, and the OECD, and UNEP definitions and classifications. Data presented in this report are presented using these two definitions, unless otherwise stated. It may be helpful to refer to Figure 2.1.1 when considering these definitions.

2.3.1. Residential waste

Residential waste includes all waste generated by households. Residential solid waste is collected through the kerbside refuse collection system, kerbside or on-street recycling collection system, or taken to landfills and transfer stations by private vehicles. Residential liquid waste is collected through the sewage system or in pits when households are not connected to the public sewage system. Residential gaseous waste is directly emitted into the air.

2.3.2. Industrial waste

Industrial waste includes all waste from the 17 industrial categories identified by the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) [Australian Bureau of Statistics and New Zealand Department of Statistics, 1993] including:

1. agriculture, forestry and fishing;
2. mining;
3. manufacturing;
4. electricity, gas and water supply;
5. construction;
6. wholesale trade;
7. retail trade;
8. accommodation, cafes and restaurants;
9. transport and storage;
10. communication services;
11. finance and insurance;
12. property and business services;
13. government administration and defence;
14. education;
15. health and community services;
16. cultural and recreational services;
17. personal and other services.

Industrial waste encompasses a wide range of materials of varying environmental toxicity, but typically includes general rubbish, packaging, food waste, acids and alkalis, oils, solvents, resins, paints and sludge [UNEP, 1993].

Most waste monitoring takes place when waste is disposed of rather than when it is generated. Therefore it is possible that in some cases residential waste may be included in industrial waste and vice versa. For example, a skipbin hired by a household will be included in industrial waste as it is disposed of by a waste contractor. On the other hand, empty agrichemical containers that are taken to the landfill by a pipfruit grower in his private vehicle together with some household waste can be included in residential waste rather than industrial. To be able to draw a clear line between residential and industrial waste, monitoring needs to take place when waste is generated rather than simply at disposal. However, this is very costly to undertake.

2.4. Waste management methods

Waste can be disposed of to land, water or air, or managed in another way including treatment, storage, export or recycling. A brief description of each of these methods is provided in the following.

2.4.1. Disposal to land

Disposal to land includes private and public landfilling, cleanfilling, direct disposal to land, and littering. As there is no legal definition for any of these disposal methods, it is difficult to determine what is included under each disposal method. The creation of contaminated sites can result from any of these disposal methods if poorly managed. Key disposal methods are briefly described below.

a) *Landfilling*

Landfilling is the most common method of solid waste disposal in New Zealand. Although availability of landfill space is not quite the same problem in New Zealand as it is in more densely populated countries, existing landfills in larger urban areas are approaching full capacity and the availability of new space is limited by opposition from local residents (the "not in my backyard" syndrome) and by higher environmental standards (such as avoiding sites that could contaminate groundwater or streams).

Information about landfills has been gathered mainly through the 1995 Landfill Census. In 1995 there were 327 legal landfills operating in New Zealand. More information on the *1995 Landfill Census* and the information it obtained, such as landfill sizes and populations served, is given in Appendix III. Landfills include public landfills (owned by territorial local authorities or the Crown) and private landfills (owned by a private organisation).

As there is no national legal definition of landfills in New Zealand, the number of tips containing waste (e.g. drilling mud dumps) is likely to be much higher than the number of landfills covered by the Landfill Census.

b) *Cleanfilling*

Cleanfill waste is the most common destination for construction and demolition waste. Cleanfill sites are similar to landfills but accept only uncontaminated waste. As with landfills, there is no national legal definition of cleanfills in New Zealand.

c) *Direct disposal to land*

Some types of waste are stockpiled or left on-site rather than disposed of in a landfill. This typically includes mining and quarrying waste. Waste can also be directly disposed to land, for example by businesses into an unconsented tip on their property, storage of waste in a pile, or disposal of liquid waste through drilling mud dumps. Waste can also be disposed to land gradually (through leakage or leaching of waste materials, through fuel tanks).

d) *Litter*

Waste can be disposed of by littering, which is the accidental or purposeful disposal of waste onto land or into water, but is discussed under disposal to land. Examples of littering include throwing rubbish on the street, leaving waste behind at a picnic area, waste blowing off car trailers, and tipping paint and chemicals. Generally speaking, litter is considered residential waste. Large quantities of waste disposed of purposely by businesses is considered unconsented disposal. *Keep New Zealand Beautiful* is the agency responsible for promoting anti-litter campaigns and monitoring litter.

e) *Contaminated sites*

Contaminated sites are not a disposal to land method as such. However, the creation of contaminated sites can result from any of the disposal methods mentioned above. Although no legal definition of contaminated sites exists in New Zealand, the Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council (ANZECC) and the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) definition of a contaminated site is generally used (1992). This is:

"A site at which hazardous substances occur at concentrations above background levels² and where assessment indicates it poses, or is likely to

² Background levels are the ambient levels of a contaminant in the local area under consideration.

pose, an immediate or long-term hazard to human health or the environment"

2.4.2. Disposal to water

A large component of the waste generated in New Zealand is disposed of to water (sewage ponds, freshwater bodies including surface and groundwater, and coastal water). Waste can be disposed directly into water or indirectly into water via the sewerage system and public and private wastewater treatment plants, or via the stormwater system.

a) Wastewater treatment plants (sewage system)

Sewered wastewater in New Zealand comes from a number of sources, including industrial, residential, stormflow, and infiltration of groundwater into the sewer due to poorly functioning joints and through the pipe materials.

Wastewater or sewerage is treated at public or private wastewater treatment plants prior to disposal to rivers or coastal waters. Information regarding public wastewater treatment plants is can be found on the *National Database of Wastewater Treatment Plants in New Zealand* [Woodward-Clyde, 1996].

There are many different ways to treat sewage until the effluent may be regarded as suitable for discharge. What the methods have in common is that:

- solids are mechanically settled out;
- dissolved and suspended carbohydrates, proteins, fats, urea, etc. present in the wastewater form a substrate and food for organisms. These organisms trap, metabolise, and store these materials to prevent them reaching the receiving waterbody.

Sewage is referred to as being treated to primary, secondary, or tertiary levels. Degrees or types of treatment include:

- preliminary: screening to remove rags, plastics, etc, settling out of grit and comminution of solids.
- primary: settling out of solids by physical and mechanical means, which results in a decanted effluent and a separate sludge. Aims to remove 30 - 40% of influent BOD (biochemical oxygen demand) and 60 - 75% of suspended solids;
- secondary: aerobic or anaerobic reduction of BOD by biological treatment. Secondary treatment involves nitrification of ammonia to nitrates and removal of 90% of the BOD and generates a separate sludge;
- tertiary: The use of treatment technologies to reduce specific constants of the secondary effluent (e.g. nutrient removal, sterilisation of bacteria and viruses) and/or further treatment of the effluent through filter-beds, land treatment, etc.

One treatment method widely used by New Zealand wastewater treatment plants is oxidation ponds. Oxidation ponds generally are secondary or tertiary treatment methods depending on the efficiency of the pond, which is a function of temperature and detention time. Different types of oxidation ponds include:

- anaerobic: which usually treat concentrated waste at temperatures above 15°C (usually found for industrial applications);
- facultative: involving sludge digestion in the lower layers and algae production in the aerobic upper layers;
- aerated ponds: which are akin to a mixture of waste stabilisation ponds and activated sludge plants;

- maturation ponds: tertiary treatment ponds used to ‘polish’ effluent to a high quality. Algae in these ponds may cause high levels of suspended solids (SS) in the effluent, but nutrient and coliform (bacteria) levels are expected to be low.

b) *Other disposal to water*

Other methods of waste disposal into water include:

- disposal to water of non-point discharges and untreated point source discharges;
- disposal to water by dumping at sea of, for example, dredging waste;
- disposal to water of stormwater via the stormwater system.

2.4.3. Disposal to air

Waste disposal methods to air include controlled incineration, open burning, point source air emissions and vehicle exhausts. These are briefly described below.

a) *Controlled incineration*

Incineration reduces the volume of waste that requires landfilling, often by about two-thirds. Controlled incineration is not widely used in New Zealand but is used for specific waste streams, including clinical and pharmaceutical waste, quarantine waste, and sometimes confidential waste. Incineration always leaves some waste residue requiring further management. In New Zealand, waste is legally incinerated in:

- **conventional furnaces:** small industrial furnaces are still operated throughout New Zealand, mainly at businesses, ports and hospitals. No data on the number or capacities of these incinerators are available;
- **high temperature incinerators:** multi-chamber incinerators involve restricting the air supply to the primary chamber, which controls the rate of combustion independent of the amount of waste in the chamber and minimises particulate emissions. A properly designed secondary chamber then completes the combustion process ensuring that gaseous emissions are rendered harmless. There are four licensed commercial high-temperature incinerators in New Zealand at Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin.

b) *Open burning*

Although most regional and territorial councils have banned the open burning of waste, which means burning of waste in open air, either in a drum or directly on the ground, this waste disposal method is still often applied. Open burning is a method used by a wide range of industrial sectors, households and landfills.

c) *Direct release into the air*

Many forms of gaseous waste are directly released into the air, from both stationary and mobile sources, including vehicle exhausts, solvent emissions, emissions from factories, spraydrift, and greenhouse gases from sprays (e.g. carbon dioxide and nitrous dioxide). Emissions from vehicles and airplanes are one of the largest sources of gaseous waste in New Zealand.

2.4.4. Other

Waste is not always disposed of directly after it is generated. Other waste management methods include:

- waste minimisation methods (prevention, reduce/reuse, recycling, recovery);

- treatment methods (pretreatment of waste, compaction of residuals);
- export and storage of waste.

Waste minimisation and other management methods are presented in Figure 2.4.1 and are briefly described below. Definitions have been taken from the OECD [1997].

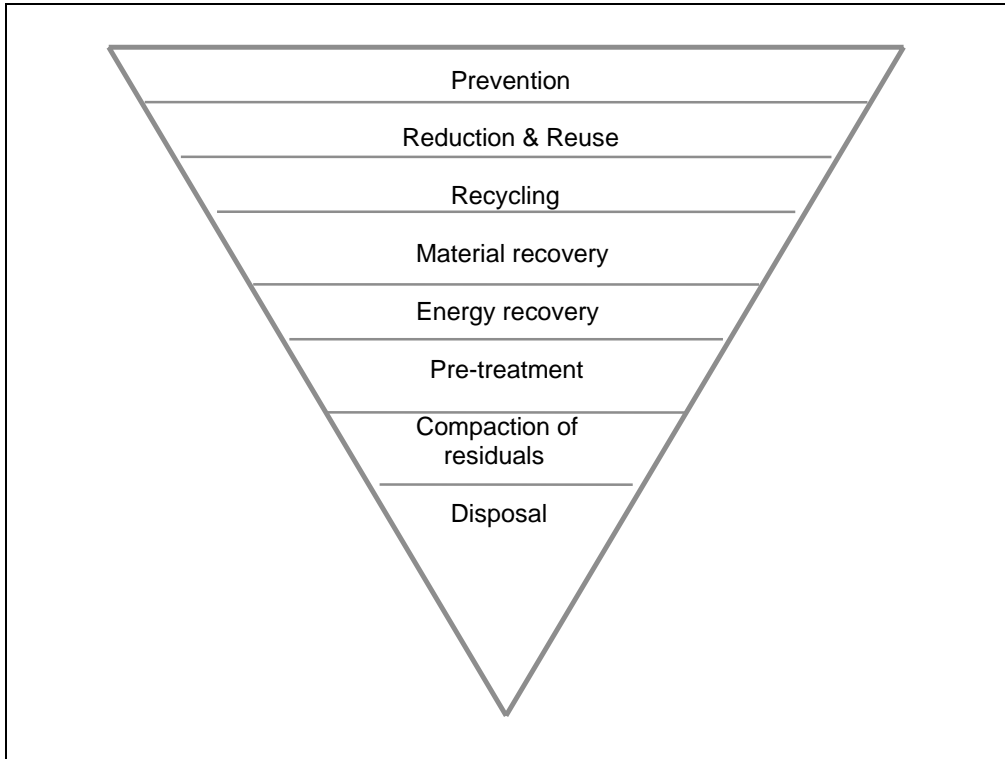


Figure 2.4.1 Hierarchy of waste management methods [OECD, 1997].

a) *Prevention*

Prevention is defined by the OECD [1997] as “to strictly avoid the generation of waste, especially toxic and harmful substances (which is qualitative prevention), material or energy consumption, including transport and the consumption of commodities (which is quantitative prevention).” Examples of prevention include the avoidance of interim packaging for office products and avoiding CFC in sprays by using pumping systems. Prevention is not strictly a waste management method as it prevents waste from being generated.

b) *Reduction*

Reduction from a waste minimisation perspective means to reduce the amount of materials or energy consumed. Examples include selecting product designs and materials which facilitate reuse or repair of a product, and the near elimination of harmful substances for waste recovery processes (e.g. de-inking in waste paper recycling).

c) *Reuse*

Reuse is a method of waste reduction which involves the multiple use of a product in its existing form, with or without re-processing or re-conditioning, for the same use or different use. Examples of reuse include shopping bags used again as shopping bags or as waste bags, waste tyres used for swings in playgrounds or in marinas, and refilling of bottles after a washing process. Waste exchange programmes established by New Zealand councils, such as Christchurch City Council and Auckland Regional Council, are based on reuse of waste materials by other businesses.

d) *Recycling*

Recycling is the reuse of waste materials, in such a way that the original products lose their identities. Examples of recycling include the industrial melting of post-consumer glass bottles to form new bottles, and the collection of post-consumer newspapers for the production of sanitary products made of waste paper. In New Zealand, recycling of residential waste is generally organised or coordinated by local authorities. Other agencies or clubs also organise recycling bins at schools etc. Collection facilities for recycling of residential waste range from sophisticated kerbside programmes to drop-off centres or transfer stations in rural towns. Collection of industrial waste for recycling is generally undertaken by waste contractors. Businesses can also bring recyclable industrial waste to transfer stations. Many businesses recycle materials within the business itself (e.g. recycling of chemicals or cooling water).

e) *Recovery*

Recovery of waste refers to the recovery of materials or recovery of energy. Material recovery is the reuse of waste materials in a different form. Examples of material recovery include composting of separately collected organic residential waste (bio-waste) or of sludge from wastewater treatment plants, and the sterilisation of organic kitchen waste for use as animal food.

Energy recovery involves the recovery of the energy content of waste materials with or without pre-processing or pre-treatment. Examples include the recovery of methane from landfills to supply electricity, and the incineration of residential waste, using the energy for district heating.

f) *Pre-treatment*

Pre-treatment involves the reduction of volume, mass or toxicity of waste by mechanical, physical, chemical or biochemical processes before landfilling or final storage. Examples include the biochemical treatment of oil-contaminated soils, and the sterilisation of some forms of hospital waste.

In New Zealand some hazardous waste is treated for safe disposal, to reduce the toxicity, weight or volume of the waste. Treatment methods include chemical treatment (including neutralisation), settling and sedimentation, filtration, dewatering, biological, solidification and other methods. These methods differ in effectiveness in reducing or eliminating the hazardous characteristics of the waste.

g) Compaction of residuals

Compaction of waste residuals means the reduction of volume and mass of materials on sanitary landfill sites by mechanical, physical, chemical or biochemical processes. Examples include compaction of waste for transfer to landfills, and using water for initiating biochemical processes on sanitary landfill sites in order to decompose the organic components.

h) Export

In New Zealand a number of hazardous waste are exported for treatment and/or disposal using facilities not available in New Zealand. The majority of waste is exported for recycling. Waste is also moved to other regions in New Zealand if appropriate disposal environments or treatment methods are not available.

i) Storage

Some hazardous waste is currently being stored in New Zealand, because there is currently no suitable disposal method available, or because the waste is in transit in New Zealand awaiting onward transportation for disposal. Stored waste in New Zealand mainly includes unused agrichemicals, radioactive waste, and PCBs.

2.5. Environmental effects

2.5.1. All waste

Although waste can be disposed of to land, air or water, the contaminants contained within the waste can be dispersed to all media in the environment as illustrated in Figure 2.1.1.

Pollution of land, air and water through dispersion of contaminants presents a risk to the environment and public health, now and in the future. It also creates increased economic costs associated with wasteful production and the need for clean-up. Examples of specific risks created by inappropriate waste disposal include [Ministry for the Environment, 1995(b)]:

- a reduction in urban air quality caused by particulate emissions and carbon monoxide emissions from vehicles;
- run-off from roads and domestic activity contaminating stormwater thereby affecting water quality in rivers and coastal areas near urban centres;
- leachate from landfills and industrial sites contaminating water bodies (e.g. aquifers and estuaries);
- land-use practices - such as excessive or inappropriate use of chemical pesticides and fertiliser, agricultural run-off, and point source pollution from cow sheds, piggeries, feed lots and silage pits - causing damage to ecosystems, contamination of drinking water and reduced recreational opportunities;
- potential risks to humans and native flora and fauna from bio-accumulative compounds (e.g. PCBs);
- loss of land-use options because of site contamination (e.g. former timber treatment sites) and land degradation;
- injuries to people and property resulting from the misuse of hazardous substances (leading to higher insurance costs);

- lead in petrol, paint and waste oil, resulting in high lead levels in the environment and associated risk to health;
- damage to taonga Maori (e.g. to traditional shellfish collection areas or to freshwater quality);
- rubbish in the marine environment, on beaches and from boats;
- damage to our "clean, green" image, affecting tourism and a wide range of exports.

2.5.2. Hazardous waste

The potential environmental consequences of hazardous substances vary greatly depending on the nature and volume of the substance and the sensitivity of the receiving environment. Substances which are persistent or enter the environment in large quantities can be dispersed over large distances in water or air currents, but also via organisms after absorption. Certain substances can accumulate considerably in certain parts of the environment (e.g. heavy metals in sediments and PCBs in living organisms). Furthermore, the toxicity can vary greatly from substance to substance. The possible effects of pollution with toxic and hazardous substances on humans, animals and plants include:

- mortality;
- adverse effects on reproduction;
- causing cancer;
- causing deformities and genetic mutations;
- causing other diseases;
- accumulation in the environment and in living tissue (this may have consequences in the food chain);
- indirect effects on ecosystems (alterations in competitive relationships between species) [Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment, The Netherlands, 1991].

Hazardous waste also has the potential to contaminate other waste streams, most notably residential waste, through the disposal of, for example, pesticides, paints, oils, solvents and batteries with non-hazardous waste. These types of waste have traditionally been disposed of at landfills in small quantities. Businesses that produce these types of hazardous waste include photographic laboratories, paint and printing workshops, educational establishments, research laboratories, hospitals and the agricultural sector.

2.6. Waste information sources

Comprehensive waste data are lacking in New Zealand, in particular at a national level. However, a number of attempts have been made to gather waste data in New Zealand. The main information sources used are briefly described in the following sections which correspond with the chapters included in this report. Additional data presented in this report have been obtained from regional State of the Environment reports, other literature publications and personal communication about waste. These additional information sources are listed in the *References*, page 79.

2.6.1. Solid waste (Chapter 3)

a) *Department of Health landfill surveys*

In 1982 the Board of Health undertook a refuse survey and grading of landfills, with an emphasis on hazardous waste [Department of Health, 1983]. As the survey was undertaken in 1982, only estimates of landfilled waste quantities have been included in this report.

b) *United Councils regional waste surveys*

Between 1985 and 1989 a number of regional waste surveys were undertaken by all of the former United Councils funded through the Department of Health Grant Scheme. In order to provide some data on waste production, a national compilation was undertaken [Royds Garden Ltd, 1991, unpublished]. The compilation brought together all of the original survey data and reclassified them using the system developed for the New Zealand Chemical Industry Council [1991]. Waste was then classified according to type using the list of potentially hazardous waste from the OECD Classification System mentioned in section 2.2.4.

c) *Centre for Advanced Engineering waste management project*

To assist in developing appropriate solutions to waste management problems the Centre for Advanced Engineering of the University of Canterbury undertook a comprehensive waste management project from August 1990 until February 1992. The findings were published in the report *Our Waste: Our Responsibility* [Centre for Advanced Engineering, 1992], which contained four key chapters, including:

- waste minimisation practices;
- hazardous waste: appropriate technologies for New Zealand;
- landfill engineering guidelines;
- waste management in relation to water supplies.

This report drew on the data on waste production discussed in (b).

d) *Waste Analysis Protocol*

Although regional data had been collected through the United Councils' regional waste surveys, it was not done on a national basis or consistently. The *Waste Analysis Protocol* (WAP) was developed by Ministry for the Environment as a set of guidelines to consistently obtain statistically robust information on the amount, composition and source of solid and hazardous waste streams to enable comparison between districts and regions, and over time.

WAP surveys were undertaken from 1992 to 1995 throughout New Zealand for an area representing 65% of the New Zealand population. WAP surveys have provided a significant amount of data on waste quantities and composition. WAP results are reported in Chapter 3, Solid Waste and Chapter 6, Hazardous Waste. For more information on the WAP methodology see Appendix IV [Ministry for the Environment, 1992(c)].

e) Landfill Census 1995

The Ministry for the Environment commissioned a national Landfill Census in 1995 to obtain baseline data regarding landfills, landfill management and landfilled waste in New Zealand. Results are included in Chapter 3 (solid waste). For more information see Appendix III, Landfill Census [Ministry for the Environment, 1997(b)].

f) Keep New Zealand Beautiful surveys

Litter surveys have been undertaken for New Zealand by Keep New Zealand Beautiful.

g) Construction and demolition waste in the Auckland region

A report on construction and demolition waste has been written as part of “Project C&D” which is undertaken by Auckland Regional Council, Auckland City Council and is financially supported by the Ministry for the Environment’s Sustainable Management Fund.

h) A Strategy to Minimise Packaging Waste

In June 1996 the Packaging Accord was signed between the Minister for the Environment and the Packaging Industry to reduce packaging waste in New Zealand. The Packaging Industry Advisory Council (PIAC, representing the packaged goods industry) published a report to review the available information about packaging waste, outline management options, provide recommendations for a strategy, and promote the minimisation of packaging waste [PIAC, 1996].

2.6.2. Liquid waste

a) New Zealand Water and Wastes Association annual meetings

New Zealand Water and Wastes Association (NZWWA) holds annual meetings of the Operations and Research Group for Drainage to discuss collection systems of wastewater treatment plants. A report containing information on a number of wastewater treatment plants is published for these meetings [NZWWA, 1994 and 1996]. A summary table of a number of wastewater treatment plants for 1995/96 is included in Appendix VI.

b) National Wastewater Treatment Plants Database

Ministry for the Environment funded through the Sustainable Management Fund (SMF) the development of a National Wastewater Treatment Database. Details of all sewage treatment plants operated by local authorities throughout New Zealand were obtained for 1994/95 and this information was placed on a database owned and operated by the NZWWA. The database has been updated with 1995/96 information [Woodward-Clyde, 1996]. For more information see Appendix VI.

2.6.3. Gaseous waste

a) Survey of New Zealand incineration facilities

A survey of New Zealand incineration facilities was undertaken in 1988 by the National Environmental Chemistry and Acoustics Laboratory for the Department of Health [NECAL, 1988]. The report, however, was never published because the information was obtained through the Clean Air Act and was considered confidential. No information from the survey has been included in this report as many of the facilities have shut, rendering the information gathered out of date. Regional Councils were recently

contacted to provide updated information regarding incineration facilities, but insufficient information has been returned to date for inclusion in this report.

b) Climate change, the New Zealand response

The Ministry for the Environment has gathered quantitative data on greenhouse gas emissions on a national basis [Ministry for the Environment, 1994(a), 1997(c)].

c) Auckland Air Emissions Inventory

The Auckland Air Emissions Inventory project was a SMF funded project that was carried out to provide an inventory of pollutant emissions to air, resulting from activities within the Auckland region, with the potential to be used as a planning tool for evaluating policy options to reduce air pollution in Auckland. Results are summarised in Chapter 6 and in Appendix VII.

2.6.4. Hazardous waste

a) Auckland Region Hazardous Waste Survey 1996

The Auckland Hazardous Waste Survey was a SMF funded project to provide baseline information on the generation and disposal of hazardous waste in the Auckland region. The survey is part of a Hazardous Waste Management Programme initiated by the Auckland Regional Council (ARC) in 1995. Survey results are reported in Chapter 6 (hazardous waste). For more information regarding the survey, see Appendix VIII [Environment and Business Group Ltd and Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

3. SOLID WASTE

Most data available on solid waste refer to landfilled waste. There are limited data available on solid waste collected for recycling and recovery, littered waste, incinerated waste, and waste dumped at sea. No data were obtained on several other types of waste, such as cleanfill, mining and quarrying waste, which may be significant waste streams in terms of quantity and hazard.

3.1. Landfilled waste

3.1.1. Total landfilled waste

a) *Quantities*

Module C of the Waste Analysis Protocol (WAP) can be used to determine the weights and composition of waste disposed of at the landfill, from both industrial and residential sources.

Figure 3.1.1 summarises the weights of residential, industrial and total waste landfilled in New Zealand. Figure 3.1.2 summarises the weights of residential, industrial and total waste landfilled in 14 regions. These figures have been derived from data obtained in WAP surveys for the period 1993-1995 and data from the 1995 Landfill Census. The total weight of all landfilled waste in 1995 was approximately 3,180,000 tonnes, of which approximately 1,420,000 tonnes (45%) is residential waste and approximately 1,760,000 tonnes (55%) is industrial waste. It has not been possible to determine the accuracy of the overall waste tonnage as no estimates of error were provided for the WAP survey results nor were they provided for the Landfill Census operators' estimates of landfilled waste. The errors may vary from plus or minus 1 to 10% depending on the level of accuracy assumed for these estimates and on which estimate is used. Most

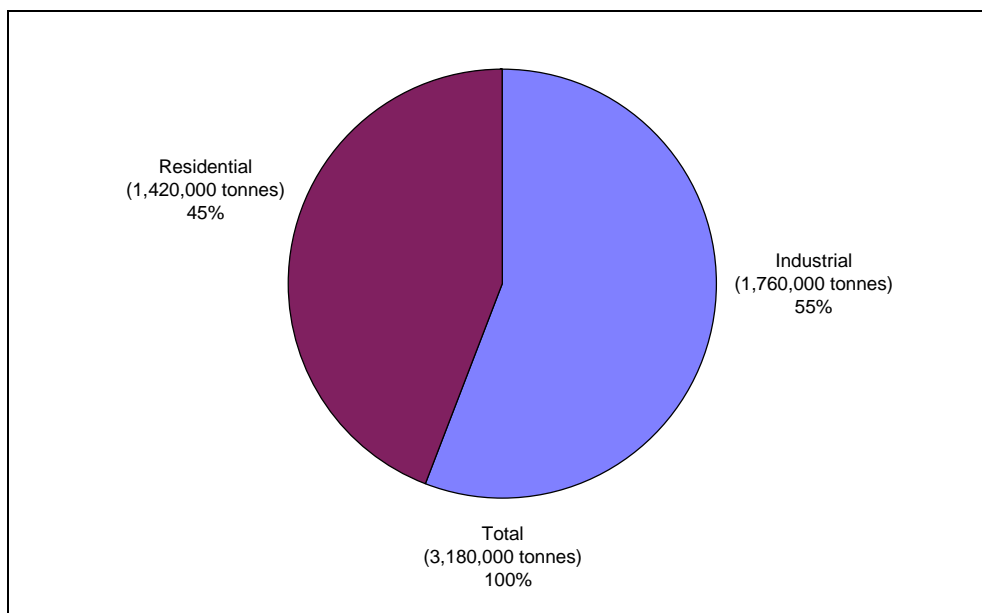


Figure 3.1.1 Annual weight of landfilled waste in New Zealand in 1995.

accurate figures are provided by the WAP surveys, which were undertaken for the 10 major landfills, accounting for 40% of the total waste. The methodology used to obtain

total landfilled waste figures along with additional background data are provided in Appendix V.

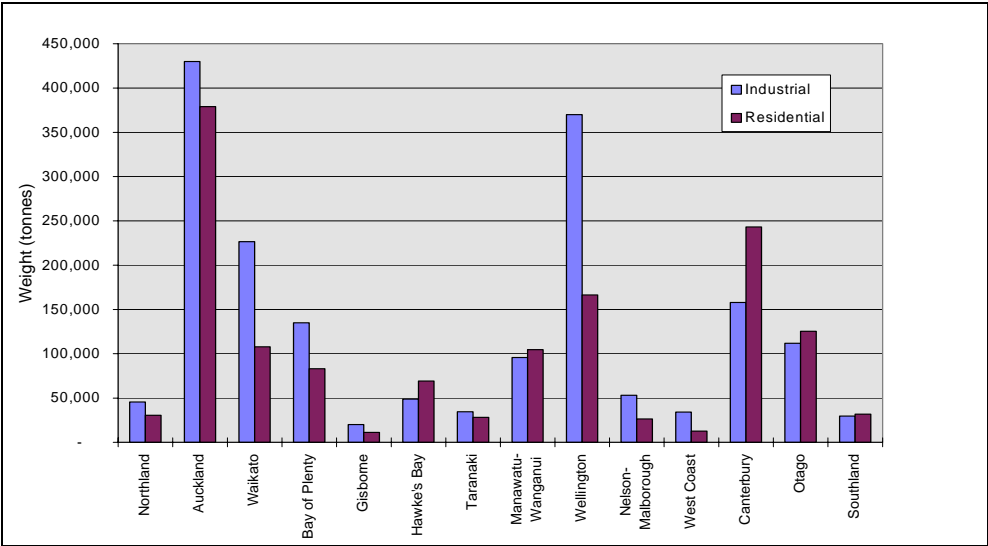


Figure 3.1.2 Estimated annual weight of landfilled waste for New Zealand regions in 1995.

Table 3.1.1 summarises quantities of landfilled waste as determined by different studies undertaken in New Zealand. Given that the methodologies used to monitor and extrapolate the waste quantities are different and that no standard error was given for any of the data, the data should be considered approximate. For the same reason it is difficult to identify definite trends in the quantities of waste landfilled in New Zealand over time or between regions. A comparison between 1982 and 1995 figures indicates that quantities of landfilled waste have increased over the past decade by approximately 30%.

The increase has been highest in Auckland region where landfill waste has almost doubled since 1983, with most of the increase occurring during the recent years of high economic growth (see Figure 3.1.3). This reflects the increased activity in the construction industry, the changing consumption patterns of homes and businesses, and population growth.

Table 3.1.1 Quantities of landfilled waste in New Zealand.

| Description | Year | Landfilled waste per year (million tonnes) | | | Comments | Reference |
|--|-----------|---|-------------|------------|---|----------------------------|
| | | Total | Residential | Industrial | | |
| Refuse Survey and Grading of Landfills | 1982 | 2,030,000 | 880,000 | 1,350,000 | Undertaken by Department of Health | Department of Health, 1983 |
| United Councils waste management surveys | 1986-1991 | 3,330,000 | 1,140,000 | 2,200,000 | Undertaken under Department of Health Grant Scheme (can include recycled waste and waste disposed to sewer) | Royds Garden Ltd, 1991 |
| A strategy to minimise packaging waste | 1994 | 2,700,000 | Not given | Not given | Based on questionnaire and WAP results | PIAC, 1996 |
| WAP Surveys & Landfills Census | 1995 | 3,180,000 | 1,420,000 | 1,760,000 | Base on WAP surveys and Landfill Census | |

Note:

1. Different surveys have used different methodologies and have not been provided with standard errors. The data themselves and the comparison between data should therefore be considered approximate.
2. Other waste refers to "special waste", e.g. treated hazardous waste or waste requiring special disposal etc.

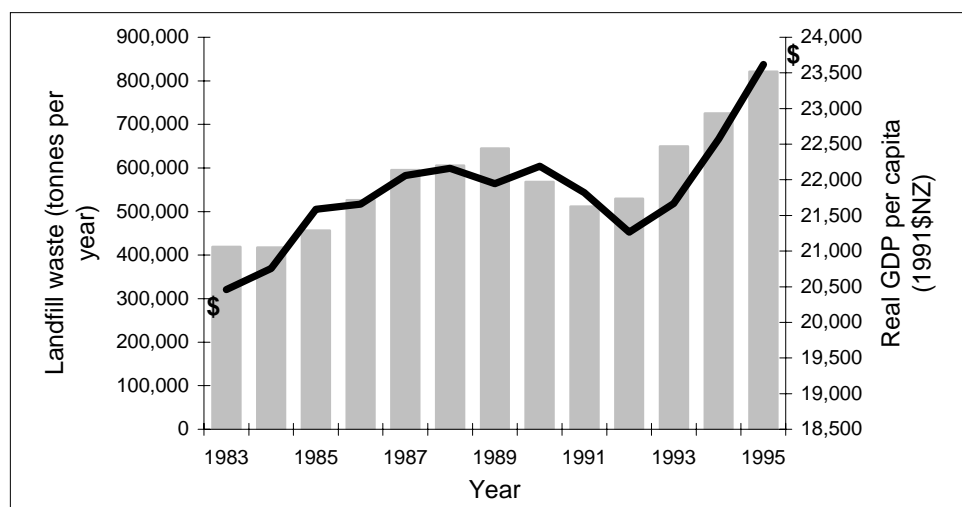


Figure 3.1.3 Economic growth and waste disposal at Auckland landfills [Auckland Regional Council, unpublished; Statistics New Zealand, 1996].

b) Composition

Figure 3.1.4 summarises the composition of total landfilled waste in New Zealand and in 14 regions in 1995. These figures have a standard error of less than 1%. The figure shows that organic waste is the largest component of landfilled waste (38%), followed by paper (20%) and construction and demolition waste (18%). The three waste types combined account for 76% of the total weight of landfilled waste.

This waste profile can be compared to waste profiles of developed and developing countries to identify trends which are shown in Figure 3.1.5. The New Zealand waste profile falls somewhere in the middle of the developing-developed country spectrum. This does not necessarily mean that New Zealand discards less metal, glass, plastic or paper than the developed countries, but only that these make up a relatively smaller proportion of the total waste because of the greater predominance of organic matter.

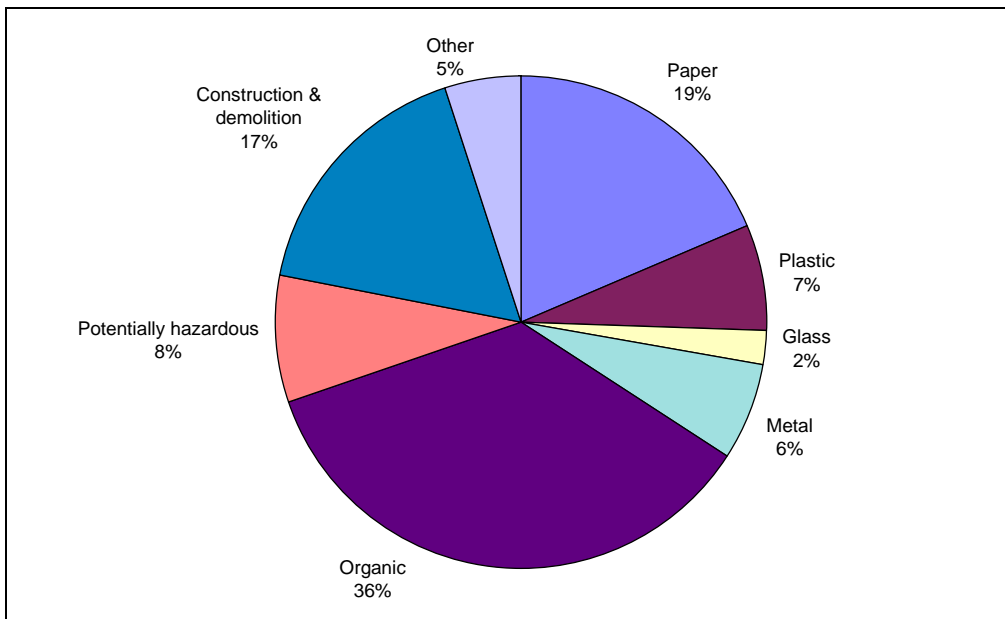


Figure 3.1.4 Composition of total landfilled waste in New Zealand in 1995.

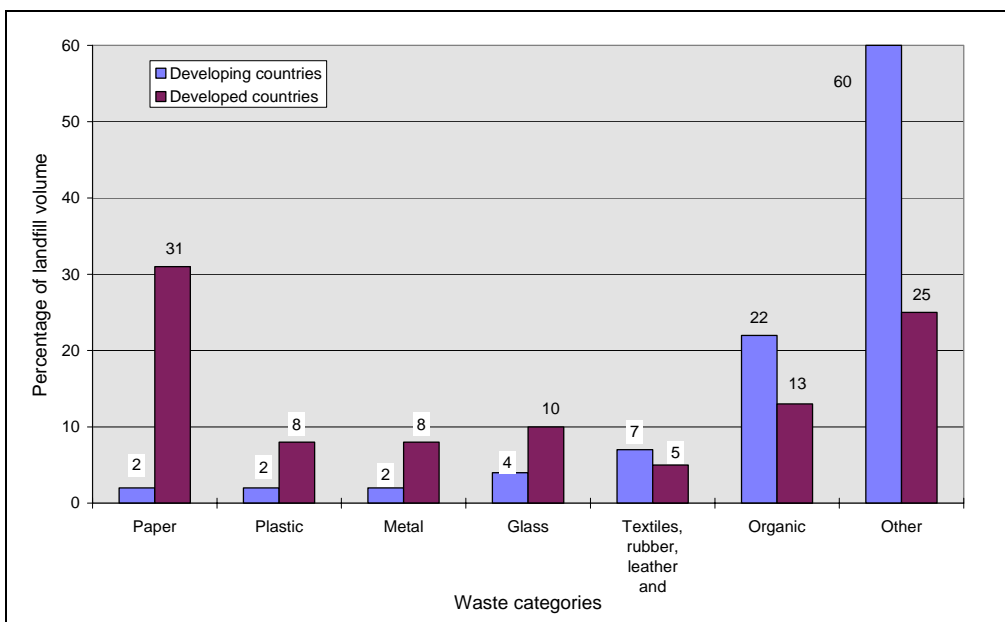


Figure 3.1.5 Composition of waste in developed and developing countries [Cairncross, 1993].

PIAC has also estimated the proportion of total landfilled waste that is packaging waste [PIAC, 1996]. Based on information on the production of packaging provided by the packaging industry and estimates of direct imports and exports of packaging, it was estimated that approximately 453,000 tonnes of packaging waste was generated in New Zealand in 1994. It was estimated that approximately 132,800 tonnes (no standard error given) of recyclable materials were collected for recycling in New Zealand in 1994, based on information collected from waste contractors and councils. This figure includes packaging (e.g. glass, cans) and non-packaging materials (e.g. newspapers).

Using the total landfilled waste figure of 3,180,000 tonnes in 1995, the estimated maximum percent of total landfill waste comprising packaging is: $453,000 / 3,180,000 = 14.2\%$. However if it is assumed that all the collected recyclables were packaging materials, the estimated minimum percent of total landfilled waste comprising packaging is $(452,900 - 132,800) / 3,180,000 = 10.1\%$. In reality the percentage of packaging waste as a proportion of the total landfilled waste will lie somewhere between 10.1% and 14.2%. This indicates that packaging is a relatively small proportion of the total landfilled waste.

c) Construction and demolition waste

Construction and demolition (C&D) waste includes concrete rubble, demolition waste and wood. At a national level, C&D waste accounts for 17% of the total landfilled waste (Figure 3.1.4), 10% of the residential landfilled waste, and 22% of the industrial landfilled waste.

The construction industry is the largest source (35%) of C&D waste landfilled in the Auckland region in 1995 as shown in Figure 3.1.6. Other sources include residential, manufacturing, wholesale and retail, and other industries.

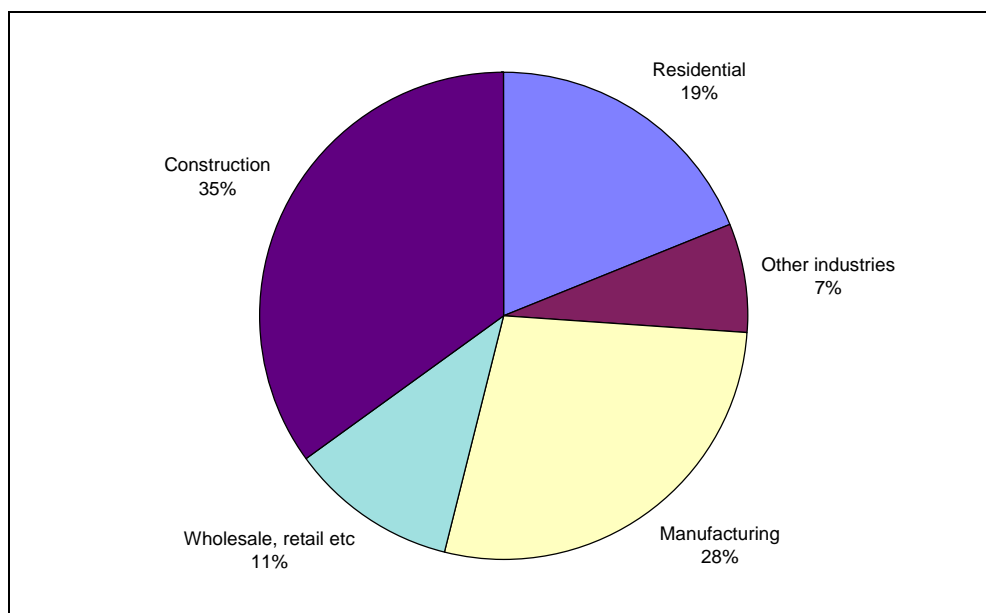


Figure 3.1.6 The main sources of landfilled construction and demolition waste in the Auckland Region in 1995 [Auckland Regional Council and Auckland City Council, 1995].

It should be noted that not all C&D waste is landfilled. In the Auckland region in 1995 nearly 826,000 tonnes (526,000 demolition + 350,000 excavation) were cleanfilled and some C&D waste was diverted (see Figure 3.1.7).

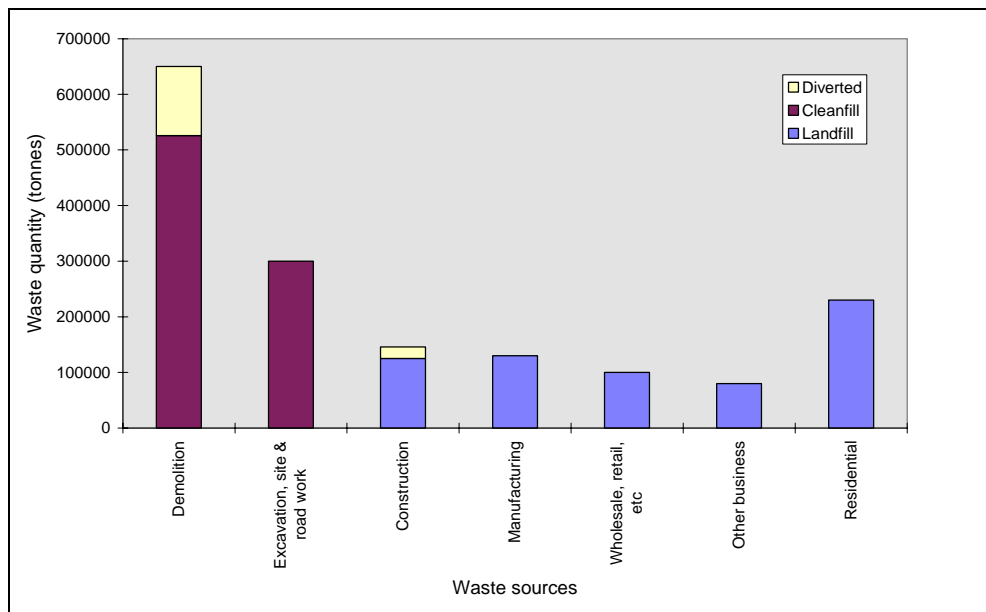


Figure 3.1.7 Major landfill and cleanfill waste streams in the Auckland region in 1995 [Auckland Regional Council and Auckland City Council, 1995].

3.1.2. Residential landfilled waste

a) *Total quantities*

The component of the residential waste that is landfilled is covered by Module C of the WAP. This module examines residential rubbish bags collected through the kerbside collection system, residential waste taken to landfills by private vehicles, and waste collected through annual or bi-annual “inorganic/hard refuse collections run by many councils. Module B of the WAP is used to determine the weights and composition of residential rubbish bags and bins only.

Module B and C exclude the monitoring of recyclable waste collected through kerbside recycling systems or at transfer stations, and also exclude residential waste collected by private waste contractors, for example, in a skip bin. To gain a total figure of residential waste **generated**, all sources would need to be surveyed. The WAP has not been used for this purpose to date.

In 1995, the total amount of residential waste landfilled in New Zealand was approximately 1,420,000 tonnes (see Figure 3.1.1). Table 3.1.2 shows that the total weight of residential rubbish bags in 1995 was 540,000 tonnes per year, of which 360,000 tonnes (67%) is from urban sources and 180,000 tonnes (33%) is from mixed urban and rural sources. The methodology used to obtain these data and more detailed data are provided in Appendix V .

Table 3.1.2 Breakdown of residential landfilled waste in 1995.

| | Residential total waste (tonnes) | Residential bins and bags (tonnes) | "Inorganic/hard" residential waste collections | Residential waste taken to landfill by private vehicles |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
| Total | 142,000 | 54,000 | Not available | Not available |
| Urban | Not available | 36,000 | Not available | Not available |
| Other (mixed urban and rural) | Not available | 18,000 | Not available | Not available |

Note: Different methods were used to estimate figures for residential total waste and residential bins and bags.

b) Quantities per capita

Using the total residential waste figure of 1,420,000 tonnes for 1995 and the March 1994 population figure of 3,540,700 it is possible to calculate the per capita quantity residential waste landfilled. In 1995, an average of 401 kg of residential waste was generated per capita.

The OECD average was estimated at 500 kg/person in 1992. This was an increase of about 20% from 420 kg/person estimated in 1980 [OECD, 1995]. Using the estimated average residential waste figure of 401 kg/capita, this suggests that New Zealanders dispose of approximately 20% less solid waste than people in the average OECD country.

It should be noted that the definitions used by OECD countries vary from waste from households only, to all waste disposed at facilities used for waste collected by or on the order of local authorities.

Figure 3.1.8 shows the quantities of waste per capita for the different New Zealand regions. It should be noted that the very high figure (Otago region) and the very low figures (Northland, Gisborne, Taranaki, and Nelson-Marlborough) are based on the least reliable methods used to calculate annual landfilled tonnage (see Appendix V). These figures should be interpreted with caution until more reliable estimates are available.

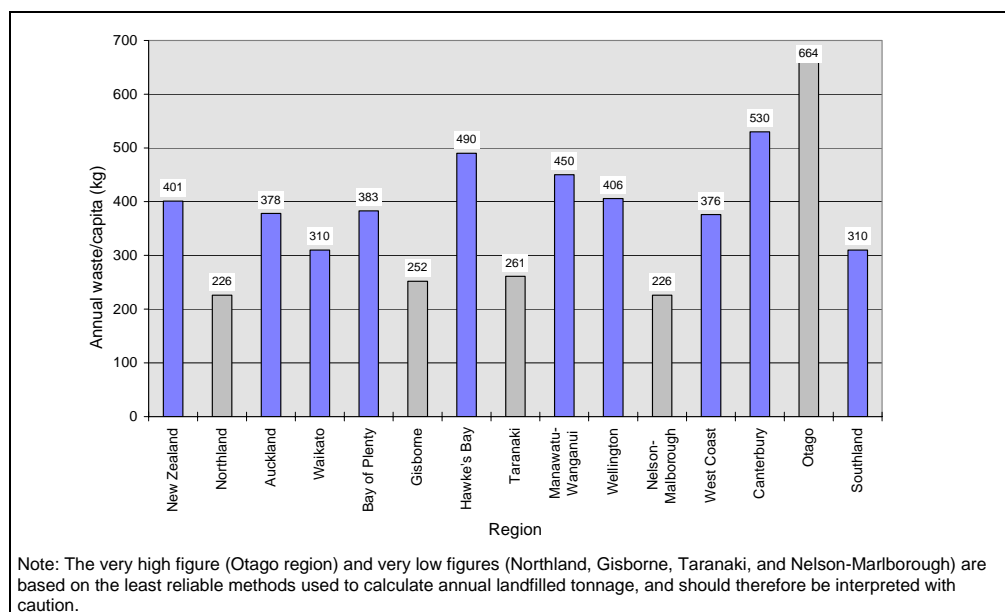


Figure 3.1.8 Quantity of residential waste per capita as in 1995 for New Zealand regions.

As shown in Figure 3.1.9, the annual quantity of waste disposed of through rubbish bags is 152.3 kg/capita, 186.1 kg/capita in urban areas and 110.9 kg/capita in other areas (mixed urban and rural). The difference in quantities of waste collected from urban and other areas may reflect the higher coverage of residential collections in urban areas.

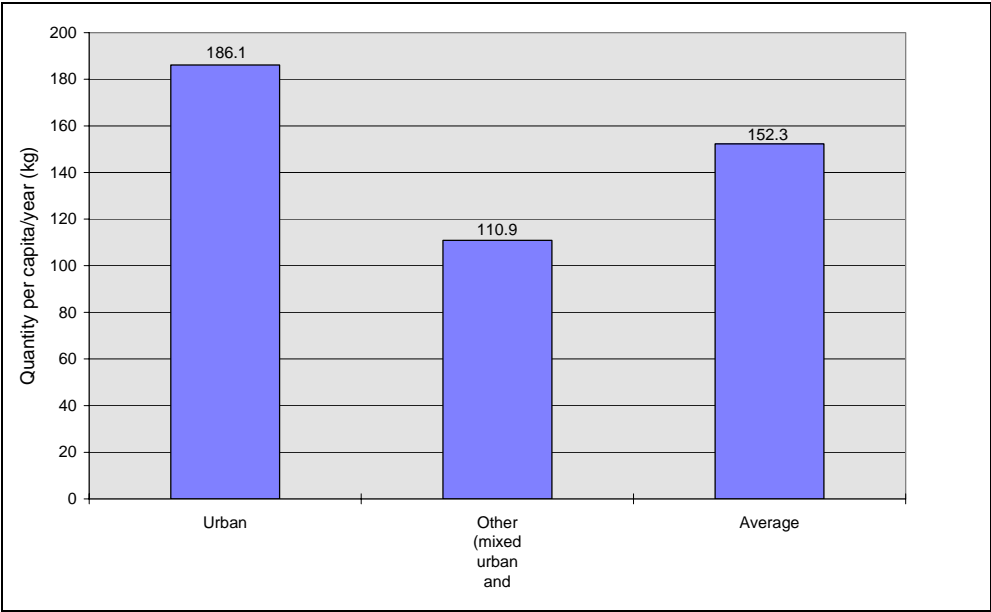


Figure 3.1.9 Annual per capita weight of residential waste bags and bins in New Zealand in 1995.

c) Composition

The composition of landfilled residential waste in 1995 is given in Figure 3.1.10 and is based on the eight WAP waste categories. Figure 3.1.11 shows the composition of residential rubbish bags. More data are provided in Appendix V.

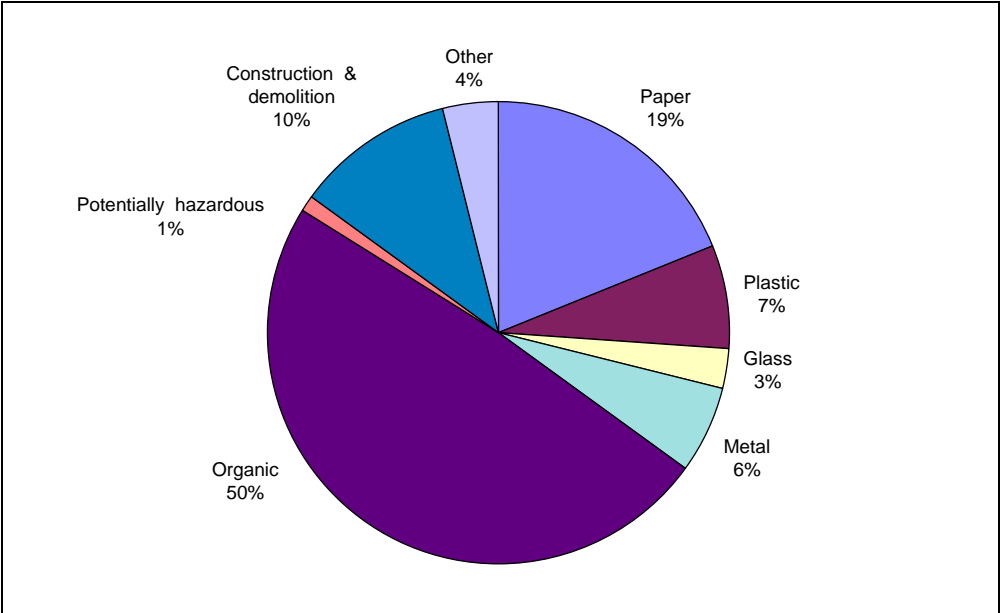


Figure 3.1.10 Composition of residential landfilled waste in New Zealand in 1995.

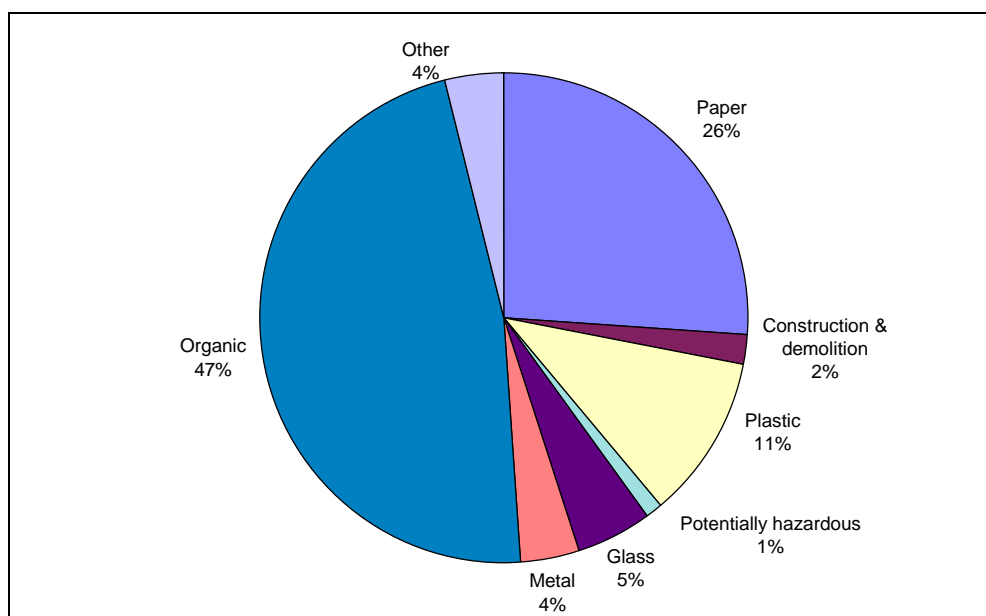


Figure 3.1.11 Composition of residential waste bags and bins in New Zealand in 1995.

The figures show that almost half of all residential waste is organic matter and that paper is the second largest proportion of material in residential waste. Comparing the composition data for landfilled residential waste with residential bags and bins shows that the landfilled residential waste has higher proportions of construction and demolition and organic waste compared to residential bags and bins. These differences reflect the garden (organic) waste and the C&D waste taken to landfills in private vehicles, and construction and demolition waste collected through “inorganic/hard” refuse collections. As a result, the proportions of the other types of waste are lower for residential landfilled waste compared to bags and bins.

3.1.3. Industrial landfilled waste

In 1995, 1,760,000 tonnes of industrial waste were landfilled in New Zealand, which equates to approximately 55% of the total landfilled waste in New Zealand (see figure 3.1.1). Figure 3.1.2 shows the quantities of landfilled industrial waste generated in different regions. Figure 3.1.12 shows the composition of industrial landfilled waste. More background data and information on the methodology used to determine the quantities and composition are provided in Appendix V.

When compared to landfilled residential waste (Figure 3.1.10), landfilled industrial waste has a lower organic component (24% compared to 50%), a higher construction and demolition component (22% compared to 10%), and a higher amount of potentially hazardous waste (15% compared to 1%).

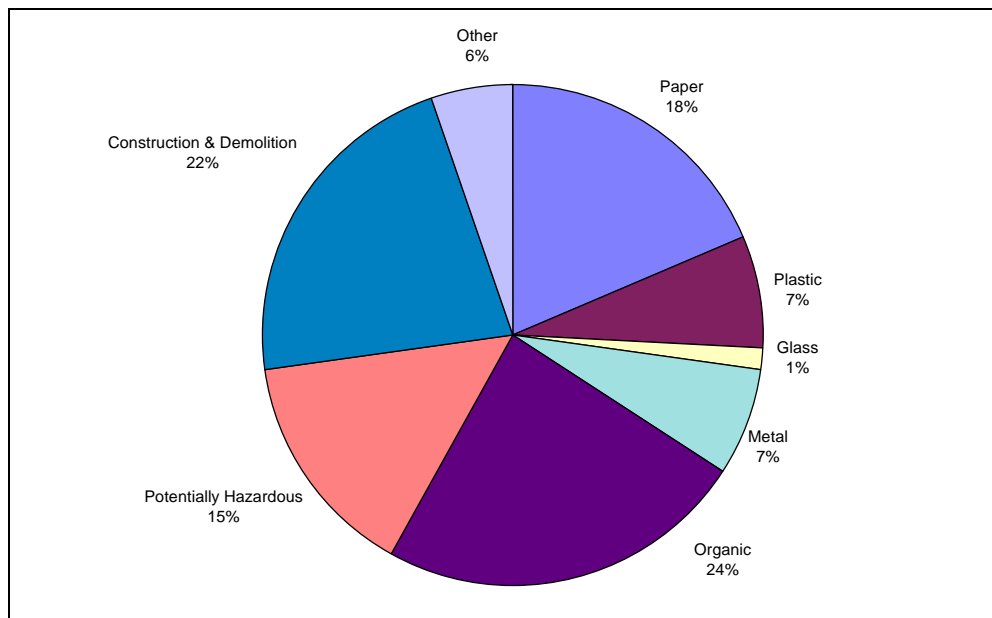


Figure 3.1.12 Composition of landfilled industrial waste in New Zealand in 1995.

3.2. Cleanfilled waste

Currently there is no national record on operating cleanfills in New Zealand. Consequently, there is no national information available on the number, sizes, and locations of cleanfills or on the sources, quantities and composition of waste going to cleanfills.

Cleanfills currently receive most of the waste from the construction industry. Cleanfill waste includes waste such as concrete, brick, asphalt, soil and clay that is not contaminated with materials that will leach in to the environment (e.g. metals, organic material and timber) [Auckland Regional Council and Auckland City Council, 1996]. Auckland Regional Council allows a maximum contamination of 5% for waste to be considered cleanfill waste [Auckland Regional Council, *personal communication*].

Although no national data exists on quantities of cleanfilled waste, a report on C&D waste in the Auckland region indicates that the quantities are significant [Auckland Regional Council and Auckland City Council, 1996]. In the Auckland region approximately 830,000 tonnes of demolition and excavation waste are going to cleanfills per year (see Figure 3.1.7). This is about the same as the total landfilled waste in the Auckland region (approximately 809,000 tonnes per year). It should be noted that as cleanfilled waste is less contaminated than landfilled waste, the potential environmental impacts are less significant.

3.3. Litter

Although the data for total quantity of landfilled waste suggests an increase over time, there is evidence to suggest that the New Zealand public have also become a little more responsible in disposing of their waste. Litter surveys have been conducted twice a year for the past decade by the Keep New Zealand Beautiful Campaign. The surveyors systematically count and classify the litter discarded at over 100 regular sites throughout the country. Although litter represents only a small fraction of the solid waste stream, it is the most visible and widely dispersed fraction and has considerable nuisance value,

especially in scenic areas. Figure 3.3.1 shows that, although substantial amounts of litter are still discarded, the total quantity has declined from 1986 to 1994 [Drum, 1994].

Just over half the litter identified in the biannual surveys is paper (53%) with a quarter being plastic (26%). The remainder is divided among metal (6%, of which half is cans), glass (4%), and miscellaneous items, such as wood, ice cream sticks, food scraps, tyres, rubber items, clothing and construction material. The metal and glass proportions have declined significantly over the decade, while the plastic proportion has increased. Much of the paper, plastic, metal and glass litter comes from discarded packaging, particularly food and drink containers.

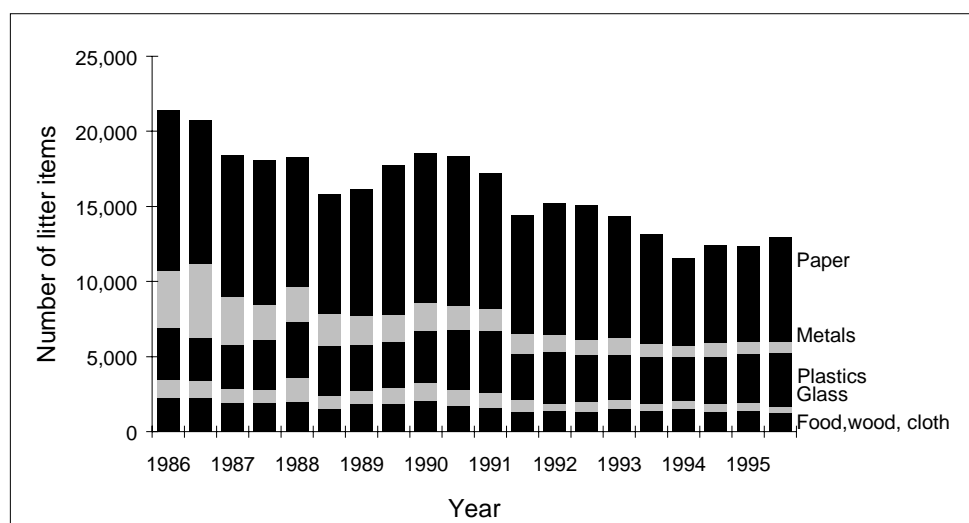


Figure 3.3.1 Litter trends in New Zealand (September 1986 - March 1996) [Keep New Zealand Beautiful, *personal communication*].

3.4. Dumping at sea

Dredging permits are granted by regional councils. Permit applicants can be asked to provide information on the quantities, level of contamination, and disposal methods used. If dredging waste is dumped at sea, a permit must be obtained from regional councils if it is dumped within 12 nautical miles from the coast and from the Maritime Safety Authority if it is dumped between 12 and 200 nautical miles from the coast (Marine Pollution Act, 1974).

The total quantities of dredging waste dumped at sea between 1990 and 1996 are summarised in Figure 3.4.1. In the past four years total quantities have not exceeded 2 million cubic metres. It is notable that the quantities actually dumped at sea are for each year significantly lower than the quantities that the Maritime Safety Authority permitted to be dumped.

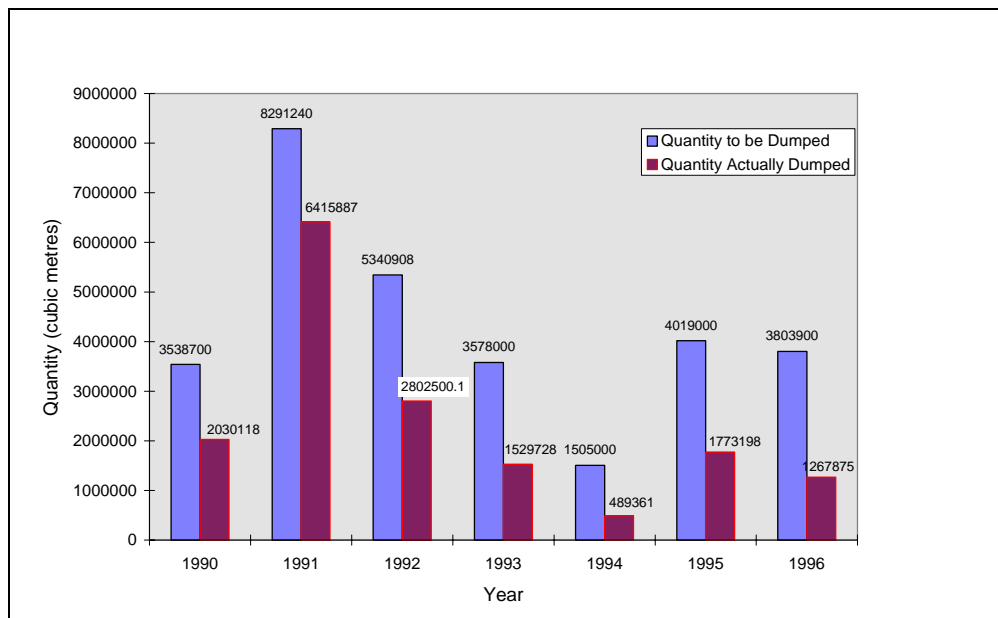


Figure 3.4.1 Quantities of dredging waste dumped at sea in New Zealand between 1990 and 1996 [Maritime Safety Authority, *personal communication*].

3.5. Recycling

3.5.1. Total

Recyclables are collected from households, commercial enterprises and businesses. Collection methods for recyclable materials include collection through kerbside recycling schemes, by waste contractors and by schools, and drop-off at transfer stations, depots at landfills, and personal delivery to recyclers. This level of complexity makes it difficult to obtain accurate data on tonnage recycled.

Little information is available at a national level on recycling. The only national data identified was by the Packaging Industry Advisory Council (PIAC), who calculated approximate tonnes of materials reclaimed for recycling in 1993 and 1994 (see Table 3.5.1). It is likely that total quantities of recyclables collected have increased and recycling coverage areas have been extended since 1994.

Figure 3.5.1 shows the population coverage of recycling schemes. The figures indicate that more than 80% of the New Zealand population has access to one or more recycling schemes for glass, aluminium and paper, followed by approximately 60% coverage for plastic and approximately 50% for steel and organic waste. It should be noted that glass collections in the South Island from 1 March 1996 may be less than past volumes due to limits on the level of freight payments.

Table 3.5.2 summarises the number of landfills that collect materials for recycling. Table 3.5.3 shows the total waste diverted by recycling and other waste minimising activities at New Zealand landfills over a 12 month period.

Table 3.5.1 Production, consumption and collection of recyclable materials in New Zealand in 1993 and 1994 [PIAC 1994, 1996].

| Material | Production | | Consumption | | Collection for recycling | | Collection as % of consumption | |
|-------------------|------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| | Total 1993 | Packaging 1994 | Total 1993 | Packaging 1994 | Total 1993 | Packaging 1994 | Total 1993 | Packaging 1994 |
| Aluminium | 270,000 | 7,785 | 52,812 | 6,530 | 32,130 | 2,680 | 11.9% | 41% |
| Steel | Not known | 38,295 | Not known | 39,710 | Not known | 1,250 | Not known | 3% |
| Glass | Not known | 88,160 | Not known | 84,040 | Not known | 30,340 | Not known | 36% |
| Paper & cardboard | 798,000 | 394,000 | 473,000 | 215,620 | 314,412 | 89,530 | 39.4% | 42% |
| Plastic | 157,423 | 109,010 | 119,585 | 106,990 | 22,039 | 9,000 | 14% | 8% |
| Total | 1,375,423 | 637,250 | 705,397 | 453,890 | 458,581 | 132,800 | 32.9% | 20.8% |

Note:

1. All data are provided in tonnes.
2. Production refers to materials manufactured in New Zealand, including exported packaging.
3. Consumption refers to material use in New Zealand and includes imported materials: consumption = production - exports + imports.
4. Collection means waste collected for recycling after manufacturing and includes post-consumer waste.
5. This table does not include an estimated additional 53,000 tonnes of manufacturing waste reprocessed in-house, which does not appear in the collection figure.

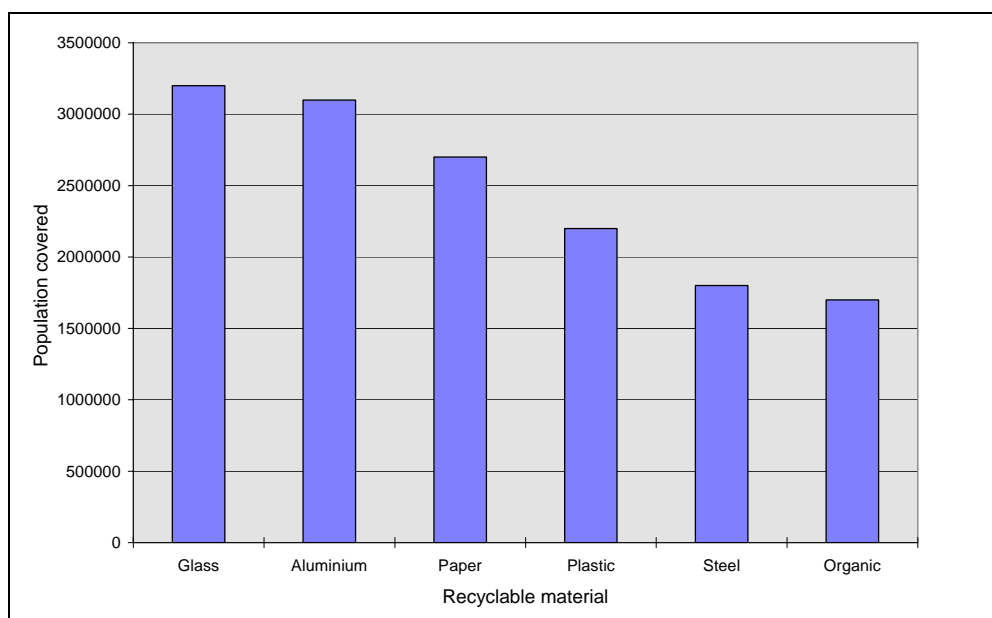


Figure 3.5.1 Population serviced by recycling schemes in 1994 [PIAC, 1996].

Table 3.5.2 Types of materials recycled at landfills in New Zealand as at March 1995 [Ministry for the Environment, 1997(b)].

| Types of material | Number of landfills |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Glass | 80 |
| Car bodies | 46 |
| Metals/scrap metal | 56 |
| Paper/newspaper | 37 |
| Whiteware | 34 |
| Plastic | 31 |
| Alloy/aluminium cans | 27 |
| Steel/scrap steel | 24 |
| Timber/wood | 18 |
| Green waste/compost | 20 |
| Cardboard | 16 |
| Used oil | 18 |
| Aluminium | 10 |
| Clothing/textiles | 9 |
| Firewood | 5 |
| Steptoe operation/anything saleable | 9 |
| Other | 12 |
| Not known | 1 |

Table 3.5.3 Total waste diverted by waste-minimising activities at New Zealand landfills in the last 12 months (as at March 1995) [Ministry for the Environment, 1997(b)].

| Quantity (tonnes) | Number |
|-------------------|--------|
| Up to 49 | 15 |
| 50-99 | 16 |
| 100-499 | 14 |
| 500-999 | 13 |
| 1000-4999 | 5 |
| 5000+ | 5 |
| Don't know | 27 |
| No reply | 27 |

At a local or regional level, quantities of industrial waste and residential waste collected or deposited for recycling have been estimated by a number of councils as shown in Table 3.5.4. These are estimates only, rounded to the nearest 10 tonnes. As no standard error was given for any of the figures, nothing can be said about the reliability of the data. Recyclable materials are also collected in other cities and regions, but no data are available to the Ministry.

Table 3.5.4 Estimated quantities of materials collected for recycling in New Zealand cities and regions.

| City or region | Recyclable materials collected (tonnes/year) | | | | | | | | | | Comments |
|-----------------------|--|-------------------|---------|--------------|-----|--------|-----------|---------|-------|-------|---|
| | Total | Paper & cardboard | Plastic | Alum - inium | Tin | Metal | Batteries | Organic | Oil | Glass | |
| Auckland City | 6,590 | | | 130 | 600 | | | | | 5,060 | 1995/96 kerbside recycling [Auckland City Council, <i>personal communication</i>] |
| Waitakere City | 12,880 | 3,330 | 480 | 80 | 370 | 3,280 | 50 | 3,410 | | 1,880 | 1995/96, kerbside & transfer stations [Waitakere City Council, <i>personal communication</i>] |
| North Shore City | 11,250 | 8,000 | 550 | 100 | 400 | | | | | 2,200 | Kerbside recycling, year unknown [North Shore City Council, <i>personal communication</i>] |
| Wellington City | 5,280 | 3,230 | 340 | | | 310 | | | | 1,400 | Kerbside 1995/96 [Works Consultancy Services Ltd, 1996(a)] |
| Lower Hutt | 2,110 | 1,430 | | 20 | 80 | | | | | 580 | Kerbside recycling 1995/96 [Hutt City Council, <i>personal communication</i>] |
| Gisborne District | 250 | 240 | 10 | | | | | | | | Collection by waste contractors, Dec 95-Dec 96 included, diverted to annual tonnage [Gisborne District Council, <i>personal communication</i>] |
| Palmerston North City | 1,538 | | | | | | | | | | Landfill site & recycling centre, July 94 - March 95, diverted to annual tonnage [Woodward-Clyde Ltd, 1995] |
| Marlborough District | 1,520 | 1,100 | | 30 | | | | | | 390 | Collection by waste contractors, July 1994 - June 1995 [Marlborough District Council, 1995] |
| Christchurch City | 46,990 | 15,530 | 20 | | | 27,110 | | | 2,400 | 1,930 | [MAF Consultancy Services, 1992] collection by recycling firms, 1992 |

Note: Quantities rounded to nearest ten tonnes.

3.5.2. Residential

Data on the quantities of waste segregated for recycling from residential sources in New Zealand are scarce. There is no national figure for quantities of residential waste recycled. A number of recycling systems are currently in place for residential waste, including [Wellington City Council, *personal communication*]:

- kerbside recycling collection bins provided for households (in part of or for the entire city) by (see Table 3.5.4):
 - Auckland City Council
 - Waitakere City Council
 - North Shore City Council
 - Hutt City Council
 - Wellington City Council
 - (Christchurch City Council may commence in 1997);
- kerbside collection of specific materials for recycling if they are placed in suitable bags (e.g. supermarket bags) alongside regular residential waste bins or bags. The waste collection contractors collect these materials at the same time as the residential waste collection:
 - New Plymouth City Council
 - Wanganui City Council
 - Upper Hutt City Council;
- collection of recyclable materials at “drop off” sites or transfer stations for some materials (e.g. aluminium cans, glass, newspapers or cardboard), is common in most districts throughout New Zealand.

Wellington City Council has undertaken an evaluation of the solid waste generated, landfilled and recycled in Wellington City. The data are summarised in Table 3.5.5. The proportions of recyclable materials landfilled and recycled are shown in Figure 3.5.2. This figure indicates that a relatively small portion of potentially recyclable materials is recycled in Wellington City.

Table 3.5.5 Summary of solid waste disposed in Wellington City [Works Consultancy Services, 1996(a)].

| Solid waste issue | 1994/95 | 1995/96 | Percentage change |
|---|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Total landfilled waste (industrial & municipal). Note: volumes of compacted waste were multiplied by 1.5 to obtain weights. | 276,025 tonnes | 254,190 tonnes | - 7.9 % |
| Number of municipal waste bags collected per household per week | 1.06 | 0.94 | - 11.3 % |
| Total municipal recyclables collected for recycling (recycling stations & kerbside collection scheme) | 4,510 tonnes | 5,270 tonnes | + 14.4 % |
| Per capita municipal recyclables collected for recycling (taking the population increase into account) | 0.034 tonnes | 0.030 tonnes | - 11.8 % |
| Percentage of recyclables landfilled | 94 % | 92.5 % | - 2.5 % |

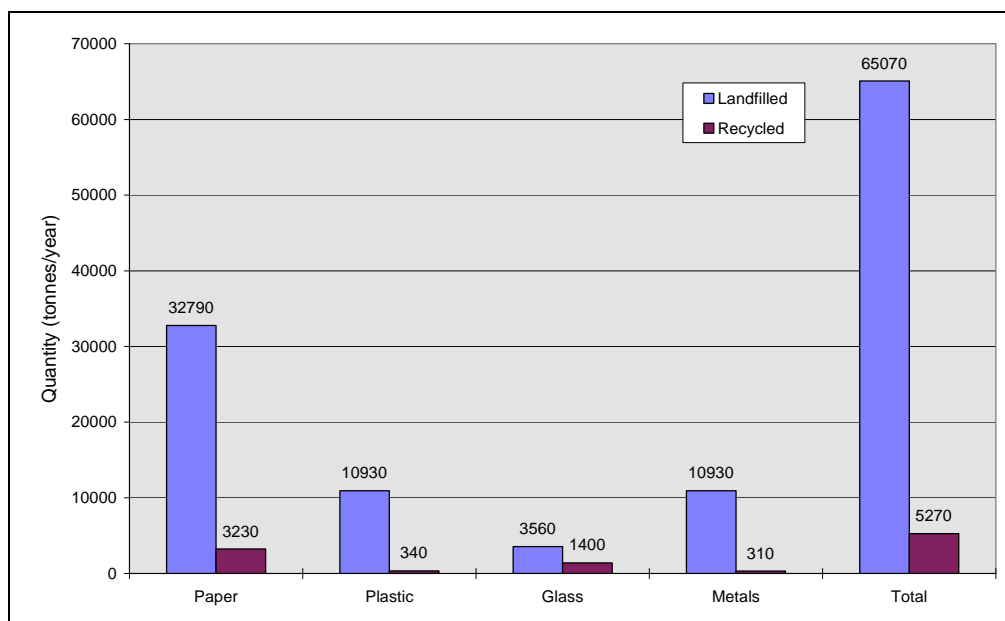


Figure 3.5.2 Quantities of recyclable materials landfilled and recycled in 1996 in Wellington City [Works Consultancy Services, 1996(a)].

3.6. Reduction

No data are available regarding waste reduction for New Zealand nationally or locally. The only information found was the reduction in the use of packaging materials over the last ten years, estimated by PIAC (1996). Typical packages in 1994 weigh much less than in 1985. Reductions in packaging volumes result from "light-weighting" (e.g. lighter soft drink bottles) or the use of lightweight materials and design improvements. Table 3.6.1 shows that the packaging waste stream would be 100,810 tonnes larger per year if packaging would weighed as much as it did in 1985.

In spite of the significant reductions in specific packaging materials achieved in New Zealand over the last decade, total packaging volumes have not reduced because of the absolute growth in volume of products and services requiring packaging.

Table 3.6.1 Average weight reduction of packaging material type - comparison between 1985 and 1994 [PIAC, 1996].

| Material | 1994 consumption component produced in NZ (tonnes) | Change of packaging weights between 1985 and 1994 | Annual tonnes saved as in 1994 compared to 1984 |
|-----------|--|---|---|
| Aluminium | 4,730 | - 14 % | 770 |
| Glass | 68,210 | - 15 % | 12,040 |
| Paper | 147,610 | - 20 % | 36,900 |
| Plastic | 80,370 | - 37 % | 47,200 |
| Steel | 23,970 | - 14 % | 3,900 |

4. LIQUID WASTE

4.1. Introduction

Liquid waste includes wastewater or sewage, stormwater, point source discharges and non-point source discharges.

In 1996 the *National Wastewater Treatment Plant Database* was completed, which was the first attempt to compile comprehensive national information on wastewater and public wastewater treatment plants in New Zealand. This chapter has mainly been drawn from data from this Database which is owned and operated by the New Zealand Water and Wastes Association (NZWWA). Data on wastewater, presented in section 4.2, includes wastewater quantities and qualities. Sludge generated by wastewater treatment plants is also discussed in this section, although it is strictly speaking considered a solid waste. It should be noted that the Database covers public wastewater treatment plants only, and in many cases the data supplied are incomplete. Information on other methods of sewage disposal, including privately owned and operated treatment plants (e.g. at an industrial site) and septic tanks, has not been found.

National monitoring data on non-point discharges of liquid waste in New Zealand is presented in section 4.3.

The Ministry of Agriculture completed a study on freshwater quality in New Zealand and the influence of agriculture on quality [Smith et al., 1993]. As the study focused on water quality rather than quantities of waste disposed into surface water bodies, information from this report has not been included in this Chapter.

4.2. Wastewater at public wastewater treatment plants

There are 258 public wastewater treatment plants operating in New Zealand. The sizes of the plants vary significantly. The smallest plant, the Waitoria plant in Whangarei, serves a population of 12. The largest plant is Mangere wastewater treatment plant in Manakau City and serves a population of approximately 700,000. Therefore data presented in this section should be interpreted with caution as in many cases data are provided for the number of plants rather than for the population served or the average daily flow.

A summary table for a number of wastewater treatment plants for 1995/96 is included in Appendix VI [NZWWA, 1996].

4.2.1. Wastewater quantities

a) *Influent quantities*

The influent of a wastewater treatment plant is the water coming into the plant, which is expressed as average daily flows (ADF) or m³ per day. The Database provides ADFs of influents for 135 of the 258 treatment plants, of which measured ADFs are available for 43 plants and estimated ADFs are available for 92 plants. The measured ADFs and the average flow per capita for the 43 plants are shown in Table 4.2.1. The remainder of the plants do not monitor or did not report influent quantities.

Table 4.2.1 Measured influent quantities for 43 wastewater treatment plants in New Zealand in 1995/96 [Woodward-Clyde, 1996].

| Local authority | Treatment plant | Population covered | Avg. daily flow (m ³ /d) | Flow /capita (measured) |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Ashburton District Council | Ashburton Oxidation Pond | 15000 | 8331 | 0.56 |
| Christchurch City Council | Belfast WWTP | 3600 | 1409 | 0.39 |
| Christchurch City Council | Christchurch WWTP | 314000 | 148000 | 0.47 |
| Christchurch City Council | Templeton WWTP | 2350 | 923 | 0.39 |
| Hamilton City Council | Hamilton WWTP | 105300 | 40640 | 0.39 |
| Hastings District Council | Hastings Wastewater Facility | 50000 | 47215 | 0.94 |
| Hutt City Council | Seaview Milliscreen Plant | 108000 | 20810 | 0.19 |
| Hutt City Council | Wainuiomata WWTP (High Rate) | 11100 | 4692 | 0.42 |
| Invercargill City Council | Clifton WWTP | 48785 | 21905 | 0.45 |
| Kapiti Coast District Council | Otaki WWTP | 6500 | 1981 | 0.30 |
| Kapiti Coast District Council | Paraparaumu WWTP | 18500 | 4844 | 0.26 |
| Kapiti Coast District Council | Waikanae WWTP | 7000 | 2750 | 0.39 |
| Marlborough District Council | Blenheim | 18000 | 16943 | 0.94 |
| Marlborough District Council | Havelock | 500 | 165 | 0.33 |
| Marlborough District Council | Spring Creek | 325 | 60 | 0.18 |
| New Plymouth District Council | New Plymouth WWTP | 48519 | 20693 | 0.43 |
| New Plymouth District Council | Waitara WWTP | 7000 | 4593 | 0.66 |
| North Shore City Council | North Shore WWTP | 151000 | 43400 | 0.29 |
| Opotiki District Council | Opotiki Service Treatment Plant | 3500 | 1200 | 0.34 |
| Rodney District Council | Whangaparaoa | 10000 | 1419 | 0.14 |
| Rotorua District Council | Rotorua WWTP | 50000 | 20531 | 0.41 |
| Ruapehu District Council | Hikumutu Sewage Treatment Plant | 6000 | 2312 | 0.39 |
| South Waikato District Council | Arapuni | 254 | 59 | 0.23 |
| South Waikato District Council | Putaruru | 3992 | 931 | 0.23 |
| South Waikato District Council | Tirau | 707 | 280 | 0.40 |
| South Waikato District Council | Tokoroa | 15959 | 4148 | 0.26 |
| Taupo District Council | Acacia Bay | 1400 | 351 | 0.25 |
| Taupo District Council | Atiamuri (Hydro Village) | 120 | 28 | 0.23 |
| Taupo District Council | Kinloch WWTP | 1300 | 124 | 0.10 |
| Taupo District Council | Mangakino WWTP | 1500 | 500 | 0.33 |
| Taupo District Council | Motuoapa WWTP | 728 | 39 | 0.05 |
| Taupo District Council | Omori-Kuratau | 1800 | 1285 | 0.71 |
| Taupo District Council | Taupo | 16000 | 4994 | 0.31 |
| Taupo District Council | Turangi WWTP | 4500 | 1200 | 0.27 |
| Taupo District Council | Waitahanui | 900 | 111 | 0.12 |
| Taupo District Council | Whakamaru (Hydro Village) | 240 | 48 | 0.20 |
| Tauranga District Council | Chapel Street WTP | 53000 | 14400 | 0.27 |
| Upper Hutt City Council | Maymorn WWTP | 210 | 90 | 0.43 |
| Watercare Services Ltd | Mangere WWTP | 700000 | 262000 | 0.37 |

| Local authority | Treatment plant | Population covered | Avg. daily flow (m ³ /d) | Flow /capita (measured) |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Wellington City Council | Moa Point Milliscreening Plant | 120000 | 65578 | 0.55 |
| Whangarei District Council | Langs Beach | 17 | 4.8 | 0.28 |
| Whangarei District Council | Ngunguru | 500 | 108 | 0.22 |
| Whangarei District Council | Whangarei | 40000 | 14997 | 0.37 |
| | | | | |
| Total | | 1,948,106 | 779,048.8 | |
| Weighted average (N=43, with correction for population) | | | | 0.41 |
| Average (N=43) | | | | 0.33 |
| Minimum | | | | 0.05 |
| Maximum | | | | 0.94 |
| Standard deviation | | | | 0.19 |
| Standard deviation (%) | | | | 56.60% |

Using the weighted average ADF per capita of 0.41 m³ (Table 4.2.1), the total influent ADF for the New Zealand population covered by public wastewater plants can be calculated. Population coverage is available for only 237 of the 258 treatment plants. The total population covered by these 237 plants is 2,890,000. The total influent ADF for these 237 plants is approximately 1,185,100 m³/day. If the New Zealand March 1994 total population figure of 3,540,700 is used, the New Zealand influent ADF is approximately 1,451,700 m³/day. Therefore it is estimated that the New Zealand influent ADF lies somewhere between 1.1 and 1.5 million m³/day.

The estimated and measured influent ADFs can be used to calculate a total figure of wastewater generated in New Zealand. Figures for 1995/96 are shown in Table 4.2.2.

This calculation suggests that the total quantity of wastewater generated by a population of 2,890,600 is between 1.1 and 1.3 million m³ per day (based on only 237 plants). As this data is only based on the estimates and/or measurements supplied for 135 treatment plants, and does not include the 21 plants for which no population figures were supplied, it should be considered only as an indicative. The reliability of this calculation has not been investigated.

Table 4.2.2 Influent quantities for New Zealand wastewater treatment plants in 1995/96 [Woodward-Clyde, 1996].

| Calculation of ADF | Number of treatment plants | Total ADF (m ³ /day) | Population covered | ADF/capita (m ³ /day) | Total ADF for New Zealand (2,890,600) |
|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Measured | 43 | 796,100 | 1,948,100 | 0.41 | 1,185,146 |
| Estimated | 135 | 1,146,900 | 2,677,700 | 0.43 | 1,242,958 |

Wastewater also has a solid component. The small particles suspended in the wastewater are called “suspended solids” (SS). By multiplying the SS value with the influent flow, the dry solid component of the wastewater can be calculated. Using the population served figures from Table 4.2.1 the dry solid component per capita per day can be calculated. Of the 258 treatment plants, 17 have monitored the solid component values in wastewater. This information is provided in Table 4.2.3.

Table 4.2.3 Quantities of dry solids entering 17 New Zealand wastewater treatment plants in 1995/96 [Woodward-Clyde, 1996].

| Local authority | Wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) | ADF (m ³ /day) | SS (g/m ³) | Dry solids (kg/day) | Dry solids (kg/capita/day) |
|--|---|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Christchurch City Council | Belfast WWTP | 1409 | 255 | 360 | 0.10 |
| Christchurch City Council | Christchurch WWTP | 148000 | 164 | 24270 | 0.77 |
| Hamilton City Council | Hamilton WWTP | 40640 | 357 | 14510 | 0.14 |
| Hutt City Council | Wainuiomata WWTP (High Rate) | 4692 | 233 | 1090 | 0.10 |
| Kapiti Coast District Council | Otaki WWTP | 1981 | 182 | 360 | 0.06 |
| Kapiti Coast District Council | Paraparaumu WWTP | 4844 | 231 | 1120 | 0.06 |
| Kapiti Coast District Council | Waikanae WWTP | 2750 | 246 | 680 | 0.10 |
| New Plymouth District Council | New Plymouth WWTP | 20693 | 187 | 3870 | 0.08 |
| New Plymouth District Council | Waitara WWTP | 4593 | 105.5 | 480 | 0.07 |
| North Shore City Council | North Shore WWTP | 43400 | 295 | 12800 | 0.85 |
| Palmerston North City Council | Palmerston North Sewage Treatment Plant | 28000 | 300 | 8400 | 0.13 |
| Rotorua District Council | Rotorua WWTP | 20531 | 160 | 3280 | 0.07 |
| South Waikato District Council | Putaruru | 931 | 256 | 240 | 0.06 |
| South Waikato District Council | Tokoroa | 4148 | 288 | 1190 | 0.07 |
| Tauranga District Council | Chapel Street WTP | 14400 | 297 | 4280 | 0.08 |
| Watercare Services Ltd | Mangere WWTP | 262000 | 426 | 111610 | 0.16 |
| Whangarei District Council | Whangarei | 14997 | 238 | 3570 | 0.09 |
| Average | | | | | 0.09 |
| Standard deviation | | | | | 0.24 |
| Weighted average (corrected for population served) | | | | | 0.16 = 59 per year |

Note: SS per day calculated using the measured ADF with the exception of Palmerston North.

For the 17 plants included in Table 4.2.3, the weighted average of dry solids/capita/year is approximately 59 kg. This figure includes residential and industrial wastewater. Therefore, to make a comparison with the quantities of waste landfilled in New Zealand, per capita total figures (industrial and residential) rather than per capita residential figures should be used. The total landfilled waste per capita per year is approximately 898 kg. This suggests that the quantity of solid waste disposed through the public sewage system could be almost 7% of the solid waste going to landfills. It should be noted, however, that the dry solids figure is based on data from 17 treatment plants only, and that the standard error in these data is high. These data should only be considered as in order of magnitude estimates only, and must therefore be interpreted with caution.

b) Effluent quantities

The effluent of a wastewater treatment plant is the outgoing wastewater stream. No data are available on quantities of effluent, as generally the quantities of influent of treatment plants are monitored only.

Information on the means of disposal of effluent wastewater from treatment plants is provided by the Database. Figure 4.2.1 shows the discharge methods for effluent wastewater used by New Zealand treatment plants. Over half the plants (53%) discharge effluent to surface water, including rivers, lakes and estuaries, followed by disposal to land (22%), to the ocean (10%) and into harbours (9%). For 17 plants (6%) the disposal

method for effluent wastewater is not known. It should be noted that the figure provides information on the number of treatment plants discharging by each method. It does not consider quantities of effluent discharged by each method.

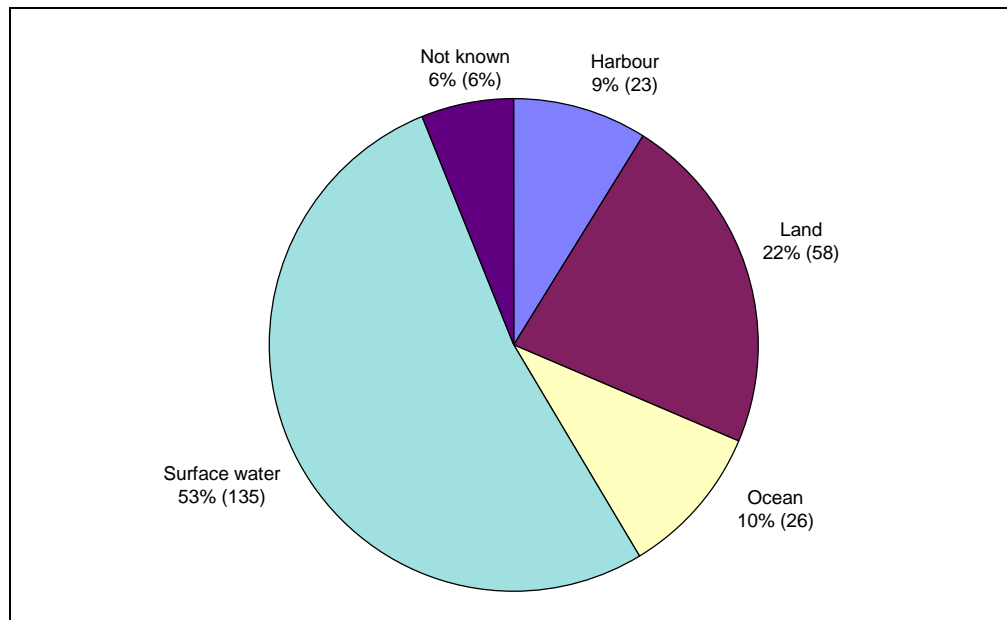


Figure 4.2.1 Disposal of effluent wastewater by 258 New Zealand wastewater treatment plants in 1995/96 [Woodward-Clyde, 1996].

4.2.2. Wastewater quality

Influent wastewater quality is determined by the source of the waste stream. Effluent wastewater quality is determined by the level of treatment.

Treatment plants use primary, secondary and/or tertiary treatment methods as described in Chapter 2. The definitions of these treatment methods are not used consistently, and it was therefore decided not to include information on treatment methods used by treatment plants in the chapter.

Generally, two methods of wastewater treatment dominate in New Zealand: oxidation ponds (including facultative, aerated and maturation ponds), and variations of activated sludge processes. Anaerobic ponds are used by industry for off-site partial or complete effluent treatment and are therefore not included in the Database.

Typical pollutants in treatment influent and effluent waste streams are suspended solids, nutrients (nitrates, nitrites and phosphates), bacteria, and ammonia. Industrial discharges and stormflows to the waste water treatment plants can contribute a range of other pollutants, such as metals and organochlorines. Wastewater also contains organic matter. The biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) is a measure for the amount of oxygen required for the degradation of organic matter by organisms.

A number of these parameters are monitored by some treatment plants. As there is no national monitoring requirement, not all plants monitor the same parameters. For example, only 24 of the 258 treatment plants monitor faecal coliform. Monitoring is often determined by conditions of consents determined by the local authority.

Table 4.2.4 summarises the quality parameters measured by a number of New Zealand wastewater treatment plants as in 1995/96. The table shows that the quality of influents

and effluents varies widely amongst treatment plants, due to the different techniques used and differences in efficiency of the treatment plants. Furthermore, the quality of the effluent provides limited information on the effects on the receiving environment, which depend on factors such as dispersion and ecosystem values.

The estimated average influent to New Zealand wastewater treatment plants of 0.41 m³/capita/day is comparable with an international average of about 0.35-0.4 m³/capita/day. However, based on the average biochemical oxygen demand of 92 g/capita/day for 19 treatment plants, the New Zealand influent is relatively strong. Assuming the European Union population equivalent figure of 60 g/capita/day of BOD (BOD₅ = over a 5-day period), the New Zealand population equivalent would be about one-and-a-half times the 2,890,552 million served by 237 public wastewater treatment plants.

As all data is obtained at the wastewater treatment plants, the database does not distinguish between different sources of wastewater, such as industrial and residential, different types of industries, or manufacturing and commercial enterprises. This means that an analysis of different sources of wastewater cannot be made.

Table 4.2.4 Quality parameters of influent and effluent wastewater of New Zealand wastewater treatment plants in 1995/96 [Woodward-Clyde, 1996].

| Parameter | Environmental effect | Aspect | Average per capita | Average | Minimum | Maximum | Standard deviation | % Standard deviation | Number of treatment plants |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) (g/m ³) | Oxygen depletion | Influent | 92.3 | 225 | 147 | 464 | 79.8 | 35.5% | 19 |
| | | Effluent | 11.1 | 27 | 2 | 720 | 126.9 | 470.1 | 31 |
| | | % Removal | 36.3 | 88.5 | 51.0 | 98.6 | 11.7 | 13.2% | 16 |
| Suspended solids (SS) (g/m ³) | Aesthetic pollution, smothering, light absorption | Influent | 102.5 | 250.5 | 105.5 | 497 | 95.4 | 38.1% | 18 |
| | | Effluent | 16.8 | 41 | 7 | 507 | 103.0 | 251.2 | 31 |
| | | % Removal | 33.8 | 82.4 | -237.4 | 96.6 | 83.7 | 102% | 15 |
| Nutrients (nitrates, nitrites, phosphates) (g/m ³) | Eutrophication | Influent | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 134% | 8 |
| | | Effluent | 0.7 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 11.9 | 3.8 | 242% | 18 |
| Ammonia (N as NH ₄) (g/m ³) | Toxicity, oxygen depletion | Influent | 11.1 | 27.0 | 15.6 | 52.2 | 10.4 | 38% | 15 |
| | | Effluent | 7.5 | 18.2 | 0.4 | 32 | 10.9 | 60% | 15 |
| Faecal coliforms (bacteria) (g/m ³) | Disease | Influent | 7.8 | 19.1 | 1.9 | 123 | 29.4 | 154% | 15 |
| | | Effluent | 7.4 | 18.0 | 0.1 | 25,000 | 6395.72 | 35532% | 24 |
| Metals | Toxicity | No information provided by database | | | | | | | |

4.2.3. Sludge

Sludge is a by-product of wastewater treatment processes. Of the 258 treatment plants, 35 monitor sludge quantities and 21 monitor and treat sludge prior to disposal. The majority (202 plants) do neither, not monitor nor treat sludge.

Monitored quantities of sludge are available for only nine treatment plants. Table 4.2.5 on the next page gives quantities of sludge generated at nine treatment plants. Sludge includes primary sludge, resulting from primary wastewater treatment, secondary sludge from secondary treatment, comminuted sludge from primary treatment, and treated sludge, which is sludge that has been treated to remove contaminants prior to disposal.

Sludge can be disposed of in a number of ways, including use as a fertiliser by the agricultural sector or by the public, incineration, landfilling, and other reuses such as soil extender or compost. Figure 4.2.2 suggests that landfilling is the most common disposal option, for the 84 treatment plants surveyed. Reliable proportions of the different disposal methods used can only be determined when disposal methods used by the remaining 175 treatment plants are also known. The figure does not provide information on the relative quantities of sludge discharged by each method.

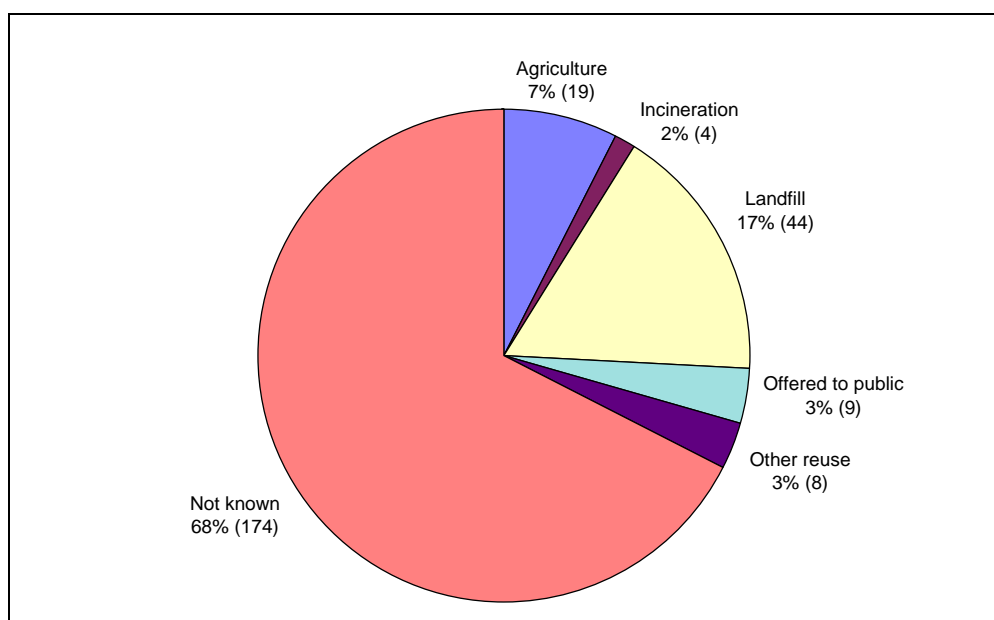


Figure 4.2.2 Disposal of sludge by 258 New Zealand wastewater treatment plants in 1995/96 [Woodward-Clyde, 1996].

Table 4.2.5 Quantities of sludge (dry solids) generated by 9 New Zealand wastewater treatment plants in 1995/96 [Woodward-Clyde, 1996].

| Local authority | Treatment plant | Primary sludge | | Secondary sludge | | Communitied sludge | | Treated sludge |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------|
| | | Dry tonnes | % dry solids | Dry tonnes | % dry solids | Dry tonnes | % dry solids | Dry tonnes |
| Christchurch City Council | Christchurch WWTP | 815.2* | 3.9* | | | 830 | 3.9 | |
| Hamilton City Council | Hamilton WWTP | | 4.29 | | | | | |
| Hutt City Council | Wainuiomata WWTP (High Rate) | | 5.3* | | | | 5.3 | 10.5 |
| Invercargill City Council | Clifton WWTP | 136* | 5.85* | | | 136 | 5.85 | |
| North Shore City Council | North Shore WWTP | 9.9 | 4.3 | | | | | |
| Rotorua District Council | Rotorua WWTP | 47.9 | 3.8 | 76 | 2.87 | | | |
| South Waikato District Council | Tokoroa WWTP | | 4.5 | | | | | |
| Tauranga District Council | Chapel Street WWTP | 3.65* | 4* | | | 3.65 | 4 | 50.3 |
| Watercare Services Ltd | Mangere WWTP | 2,420 | 3.9 | 300 | 1.4 | | | |

4.3. Point and non-point source discharges

Limited data was found on point and non-point source discharges. Figure 4.3.1 summarises the estimated annual discharges of nitrogen into surface water. The figure shows that agriculture is the main source of nitrogen discharges. Other non-point sources of nitrogen discharge are native and exotic forests. Other point sources of nitrogen discharge are urban sewage and pulp and paper plants.

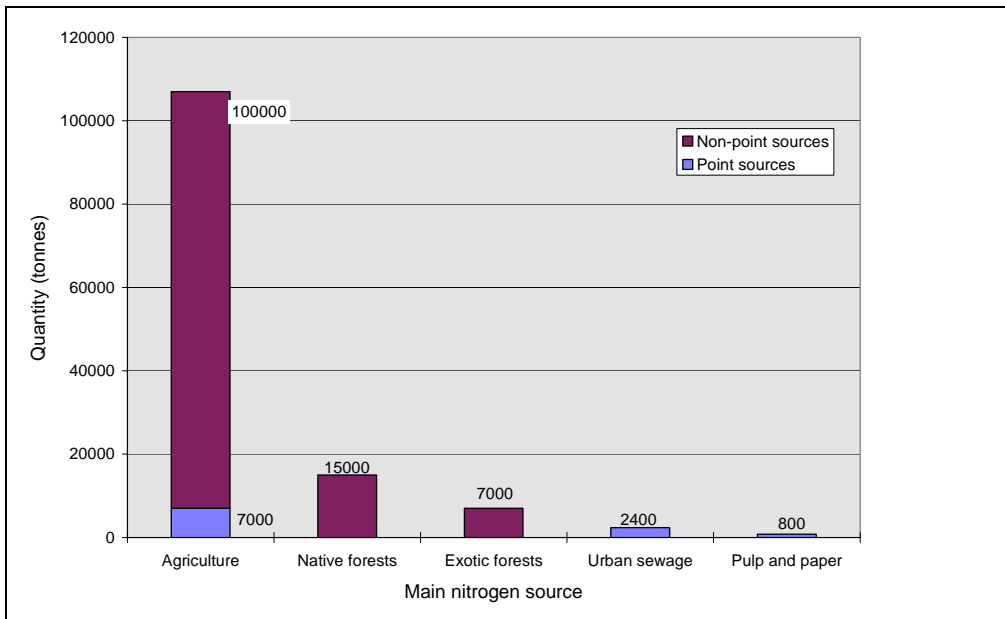


Figure 4.3.1 Estimated yearly nitrogen loadings to New Zealand surface waters [Cooper, 1992].

Figure 4.3.2 shows the main point sources of organic pollution (BOD) in surface water in New Zealand. Meat processing factories and farm dairies (cow sheds) are the largest point sources of discharged BOD in surface water. Smaller point sources of BOD are dairy factories, pulp and paper mills, piggeries, and wastewater treatment plants. It is notable that wastewater treatment plants are relatively successful in reducing the BOD levels before they discharge of wastewater effluents in surface water.

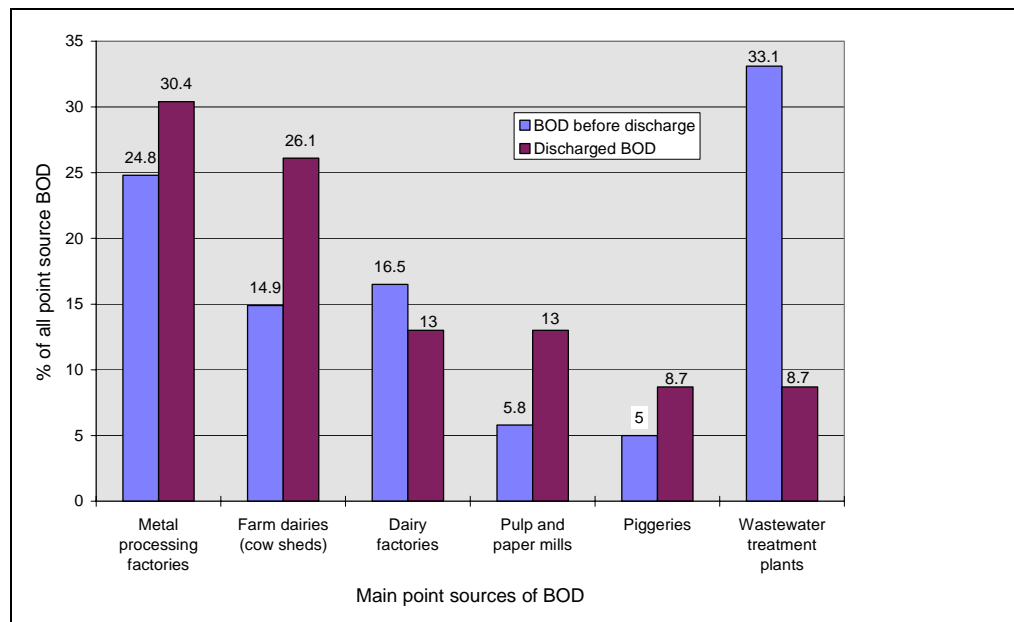


Figure 4.3.2 The major point sources of organic pollution (BOD_5) in surface water [Hickey and Rutherford, 1996].

5. GASEOUS WASTE

5.1. Introduction

Air emissions or gaseous waste have been given less attention than solid and liquid waste, generally because of the “invisible” nature of the waste and the dispersed form of disposal. The lack of attention in New Zealand has also been due, in part, to better air quality compared to many other countries. This situation is changing as local authorities carry out their responsibilities under the Resource Management Act. Several councils have recently completed regional inventories of air emissions. These include Auckland, Gisborne, Taranaki and Canterbury. Others have efforts underway or plan to conduct inventories. In addition, national inventories are available for greenhouse gases. National inventories are being compiled by the National Institute of Atmospheric and Water Research (NIWA) for the ambient air pollutants (those covered by the Ministry for the Environment’s Ambient Air Quality Guidelines, 1994) as part of a Sustainable Management Fund project on air quality. This will be completed by July 1997. At present, draft reports are available that provide inventories on a sectoral basis - transport, industrial, area, and natural [NIWA, 1996 (a,b,c,d)] .

A more detailed and accurate inventory of land transport emissions is being developed as part of the Light Duty Vehicle Fleet Strategy, an effort underway at the Ministry of Transport. Heavy duty vehicles will be inventoried later in 1997.

The discussion below covers greenhouse gases (section 5.2) and air emission data from the Auckland region (section 5.3) in the form of case studies.

5.2. Greenhouse gases

Greenhouse gases are given much attention worldwide due to the possible contribution to global warming or climate change. Greenhouse gases include carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), nitrous oxide (N₂O), other nitrogen oxides (NO_x) and carbon monoxide (CO), perfluorocarbons (PFCs), hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), sulphurhexafluoride (SF₆), sulphur dioxide (SO₂), and non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOCs).

New Zealand has developed an inventory of emissions and sinks of the most significant greenhouse gases [Ministry for the Environment, 1994(b), 1997(c)]. The first inventory was 1990-based and has been updated annually to monitor trends in emissions and sinks, and to evaluate the effectiveness of policy trends.

The inventory focuses on all greenhouse gases mentioned above. National data is provided for sources and sinks of these gases using the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) categories of energy, industrial processes, solvent and other product use, agriculture, land use change and forestry, and waste. In keeping with the IPCC guidelines, emissions from international bunkers (marine and air) are treated separately.

Table 5.2.1 and Table 5.2.2 present summary inventories for 1990 and 1995 respectively. Where 1995 data were not available, 1994 data were used. The summary table shows that

Table 5.2.1 Summary report for New Zealand's greenhouse gas inventory in 1990 [Ministry for the Environment, 1997(c)].

| Greenhouse gas source and sink categories | CO ₂ emissions | CO ₂ removals | CH ₄ | N ₂ O | NO _x | CO | NMVOC | HFCs | PFCs | SFs | SO ₂ |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----|-------|------|------|------|-----------------|
| Total national emissions and removals | 25,476 | -17,703 | 1,809 | 48 | 114 | 724 | 182 | neg | 0.09 | 0.02 | 16 |
| All energy (fuel combustion & fugitive) | 23,089 | | 32 | 3 | 110 | 656 | 140 | | | | ne |
| Industrial processes | 2,387 | | neg | nr | 2 | 1 | 17 | neg | 0.09 | 0.02 | 16 |
| Solvent and other product use | | | | | | | 25 | | | | |
| Agriculture | | | 1,514 | 45 | neg | 4 | | | | | |
| Land use change and forestry | | | 7 | neg | 2 | 63 | | | | | |
| Waste | | | 256 | ne | | | | | | | |
| International bunkers (aviation & marine) | 2,413 | -17,703 | neg | | 27 | 6 | ne | | | | |

Note:

1. Ne = not estimated, neg = negligible, nr = not reported.
2. All data presented in gigagrams (Gg) and rounded to the nearest number except for HFCs, PFCs and SFs.

Table 5.2.2 Summary report for New Zealand's greenhouse gas inventory in 1995 [Ministry for the Environment, 1997(c)].

| Greenhouse gas source and sink categories | CO ₂ emissions | CO ₂ removals | CH ₄ | N ₂ O | NO _x | CO | NMVOC | HFCs | PFCs | SFs | SO ₂ |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|
| Total national emissions and removals | 27,367 | -13,796 | 1,734 | 46 | 133 | 771 | 207 | 0.140 | 0.030 | 0.180 | 21 |
| All energy (fuel combustion & fugitive) | 24,631 | | 35 | 2 | 129 | 725 | 160 | | | | ne |
| Industrial processes | 2,736 | | neg | | 3 | 1 | 19 | 0.140 | 0.030 | 0.180 | 21 |
| Solvent and other product use | | | | 44 | | | 28 | | | | |
| Agriculture | | | 1,460 | | | 4 (1994) | | | | | |
| Land use change and forestry | | -13,796(1994) | 5 (1994) | neg | 1 (1994) | 41 (1994) | | | | | |
| Waste | | | 234 | ne | | | | | | | |
| International bunkers (aviation & marine) | 2,736 | | 0.25 | 0.06 | 30 | 6 | ne | | | | ne |

Note

1. Ne = not estimated, neg = negligible, nr = not reported.
2. All data presented in gigagrams (Gg) and rounded to the nearest number except for HFCs, PFCs and SFs.

through planted forests an estimated 13,796 Gg of CO₂ was absorbed in 1994. This takes into account the 1,369 Gg of CO₂ that was emitted through forest clearing and fires. In 1995 agriculture is New Zealand's main source of methane (CH₄) and nitrous dioxide (N₂O) emissions. Transport is the main source of CO₂, NO_x, CO and non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC) in New Zealand. The main source of perfluorocarbons (PFCs) in New Zealand is from aluminium smelting.

Figure 5.2.1 compares the total greenhouse gas emissions in New Zealand for 1990 and 1995. The figure shows that the emissions of greenhouse gases have increased since 1990, with the exception of methane (CH₄) and nitrous dioxide (N₂O). The total absorption of CO₂ by planted forests has reduced since 1990.

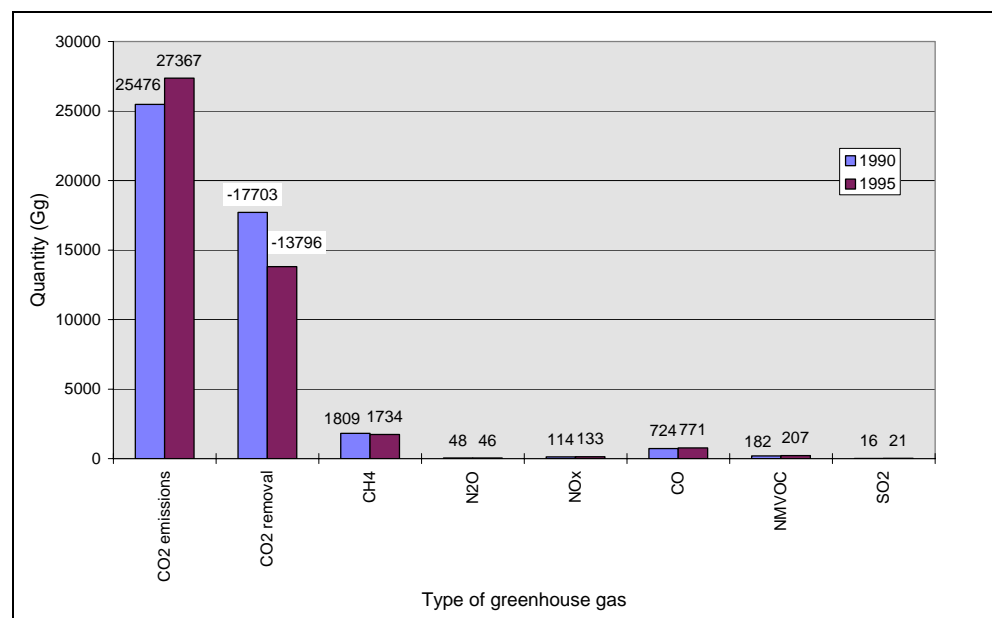


Figure 5.2.1 Comparison of some greenhouse gas emissions between 1990 and 1995 in New Zealand [Ministry for the Environment, 1997(c)].

Figure 5.2.2 compares the fluorine-containing greenhouse gases, including perfluorocarbons (PFCs), hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), and sulphurhexafluoride (SF₆). Although the quantities of these gases emitted are relatively low compared to the other greenhouse gases, their contributions to the greenhouse effect are significantly larger.

It should be noted that standard errors are not quoted for most data presented in this report. Therefore changes between 1990 and 1995 should be considered as indicative estimates only.

Figure 5.2.3 presents data on emissions of carbon dioxide from all sectors in 1990. At this time, the largest source of carbon dioxide emissions in New Zealand was the transport sector which accounted for 34% of total carbon dioxide emissions in 1990. Electricity generation and other transformation activities (including gas used in the petrochemicals industry) accounted for 27% of the total. Carbon dioxide emissions from industrial processes contributed 10% of the total, with fuel combustion in the industrial, commercial/industrial and agricultural/forestry sectors accounting for 17%, 5% and 4% of the total respectively. The remaining emissions (less than 4%) came from the residential sector, fugitive fuel, and other sources. This data is not yet available for 1995. However, it is probable that the relative proportions will not have changed significantly.

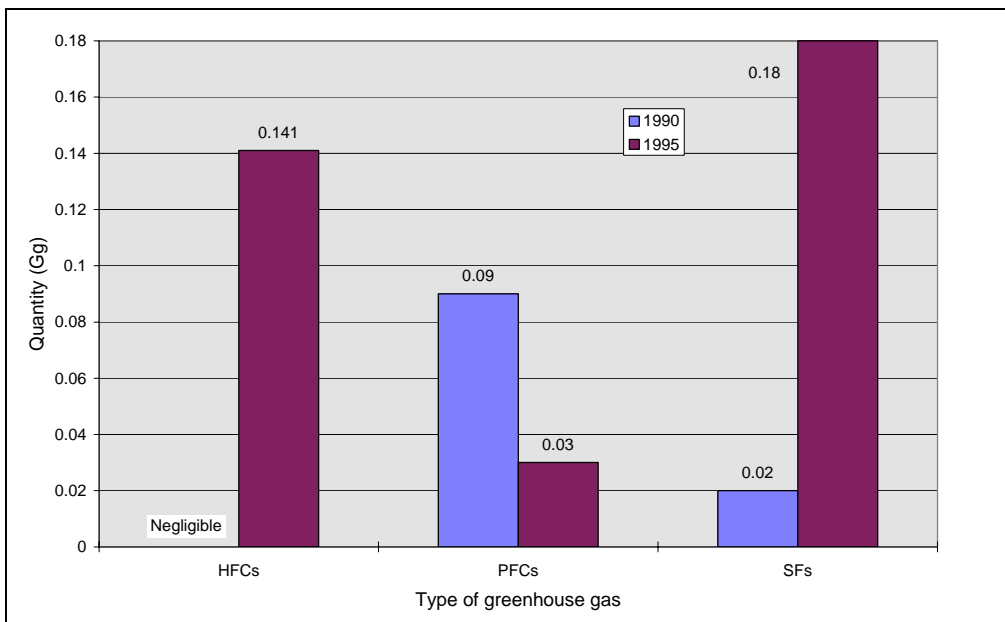


Figure 5.2.2 Comparison of fluorine-containing greenhouse gas emissions between 1990 and 1995 in New Zealand [Ministry for the Environment, 1997(c)].

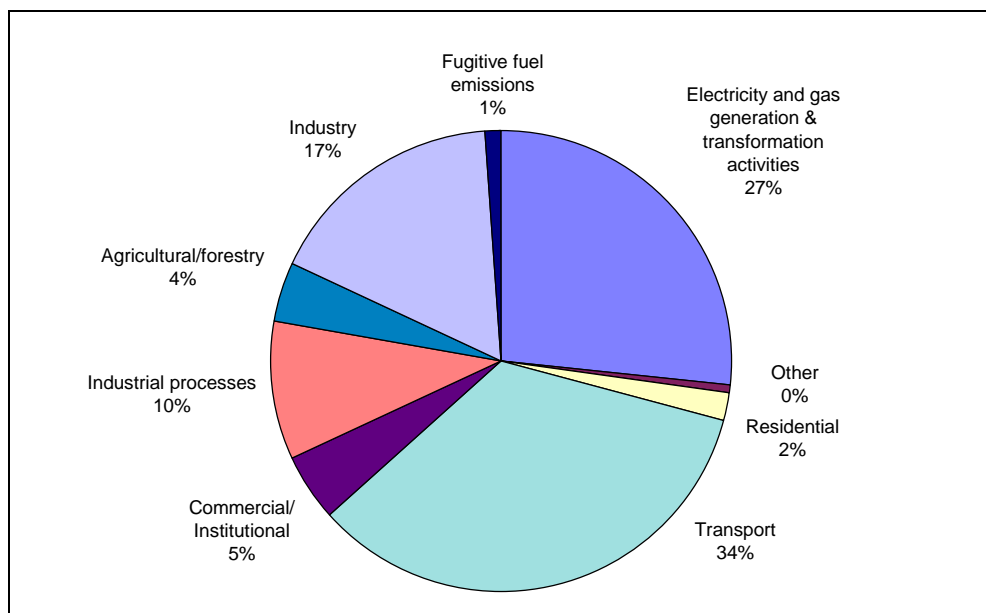


Figure 5.2.3 Carbon dioxide emission from all sectors in New Zealand in 1990 [Ministry for the Environment, 1994(b)].

Figure 5.2.4 shows the 1990 energy sector carbon dioxide emissions generated by transport and energy related fuel consumption. Oil contributed 52% of total energy sector carbon dioxide, with the main source being the transport sector which accounted for around 72% of all oil emissions. Gas and coal accounted for 34% and 14% respectively. Less than 1% of carbon dioxide emissions were derived from geothermal.

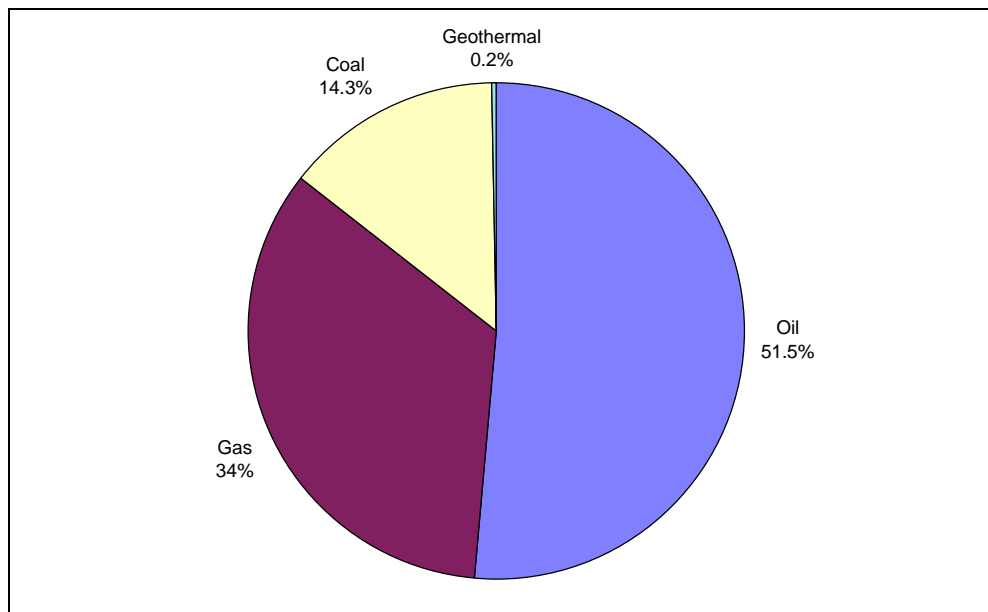


Figure 5.2.4 Carbon dioxide emissions by fuel in New Zealand in 1990 [Ministry for the Environment, 1994(b)].

For more information see *Climate Change, the New Zealand Response* [Ministry for the Environment, 1994(b), 1997(c)].

5.3. Regional air emissions inventories: the Auckland region

The Auckland Air Emissions Inventory project was carried out to provide an inventory of pollutant emissions to air, resulting from activities within the Auckland region. Data obtained will be used as a planning tool for evaluating the effectiveness of policy options to reduce air pollution in the Auckland region.

The computerised air emissions inventory includes the anthropogenic emissions from transport, domestic and commercial activities, industry, plus biogenic sources (vegetation, soil and ocean). Emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC, excluding methane), NO_x, CO, SO₂, CO₂ and airborne particles from these sources have been estimated.

Information regarding the background and methodology used is provided in Appendix VII. It should be noted that substantial uncertainty and errors may exist in inventory data. These mostly arise because emission estimates were generally based on either the limited experimental test data, laboratory rather than actual world testing, or the use of general emission factors rather than measurements at specific sites.

Figure 5.3.1 presents data on total annual emissions in the Auckland study region and the relative contribution of key sources. Emissions were monitored on summer days and on winter days because the outside temperature is a main factor of influence of the quantities emitted. Table 5.3.1 and Table 5.3.2 include data on typical emissions for a summer day and winter day respectively in the region in 1993. The data shows that total emissions increase by roughly 15% from summer to winter. On the basis of the data obtained, growth estimates of total emissions have been estimated for the year 2003. For more detailed analysis and for the 2003 estimates refer to the Auckland Air Emissions Inventory report [Auckland Regional Council, 1997].

5.3.1. Emissions from transport

Transport sources of emissions include emissions from motor vehicles, marine pleasure craft/shipping, rail and aviation.

Mobile sources of emissions include the emissions from motor vehicles, marine pleasure craft/shipping, rail and aviation. Total mobile sources have been estimated to contribute 117 tonnes of VOC, 87 tonnes of NO_x, 764 tonnes of CO, 2 tonnes of SO₂, 3 tonnes of TSP and 6,800 tonnes of CO₂ per average summer week day in the Auckland region in 1993. These values represent 70, 86, 95, 27 and 20% respectively, of total anthropogenic emissions in the region.

Motor vehicles have been identified as the dominant contributor to transport source emissions, and to the airshed. They account for approximately 98% of VOC emissions and 95% of NO_x emissions within the mobile source category for an average week day. Mobile source emissions are estimated to vary significantly with season and day of the week, as a result of the influence of the outside temperature on the quantities emitted.

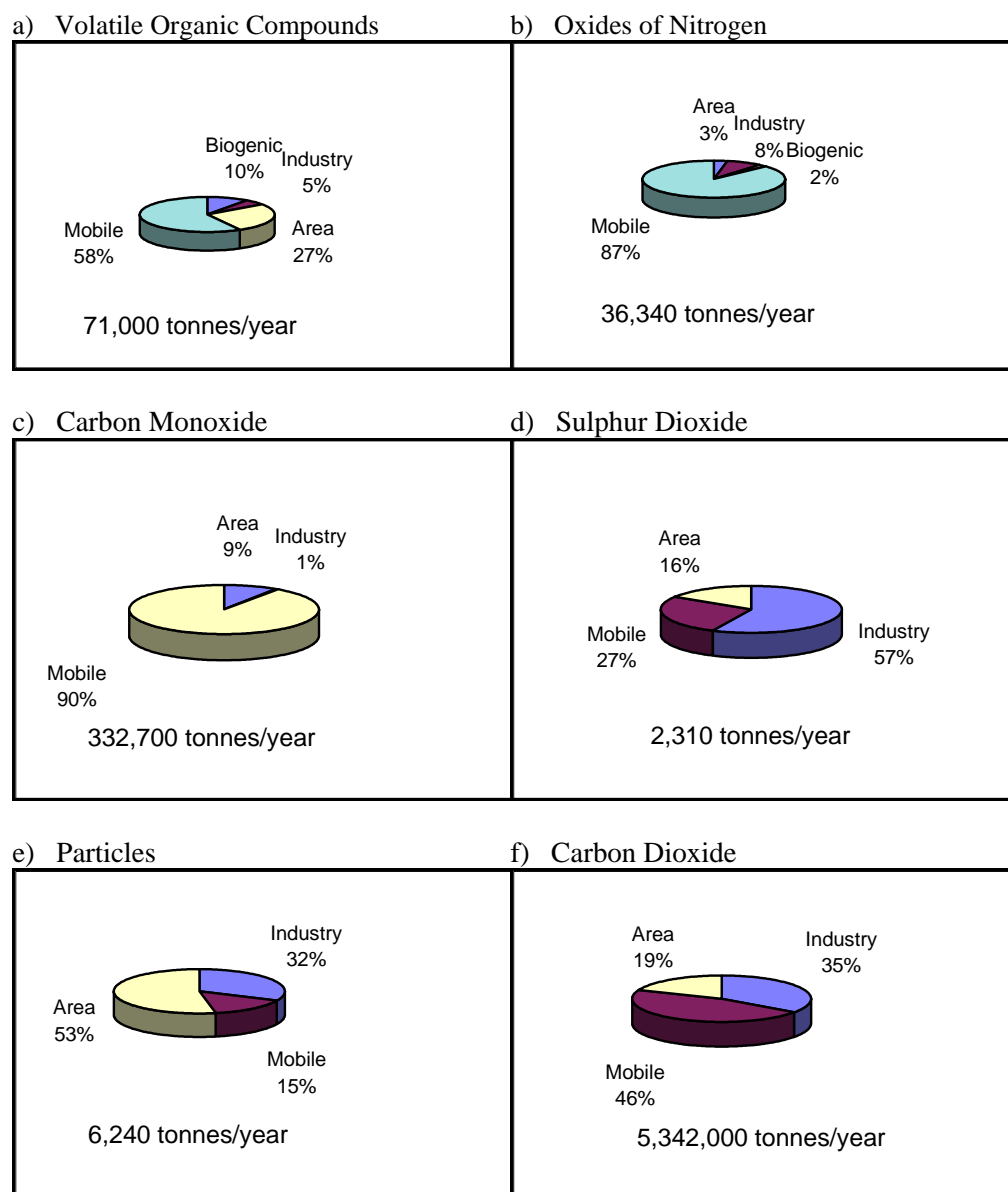


Figure 5.3.1 Total emissions in the Auckland region in 1993 and the relative contribution of key sources [Auckland Regional Council, 1997].

Table 5.3.1 Average summer week day emissions, Auckland 1993 [Auckland Regional Council, 1997].

| Category | Quantity (tonnes/day) | | | | | | % of total anthropogenic emissions | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|------|-----------------|-----|-----------------|-----|------------------------------------|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|------|
| | CO ₂ | VOC | NO _x | CO | SO ₂ | TSP | CO ₂ | VOC | NO _x | CO | SO ₂ | TSP |
| Transport | 6,778c | 117 | 87 | 764 | 2 | 2 | 47.9 | 70.4 | 85.6 | 95.0 | 27.0 | 19.5 |
| Domestic/commercial activity ³ | 2,133 | 38 | 3 | 37 | 1 | 4 | 15.1 | 22.7 | 2.7 | 4.6 | 15.5 | 29.0 |
| Major industrial & commercial | 5,235 | 11.5 | 11.8 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 6.6 | 37.0 | 6.9 | 11.7 | 0.4 | 57.5 | 51.5 |
| Total anthropogenic | 14,145 | 166 | 101 | 804 | 6 | 13 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Biogenic | - | 26 | 3 | - | - | - | | | | | | |
| Total emissions | 14,145 | 191 | 104 | 804 | 6 | 13 | | | | | | |

Note:

1. Emissions less than 0.005 tonnes/day rounded to zero (-).
2. Totals may not appear additive due to rounding.
3. Emissions of CO₂ due to aviation have not been estimated because of the inherent uncertainty in assigning these emissions to the inventory TSP was not estimated because there are no available emission rates.

Table 5.3.2 Average winter week day emissions, Auckland 1993 [Auckland Regional Council, 1997].

| Category | Tonnes/day | | | | | | % of total anthropogenic emissions | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|-----|------------------------------------|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|------|
| | CO ₂ | VOC | NO _x | CO | SO ₂ | TSP | CO ₂ | VOC | NO _x | CO | SO ₂ | TSP |
| Transport | 6,769 | 109 | 87 | 887 | 2 | 2 | 41.7 | 51.7 | 84.4 | 84.5 | 25.7 | 8.4 |
| Domestic/commercial activity ³ | 4,231 | 90 | 4 | 160 | 1 | 21 | 26.1 | 42.8 | 4.1 | 15.2 | 19.3 | 69.9 |
| Major industrial & commercial | 5,232 | 11.0 | 12 | 3.5 | 4 | 6 | 32.2 | 5.5 | 11.5 | 0.3 | 55.0 | 21.6 |
| Total anthropogenic | 16,232 | 11.0 | 12 | 3.5 | 4 | 6 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Biogenic | - | 13 | 1 | - | - | - | | | | | | |
| Total emissions | 16,232 | 223 | 104 | 1,053 | 7 | 29 | | | | | | |

Note:

1. Emissions less than 0.005 tonnes/day were rounded to zero (-);
2. Totals may not appear additive due to rounding;
3. Emissions of CO₂ due to aviation have not been estimated because of the inherent uncertainty in assigning these emissions to the inventory TSP was not estimated because there are no available emission rates.

On a hot summer day for example, VOC emissions from motor vehicles are estimated to increase by approximately 50% over an average summer day.

5.3.2. Emissions from domestic and small commercial sources

Domestic and commercial sources of air emissions include domestic fuel combustion, lawn mowing, solvent use, service stations, service station refueling and use of surface coatings and thinners. Emissions from domestic and commercial activity were estimated as 38 tonnes of VOC, 2.5 tonnes of NO_x, 36.7 tonnes of CO, 1.0 tonne of SO₂, 3.7 tonnes of TSP and 2,133 tonnes of CO₂ on an average summer week day in Auckland in 1993. The use of surface coatings and thinners by domestic, commercial and small industrial premises represents the largest stationary source of VOC. Other significant sources include leakage of natural gas, domestic/commercial solvent use and service station/refueling.

On a typical winter week day emissions from domestic/commercial activity account for 90 tonnes of VOC, 4 tonnes of NO_x, 160 tonnes of CO, 1.0 tonne of SO₂, 21 tonnes of TSP and 4,231 tonnes of CO₂. The increase in emissions arises from domestic fuel combustion which takes place almost exclusively in winter. This source is the dominant source of particles emitted in the region covered by the inventory airshed and accounts for 70% of all particle emissions.

5.3.3. Emissions from major industrial and major commercial premises

Major industrial and commercial premises account for approximately 11.5 tonnes of VOC, 11.9 tonnes of NO_x, 3 tonnes of CO, 4 tonnes of SO₂, 7 tonnes of TSP and 5,235 tonnes of CO₂ per average summer week day in Auckland. Major industry accounts for approximately 6.9%, 11.7%, 0.4%, 57.5%, 51.5% and 37.0% of total anthropogenic VOC, NO_x, CO, SO₂, TSP and CO₂ emissions respectively in Auckland. These sources are the major emitters of SO₂ and TSP during summer. However, during winter, although the emissions remain relatively constant, they only contribute 22% to the total TSP load because of the dominance of domestic solid fuel combustion.

Approximately 32% of NO_x emitted by major industrial and commercial sources in Auckland was emitted from near-ground sources with the remainder emitted from tall chimneys.

5.3.4. Emissions from biogenic sources

Emissions of VOC and NO_x from biogenic sources (vegetation, soil and ocean) in the Auckland Study Region have been estimated for summer and winter conditions. Under average summer time conditions, 26 tonnes of VOC/day and 3 tonnes of NO_x/day are emitted in ASR. Approximately 19% of VOC are estimated to be isoprene, 23% cineole and 58% other VOC. Emissions of VOC were estimated to increase by approximately 36% on a hot summer day (16-26°C) and decrease by 50% on an average winter day (relative to average summer day conditions).

6. HAZARDOUS WASTE

6.1. Introduction

Limited national information is available on quantities of hazardous waste generated and disposed of in New Zealand. Most of the monitoring work that has been undertaken on hazardous waste has focused on the collection of general hazardous substances in a region, or on a specified hazardous substance. In many cases the monitoring initiatives have not distinguished between residential and industrial hazardous waste. For this reason, hazardous waste data has been presented in this section as "topics" or "case studies" rather than using the structure applied in the previous chapters.

The topics covered in this chapter include acceptance of hazardous waste at New Zealand landfills (section 6.2), regional hazardous waste surveys in the Auckland region (section 6.3) and the Otago region (section 6.4), regional hazardous waste collections (section 6.5), exported hazardous waste (section 6.6), the Used Oil Recovery Programme (section 6.7) and contaminated sites and soil clean-up (section 6.8).

6.2. Disposal of hazardous waste

Hazardous waste that is generated or stockpiled can be disposed of by a number of methods, including:

- disposal as residential waste, with subsequent disposal to landfill;
- discharge into the sewer or stormwater system under trade waste bylaws and the resource consent process;
- disposal by direct discharge to the environment, stormwater or sewer;
- disposal to landfill under managed disposal conditions (disposed as special waste);
- collection by a hazardous waste contractor, who subsequently
 - disposes the waste to landfill, or
 - treats the waste with acceptable treatment methods to remove hazardous properties, and then disposes the remaining material to landfill or trade waste sewer.

Increasingly, New Zealand landfills are refusing to accept types of waste, mainly hazardous waste, and therefore other treatment and/or disposal methods have to be sought. Table 6.2.1 shows the percentages of landfills in New Zealand that do not accept certain types of waste.

**Table 6.2.1 Waste not accepted at New Zealand landfills as at March 1995
[Ministry for the Environment, 1997(b)].**

| Waste not accepted | % of landfills |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Hazardous waste | 92 |
| Medical/vet waste | 68 |
| Sewage sludge | 66 |
| Animal carcasses | 62 |
| Fuels/oils | 5 |
| Industrial/commercial | 5 |
| Toxic waste/chemicals | 4 |
| Only specified wastes accepted | 4 |
| Car batteries | 3 |
| Farm rubbish/fencing wire | 3 |
| Liquid wastes/other sludges | 3 |
| Paints | 2 |
| Other | 14 |
| Not known | 1 |

6.3. Regional Hazardous Waste Surveys: Auckland region

The Auckland Region Hazardous Waste Survey [Environment and Business Group and Auckland Regional Council, 1996] was carried out to collect baseline data on hazardous waste generated in the region. The data were used to develop a long-term management strategy for these wastes in the Auckland region. More specific information about the methodology is provided in Appendix VIII. Quantitative and qualitative results of the survey are summarised in the following sections.

The survey focused on three information sources:

- hazardous waste generators;
- hazardous waste operators;
- final disposal facilities.

Monitoring hazardous waste is a complicated process. Hazardous wastes can follow many different paths from generation to disposal, and often change their form and quantity during this process. It is therefore not possible to create a direct link between the quantities generated and the quantities disposed of. The quantitative information generated by the survey needs to be considered within these constraints.

6.3.1. Hazardous waste generators

An earlier waste survey carried out in the Auckland region [Royds Garden Ltd and Strategic Information Service, 1990] indicated that more than 95% of all hazardous waste are generated by three business sectors: manufacturing; transport, storage and communication; and community, social and personal services. According to statistics, these business sectors comprise a total of 23,973 businesses in the Auckland region. The survey was undertaken for 1,862 (8%) of these businesses, of which 609 (33%) were found to generate hazardous waste.

The survey methodology assumed it would be possible to extrapolate the quantitative data obtained from this representative sample to all businesses in the Auckland region. However, it became apparent that this would not be possible because of the considerable variability in the data collected. Each business was so different in its quantity and type of hazardous waste generated that no reliable conclusions about other businesses could be drawn.

It is important to recognise that the quantitative data presented here is not indicative of the total quantities of hazardous waste that may be generated in the Auckland region, and cannot be extrapolated for New Zealand.

a) Quantities of hazardous waste generated in the Auckland region

The 609 businesses interviewed generated 4,617,733 tonnes of the following hazardous waste in the 1995 calendar year:

- liquids (mainly trade waste): 4,511,047 tonnes (97.7%);
- solids: 87,556 tonnes (1.9%);
- sludge: 18,892 tonnes (0.4%);
- powders and gases: 238 tonnes (0.005%).

In total, 1,268 different types of waste or waste streams were generated. Each waste stream contained a discrete quantity of a hazardous waste with specific characteristics, for example waste solvents, waste oil or contaminated clean-up equipment. Figure 6.3.1 summarises the quantities of hazardous waste disposed of in the Auckland region in 1995 by the 609 businesses surveyed. The figure also specifies the disposal methods used.

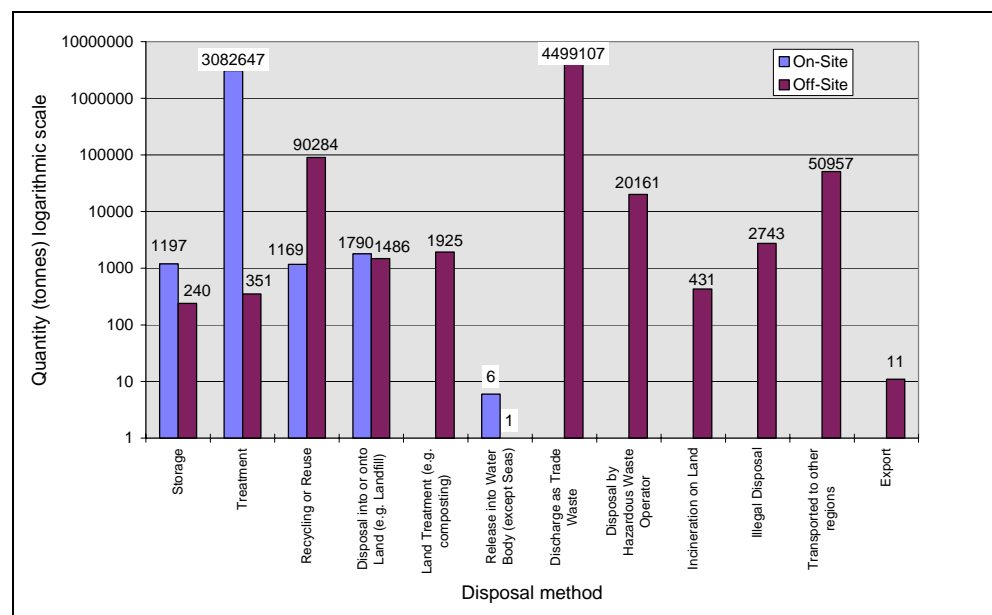


Figure 6.3.1 Estimated total quantities of hazardous waste generated by 609 businesses in the Auckland region in 1995 and waste management methods used [Environment and Business Group Ltd and Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

b) Composition of hazardous waste generated in the Auckland region

The four most common types of waste were:

- acidic and basic solutions or acids and bases in solid form;
- animal waste;
- ashes or cinders;
- industrial wastewater.

The most common types of waste (that is, those types generated in quantities of more than 10,000 tonnes), as described by the Y Codes of the New Zealand Waste Identification Code (NZWIC) (see Appendix II), are listed in Table 6.3.1.

It should be noted that these quantities are more than the total quantity of hazardous waste generated by the 609 businesses, because it is possible for a particular waste stream to be categorised in more than one Y Code category. For example, an industrial wastewater containing a mixture of oil and cadmium can be classified as:

- an industrial organic waste liquid (Y68);
- a waste liquid containing metals (Y69);
- a waste having cadmium constituents (Y26).

Table 6.3.1 Estimated quantities of different types of hazardous waste generated by 609 businesses in the Auckland Region in 1995 [Environment and Business Group Ltd and Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

| NZWIC classification | Description | Quantity (tonnes) |
|----------------------|--|-------------------|
| Y34 | Acidic solutions or acids in solid form | 1,917,472 |
| Y69 | Other industrial wastewater | 1,841,045 |
| Y35 | Basic solutions or bases in solid form | 1,486,754 |
| Y 63 | Ashes or cinders | 1,460,066 |
| Y50 | Animal waste | 1,288,024 |
| Y68 | Industrial organic waste liquids | 925,610 |
| Y70 | Residue from cleaning tanks and equipment | 238,598 |
| Y51 | Animal/vegetable soaps, fats, waxes, oils | 177,903 |
| Y13 | Waste from the production and use of resins, latex, plasticisers, glues/adhesives | 72,221 |
| Y 49 | Inorganic substances without metals | 54,964 |
| Y09 | Waste oil/water, hydrocarbon/water mixtures, emulsions | 42,049 |
| Y12 | Waste from the production and use of inks, dyes, pigments, paints, lacquers and/or varnish | 32,399 |
| Y23 | Zinc compounds | 20,730 |
| Y17 | Waste resulting from the surface treatment of metals and plastics | 17,783 |
| Y06 | Waste from the production and use of organic solvents | 11,029 |

c) Sources of hazardous waste generated in the Auckland Region

The vast majority of hazardous wastes were generated by businesses in the manufacturing sector (99.68%). Only small amounts were generated by businesses in the community, social and personal services³ sector (0.24%) and the transport, storage and communication sector (0.09%). The survey did not identify the quantity of hazardous waste generated by other industry sectors, but it is likely to be relatively small compared to these sectors based on trends identified in the 1990 report.

Figure 6.3.2 identifies the industry groups within the manufacturing sector which generate hazardous waste. The food industry generated almost half of the hazardous waste in 1995. Figure 6.3.3 identifies the services within the community, social and personal services sector which generate hazardous waste. Personal and household services generated the largest part of hazardous waste (84%) within this sector in 1995. The transport, storage and communication sector is not shown because it was not subdivided into more detailed classifications.

³ The community, social and personal services sector includes businesses and organisations such as sanitary and cleaning services, health care and veterinary services, educational facilities, repair services including panel beaters and spray painters, and dry cleaners and laundries.

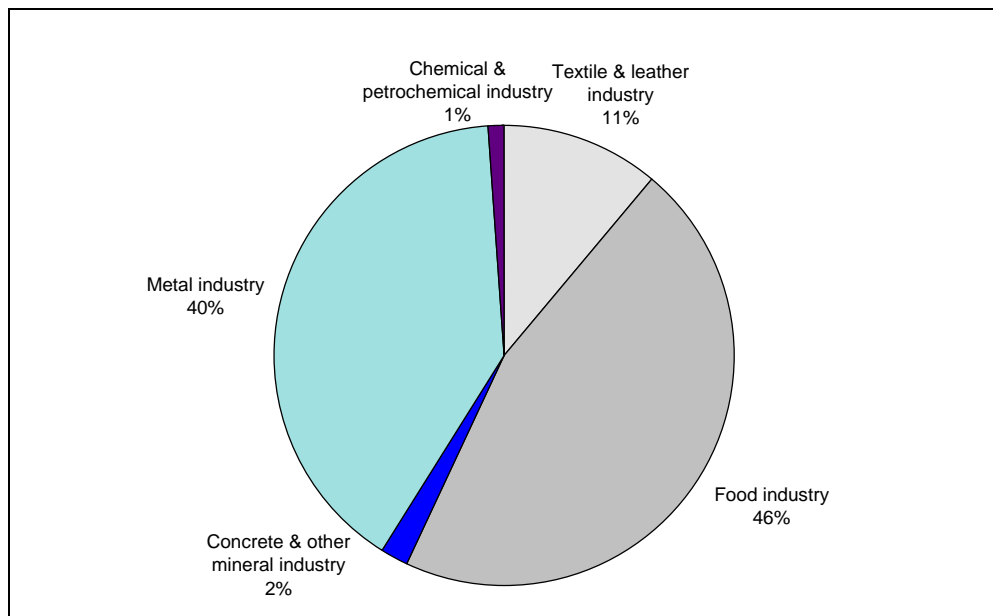


Figure 6.3.2 Sources of hazardous waste generated in the manufacturing sector in the Auckland region in 1995 [Environment and Business Group Ltd and Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

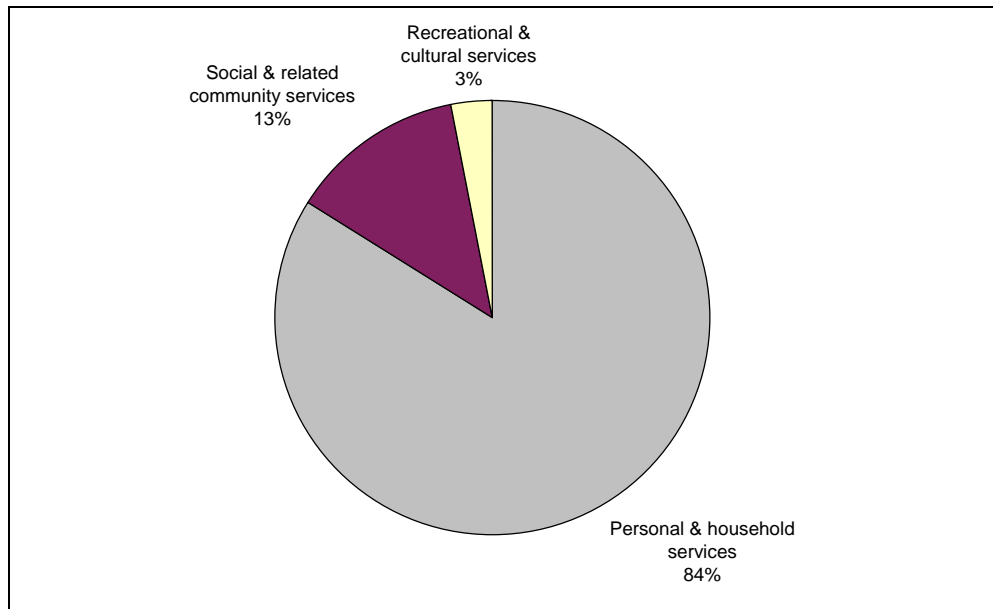


Figure 6.3.3 Sources of hazardous waste generated in the community, social and personal services sector in the Auckland region in 1995 [Environment and Business Group Ltd and Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

6.3.2. Hazardous waste operators

The second group interviewed were the hazardous waste operators, which include only companies involved in the transport, treatment, recycling and/or storage of hazardous waste. Information obtained from these companies was used to develop a picture of the life cycles of hazardous wastes, from their point of origin to the point of disposal.

The survey identified 182 waste operators in the Auckland region (see Figure 6.3.3). Of the 182 interviewed, only 55 (30%) stated that they were involved in the handling of hazardous waste. Eight operators refused to cooperate in the survey, creating an information bias which should be considered in interpreting the data.

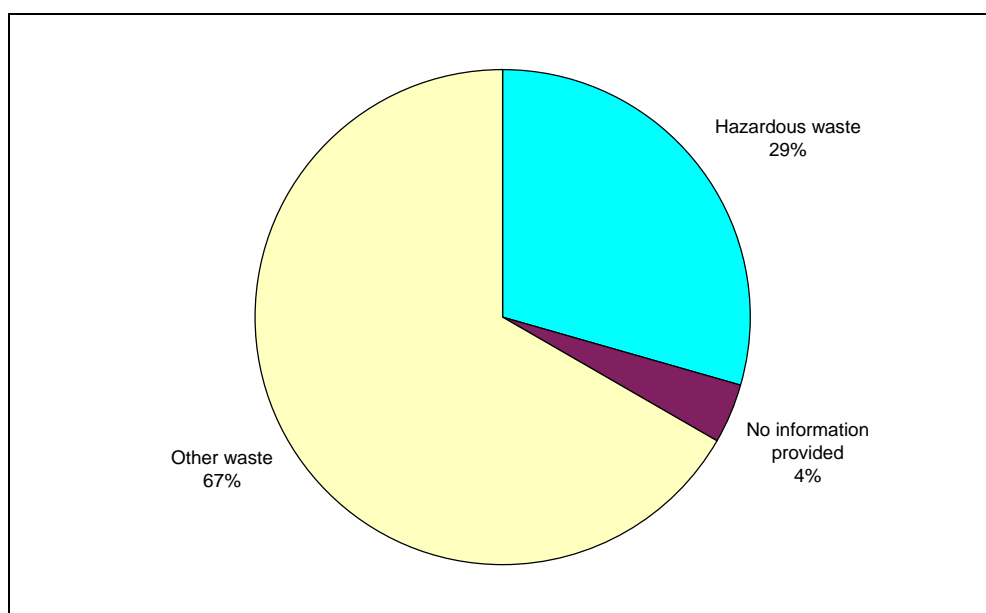


Figure 6.3.4 Types of waste handled by operators in the Auckland region in 1995 [Environment and Business Group Ltd and Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

Figure 6.3.5 summarises the quantities of hazardous waste disposed in the Auckland region in 1995 by 55 hazardous waste operators. The majority of the hazardous waste is disposed of as trade waste or recycled. Only small quantities are incinerated or exported.

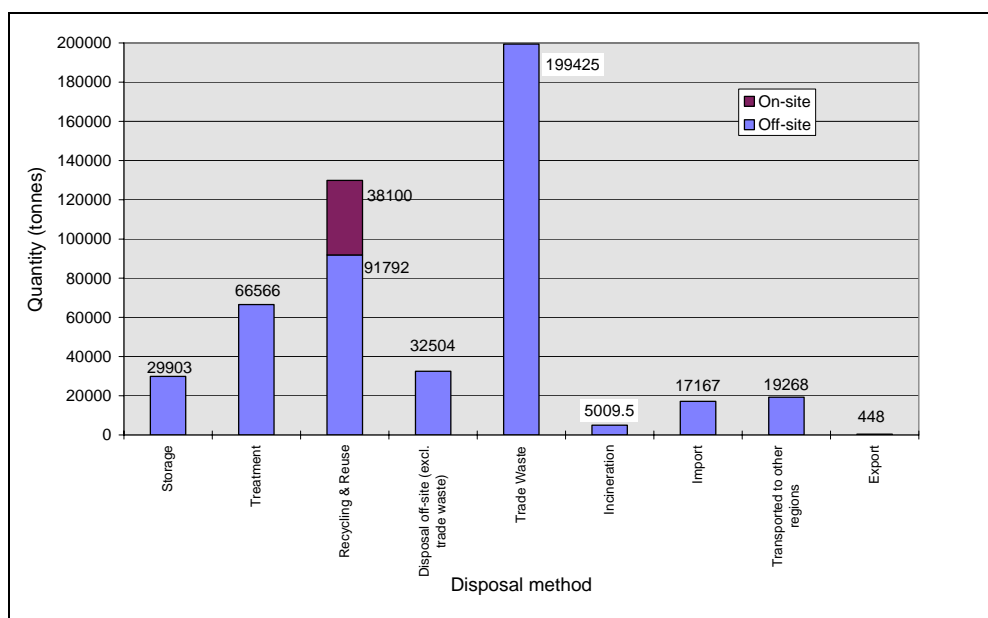


Figure 6.3.5 Estimated quantities of hazardous waste handled and waste management method used by 55 hazardous waste operators in the Auckland region in 1995 [Environment and Business Group Ltd and Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

Important points are summarised below:

- Most hazardous waste operators (45 out of 55) are involved in the transportation of hazardous waste. The remainder were involved in the disposal, treatment or storage of hazardous waste.
- The largest quantities transported were waste oils and animal waste/fat.
- In 1995, about 524 tonnes of intractable waste were in permanent storage. This included 380 tonnes of PCBs (polychlorobenzenes), which have since been exported for destruction in France.
- Hazardous waste operators recycled 91,972 tonnes of hazardous waste - most of this was animal waste.
- Approximately 59,619 tonnes of hazardous waste were treated by hazardous waste operators - these were mostly waste containing heavy metals, waste from timber treatment and contaminated soils.

6.3.3. Final disposal facilities

Generally, disposal facilities (sewage treatment plants, landfills and incinerators) represent the end point in the life cycle of a hazardous waste. However, it should be remembered that even these facilities generate “secondary” hazardous waste such as ash, leachate, treated effluent and sludge. These “secondary” hazardous wastes were not considered in this survey. All final disposal facilities in the Auckland region were included in the survey. The data presented in this section are thus more representative for the Auckland region than those in the previous section.

a) *Hazardous waste quantities disposed of in the Auckland region*

Figure 6.3.6 summarises the quantities of hazardous waste disposed of in the Auckland region in 1995 by six final disposal facilities (two landfills, two incinerators and two sewage plants). The figure also shows the quantities of hazardous waste recycled in the Auckland region in 1995.

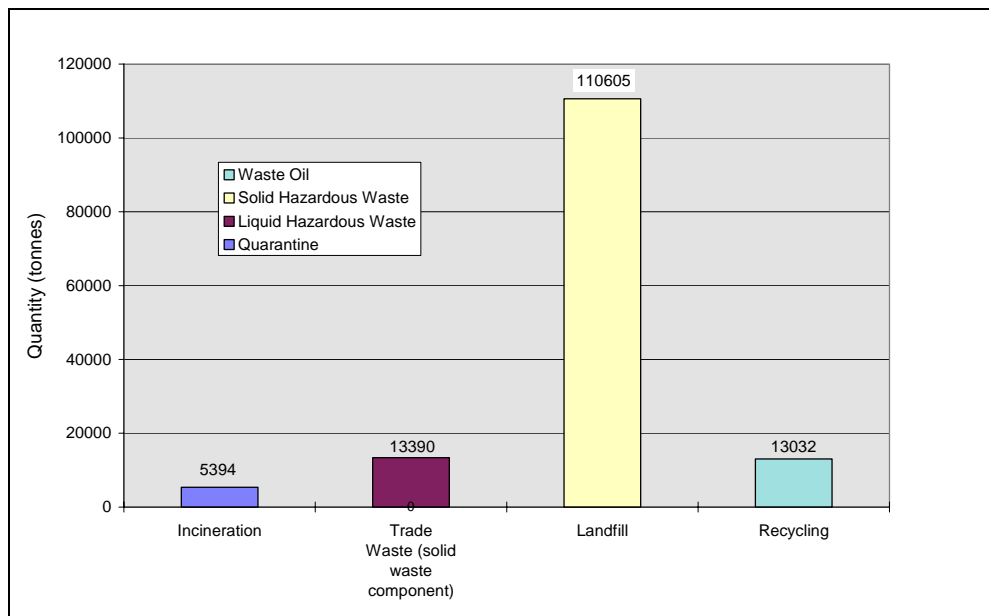


Figure 6.3.6 Estimated quantities of hazardous waste handled and waste management method used at final disposal facilities in the Auckland region in 1995 [Environment and Business Group Ltd and Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

The forms in which hazardous waste was disposed of by the final disposal facilities in the 1995 calendar year include:

- tonnes of liquid trade waste (98.80%);
- tonnes of solid landfilled waste (1.15%);
- tonnes of incinerated waste (0.05%).

b) *Hazardous waste in relation to total waste quantities disposed of in the Auckland region*

Solid hazardous waste comprised an estimated 15% of the total waste deposited in Auckland's landfills in 1995⁴ (110,605 tonnes out of 725,000 tonnes). Liquid trade waste were estimated as 10% of the total amount of sewage received and treated by the Region's sewage treatment plants (9,535,787 tonnes out of 94,541,948 tonnes).

c) *Solid components of hazardous waste disposed of as trade waste in the Auckland region*

Hazardous waste disposed of as trade waste is water-borne. This means that the hazardous constituents make up only a small percentage of the total quantity because the majority of the waste is water. By measuring a range of contaminants when the waste arrives at the sewage treatment plant and estimating how much of the total sewage received at the plant originated from industrial sources (the trade waste), it is possible to determine a rough estimate of the mass load of hazardous constituents (the solid part of the trade waste) disposed of by Auckland businesses in 1995. This amounts to an estimated 13,390 tonnes. Figure 6.3.7 shows the relative percentage of hazardous waste when only solid components are considered.

⁴ This information was derived from a survey of solid waste that was carried out for the financial year 1994/1995 [Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

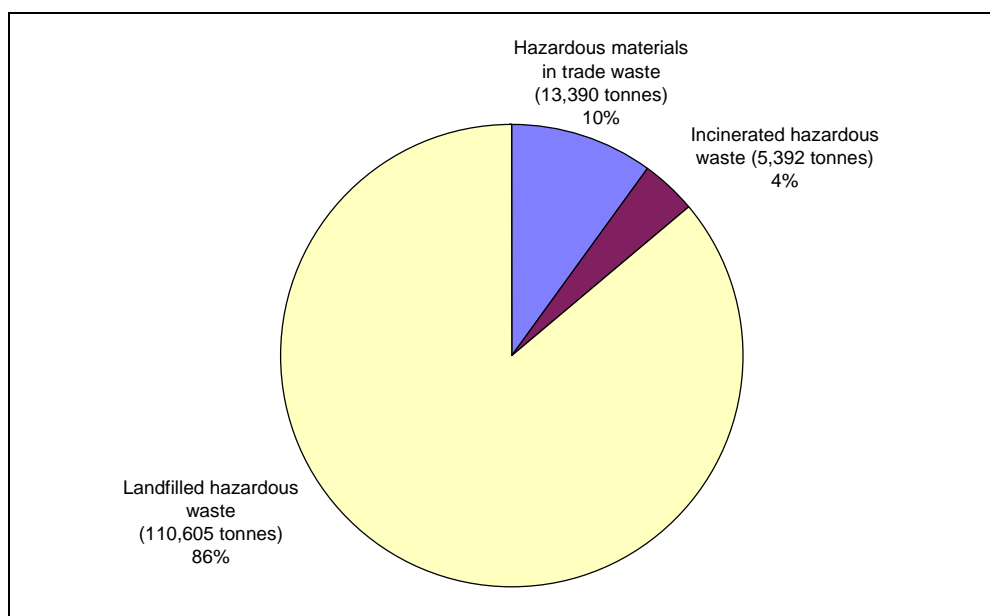


Figure 6.3.7 Solid components of hazardous waste disposed of in the Auckland region in 1995 [Environment and Business Group Ltd and Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

d) Composition of hazardous waste disposed of in the Auckland region

Table 6.3.2 shows the organic and inorganic portions of the hazardous waste disposed of in 1995. Organic wastes are those which have plant or animal origins and which are mainly toxic to the environment (ecotoxic) because of their high BOD₅ loading. The inorganic components of hazardous waste are mainly corrosive and/or toxic.

Table 6.3.2 Organic and inorganic components of hazardous waste disposed of in the Auckland region in 1995 [Environment and Business Group Ltd and Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

| Destination of hazardous waste | Total quantities disposed (tonnes) | Water (tonnes) | Solid organic components (animal and plant wastes) (tonnes) | Solid inorganic components (e.g. metals and chemical compounds) (tonnes) |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|---|--|
| Sewage treatment plant | 9,535,787 | 9,522,397 | 13,251 | 139 |
| Landfill | 110,605 | - | 56,639 | 53,966 |
| Incinerator | 5,392 | - | - | 5,392 |

Two conclusions which can be drawn from Table 6.3.2 are:

- the vast majority of the liquid trade waste going to the sewage treatment plant is water;
- approximately half of the hazardous wastes going to landfill were organic waste.

6.3.4. Qualitative results

The survey also sought qualitative information to enable the development of hazardous waste management programmes. Qualitative data obtained from the survey provided a detailed picture about current waste management practices and identified areas where improvements are necessary.

Many businesses observed that regulations, education and information provision relating to hazardous wastes need to be improved. For this reason, considerable emphasis was placed on the gathering of qualitative information, ranging from specific questions about record keeping and monitoring of waste through comments on hazardous waste management in general. The most significant findings are summarised below:

- measurement of waste: accurate measurement of the hazardous waste was comparatively rare. About a quarter of the waste streams were not measured at all, while almost half were estimated visually. Only a small number was measured by electronic means, a weighbridge or similar accurate methods;
- record keeping: businesses did not keep records for more than half of the waste streams they generated. Invoices or receipts were the most common types of records kept, and only very few waste streams were recorded by electronic means, manifests or similar mechanisms;
- existing waste management services: the majority of businesses stated that they were generally satisfied with the existing services, but a vocal minority noted that existing services are insufficient, too monopolised or too expensive;
- regulations relating to hazardous waste: a number of businesses stated that current levels of regulation and control are not sufficient;
- education and training: a considerable number of the businesses requested better information about hazardous waste, as well as education and training on handling of this waste.

6.4. Other regional hazardous waste surveys

6.4.1. Taranaki region

From responses to a questionnaire on waste hazardous substance generation within industry in both city and rural areas of Taranaki, an assessment was made of types and quantities of waste likely to be produced by various industrial plants (Table 7.1, Appendix IX). It should be noted that the results of similar surveys in other areas may be significantly influenced by a number of factors. The information below is therefore indicative and descriptive, rather than specific and absolute.

The information is given by industrial activity classification, following the New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (as at June 1993) as prepared by the Department of Statistics and as used in the *Waste Analysis Protocol*.

It is noted that the quantities are indicative of existing technologies and management practices. It may be possible to significantly reduce the quantities and/or toxicity of the above wastes by application of cleaner production technologies.

6.4.2. Otago region

Otago Regional Council commissioned a survey to assess the acceptability of hazardous waste management practices in the Otago region, and to review options available to the Council to effect improvements. Although the study was mainly focused on the management of hazardous waste, the project also involved the identification of types of hazardous waste generated, quantities generated and quantities stockpiled to date. The data identify industrial (industrial and agricultural) and residential (household) hazardous waste. The total quantities generated per year and quantities stockpiled are summarised in Table 6.4.1. A more detailed breakdown of these data, and the methodology used to estimate quantities of hazardous waste generated, are provided in Appendix X [Works Consultancy Services, 1996(b)].

It should be noted that although the data contained within the above documents both detailed and accurate, the assumptions made in preparing the tables in this section are such that a margin of error of $\pm 20\%$ has been adopted for all bulk quantities of hazardous wastes

Table 6.4.1 Estimated bulk hazardous waste generated and stockpiled in Otago [Works Consultancy Services, 1996(b)].

| Waste source | Industrial (tonnes) | Agricultural (tonnes) | Residential (tonnes) | Total (tonnes) |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Stockpiled | 250,000 | 50 | 450 | 250,500 |
| Stockpiled (intractable) | 50,000 | 10 | 50 | 50,060 |
| Generated per year | 3,000 | 10 | 110 | 3,120 |
| Generated per year (intractable) | 500/yr | 2 | 10 | 512 |

Note: industrial hazardous waste predominantly consists of soil/sludge from contaminated sites.

Table 6.5.1 Estimated quantities of unwanted hazardous waste collected by New Zealand councils.

| Region/ District/ City | Year | Chemicals collected | Quantities collected to date (tonnes) | Quantities stored or awaiting disposal (tonnes) | Reference |
|--------------------------|--------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| Auckland Region | Ongoing | Mixed at drop-off points | Not known | Not given | Auckland Regional Council, <i>personal communication</i> |
| Bay of Plenty Region | 1992-96 | Agrichemicals | 23.83 | 14.12 | Bay of Plenty Regional Council, 1996 |
| Gisborne District | 1996 | Agrichemicals | 8.0 | Not given | Gisborne District Council, <i>personal communication</i> |
| Hamilton City | 1994 | Residential | 3.14 | Not given | Works Consultancy Services, 1996 |
| Hawke's Bay Region | 1996 | Residential | 4.86 | Not given | Hawke's Bay Regional Council, 1996 |
| Manawatu-Wanganui Region | 1995-96 | Agrichemicals | 58.63 | 10.78 | Manawatu-Wanganui Regional Council, 1996 |
| Northland Region | Not given | Not given | Not given | Not given | |
| Otago Region | Not given | Industrial (incl. Agricultural) & residential (Note: predominantly soil/sludge from contaminated sites) | 300,560 | Not given | Works Consultancy Services, 1996 (b) |
| Southland Region | | Agrichemicals | 30 | | Southland Regional Council, <i>personal communication</i> |
| Taranaki Region | 1991-92 1995-96 | Agrichemicals (rural) Mixed (urban), not yet completed | 8.71 10.39 | 2.49 1.99 | Taranaki Regional Council, 1992, 1995, 1996, <i>personal communication</i> |
| Tasman District | 1995 | Agrichemicals (500 farms) | 0.33 | Not given | Tasman District Council, 1996 |
| Waikato Region | 1992-94 1995-96 | Agrichemicals (collection) Mixed (drop-off points) | 3.14 1.40 | Not given | Blutner et al., 1994; Waikato Regional Council, <i>personal communication</i> |
| Whangarei District | 1993 | Residential hazardous waste | 0.52 | Not given | Ministry for the Environment, 1994 (a) |

6.5. Regional hazardous waste collections

Thirteen authorities in New Zealand have organised hazardous waste collections. The key findings are outlined in Table 6.5.1. The most significant type of waste collected is agrichemicals. The majority of the waste collected is being stored until available treatment and disposal options are identified. Where possible waste is sent back to manufacturers or is reused or recycled.

6.6. Export of hazardous waste

No information has been found to date regarding the disposal of hazardous waste in New Zealand. An exception is the export of hazardous wastes, which needs to be reported under the Basel Convention. The Basel Convention requires Parties (countries that have signed the Convention) to provide information on the effort taken to reduce transboundary movement of hazardous wastes and measures undertaken for development of technologies for the reduction and/or elimination of the hazardous wastes produced.

Figure 6.6.1 summarises the information on transboundary movements of hazardous wastes involving New Zealand in 1995. The Figure includes the maximum amounts approved for movement; the actual amounts moved will often be significantly less. More detailed information is given in Appendix XI.

Approval was given to export 340 tonnes of PCBs (polychlorobenzenes) to France for destruction. The actual export receipts amounted to 120 tonnes in 1995. In 1996 and following years it is intended to routinely report the actual tonnage moved, in addition to the amount approved.

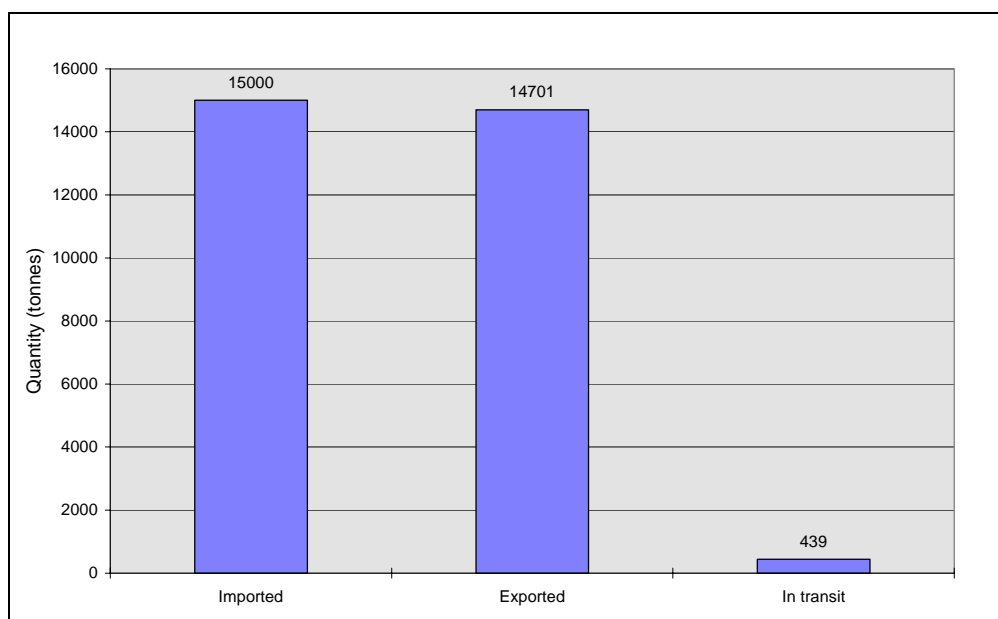


Figure 6.6.1 New Zealand transboundary movements of hazardous wastes in 1995
[Ministry for the Environment, 1996(b)].

6.7. Oil

Each year New Zealanders use between 60 and 70 million litres of lubricating oil. Between 40-60% of this amount is consumed during use. The rest, an estimated 30 million litres a year, requires disposal. That is the equivalent of a lake 100 metres long, 30 metres wide and 10 metres deep.

Of this 30 million litres of used oil that needs to be managed every year, only about a quarter is known to be disposed of in an environmentally responsible way. Dominion Oil re-refines 7 million litres of used oil a year and sells it in the marketplace as motor oil.

The remaining 23 million litres are currently disposed of in ways that may be harmful to the environment. Some examples of incorrect disposal are:

- dumping in landfills (7 million L);
- low temperature burning (5 million L);
- road oiling for dust control (4 million L);
- oiling chain saws/staining fences (3 million L);
- unknown (million L).

In March 1996 the Used Oil Recovery Programme (UORP) was launched by the Minister for the Environment. Its aim is to recover 95% of available used oil by the year 2000 for recycling and reuse. The UORP recommended the development of a nationwide used oil collection programme ensuring used oil is collected to meet strict environmental standards. The oil is then delivered to the approved end users, Milburn New Zealand Ltd and Dominion Oil Ltd. Milburn NZ Limited has been granted a resource consent to burn used oil collected from the programme, to fire one of their cement kilns.

6.8. Contaminated sites and soil clean-up

In 1992, a preliminary survey was undertaken throughout New Zealand to identify potentially contaminated sites [Ministry for the Environment, 1992(a)]. These are sites that are recommended by the Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council (ANZECC) for assessment because they are or were occupied by an industry which tends to be associated with site contamination. In practice, only a fraction of the identified sites are contaminated (i.e. high-risk sites). The survey identified over 8,000 ANZECC land-use sites in New Zealand that are recommended for assessment. Of these, 800 sites are identified as timber treatment sites.

Table 6.8.1 summarises the number of sites recommended for assessment for contaminants on a regional basis and the number of sites that are considered high risk. Since 1992 a number of councils have commissioned or undertaken work to update data on potentially contaminated sites. Where available, updated data have been included in the table.

No information is available on the number of sites which have been “cleaned up” to date, nor of the quantities of hazardous waste resulting from the clean-up of contaminated sites. More information regarding sources and composition is provided in Appendix XII.

Table 6.8.1 **Estimated number of ANZECC landuse sites and high-risk sites for different regions [Worley Consultants Ltd, 1992; Regional Councils, *personal communication*].**

| Region | Estimated total number of sites | | |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | ANZECC landuse sites as in 1992 | ANZECC landuse sites as in March 1997 | High-risk sites as in 1992 |
| Northland | 416 | | 91 |
| Auckland | 1,714 | | 376 |
| Waikato | 520 | 3,000 | 114 |
| Bay of Plenty | 263 | | 58 |
| Gisborne | 240 | | 53 |
| Hawkes Bay | 418 | 2,044 | 92 |
| Taranaki | 272 | 1,121 | 59 |
| Manawatu/Wanganui | 604 | | 132 |
| Wellington | 642 | 881 | 141 |
| Nelson | 205 | | 46 |
| Marlborough | 145 | | 32 |
| Canterbury | 978 | | 215 |
| West Coast | 189 | | 41 |
| Otago | 335 | 393 | 73 |
| Southland | 259 | | 57 |
| Total | 7,200 | | 1,580 |

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GLOSSARY OF ACRONYMS, ABBREVIATIONS

| | |
|------------------|---|
| ADF | average daily flow |
| ANZECC | Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council |
| ANZSIC | Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification |
| BOD | Biochemical oxygen demand |
| C&D | Construction and demolition |
| CFC | chlorofluorocarbon |
| CH ₄ | methane |
| CO | carbon monoxide |
| CO ₂ | carbon dioxide |
| Gg | gigagrammes |
| HFCs | hydrofluorocarbons |
| ICM | insulate control monitor |
| IPCC | Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change |
| JANZS | Joint Australian and New Zealand Standard |
| mSv | milliSievert |
| NECAL | National Environmental Chemistry and Acoustics Laboratory |
| NIWA | National Institute of Water & Atmospheric Research Ltd |
| NMVOCs | non-methane volatile organic compounds |
| N ₂ O | nitrous oxide |
| NO _x | other nitrogen oxides |
| NZ | New Zealand |
| NZCIC | New Zealand Chemical Industry Council |
| NZWIC | New Zealand Waste Identification Code |
| NZWWA | New Zealand Water and Wastes Association |
| OECD | Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development |
| PFCs | perfluorocarbons |
| PIAC | Packaging Industry Advisory Council |

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|-----------------|---|
| PCBs | polychlorobenzenes |
| RM Act | Resource Management Act |
| SF ₆ | sulphurhexafluoride |
| SMF | Sustainable Management Fund |
| SO ₂ | sulphur dioxide |
| SS | suspended solids |
| TCLP | Toxicity Characteristics Leaching Procedure |
| TSP | total suspended particles |
| UNEP | United Nations Environment Programme |
| UORP | Used Oil Recovery Programme |
| USEPA | United States Environmental Protection Agency |
| VOC | volatile organic compounds |
| VKT | vehicle kilometres travelled |
| WAP | Waste Analysis Protocol |
| WWTP | wastewater treatment plant |

APPENDIX I

Waste-related projects funded by the Sustainable Management Fund

Table I-1 Overview of Sustainable Management Fund projects that are relevant to waste in New Zealand [Ministry for the Environment, 1996(a)].

| Type | No. | Project Title | Description | Contact | Applicant | Work Phone | Fax Number |
|------|------|-------------------------------------|---|---------------|---|---------------|-------------|
| S | 4058 | Waste Analysis Protocol Survey | WAP survey (modules B & C) in Canterbury | Ken Taylor | Canterbury Regional Council | 03 365 3828 | 03 365 3194 |
| S | 4082 | Project C&D - Stage 2 | Trial several initiatives targeting waste reduction in the construction and demolition industry. They will promote the initiatives using demonstration projects in the three main centres, and then carry out a hands-on feasibility for the development of a recovery network and processing facility for the waste. | Craig Tolley | ARC Environment (Auckland Regional Council) | 09 379 4420 | 09 366 2155 |
| S | 4084 | Waste Surveys | Conduct Waste Analysis Protocol (WAP) surveys to gather information on the nature, composition and amount of waste being produced in the district. Then they will assess the effectiveness of the waste management plan and initiatives taken in the Gisborne region and this will provide a base for future waste management planning. | Peter Burrows | Gisborne District Council | 06 867 2049 | 06 867 8076 |
| S | 4085 | Cleaner Production in Retail Stores | To develop eco-city principles within a retail mall in New Zealand. Using Henderson Mall as a case study they will develop cleaner production case studies and guidelines for the retail and construction sectors. | Rachel Brown | Waitakere City Council | 09 836 8000 | 09 836 8057 |
| S | 4087 | South Island Glass Waste Management | To identify and recommend for further investigation a range of economically and environmentally sustainable options for the management of glass waste in the South Island. | Sarah Gordon | Christchurch City Council | 03 379 1660 | 03 371 1384 |
| S | 4097 | Waste Analysis Protocol | To undertake Waste Analysis Protocol Surveys in Otago, West Coast, Canterbury, Wellington, Manawatu/Wanganui, Waikato, Auckland. | Alan Street | AgFirst Consultants Environmental Ltd | 03 325 2601 | 03 325 2601 |
| S | 4107 | Ruapehu District | The scope of the project is to undertake two WAP surveys, module C, in the | Suzienne | Ruapehu | (07) 895 8188 | (07) 895 |

| Type | No. | Project Title | Description | Contact | Applicant | Work Phone | Fax Number |
|------|------|---|---|--|--|---------------|---------------|
| | | Council Waste Analysis Protocol Survey | Ruapehu District. The objectives of the survey is to gain reliable data to be used in making management decisions including the scope of user charges and potential for waste reduction. | Slegers | District Council | | 3253 |
| S | 4108 | Paper Project - Stage 2 | Paper is the third largest category of material going to landfill. This is reflected nationally. In a materials-based approach, Auckland City Council's Waste Minimisation Unit has initiated The Paper Project, a three-part, two year project to reduce paper waste going to landfill in the Auckland region. | Jan Burbery | Auckland City Council | (09) 624 2558 | (09) 625 6064 |
| S | 4102 | Analysis of Indirect Imports of Packaging (by weight) | To define more accurately than is currently possible the contribution of indirect imported packaging to the waste stream. The freeing up of the NZ trade environment has resulted in an increased number of companies importing products from overseas and the packaging associated with these needs to be defined. | John Webber | Packaging Industry Advisory Council of New Zealand | 09 262 4044 | 09 262 4111 |
| S | 4102 | Analysis of Indirect Imports of Packaging (by weight) | To define more accurately than is currently possible the contribution of indirect imported packaging to the waste stream. The freeing up of the NZ trade environment has resulted in an increased number of companies importing products from overseas and the packaging associated with these needs to be defined. | John Webber | Packaging Industry Advisory Council of New Zealand | 09 262 4044 | 09 262 4111 |
| S | 4102 | Analysis of Indirect Imports of Packaging (by weight) | To define more accurately than is currently possible the contribution of indirect imported packaging to the waste stream. The freeing up of the NZ trade environment has resulted in an increased number of companies importing products from overseas and the packaging associated with these needs to be defined. | J o h n W e b b e r | Packaging Industry Advisory Council of New Zealand | 09 262 4044 | 09 262 4111 |
| L | 2026 | Oteramika Catchment Project | Characterisation of existing natural and physical resources in catchment. Identify risk issues related to land management and non-point sources of water pollution. Develop programmes to examine/predict effects of land use practices. | Neil McDermott | Southland Regional Council | 03 215 6197 | 03 215 8081 |

| Type | No. | Project Title | Description | Contact | Applicant | Work Phone | Fax Number |
|------|------|---|--|---------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| | | | Identify, implement/test them. | | | | |
| L | 2058 | Guidelines for controlled wetland treatment of dairy shed oxidation pond discharges | Develop guidelines for the design, construction, planting and operation of constructed wetlands for dairy shed wastewater treatment. | Chris Tanner | NIWA | 07 856 7026 | 07 856 0151 |
| L | 2097 | Sustainable Environmental Management Systems for Dairy Farmers | To produce a manual on non-point sources of pollution from dairy farming operations that will complement the manual on dairy-shed effluent that has already been prepared. These manuals will provide answers to dairy farmer questions on environmental issues and make recommendations for environmentally sustainable farm management. The information obtained will be disseminated to farmers through 72 field-day presentations and as concise booklets summarising the main points in the manuals. | Jim Barnett | New Zealand Dairy Research Institute | 06 350 4649 | 06 356 1476 |
| L | 4008 | Establishment of database of Wastewater Treatment Plants | To seek details on all small wastewater treatment plants in the country and place this information on a database. Data collected would be summarised and presented in a report. Data will be interpreted and corrected to a common set of units for direct comparison. | Martin Evans | Woodward-Clyde | 09 379 3515 | 09 379 7550 |
| L | 4069 | Oil Recovery - Communication and Education Material | Develop and produce educational material to increase public understanding and promote the Used Oil Management Programme. Includes video programme, programme booklet and brochure. | Brian Scott | Castrol NZ Limited | 04 801 9222 | 04 801 9224 |
| L | 4092 | New Zealand Guidelines: Management of Water Treatment Sludge | Development of national guidelines for the handling, recycling and disposal of wastewater and sludge generated at water treatment plants throughout the country. Information will be gathered to describe the different processes used, their effectiveness, costs, the volumes handled, comparison with current practice overseas, the environmental effects of discharges to land and water, and to summarise relevant details of discharge consents. The guidelines will present handling and disposal methods that meet the requirements of the Resource Management Act. | David Ogilvie | New Zealand Water and Wastes Association | 09 817 5478 | 09 817 5478 |
| L | 5047 | Toxkit Technology | Toxkit, new generation of microbiotests, developed at the University of Ghent, | John | Wellington | 04 801 2794 | 04 801 2796 |

| Type | No. | Project Title | Description | Contact | Applicant | Work Phone | Fax Number |
|------|------|---|---|------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | and New Zealand Water Quality Guidelines | Belgium. Effective and cost effective way to perform regulatory acute aquatic toxicity screening tests of effluents, aimed at maintaining water quality and protecting biota of receiving waters. Protocols adhere to ASTM/OECD Guidelines. Comparative sensitivity tests, using split effluent samples, will be performed with Toxkit organisms and native species. A training workshop, using Toxkit technology (related to the field of ecotoxicity testing), presented, followed by round-robin intercalibration exercises involving regional laboratories. | Ruck | Polytechnic | | |
| G | 3011 | Guidelines for the Assessment of Landfill Gas | To assess the type, volume and dispersion of surface landfill gas emissions from three disused landfills. To form guidelines, with worked examples, for an overall assessment of landfill gas emissions into the environment. | Dave Kettell | Works Consultancy Services | 04 471 7000 | 04 471 1397 |
| G | 5003 | Air Pollution Indicators | Focuses on the use of lichens as indicators of air pollution. To develop the applicability of bio-indicators to a broader geographical extent within NZ, to particular point sources of pollution, and to specific pollutant levels. | Caroline Pratt | Manaaki Whenua - Landcare Research | 03 477 4050 | 03 325 2127 |
| G | 5006 | Sustainable Air Quality Management | Improve assessment and measurement, monitoring, recording and reporting on air quality. Produce specific techniques and guidelines for local governments on air quality management. Ensure the results of the project are communicated/adopted/understood by major groups. | Gavin Fisher | NIWA | 09 570 0770 | 09 527 0033 |
| G | 5034 | Vehicle Exhaust Gas Emissions | To establish an inventory on the emissions characteristics of the New Zealand vehicle fleet to enable informed decisions to be made on air quality management plans and any legislation involving motor vehicle emission levels. | Keith Jones | Auckland Uniservices Ltd | 09 373 7522 | 09 373 7412 |
| H | 3005 | Investigation of Industrial & Trade Waste Sites | Involves the identification of potentially contaminated sites. | Ian Brown | Otago Regional Council | 03 474 0827 | 03 479 0015 |
| H | 3007 | Contaminated Sites Investigations | To determine the level of hazard, and remedial action needed, for high-risk contaminated sites in Tasman District. | Dennis Bush-King | Tasman District Council | 03 544 8176 | 03 544 7249 |
| H | 3008 | Mapua Decontamination | Complete assessment of chemical contamination at Mapua, and develop a strategy for remediation. | Dennis Bush-King | Tasman District Council | 03 544 8176 | 03 544 7249 |
| H | 3009 | Bioremediation - | Involves literature review on bioremediation applications; development of | Caroline | Manaaki | 07 838 4441 | 03 325 2127 |

| Type | No. | Project Title | Description | Contact | Applicant | Work Phone | Fax Number |
|------|------|---|--|--------------------|--|---------------------|-------------|
| | | treatment option for contaminated sites | guidelines for ecological clean-up levels; identify biotic/abiotic measurements for predicting suitability of bioremediation. Select potential sites. Hold workshop. | Pratt | Whenua - Landcare Research | | |
| H | 3010 | Contaminated Sites Investigation | Continue previous year's work on assessment strategy. Investigate Napier gasworks site. | Rob van Voorthysen | Hawkes Bay Regional Council | 06 835 3164 | 06 835 3601 |
| H | 3012 | Oil Industry Contaminated Sites Cleanup Guidelines | Develop guidelines to assist in the cost effective and responsible investigation and clean-up of land-based sites contaminated by hydrocarbons. | Peter Bartlett | Oil Industry Environmental Working Group | 04 495 6000 | 04 495 6002 |
| H | 3013 | Assessment of PCP levels at timber treatment sites in the Auckland region | Continuation of survey to investigate PCP levels at active/historic sites, and determine sources and extent of environmental degradation. | Craig Tolley | ARC Environment | 09 366 2000 ex 7183 | 09 366 2155 |
| H | 3017 | Contaminated Sites Management | Continued development and application of assessment of contaminated sites. | Viv Donaldson | Northland Regional Council | 09 438 4639 | 09 438 0012 |
| H | 3019 | Contaminated Sites - Rapid Hazard Assessment | To investigate 14 sites and develop management strategies. | Jon Cuncliffe | Marlborough District Council | 03 578 5249 | 03 578 6866 |
| H | 3022 | Mapua Decontamination (2). | This project includes remediation planning; public consultation; and dump site investigation. | Dennis Bush-King | Tasman District Council | 03 544 3412 | 03 544 7249 |
| H | 3025 | Contaminated Site Risk Assessment Training | To offer training in contaminated site risk assessment to both the regulatory and private sectors through five one-day seminars throughout New Zealand. | Dean Kimpton | Worley Consultants Ltd | 09 379 1200 | 09 379 1210 |
| H | 3030 | Mapua Clean-up | Implement the contaminant proposal for "cleaning up" the former Fruitgrowers Chemical Company site at Mapua. This project comprises detailed design, site works and ongoing monitoring. It is the end result of three years of investigations of the site. | Dennis Bush-King | Tasman District Council | 03 544 3412 | 03 544 7249 |
| H | 3031 | Gisborne District Council's | To develop and implement a cost effective Contaminated Sites Management Strategy for the Gisborne District. The strategy will provide protection for the | Peter Burrows | Gisborne District Council | | |

| Type | No. | Project Title | Description | Contact | Applicant | Work Phone | Fax Number |
|------|------|--|---|--------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | Contaminated Sites Management Strategy | environment and public health of the region and allow future development of sites which have been assessed and/or remediated to the satisfaction of the Council. | | | | |
| H | 3043 | Removal of Contaminated Soil From Residential Properties in Napier | This project involves the removal of contaminated soil from 7 residential properties in Napier, located adjacent to the old Napier Gasworks. After an extensive period of close investigation and analysis, the District Medical Officer of Health confirmed the existence of a high level of cyanide and other gas works waste in the soil up to a depth of 1m. The cleanup will involve the removal and dumping of the contaminated soil, and backfilling with clean fill and top soil. | Paul Dunford | Napier City Council | 06 835 7579 | 06 835 7574 |
| H | 3044 | Lead Contamination Investigation at Gun Clubs and Wetlands | To undertake an initial investigation of environmental contamination from lead shot at gun clubs and wetlands used for intensive recreational waterfowl shooting. Present and historical site use information and Rapid Hazard Assessment used to prioritise sites for further investigation. Water soil and sediment sampling programme designed and undertaken to characterise high priority sites. | Brigid Casey | Canterbury Regional Council | 03 365 3828 | 03 365 3194 |
| H | 4007 | Contaminated Site Protocols Project | To develop information collection and management protocols for contaminated sites. | Hilary Chapman | Worley Consultants Ltd | 09 379 1200 | 09 379 1201 |
| H | 4014 | Survey and Collections of Unwanted Chemicals | To determine the types and quantity of redundant chemicals in both urban and rural situations with the formulation and adoption of a strategy for recycling and storage of intractable chemicals at Council's Eves Valley landfill pending identification of suitable disposal methods. | Dennis Bush-King | Tasman District Council | 03 544 8176 | 03 544 7249 |
| H | 4015 | Management of Unwanted Chemicals | The project involves three steps. Use chemical and physical analysis to characterise all unknown wastes; 2) Identify options for utilisation (reuse/recycling) or disposal; 3) Review and report on the above. | Fred McLay | Taranaki Regional Council | 06 7657 127 | 06 765 5097 |
| H | 4016 | Agrichemical collections | To carry out the collection of unwanted agrichemicals from approximately 30% of the region and to provide for adequate facilities for the safe reception, storage, and disposal of unwanted agrichemicals. | Ed Parks | Bay of Plenty Regional Council | 07 308 7289 | 07 307 2544 |
| H | 4019 | Urban Collection | The collection of unwanted chemicals from urban areas in the Hawke's Bay region. | Rob van Voorthysen | Hawke's Bay Regional Council | 06 835 3164 | 06 835 3601 |

| Type | No. | Project Title | Description | Contact | Applicant | Work Phone | Fax Number |
|------|------|---|---|-----------------|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| H | 4024 | Regional Management of Unwanted Chemicals | The collection of unwanted agricultural chemicals from farms. The chemicals will be treated and either stored or disposed of safely pending arrangements for destruction. An education programme is to be run at the same time, to ensure this chemical legacy is not repeated, and to ensure chemicals are disposed of safely in the future. | Jeffrey McNeil | Manawatu-Wanganui Regional Council | 06 357 9009 | 06 356 7477 |
| H | 4040 | Hazardous Substances Collection | Collect redundant hazardous substances, mainly agrichemicals, for recycling or disposal. | Peter Burrows | Gisborne District Council | 06 867 2049 | 06 867 8076 |
| H | 4048 | Collection of Agrichemicals | Investigate and implement collection, storage, and disposal of unwanted chemicals. | Ian Brown | Otago Regional Council | 03 474 0827 | 03 479 0015 |
| H | 4049 | Hazardous Waste Facilities Investigation | Prepare a strategy to consider the collection, transportation, storage and treatment of hazardous wastes. | Ian Brown | Otago Regional Council | 03 474 0827 | 03 479 0015 |
| H | 4051 | Waste Analysis Protocol Survey | WAP survey (module A) to analyse the hazardous waste stream in the Auckland region. | Craig Tolley | ARC Environment | 09 379 4420 | 09 366 2155 |
| H | 4054 | Hazardous Wastes Collection Network | To design and construct a comprehensive, safe and efficient collection and disposal network for small non-commercial quantities of hazardous waste. | Annette Pellowe | Environment Waikato | 07 856 7184 | 07 856 0555 |
| H | 4055 | Waste Analysis Protocol Survey | WAP survey (modules B & C) in Waikato and Bay of Plenty regions. | Annette Pellowe | Environment Waikato | 07 856 7184 | 07 856 0555 |
| H | 4057 | Problem Hazardous Waste Management | Collection, identification, transportation, and storage of problem hazardous wastes in Northland. | Viv Donaldson | Northland Regional Council | 09 438 4639 | 09 438 0012 |
| H | 4064 | Redundant Chemical Collection | Collection of unwanted chemicals in Southland. | Neil McDermott | Southland Regional Council | 03 215 6197 | 03 215 8081 |
| H | 4073 | Halon Fire Extinguishant Survey | To undertake a survey of the quantity of Halon in hand fire extinguishers and fixed gas flood systems. | R J Fraser | NZ Fire Protection Association | 09 523 3311 | 09 524 9624 |
| H | 4091 | Hazardous Business Waste Analysis of Hutt Valley Industries | To facilitate the adoption of effective methods of reusing, reducing, recycling or appropriately treating hazardous waste generated by Hutt Valley industries. To provide information for the development of future strategies by Council and | Talebul Islam | Hutt City Council | 04 570 6666 | 04 569 1625 |

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| | | | industry, in reducing hazardous wastes impact on the environment. | | | | |
| H | 4093 | Problem Hazardous Wastes Management | The objective is to reduce the quantities of problem hazardous wastes being disposed of in a manner which results in adverse environmental effects. This project includes the collection, identification, temporary storage, transport, exchange and long-term storage of problem hazardous wastes for the Northland region for the 1996/97 financial year. | Jerry Nelson | Northland Regional Council | 09 438 4639 | 09 438 0012 |
| H | 4101 | Collection of Unwanted Agrichemicals | Allows for the continuation and completion of the region-wide collection, sorting, redistribution and safe containment programme which was started in 1995/96. | Ian Brown | Otago Regional Council | 03 474 0827 | 03 479 0015 |
| H | 4113 | Identification, Repackaging and Storage of Unwanted Agrichemicals | The identification, repackaging and storage of unwanted agrichemicals that have been previously collected in unwanted chemical collection programmes by a consortium of 7 councils. | Paul Dell | Bay of Plenty Regional Council | | |
| H | 6012 | Vessel Maintenance Guidelines | Develop set of generic guidelines to avoid/mitigate discharges of toxic bioxides used for cleaning. | Craig Tolley | ARC Environment | 09 366 2000 | 09 366 2155 |
| WM | 4002 | Environmental Hotels of Auckland (EHOA) | A membership-based environmental initiative is proposed for hotels in the Auckland region. The initiative is to be based on a set of agreed environmental standards which will incorporate the principles outlined in the Ministry's Cleaner Production Guidelines. | Craig Tolley | Auckland Regional Council | 09 379 4420 | 09 366 2155 |
| WM | 4023 | Cleaner Production in Christchurch | To promote and where possible provide training on waste audit and cleaner production techniques to local businesses and industry by way of a competition and training seminars. | Lindsay Lamont | Christchurch City Council | 03 379 1660 | 03 379 7786 |
| WM | 4028 | Cleaner Production in Wellington | To progress its Workplace Pride Wellington Programme within the tourism industry. Attempting to build a groundswell of interest in cleaner production within the sector. | Paul Forrest | Wellington City Council | 04 801 3787 | 04 801 3003 |
| WM | 4030 | Cleaner Production in Supermarkets | To educate the management and staff of supermarkets in cleaner production and waste reduction/reuse techniques, and reduce the amount of waste to the landfill and sewage systems. | C J B Dale | Manakau City Council | 09 263 7100 | 09 262 5151 |
| WM | 4032 | Cleaner Production in Waitakere City | To encourage the business community of Waitakere City to identify and implement those techniques and technologies necessary to improve | Rachel Brown | Waitakere City Council | 09 836 8000 | 09 836 8001 |

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| | | | environmental performance on an ongoing basis. | | | | |
| WM | 4033 | Cleaner Production Programme | To make companies aware of their waste and take action to reduce both its volume and hazards. | K L Tate | North Shore City Council | 09 486 8400 | 09 486 8500 |
| WM | 4034 | CP in the Food Industry | Promote reduction, reuse, recycling and recovery of waste in the food processing industry in Hastings and Napier. | | Hastings District Council | | |
| WM | 4036 | Cleaner Production in Marlborough | To carry out an environmental study by survey of the materials and methods used to look at wastage. | Annie McDonald | Marlborough District Council | 03 578 5249 | 03 578 6866 |
| WM | 4038 | Cleaner Production in Hamilton | The promotion of the Cleaner Production Guidelines to the Hamilton business and industry. | | Hamilton City Council | | |
| WM | 4053 | Cleaner Production in the Pipfruit Industry | Development of a best-practice guide for orchards and packhouses based on the principles of cleaner production. | Camille Astbury | Works Consultancy Services | 04 471 7047 | 04 471 7770 |
| WM | 4065 | Cleaner Production Case Studies & Guidelines for Six Industry Sectors | To produce case studies and guidelines to facilitate CP practices, and to assist in transfer of CP technologies to businesses within these industries. | Paul Forrest | Wellington City Council | 04 499 4444 | 04 801 3003 |
| WM | 4079 | Cleaner Production in Hospitals | Develop an environmental best-practice guide for hospitals based on the Cleaner Production Guidelines. Involves developing drafts, looking at cleaner production options, trialing the guide once developed, reviewing it, launching and circulating it. | Camille Astbury | Works Consultancy Services | 04 471 7000 | 04 471 7770 |
| WM | 4088 | Cleaner Production in the Metal Products Industry | To produce best practice guides for the metal products industry. The best practice guides will facilitate the adoption of cleaner production within this industry. | Camille Astbury | Works Consultancy Services | 04 471 7047 | 04 471 7770 |
| WM | 4089 | Cleaner Production in the Fishing Industry | Focus on packaging waste minimisation on fishing vessels and the provision of appropriate storage and disposal facilities for residual wastes. The crayfishing industry in the Southland region will be used as a case study which can then be applied to the rest of New Zealand's various fishing industries. This "pristine" environment was chosen because pollution detracts significantly from its natural character. | Teri McClelland | Southland Regional Council | 03 215 6197 | 03 215 8081 |
| WM | 4090 | Introducing Cleaner | Hutt City and Upper Hutt City Councils are proposing a series of six workshops, | Steve | Hutt City | 04 570 6666 | 04 569 1625 |

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| | | Production to Hutt Valley Businesses | specifically aimed at industry types and designed to encourage industry to proceed to cleaner production audits. Workshops will provide each of the 800 industries in the area with the opportunity to participate in a four-hour workshop session, and give information on where to target partnership initiatives. This is the first stage in a comprehensive and long-term commitment by the councils to a cleaner production programme. | McCarthy | Council | | |
| WM | 6027 | Sustainable Building Guide | To pilot an environmental assessment scheme for new homes called Sustainable Building Guide. It's an environmental audit of a home at the design stage. The pilot will test the robustness of the guide and evaluate homeowners' attitudes to the design. | Adrian Bennett | BRANZ | 04 2357 7600 | 04 3235 6070 |
| WM | 6054 | Sustainable Viticulture Scheme for the NZ Wine Industry | NZ grape and wine industry, through Winegrowers of NZ, has initiated and provided preliminary evaluation of a Sustainable Viticultural Scheme. This scheme, based on a scorecard that directs vineyard management towards long-term sustainability, requires extensive evaluation in commercial vineyards before it can be available for industry-wide adoption. Funding is sought so the scheme can be evaluated, promoted and developed. The goal is for industry-wide adoption by 2000, protection of the vineyard environment and to secure export market access. | Philip Gregan | Winegrowers of New Zealand | 09 303 3527 | 09 302 2969 |

Note: abbreviations:

S = solid waste

L = liquid waste

G = gaseous waste

H = hazardous waste (including contaminated land)

WM = waste management

APPENDIX II

New Zealand Waste Identification Code (Table Y)

Table II-1 New Zealand Waste Identification Code (NZWIC) - categories of waste to be controlled (Table Y) [Ministry for the Environment, 1992(c)].

| Code | Description |
|----------|---|
| A | Waste streams |
| Y1 | Clinical waste from medical care in hospitals, medical centres and clinics |
| Y2 | Waste from the production and preparation of pharmaceutical products |
| Y3 | Waste pharmaceuticals, drugs and medicines |
| Y4 | Waste from the production, formulation and use of biocides and phytopharmaceuticals |
| Y5 | Waste from the manufacture, formulation and use of wood-preserving chemicals |
| Y6 | Waste from the production, formulation and use of organic solvents |
| Y7 | Waste from heat treatment and tempering operations containing cyanides |
| Y8 | Waste mineral oils unfit for their original intended use |
| Y9 | Waste oils/water, hydrocarbons/water mixtures, emulsions |
| Y10 | Waste substances and articles containing or contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and/or polychlorinated terphenyls (PCTs) and/or polybrominated biphenyls (PBBs) |
| Y11 | Waste tarry residues arising from refining, distillation and any pyrolytic treatment |
| Y12 | Waste from production, formulation and use of inks, dyes, pigments, paints, lacquers, varnish |
| Y13 | Waste from production, formulation and use of resins, latex plasticisers, glues/adhesives |
| Y14 | Waste chemical substances arising from research and development or teaching activities which are not identified and/or are new and whose effects on people and/or the environment are not known |
| Y15 | Waste of an explosive nature |
| Y16 | Waste from production, formulation and use of photographic chemicals and processing materials |
| Y17 | Waste resulting from surface treatment of metals and plastics |
| Y18 | Residues arising from industrial waste disposal operations |
| B | Waste having as constituents: |
| Y19 | Metal carbonyls |
| Y20 | Beryllium; beryllium compounds |
| Y21 | Hexavalent chromium compounds |
| Y22 | Copper compounds |
| Y23 | Zinc compounds |
| Y24 | Arsenic; arsenic compounds |
| Y25 | Selenium; selenium compounds |
| Y26 | Cadmium; cadmium compounds |
| Y27 | Antimony; antimony compounds |
| Y28 | Tellurium; tellurium compounds |
| Y29 | Mercury; mercury compounds |
| Y30 | Thallium; thallium compounds |
| Y31 | Lead; lead compounds |
| Y32 | Inorganic fluorine compounds excluding calcium fluoride |
| Y33 | Inorganic cyanides |
| Y34 | Acidic solutions or acids in solid form |
| Y35 | Basic solutions or bases in solid form |
| Y36 | Asbestos (dust and fibres) |
| Y37 | Organic phosphorus compounds |
| Y38 | Organic cyanides |

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| Y39 | Phenols; phenol compounds including chlorophenols |
| Y40 | Ethers |
| Y41 | Halogenated organic solvents |
| Y42 | Organic solvents excluding halogenated solvents |
| Y43 | Any congener of polychlorinated dibenzo-furan |
| Y44 | Any congener of polychlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxin |
| Y45 | Organohalogen compounds other than substances referred to in this appendix (e.g. Y39, Y41, Y42, Y43, Y44) |

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|----------|--|
| C | Categories of waste requiring special consideration |
| Y46 | Wastes collected from households |
| Y47 | Residues arising from the incineration of household wastes |
| Y48 | Radioactive substances |

APPENDIX III

Landfill Census

Introduction

The aim of the Landfill Census was to gather baseline data on various aspects of landfill management in New Zealand and provide a robust methodology for future surveys. The Census objectives were to:

- monitor uptake of the Landfill Guidelines;
- identify constraints to the implementation of the Government Waste Policy;
- monitor compliance with the Resource Management Act 1991;
- provide information for international reporting requirements;
- provide baseline data on landfill management so that future trends could be monitored.

The 1997 publication [Ministry for the Environment, 1997] provides information from the 1995 Landfill Census for the general reader. The information has been provided in three different ways:

- the discussion of broad topic areas
- the provision of regional information
- the presentation of the question by question data.

The results of the Census have shown areas where improvements in landfill management are necessary.

Methodology

Planning for the Landfill Census began in 1994. A team co-ordinated by Worley Consultants undertook a scoping exercise and survey preparation. This was followed by more detailed work on the questionnaire design. The National Research Bureau (NRB) was then awarded the contract to undertake a pilot survey and the main survey.

Data collection

Data for the Landfill Census were obtained from a postal questionnaire completed by landfill regulators and operators. All regulators and operators were sent, by courier or mail, an appropriate questionnaire with an accompanying covering letter of introduction, instructions for completing the Census, and a stamped, addressed envelope for return of the questionnaire. The results of self-completion questionnaires provide information on the respondent's view or knowledge of a situation which may differ somewhat from another person's view or from on-site inspection.

Sampling was undertaken in two stages. The first involved contacting the 16 regulator organisations and identifying the person in the position of "Consents Manager" within each. These people were asked to identify the landfills and landfill operators within their jurisdiction. Questionnaires were then sent to the operators identified.

Two separate questionnaires were sent out from early to mid 1995, one to all regulators of landfills, and the other to all landfill. The regulator recipients were the resource consent managers at regional and unitary authorities. The landfill operator recipients were the people responsible for the landfills in the organisation that held the resource consents.

These recipients were chosen as those most likely to know about the spectrum of landfill management activity.

The questionnaire follow-up was a three-step process, and was identical for both regulators and operators. If the respondent had not returned the questionnaire within two weeks a telephone follow-up was made by one of NRB's interviewers to determine why the questionnaire had not been returned. The main reasons were that they hadn't got around to it, hadn't received it, or it was already in the post.

If the questionnaire had still not been returned one week after this, a postal follow-up was undertaken, reminding respondents of the survey and asking them to return their questionnaire within a week. Another copy of the questionnaire and stamped addressed envelope was enclosed.

Further telephone calls were made where necessary to respondents who still did not return their questionnaires. Particular attention was made here to regulators, as without their help it was not possible to contact operators.

The regulator questionnaires were couriered out on 8 March 1995 and the last was returned on 10 May 1995. The first operator questionnaires were posted on 22 March 1995 and the close-off date was 15 June 1995. Several questionnaires returned after this date have subsequently been included in the analysis.

The Census was undertaken during a transitional period for landfill resource consents and did not provide a true reflection of compliance with consent requirements. Therefore, a follow-up letter dated 26 September 1995 was sent to landfill regulators asking for the current status of the consents for landfills in their region. Responses to this letter were still being solicited in December and January 1996.

The Census was run on the understanding that responses would remain confidential. The data input method and data analysis were to ensure the confidentiality of responses.

Data comparison

To make comparison between quantities of wastes at different landfills, a conversion factor is needed to convert volume of waste to weight of waste. The factor used was: $1\text{m}^3 = 0.5 \text{ tonne}$. This rate of conversion was chosen after discussion with a number of waste management organisations.

The size of the landfills was determined on the annual weight of waste deposited at the landfill. The definitions are:

- small: (500 tonnes or less)
- medium: (501 to 5000 tonnes)
- large: (over 5,000 tonnes)
- unknown: landfills for which no annual weight of waste could be ascertained.

The annual weight of waste deposited was calculated in one of three ways:

- operators told of their annual waste figure;
- the total weight of waste deposited to this date was divided by the number of years the landfill has been open. (Where volume figures were given, the conversion factor was used);
- the population of the locality served was multiplied by the annual waste factor. (This factor was derived by taking an average of the annual waste figure divided by the population figure for all those landfills which supplied both of these figures);
- The populations served were grouped into three categories for this report: small (up to 999 people), medium (1,000 - 9,999 people) and large (10,000 people and over).

Results

The response rate was high for a postal survey, with all 16 regulators returning questionnaires, and initially 84 of the 103 operators returning their questionnaires. Four late returns were not included in the initial results.

The 15 non-respondent operators were evenly spread through the country, and most operated only one landfill. However, this has meant full information is available only in the Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Gisborne, Hawke's Bay, Marlborough, and Southland regions.

The Census identified 327 landfills; detailed information was obtained for 271 of these. The 1987 Department of Health survey identified 462 landfills. This reduction in landfill numbers is probably due to closure and consolidation of landfills.

The Landfill Census provided information on four groups:

- regulator response (16 of 16);
- landfills identified by regulators (327);
- operator response (88 of 103);
- detailed information on landfills supplied by operators (271).

The results are presented in terms of general topic areas:

- waste policy and the Landfill Guidelines;
- Resource Management Act issues;
- landfill information;
- landfill monitoring and practice;
- managing hazardous wastes;
- landfill information;
- closed sites.

Waste-related questions from the 1995 Landfill Census are provided in Table III-1. Quantitative data regarding waste have been included in Chapter 3 of this report.

Table III-1 Questions relating to waste issues asked to landfills as part of the Landfill Census [Ministry for the Environment, 1997].

| Question | Yes | No | No reply/ don't know |
|--|---|-----|-------------------------|
| Landfill with leachate collection system | 35 | 233 | 3 |
| Leachate treatment system | 25 | 243 | 3 |
| Leachate monitoring system | 47 | 22 | 3 |
| Diversions for stormwater | 110 | 158 | 3 |
| Stormwater treatment system | 25 | 243 | 2 |
| Stormwater monitoring | 29 | 240 | 2 |
| Gas collection or extraction system | 5 | 261 | 5 |
| Gas monitoring system | 8 | 254 | 9 |
| Control of dust in past 12 months | 30 | 236 | 5 |
| Control of noise in past 12 months | 10 | 256 | 5 |
| Control of odour in past 12 months | 38 | 228 | 5 |
| Control of litter in past 12 months | 153 | 113 | 5 |
| Waste monitoring | 105 | 66 | 0 |
| Management plan | 166 | 102 | 3 |
| Aftercare plan | 135 | 129 | 5 |
| Burning occurred in past 12 months | 142 Accidental 102 Intentional 33 Both = 6 No reply = 1 | 129 | 0 |
| Any types of waste not accepted | 211 | 60 | 0 |
| Activities aimed at minimising waste | Recycling 118 Composting 21 Waste exchange/ reuse = 9 | 141 | 10 |

APPENDIX IV

Waste Analysis Protocol

Poor data have hindered the development of coherent and integrated waste management in New Zealand. Although regional data have been collected in the past collection has not been undertaken nationally or consistently until the development of the Waste Analysis Protocol (WAP) in 1992 [Ministry for the Environment, 1992(c)]. The WAP is a set of guidelines on the gathering of waste data to consistently obtain statistically robust information on the amount, composition and source of solid and hazardous waste streams to enable effective comparison between districts and regions, and over time. The WAP uses three methods or modules to monitor three categories of waste. The types of waste covered by the three modules A, B and C, together with the monitoring methods used, are summarised in Table IV-1.

The WAP has defined eight categories to record the composition of waste. These categories, used for each module, are paper, plastic, glass, metal, organic, construction, potentially hazardous, and other waste. The categories are described in Chapter 2 of this report.

Following the development of the WAP, WAP surveys have been undertaken throughout New Zealand. Until September 1995 a number WAP surveys were undertaken for landfills for an area representing 65% of the New Zealand population. WAP surveys have provided a significant amount of data on waste quantities and composition [Blake and Sweet, 1995]. For more information see the *New Zealand Waste Analysis Protocol* [Ministry for the Environment, 1992(c)].

Table IV-1 Different modules of the New Zealand Waste Analysis Protocol [Ministry for the Environment, 1992(c)].

| Module | Type of waste | Purpose | Method |
|--------|--|--|--|
| A | Potentially hazardous industrial waste | <p>To:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide a system and methodology applicable to the generation, management, treatment and disposal of potentially industrial hazardous waste; • identify where problems are likely to be occurring in the management of potentially hazardous waste; • reliably classify and quantify the amount of hazardous waste generated and disposed of. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • desk study • material flow approaches • questionnaires with appropriate follow-up administered to all, or a randomly selected sample of industries in the survey area • identification by inspection of manifest sheets and or loads of waste entering treatment or disposal facilities. |
| B | Residential waste bags and bins | To obtain a quantitative estimate of the quantity and composition of solid waste arising from domestic premises within the survey district. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • collecting refuse bins and bags put out for kerbside collection from selected “households” (includes refuse put out for kerbside collection by small commercial premises e.g. dairies and hostels) • transport to a sorting station • sorting the refuse into a minimum of 8 categories • weighing and recording the information • statistical analysis and reporting. |
| C | Residential and industrial waste | To quantify and characterise the waste entering a treatment or disposal facility (e.g. transfer station, landfill, incineration plant). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • weighing most large vehicle loads entering the site and a proportion of smaller vehicle loads • sampling a proportion of incoming loads in each category and sorting and weighing a sample of refuse from these • visually classifying the remaining loads (or a high proportion of them) where appropriate. |

Collation of WAP and 1995 Landfill Census Data

Background

Data obtained from WAP surveys and the 1995 Landfill Census was aggregated in a statistically valid way to obtain national figures of landfilled waste in New Zealand. The available data represented only a small fraction of the landfills in New Zealand on a strictly numerical basis. However, WAP survey data and operator estimates of annual tonnage were available for most of the major landfills (>50,000 tonnes per year) and for many large landfills (>5,000 tonnes). As a result, the coverage was approximately 60% of the estimated total waste going to landfills. Data from the WAP surveys and the Landfill Census were extrapolated to provide an initial picture of the composition of waste on a regional and national basis. The study also required “filling of gaps” in a logical and statistically appropriate way to cover all landfills and therefore create a regional and national picture of waste compositions.

The estimates of total, industrial, and residential waste going to landfills were based on the “at disposal site” surveys (WAP Module C) and annual tonnage data identified in the Landfill Census. For the estimates of residential waste bags and bins, the “at source” surveys (WAP Module B) were used along with Population Census data. The methodology used and results obtained follows. Detailed information regarding the calculation methods used and assumptions made to obtain the aggregated data can be made available upon request to the Ministry for the Environment.

Landfilled waste (WAP module C)

Module C of WAP is used to determine quantities and composition of landfilled industrial and residential waste. The procedure used to build up the overall waste picture of waste going to landfills involved:

- reducing the available WAP survey data to a standard form (the standard 8 WAP categories for business and residential waste);
- analysing the standardised WAP data to provide waste composition data for landfill groups (based on annual tonnage) and for identifiable major landfills;
- analysing annual tonnage and population data from the Landfill Census to develop a process for estimating annual waste tonnage for landfills where no process was available;
- categorising landfills from the Landfill Census in terms of their size (annual waste tonnage) (see Table V-1);
- using these categories to link landfills that had not been surveyed, with relevant waste composition data based on similar-sized landfills and regional population;
- applying the waste composition data to the annual tonnage estimate for each landfill to calculate weight estimates for each category of waste;
- aggregating this waste composition data on a regional and national basis.

Table V-1 Summary of landfill size groups.

| Region | | Landfill size group | | | | | | | Total |
|----------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------|
| | | Up to 1,000 tonnes | 1,001 - 5,000 tonnes | 5,001 - 20,000 tonnes | 20,001 - 50,000 tonnes | Over 50,000 tonnes | Major landfills | Special waste only | |
| Northland | No. | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 9 |
| | Tonnes | 710 | 7,540 | 8,620 | 59,320 | - | - | - | 76,190 |
| | % Region | 0.9% | 9.9% | 11.3% | 77.9% | - | - | - | |
| Auckland | No. | - | - | - | 1 | - | 5 | - | 6 |
| | Tonnes | - | - | - | 33,080 | - | 775,770 | - | 808,850 |
| | % Region | - | - | - | 4.1% | - | 95.9% | - | |
| Waikato | No. | 3 | 4 | 11 | 1 | 2 | - | - | 21 |
| | Tonnes | 2,500 | 11,130 | 109,610 | 26,310 | 184,890 | - | - | 334,440 |
| | % Region | 0.7% | 3.3% | 32.8% | 7.9% | 55.3% | - | - | |
| Bay of Plenty | No. | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | 10 |
| | Tonnes | 8,710 | 7,260 | 24,540 | 22,980 | 64,330 | 90,320 | - | 218,140 |
| | % Region | 4.0% | 3.3% | 11.2% | 10.5% | 29.5% | 41.4% | - | |
| Gisborne | No. | 2 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 5 |
| | Tonnes | 1,110 | 2,640 | 27,570 | - | - | - | - | 31,320 |
| | % Region | 3.5% | 8.4% | 88.0% | - | - | - | - | |
| Hawke's Bay | No. | 2 | 2 | 2 | - | - | 1 | - | 7 |
| | Tonnes | 910 | 2,020 | 21,650 | - | - | 93,240 | - | 117,820 |
| | % Region | 0.8% | 1.7% | 18.4% | - | - | 79.1% | - | |
| Taranaki | No. | 5 | 3 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | 11 |
| | Tonnes | 1,120 | 9,250 | 16,290 | 36,100 | - | - | - | 62,760 |
| | % Region | 1.8% | 14.7% | 26.0% | 57.5% | - | - | - | |
| Manawatu & Wanganui | No. | 15 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 1 | - | - | 31 |
| | Tonnes | 5,060 | 23,530 | 41,800 | 59,920 | 70,000 | - | - | 200,310 |
| | % Region | 2.5% | 11.7% | 20.9% | 29.9% | 34.9% | - | - | |
| Wellington | No. | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 12 |
| | Tonnes | 620 | 2,700 | 28,410 | 68,450 | 238,650 | 195,300 | 2,390 | 536,520 |
| | % Region | 0.1% | 0.5% | 5.3% | 12.8% | 44.5% | 36.4% | 0.4% | |
| Nelson & Marlborough | No. | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | 12 |
| | Tonnes | 2,670 | 6,680 | 24,440 | 45,820 | - | - | - | 79,610 |
| | % Region | 3.4% | 8.4% | 30.7% | 57.5% | - | - | - | |
| West Coast | No. | 18 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 20 |
| | Tonnes | 5,470 | 4,900 | 5,750 | - | - | - | - | 16,120 |
| | % Region | 33.9% | 30.4% | 35.7% | - | - | - | - | |
| Canterbury | No. | 34 | 16 | 5 | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 59 |
| | Tonnes | 12,380 | 36,120 | 56,360 | 51,730 | - | 241,790 | 2,800 | 401,180 |
| | % Region | 3.1% | 9.0% | 14.0% | 12.9% | - | 60.3% | 0.7% | |
| Otago | No. | 22 | 6 | 2 | - | 2 | - | - | 32 |
| | Tonnes | 6,630 | 22,850 | 13,100 | - | 194,830 | - | - | 237,410 |
| | % Region | 2.8% | 9.6% | 5.5% | - | 82.1% | - | - | |
| Southland | No. | 2 | 4 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 7 |
| | Tonnes | 20 | 12,330 | - | 49,080 | - | - | - | 61,430 |
| | % Region | 0.0% | 20.1% | - | 79.9% | - | - | - | |
| New Zealand Total | No. | 115 | 57 | 37 | 13 | 8 | 10 | 2 | 242 |
| | Tonnes | 47,920 | 148,950 | 378,150 | 452,790 | 752,690 | 1,396,420 | 5,190 | 3,182,110 |
| | % Region | 1.5% | 4.7% | 11.9% | 14.2% | 23.7% | 43.9% | 0.2% | |

Using the WAP data, reasonable estimates of waste composition were identified for each region and New Zealand as a whole. However, several limited numbers of WAP surveys and limited information available in the Landfill Census, in particular the lack of accurate data on annual tonnage, made it necessary to use other methods to estimate the annual tonnage of the 251 landfills. The four methods used are described in Table V-2. Estimates of the annual waste tonnage were obtained for all but 9 of the 251 landfills included in the Landfill Census data. These landfills provided information on a population of 3.0 million. Table V-3 summarises the methods used to estimate annual waste tonnage for New Zealand and for different regions. Table V-4 provides a summary of the estimated waste composition for each region and for New Zealand as a whole.

Table V-2 Methods used to estimate annual waste tonnage.

| Method to estimate annual tonnage (in order of preference) | Number of landfills | Comments |
|--|---------------------|--|
| Waste recorded during WAP Survey period | 10 | All major landfills (>50,000 tonnes per year) |
| Operator's estimate from the Landfill Census | 60 | Some large (>20,000 T/yr) and some medium landfills (5,000 - 20,000 T/yr) |
| Based on "population served" | 233 | Calculated by multiplying the population it serves by an annual per capita waste factor: - up to 5,000 people served: 1,078 tonnes/person +/- 0.20 - 5,001-20,000 people served: 0.958 tonnes/person +/- 0.16 - >20,000 people served: 0.919 tonnes/person +/- 0.10 |
| Based on "average annual tonnage to date" | 74 | Calculated by dividing the total waste deposited into the landfill to date by the number of years the landfill had been open, i.e. the average tonnage per year |
| No estimates available | 9 | |
| Total | > 251 | For several landfills more than one estimate was available |

Residential waste bags and bins (WAP Module B)

WAP Module B is used to determine compositions of residential waste bags and bins. The procedure used to aggregate existing data to obtain quantities and composition of residential waste bags and bins at a regional and national level involved:

- reducing the available WAP survey data to a standard form, i.e. the standard 8 WAP categories;
- deriving an estimate of the annual tonnage of residential waste bags and bins for each survey;
- estimating the population covered by each survey using the 1994 population estimates and calculating estimates of the average quantity of waste per person;
- analysing the per person waste estimates to derive representative per person figures and corresponding weighted estimates of the waste composition;
- applying these estimates to the population of each region and aggregating this waste composition data on a regional and national basis.

Table V-3 Methods used to estimate annual tonnage for New Zealand and different regions.

| Region | | Method of estimation \ | | | | | Total |
|----------------------|----------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| | | Direct from WAP Survey | Operators' weight estimates | Operators' volume estimates | Based on population | Based on avg/year | |
| Northland | No. | - | 1 | - | 8 | - | 9 |
| | Tonnes | - | 59,320 | - | 16,870 | - | 76,190 |
| | % Region | - | 77.9% | - | 22.1% | - | - |
| Auckland | No. | 5 | - | - | 1 | - | 6 |
| | Tonnes | 775,770 | - | - | 33,080 | - | 808,850 |
| | % Region | 95.9% | - | - | 4.1% | - | - |
| Waikato | No. | - | 3 | 2 | 13 | 3 | 21 |
| | Tonnes | - | 85,490 | 19,500 | 80,660 | 148,780 | 334,430 |
| | % Region | - | 25.6% | 5.8% | 24.1% | 44.5% | - |
| Bay of Plenty | No. | 1 | 1 | 2 | 6 | - | 10 |
| | Tonnes | 90320 | 8,000 | 11,300 | 108,520 | - | 218,140 |
| | % Region | 41.4% | 3.7% | 5.2% | 49.7% | - | - |
| Gisborne | No. | - | - | - | 5 | - | 5 |
| | Tonnes | - | - | - | 31,330 | - | 31,330 |
| | % Region | - | - | - | 100.0% | - | - |
| Hawke's Bay | No. | 1 | - | - | 6 | - | 7 |
| | Tonnes | 93,240 | - | - | 24,580 | - | 117,820 |
| | % Region | 79.1% | - | - | 20.9% | - | - |
| Taranaki | No. | - | 4 | - | 6 | 1 | 11 |
| | Tonnes | - | 36,980 | - | 25,740 | 40 | 62,760 |
| | % Region | - | 58.9% | - | 41.0% | 0.1% | - |
| Manawatu & Wanganui | No. | - | 4 | 2 | 25 | - | 31 |
| | Tonnes | - | 89,100 | 25,200 | 86,020 | - | 200,320 |
| | % Region | - | 44.5% | 12.6% | 42.9% | - | - |
| Wellington | No. | 2 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 12 |
| | Tonnes | 195,300 | 15,000 | 25,820 | 116,610 | 183,800 | 536,530 |
| | % Region | 36.4% | 2.8% | 4.8% | 21.7% | 34.3% | - |
| Nelson & Marlborough | No. | - | 1 | 6 | 5 | - | 12 |
| | Tonnes | - | 45,820 | 25,320 | 480 | - | 79,620 |
| | % Region | - | 57.5% | 31.8% | 10.7% | - | - |
| West Coast | No. | - | - | - | 20 | - | 20 |
| | Tonnes | - | - | - | 16,120 | - | 16,120 |
| | % Region | - | - | - | 100.0% | - | - |
| Canterbury | No. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 53 | - | 59 |
| | Tonnes | 241,790 | 3,030 | 47,000 | 109,360 | - | 401,180 |
| | % Region | 60.3% | 0.8% | 11.7% | 27.3% | - | - |
| Otago | No. | - | - | 3 | 29 | - | 32 |
| | Tonnes | - | - | 8,350 | 229,060 | - | 237,410 |
| | % Region | - | - | 3.5% | 96.5% | - | - |
| Southland | No. | - | 2 | - | 5 | - | 7 |
| | Tonnes | - | 7,000 | - | 54,420 | - | 61,420 |
| | % Region | - | 11.4% | - | 88.6% | - | - |
| New Zealand Total | No. | 10 | 19 | 21 | 187 | 5 | 242 |
| | Tonnes | 1,396,420 | 349,740 | 162,490 | 940,840 | 332,620 | 3,182,110 |
| | % Region | 43.9% | 11.0% | 5.1% | 29.6% | 10.5% | - |

Table V-4 Aggregated landfilled waste quantities and compositions in 1995 based on data from Landfill Census & WAP surveys

| % NZ Total | | | Weight (tonnes) % NZ Total | | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | | | | Pot haz "special" |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|------------|---------|---------|---------|--------------|-----------|------------------|----------|----------|---------|----------------------|
| | | | | | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & dem | Other | Pot haz total | | | | |
| New Zealand | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 3,182,120 | 100 | <u>Industrial</u> % Ind | 1,762,350 | 100 | Tonnes | 327,210 | 123,540 | 27,970 | 117,950 | 417,920 | 383,370 | 103,680 | 260,710 | 209,490 | |
| Number of landfills | 242 | 100 | | | 55.4% | 95% CI +/- | 7,180 | 4,770 | 1,820 | 7,010 | 12,480 | 9,610 | 9,680 | Not avl. | | |
| Population served | 3,254,284 | 100 | | | Proportion | 18.6% | 7.0% | 1.6% | 6.7% | 23.7% | 21.8% | 5.9% | 14.8% | | | |
| Population, March 94 | 3,540,700 | 100 | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.2% | 0.4% | 0.7% | 0.6% | 0.3% | 0.3% | 0.9% | Not avl. | | | |
| | | | <u>Residential</u> % Res | 1,419,770 | 100 | Tonnes | 265,840 | 100,870 | 39,590 | 82,510 | 711,750 | 150,480 | 59,810 | 8,920 | | |
| | | | | | 44.6% | 95% CI +/- | 4,630 | 3,580 | 1,490 | 3,030 | 8,370 | 8,780 | 7,780 | 1,240 | | |
| | | | | | Proportion | 18.7% | 7.1% | 2.8% | 5.8% | 50.1% | 10.6% | 4.2% | 0.6% | | | |
| | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.2% | 0.4% | 0.4% | 0.4% | 0.1% | 0.6% | 1.3% | 1.4% | | | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 3,182,120 | 100 | Tonnes | 593,050 | 224,410 | 67,560 | 200,460 | 1,129,670 | 533,850 | 163,490 | 269,630 | | |
| | | | | | 100% | 95% CI +/- | 8,540 | 5,960 | 2,350 | 7,640 | 15,030 | 13,020 | 12,420 | Not avl. | | |
| | | | | | Proportion | 18.6% | 7.1% | 2.1% | 6.3% | 35.5% | 16.8% | 5.1% | 8.5% | | | |
| | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.1% | 0.3% | 0.3% | 0.4% | 0.1% | 0.2% | 0.8% | Not avl. | | | |
| Northland | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 76,190 | 2.4 | <u>Industrial</u> % Ind | 45,600 | 2.6 | Tonnes | 4,500 | 1,530 | 280 | 1,460 | 9,350 | 5,950 | 610 | 21,920 | 21,360 | |
| Number of landfills | 9 | 3.7 | | | 59.9% | 95% CI +/- | 600 | 260 | 50 | 280 | 990 | 710 | 220 | Not avl. | | |
| % NZ | | | Weight % NZ | | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | | | | Pot haz |

| Total | | | (tonnes) | Total | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & dem | Other | Pot haz total | "special" | | |
|---|-----------|------|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|------------|--------|--------|---------|-----------|----------|---------------|-----------|----------|---------|
| Population served Population, March 94 | 80,700 | 2.5 | <u>Residential</u> % Res | 30,590 40.1% | 2.2 | Proportion | 9.9% | 3.4% | 0.6% | 3.2% | 20.5% | 13.0% | 1.3% | 48.1% | |
| | 135,400 | 3.8 | | | | 95% CI +/- | 1.3% | 1.7% | 1.8% | 1.9% | 1.1% | 1.2% | 3.6% | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | Tonnes | 4,690 | 1,790 | 940 | 1,920 | 16,950 | 3,140 | 990 | 170 | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 190 | 90 | 60 | 170 | 490 | 250 | 100 | 30 | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 15.3% | 5.9% | 3.1% | 6.3% | 55.4% | 10.3% | 3.2% | 0.6% | |
| | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.4% | 0.5% | 0.6% | 0.9% | 0.3% | 0.8% | 1.0% | 1.8% | | | | |
| <u>Total</u> | | | 76,190 100% | 2.4 | Tonnes | 95% CI +/- | 9,190 | 3,320 | 1,220 | 3,380 | 26,300 | 9,090 | 1,600 | 22,090 | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 630 | 280 | 80 | 330 | 1,110 | 760 | 240 | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 12.1% | 4.4% | 1.6% | 4.4% | 34.5% | 11.9% | 2.1% | 29.0% | |
| | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.7% | 0.8% | 0.7% | 1.0% | 0.4% | 0.8% | 1.5% | Not avl. | | | | |
| Auckland | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) Number of landfills Population served Population, March 94 | 808,860 | 25.4 | <u>Industrial</u> % Ind | 429,910 53.2% | 24.4 | Tonnes | 46,660 | 23,220 | 9,190 | 37,580 | 38,480 | 95,410 | 53,150 | 126,220 | |
| | 6 | 2.5 | | | | 95% CI +/- | 3,220 | 3,070 | 1,540 | 6,170 | 7,480 | 3,380 | 9,100 | Not avl. | |
| | 967,100 | 29.7 | | | | Proportion | 10.9% | 5.4% | 2.1% | 8.7% | 9.0% | 22.2% | 12.4% | 29.4% | |
| | 1,002,700 | 28.3 | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.7% | 1.3% | 1.7% | 1.6% | 1.9% | 0.4% | 1.7% | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Residential</u> % Res | | | 378,950 46.8% | 26.7 | Tonnes | 95% CI +/- | 85,620 | 35,330 | 13,160 | 19,630 | 153,660 | 45,190 | 23,580 | 2,780 | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 3,940 | 3,440 | 1,400 | 2,640 | 6,290 | 8,210 | 6,020 | 1,160 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| % NZ | | | Weight | % NZ | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | | | Pot haz |
| Total | | | (tonnes) | Total | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & | Other | Pot haz | "special" | | |

| | | | | | | dem | | | | | | | | total | |
|------------------------|---------|------|--------------------|---------|-------|---|---------|--------|--------|---------|-----------|---------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| | | | | | | Proportion | 22.6% | 9.3% | 3.5% | 5.2% | 40.5% | 11.9% | 6.2% | 0.7% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.5% | 1.0% | 1.1% | 1.3% | 0.4% | 1.8% | 2.6% | 4.2% | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 808,860 | 25.4 | Tonnes | 132,280 | 58,550 | 22,350 | 57,210 | 192,140 | 140,600 | 76,730 | 129,000 | |
| | | | | 100% | | 95% CI +/- | 5,090 | 4,610 | 2,090 | 6,710 | 9,780 | 8,880 | 10,910 | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 16.4% | 7.2% | 2.8% | 7.1% | 23.8% | 17.4% | 9.5% | 15.9% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.4% | 0.8% | 0.9% | 1.2% | 0.5% | 0.6% | 1.4% | Not avl. | |
| Waikato | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 334,430 | 10.5 | <u>Industrial</u> | 226,590 | 12.9 | Tonnes | 50,900 | 18,320 | 3,540 | 14,490 | 69,260 | 50,710 | 9,490 | 9,880 | 7,040 |
| Number of landfills | 21 | 8.7 | % Ind | 67.8% | | 95% CI +/- | 2,220 | 1,220 | 340 | 1,120 | 3,550 | 3,030 | 1,140 | Not avl. | |
| Population served | 222,000 | 6.8 | | | | Proportion | 22.5% | 8.1% | 1.6% | 6.4% | 30.6% | 22.4% | 4.2% | 4.4% | |
| Population, March 94 | 348,200 | 9.8 | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.4% | 0.7% | 1.0% | 0.8% | 0.5% | 0.6% | 1.2% | Not avl. | |
| | | | <u>Residential</u> | 107,860 | 7.6 | Tonnes | 19,030 | 6,650 | 2,720 | 6,770 | 58,810 | 9,720 | 3,560 | 600 | |
| | | | % Res | 32.2% | | 95% CI +/- | 440 | 180 | 110 | 380 | 1,130 | 540 | 1,950 | 50 | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 17.6% | 6.2% | 2.5% | 6.3% | 54.5% | 9.0% | 3.3% | 0.6% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.2% | 0.3% | 0.4% | 0.6% | 0.2% | 0.6% | 5.5% | 0.8% | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 334,450 | 10.5 | Tonnes | 69,930 | 24,970 | 6,260 | 21,260 | 128,070 | 60,430 | 13,050 | 10,480 | |
| | | | | 100% | | 95% CI +/- | 2,270 | 1,240 | 360 | 1,180 | 3,730 | 3,080 | 2,260 | Not avl. | |
| % NZ | | | Weight | | % NZ | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | | Pot haz |
| Total | | | (tonnes) | | Total | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & dem | Other | Pot haz total | "special" | |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|---------|-----|--------------------|---------|-----|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|-------|
| | | | | | | Proportion 95% CI +/- | 20.9% 0.3% | 7.5% 0.5% | 1.9% 0.6% | 6.4% 0.6% | 38.3% 0.3% | 18.1% 0.5% | 3.9% 1.7% | 3.1% Not avl. | |
| Bay of Plenty | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 218,150 | 6.9 | <u>Industrial</u> | 134,870 | 7.7 | Tonnes | 23,470 | 8,860 | 1,670 | 7,560 | 47,850 | 29,950 | 5,150 | 10,360 | 7,960 |
| Number of landfills | 10 | 4.1 | % Ind | 61.8% | | 95% CI +/- | 2,470 | 1,450 | 280 | 1,430 | 5,620 | 4,200 | 1,750 | Not avl. | |
| Population served | 193,800 | 6.0 | | | | Proportion | 17.4% | 6.6% | 1.2% | 5.6% | 35.5% | 22.2% | 3.8% | 7.7% | |
| Population, March 94 | 217,700 | 6.1 | | | | 95% CI +/- | 1.1% | 1.6% | 1.7% | 1.9% | 1.2% | 1.4% | 3.4% | Not avl. | |
| | | | <u>Residential</u> | 83,280 | 5.9 | Tonnes | 14,590 | 5,180 | 1,930 | 4,930 | 44,270 | 9,380 | 2,550 | 450 | |
| | | | % Res | 38.2% | | 95% CI +/- | 690 | 240 | 110 | 510 | 1,570 | 1,080 | 1,310 | 50 | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 17.5% | 6.2% | 2.3% | 5.9% | 53.2% | 11.3% | 3.1% | 0.5% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.5% | 0.5% | 0.6% | 1.0% | 0.4% | 1.2% | 5.1% | 0.1% | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 218,150 | 6.9 | Tonnes | 38,060 | 14,040 | 3,600 | 12,490 | 92,120 | 39,330 | 7,700 | 10,810 | |
| | | | | 100% | | 95% CI +/- | 2,560 | 1,470 | 300 | 1,520 | 5,830 | 4,340 | 2,190 | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 17.4% | 6.4% | 1.7% | 5.7% | 42.2% | 18.0% | 3.5% | 5.0% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.7% | 1.0% | 0.8% | 1.2% | 0.6% | 1.1% | 2.8% | Not avl. | |

| | | | % NZ | Weight | % NZ | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | Pot haz |
|------------------------|---------|-----|-----------------------------|----------|-------|------------------------------------|---------|-------|-------|---------|-----------|-------|---------------|-----------|
| | | | Total | (tonnes) | Total | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & dem | Other | Pot haz total | "special" |
| Gisborne | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 31,330 | 1.0 | <u>Industrial</u> % Ind | 20,130 | 1.1 | Tonnes | 1,770 | 620 | 190 | 600 | 4,080 | 1,520 | 300 | 11,050 |
| Number of landfills | 5 | 2.1 | | 64.3% | | 95% CI +/- | 360 | 130 | 70 | 120 | 670 | 330 | 190 | Not avl. |
| Population served | 33,600 | 1.0 | | | | Proportion | 8.8% | 3.1% | 0.9% | 3.0% | 20.3% | 7.6% | 1.5% | 54.9% |
| Population, March 94 | 44,400 | 1.3 | | | | 95% CI +/- | 2.0% | 2.1% | 3.7% | 2.0% | 1.6% | 2.2% | 6.3% | Not avl. |
| | | | <u>Residential</u> % Res | 11,200 | 0.8 | Tonnes | 1,900 | 680 | 350 | 730 | 6,250 | 890 | 340 | 60 |
| | | | | 35.7% | | 95% CI +/- | 120 | 50 | 30 | 130 | 330 | 140 | 70 | 10 |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 17.0% | 6.1% | 3.1% | 6.5% | 55.8% | 7.9% | 3.0% | 0.5% |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.6% | 0.7% | 0.9% | 1.8% | 0.5% | 1.6% | 2.1% | 1.7% |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 31,330 | 1.0 | Tonnes | 3,670 | 1,300 | 540 | 1,330 | 10,330 | 2,410 | 640 | 11,110 |
| | | | | 100% | | 95% CI +/- | 380 | 130 | 80 | 180 | 750 | 360 | 200 | Not avl. |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 11.7% | 4.1% | 1.7% | 4.2% | 33.0% | 7.7% | 2.0% | 35.5% |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 1.0% | 1.0% | 1.5% | 1.4% | 0.7% | 1.5% | 3.1% | Not avl. |
| Hawke's Bay | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 117,820 | 3.7 | <u>Industrial</u> % Ind | 48,700 | 2.8 | Tonnes | 8,220 | 2,660 | 520 | 1,190 | 14,610 | 2,780 | 640 | 18,080 |
| Number of landfills | 7 | 2.9 | | 41.3% | | 95% CI +/- | 960 | 360 | 80 | 230 | 1,130 | 510 | 190 | Not avl. |
| | | | % NZ | Weight | % NZ | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | Pot haz |

| Total | | | (tonnes) | Total | | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & dem | Other | Pot haz total | "special" | |
|--|---------|-----|--------------------|---------|------------------------------------|------------|---------|-------|-------|---------|-----------|-------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| Population served Population, March 94 | 25,500 | 0.8 | | | Proportion | 16.9% | 5.5% | 1.1% | 2.4% | 30.0% | 5.7% | 1.3% | 37.1% | | |
| | 141,000 | 4.0 | | | 95% CI +/- | 1.2% | 1.4% | 1.5% | 1.9% | 0.8% | 1.8% | 3.0% | Not avl. | | |
| | | | <u>Residential</u> | 69,120 | 4.9 | Tonnes | 11,840 | 4,560 | 2,100 | 3,500 | 38,140 | 5,490 | 2,590 | | 900 |
| | | | % Res | 58.7% | | 95% CI +/- | 260 | 90 | 90 | 180 | 600 | 310 | 100 | | 340 |
| | | | | | Proportion | 17.1% | 6.6% | 3.0% | 5.1% | 55.2% | 7.9% | 3.7% | 1.3% | | |
| | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.2% | 0.2% | 0.4% | 0.5% | 0.2% | 0.6% | 0.4% | 3.8% | | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 117,820 | 3.7 | Tonnes | 20,060 | 7,220 | 2,620 | 4,690 | 52,750 | 8,270 | 3,230 | 18,980 | |
| | | | | 100% | | 95% CI +/- | 990 | 370 | 120 | 290 | 1,280 | 600 | 210 | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | Proportion | 17.0% | 6.1% | 2.2% | 4.0% | 44.8% | 7.0% | 2.7% | 16.1% | | |
| | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.5% | 0.5% | 0.5% | 0.6% | 0.2% | 0.7% | 0.7% | Not avl. | | |
| Taranaki | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 62,750 | 2.0 | <u>Industrial</u> | 34,560 | 2.0 | Tonnes | 4,840 | 1,670 | 360 | 1,550 | 10,310 | 5,730 | 700 | 9,400 | 8,930 |
| Number of landfills | 11 | 4.5 | % Ind | 55.1% | | 95% CI +/- | 520 | 230 | 60 | 240 | 890 | 610 | 210 | Not avl. | |
| Population served | 78,409 | 2.4 | | | | Proportion | 14.0% | 4.8% | 1.0% | 4.5% | 29.8% | 16.6% | 2.0% | 27.2% | |
| Population, March 94 | 107,900 | 3.0 | | | | 95% CI +/- | 1.1% | 1.4% | 1.7% | 1.5% | 0.9% | 1.1% | 3.0% | Not avl. | |
| | | | <u>Residential</u> | 28,190 | 2.0 | Tonnes | 4,470 | 1,710 | 920 | 1,810 | 15,570 | 2,660 | 900 | 150 | |
| | | | % Res | 44.9% | | 95% CI +/- | 180 | 100 | 50 | 140 | 400 | 190 | 80 | 20 | |
| % NZ | | | Weight | % NZ | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | | | Pot haz |
| Total | | | (tonnes) | Total | | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & | Other | Pot haz | "special" | |

| | | | dem | | | | | | | | | | total | | |
|--------------------------|---------|------|--------------------|---------|---|------------|---------|--------|-------|---------|-----------|--------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| | | | | | | Proportion | 15.9% | 6.1% | 3.3% | 6.4% | 55.2% | 9.4% | 3.2% | 0.5% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.4% | 0.6% | 0.5% | 0.8% | 0.3% | 0.7% | 0.9% | 1.3% | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 62,750 | 2.0 | Tonnes | 9,310 | 3,380 | 1,280 | 3,360 | 25,880 | 8,390 | 1,600 | 9,550 | |
| | | | | 100% | | 95% CI +/- | 550 | 250 | 80 | 280 | 980 | 640 | 220 | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 14.8% | 5.4% | 2.0% | 5.4% | 41.2% | 13.4% | 2.5% | 15.2% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.6% | 0.7% | 0.6% | 0.8% | 0.4% | 0.8% | 1.4% | Not avl. | |
| Manawatu-Wanganui | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 200,320 | 6.3 | <u>Industrial</u> | 95,760 | 5.4 | Tonnes | 19,280 | 6,790 | 1,440 | 6,200 | 32,140 | 21,560 | 3,230 | 5,120 | 3,940 |
| Number of landfills | 31 | 12.8 | % Ind | 47.8% | | 95% CI +/- | 930 | 450 | 150 | 460 | 1,600 | 1,200 | 450 | Not avl. | |
| Population served | 210,710 | 6.5 | <u>Residential</u> | 104,580 | 7.4 | Proportion | 20.1% | 7.1% | 1.5% | 6.5% | 33.6% | 22.5% | 3.4% | 5.3% | |
| Population, March 94 | 232,500 | 6.6 | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.5% | 0.7% | 1.0% | 0.7% | 0.5% | 0.6% | 1.4% | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | Tonnes | 17,360 | 6,410 | 2,810 | 6,430 | 56,540 | 10,900 | 3,560 | 570 | |
| | | | % Res | 52.2% | | 95% CI +/- | 400 | 180 | 100 | 290 | 960 | 530 | 1,850 | 60 | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 16.6% | 6.1% | 2.7% | 6.1% | 54.1% | 10.4% | 3.4% | 0.5% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.2% | 0.3% | 0.4% | 0.5% | 0.2% | 0.5% | 5.2% | 1.1% | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 200,340 | 6.3 | Tonnes | 36,640 | 13,200 | 4,250 | 12,630 | 88,680 | 32,460 | 6,790 | 5,690 | |
| | | | | 100% | | 95% CI +/- | 1,020 | 490 | 170 | 540 | 1,870 | 1,320 | 1,910 | Not avl. | |
| % NZ | | | Weight | % NZ | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | | | Pot haz |
| Total | | | (tonnes) | Total | | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & dem | Other | Pot haz total | "special" | |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|------|--------------------|---------|------|------------|---------|--------|-------|--------|---------|---------|--------|----------|-------|
| | | | | | | Proportion | 18.3% | 6.6% | 2.1% | 6.3% | 44.3% | 16.2% | 3.4% | 2.8% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.3% | 0.4% | 0.4% | 0.4% | 0.2% | 0.4% | 2.8% | Not avl. | |
| Wellington | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 536,530 | 16.9 | <u>Industrial</u> | 370,070 | 21.0 | Tonnes | 89,420 | 32,700 | 5,720 | 24,610 | 94,540 | 91,630 | 15,990 | 15,460 | 9,840 |
| Number of landfills | 12 | 5.0 | % Ind | 69.0% | | 95% CI +/- | 4,110 | 2,220 | 720 | 2,230 | 5,990 | 5,930 | 1,830 | Not avl. | |
| Population served | 580,385 | 17.8 | | | | Proportion | 24.2% | 8.8% | 1.5% | 6.7% | 25.5% | 24.8% | 4.3% | 4.2% | |
| Population, March 94 | 410,000 | 11.6 | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.5% | 0.7% | 1.3% | 0.9% | 0.6% | 0.6% | 1.1% | Not avl. | |
| | | | <u>Residential</u> | 166,470 | 11.7 | Tonnes | 29,150 | 10,720 | 3,880 | 10,410 | 83,070 | 21,260 | 6,740 | 1,240 | |
| | | | % Res | 31.0% | | 95% CI +/- | 1,380 | 650 | 280 | 820 | 2,870 | 1,840 | 1,310 | 220 | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 17.5% | 6.4% | 2.3% | 6.3% | 49.9% | 12.8% | 4.0% | 0.7% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.5% | 0.6% | 0.7% | 0.8% | 0.3% | 0.9% | 1.9% | 1.8% | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 536,540 | 16.9 | Tonnes | 118,570 | 43,420 | 9,600 | 35,020 | 177,610 | 112,890 | 22,730 | 16,700 | |
| | | | | 100% | | 95% CI +/- | 4,330 | 2,310 | 770 | 2,370 | 6,640 | 6,210 | 2,250 | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 22.1% | 8.1% | 1.8% | 6.5% | 33.1% | 21.0% | 4.2% | 3.1% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.4% | 0.5% | 0.8% | 0.7% | 0.4% | 0.6% | 1.0% | Not avl. | |

| % NZ Total | | | Weight (tonnes) | % NZ Total | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | | | Pot haz "special" |
|---------------------------|---------|-----|--------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|---------|--------|-------|---------|--------------|--------|------------------|----------|--------|----------------------|
| | | | | | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & dem | Other | Pot haz total | | | |
| Nelson-Marlborough | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 79,610 | 2.5 | <u>Industrial</u> | 53,210 | 3.0 | Tonnes | 8,100 | 2,790 | 660 | 2,730 | 17,620 | 9,400 | 1,190 | 10,720 | 10,080 |
| Number of landfills | 12 | 5.0 | % Ind | 66.8% | 95% CI +/- | 840 | 340 | 120 | 360 | 1,480 | 920 | 370 | Not avl. | | |
| Population served | 75,550 | 2.3 | | | Proportion | 15.2% | 5.2% | 1.2% | 5.1% | 33.1% | 17.7% | 2.2% | 20.1% | | |
| Population, March 94 | 116,600 | 3.3 | | | 95% CI +/- | 1.0% | 1.2% | 1.8% | 1.3% | 0.8% | 1.0% | 3.1% | Not avl. | | |
| | | | <u>Residential</u> | 26,400 | 1.9 | Tonnes | 4,090 | 1,540 | 800 | 1,660 | 14,660 | 2,650 | 850 | 150 | |
| | | | % Res | 33.2% | 95% CI +/- | 150 | 70 | 40 | 140 | 400 | 200 | 80 | 30 | | |
| | | | | | Proportion | 15.5% | 5.8% | 3.0% | 6.3% | 55.5% | 10.0% | 3.2% | 0.6% | | |
| | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.4% | 0.5% | 0.5% | 0.8% | 0.3% | 0.8% | 0.9% | 2.0% | | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 79,610 | 2.5 | Tonnes | 12,190 | 4,330 | 1,460 | 4,390 | 32,280 | 12,050 | 2,040 | 10,870 | |
| | | | | 100% | 95% CI +/- | 850 | 350 | 130 | 380 | 1,540 | 940 | 380 | Not avl. | | |
| | | | | | Proportion | 15.3% | 5.4% | 1.8% | 5.5% | 40.5% | 15.1% | 2.6% | 13.7% | | |
| | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.7% | 0.8% | 0.9% | 0.9% | 0.5% | 0.8% | 1.9% | Not avl. | | |
| West Coast | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 16,120 | 0.5 | <u>Industrial</u> | 3,410 | 0.2 | Tonnes | 520 | 170 | 50 | 230 | 1,200 | 710 | 70 | 460 | 450 |
| Number of landfills | 20 | 8.3 | % Ind | 21.2% | 95% CI +/- | 80 | 30 | 10 | 50 | 160 | 120 | 30 | Not avl. | | |
| % NZ | | | Weight | % NZ | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | | | Pot haz |

| Total | | | (tonnes) | Total | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & dem | Other | Pot haz total | "special" | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|--------|---------|-----------|--------|---------------|-----------|----------|--------|
| Population served Population, March 94 | 15,916 | 0.5 | <u>Residential</u> % Res | 12,700 78.8% | 0.9 | Proportion | 15.2% | 5.0% | 1.5% | 6.7% | 35.2% | 20.8% | 2.1% | 13.5% | |
| | 33,800 | 95% CI +/- | | | | 1.5% | 1.8% | 2.0% | 2.2% | 1.3% | 1.7% | 4.3% | Not avl. | | |
| | | Tonnes | | | | 2,140 | 860 | 490 | 860 | 6,920 | 980 | 390 | 60 | | |
| | | 95% CI +/- | | | | 120 | 80 | 40 | 80 | 230 | 90 | 50 | 10 | | |
| | | Proportion | | | | 16.9% | 6.8% | 3.9% | 6.8% | 54.5% | 7.7% | 3.1% | 0.5% | | |
| <u>Total</u> | 16,110 100% | 0.5 | 100% | 0.5 | 95% CI +/- | 0.6% | 0.9% | 0.8% | 0.9% | 0.3% | 0.9% | 1.3% | 1.7% | | |
| | | | | | Tonnes | 2,660 | 1,030 | 540 | 1,090 | 8,120 | 1,690 | 460 | 520 | | |
| | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 140 | 80 | 40 | 100 | 280 | 150 | 60 | Not avl. | | |
| | | | | | Proportion | 16.5% | 6.4% | 3.4% | 6.8% | 50.4% | 10.5% | 2.9% | 3.2% | | |
| | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.5% | 0.8% | 0.7% | 0.9% | 0.3% | 0.9% | 1.3% | Not avl. | | |
| Canterbury | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) Number of landfills Population served Population, March 94 | 401,180 59 460,956 458,800 | 12.6 24.4 14.2 13.0 | <u>Industrial</u> % Ind | 158,000 39.4% | 9.0 | Tonnes | 37,390 | 12,700 | 2,250 | 10,070 | 37,090 | 32,610 | 7,340 | 18,550 | 17,720 |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 2,850 | 1,900 | 370 | 1,280 | 2,550 | 3,390 | 1,460 | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 23.7% | 8.0% | 1.4% | 6.4% | 23.5% | 20.6% | 4.6% | 11.7% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.8% | 1.5% | 1.6% | 1.3% | 0.7% | 1.0% | 2.0% | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | <u>Residential</u> % Res | 243,180 60.6% | 17.1 | Tonnes | 43,320 | 15,320 | 5,630 | 14,350 | 133,900 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| % NZ | | | Weight | % NZ | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | | Pot haz | |
| Total | | | (tonnes) | Total | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & | Other | Pot haz | "special" | | |

| | | | dem | | | | | | | | | | total | | |
|------------------------|---------|------|--------------------|---------|---|------------|--------|--------|---------|-----------|---------|---------------|-----------|----------|---------|
| | | | | | | Proportion | 17.8% | 6.3% | 2.3% | 5.9% | 55.1% | 8.8% | 3.4% | 0.4% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.4% | 0.4% | 0.5% | 0.6% | 0.3% | 0.9% | 1.1% | 1.6% | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 401,180 | 12.6 | Tonnes | 80,710 | 28,020 | 7,880 | 24,420 | 170,990 | 54,130 | 15,520 | 19,510 | |
| | | | | 100% | | 95% CI +/- | 3,270 | 1,990 | 480 | 1,570 | 4,570 | 3,880 | 1,700 | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 20.1% | 7.0% | 2.0% | 6.1% | 42.6% | 13.5% | 3.9% | 4.9% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.4% | 0.7% | 0.6% | 0.6% | 0.3% | 0.7% | 1.1% | Not avl. | |
| Otago | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 237,410 | 7.5 | <u>Industrial</u> | 111,900 | 6.3 | Tonnes | 27,050 | 9,800 | 1,730 | 7,630 | 30,410 | 27,630 | 5,210 | 2,440 | 990 |
| Number of landfills | 32 | 13.2 | % Ind | 47.1% | | 95% CI +/- | 1,240 | 720 | 190 | 650 | 1,920 | 1,780 | 650 | Not avl. | |
| Population served | 251,135 | 7.7 | | | | Proportion | 24.2% | 8.8% | 1.5% | 6.8% | 27.2% | 24.7% | 4.7% | 2.2% | |
| Population, March 94 | 189,100 | 5.3 | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.5% | 0.7% | 1.1% | 0.9% | 0.6% | 0.6% | 1.2% | Not avl. | |
| | | | <u>Residential</u> | 125,500 | 8.8 | Tonnes | 23,190 | 8,400 | 2,970 | 7,620 | 65,380 | 12,790 | 4,510 | 640 | |
| | | | % Res | 52.9% | | 95% CI +/- | 610 | 270 | 120 | 350 | 1,320 | 740 | 3,570 | 70 | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 18.5% | 6.7% | 2.4% | 6.1% | 52.1% | 10.2% | 3.6% | 0.5% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.3% | 0.3% | 0.4% | 0.5% | 0.2% | 0.6% | 7.9% | 1.1% | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 237,400 | 7.5 | Tonnes | 50,240 | 18,200 | 4,700 | 15,250 | 95,790 | 40,420 | 9,720 | 3,080 | |
| | | | | 100% | | 95% CI +/- | 1,380 | 770 | 230 | 740 | 2,330 | 1,920 | 3,630 | Not avl. | |
| % NZ | | | Weight | % NZ | Waste composition (WAP categories) | | | | | | | | | | Pot haz |
| Total | | | (tonnes) | Total | Paper | Plastic | Glass | Metal | Organic | Con & dem | Other | Pot haz total | "special" | | |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|---------|-----|--------------------|--------|-----|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|-----|
| | | | | | | Proportion 95% CI +/- | 21.2% 0.3% | 7.7% 0.4% | 2.0% 0.5% | 6.4% 0.5% | 40.3% 0.2% | 17.0% 0.5% | 4.1% 3.7% | 1.3% Not avl. | |
| Southland | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Annual weight (tonnes) | 61,420 | 1.9 | <u>Industrial</u> | 29,630 | 1.7 | Tonnes | 5,110 | 1,710 | 360 | 2,030 | 10,960 | 7,790 | 620 | 1,050 | 540 |
| Number of landfills | 7 | 2.9 | % Ind | 48.2% | | 95% CI +/- | 590 | 260 | 60 | 350 | 1,070 | 850 | 200 | Not avl. | |
| Population served | 58,523 | 1.8 | | | | Proportion | 17.2% | 5.8% | 1.2% | 6.9% | 37.0% | 26.3% | 2.1% | 3.5% | |
| Population, March 94 | 102,600 | 2.9 | | | | 95% CI +/- | 1.2% | 1.5% | 1.7% | 1.7% | 1.0% | 1.1% | 3.2% | Not avl. | |
| | | | <u>Residential</u> | 31,790 | 2.2 | Tonnes | 4,450 | 1,730 | 900 | 1,900 | 17,650 | 3,910 | 1,070 | 180 | |
| | | | % Res | 51.8% | | 95% CI +/- | 250 | 110 | 70 | 200 | 670 | 400 | 130 | 60 | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 14.0% | 5.4% | 2.8% | 6.0% | 55.5% | 12.3% | 3.4% | 0.6% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.6% | 0.6% | 0.8% | 1.1% | 0.4% | 1.0% | 1.2% | 3.3% | |
| | | | <u>Total</u> | 61,420 | 1.9 | Tonnes | 9,560 | 3,440 | 1,260 | 3,930 | 28,610 | 11,700 | 1,690 | 1,230 | |
| | | | | 100% | | 95% CI +/- | 640 | 280 | 100 | 400 | 1,260 | 940 | 240 | Not avl. | |
| | | | | | | Proportion | 15.6% | 5.6% | 2.1% | 6.4% | 46.6% | 19.0% | 2.8% | 2.0% | |
| | | | | | | 95% CI +/- | 0.7% | 0.8% | 0.8% | 1.0% | 0.4% | 0.8% | 1.4% | Not avl. | |

APPENDIX VI

New Zealand Wastewater Treatment Plants

National Database of Wastewater Treatment Plants in New Zealand

A National Database of Wastewater Treatment Plants in New Zealand was developed by Phasos Systems Ltd and Woodward-Clyde New Zealand Ltd. The development of the database was funded through the Ministry for the Environment's Sustainable Management Fund, by the New Zealand Water and Wastewater Association (NZWWA) and by Woodward-Clyde New Zealand Ltd. The database is owned and operated by NZWWA.

Two questionnaires were sent to New Zealand councils. The first sought basic information about contact details, the number of treatment plants, treatment types and methods used, and whether monitoring was undertaken. The second sought specific information on the physical size of the treatment units, flow information and process data information.

The questionnaire results were incorporated in a Microsoft Access database. The details included in the database are:

- influent volumes and quality;
- off-site pre-treatment facilities;
- equivalent population served;
- type of treatment plant;
- details of each discrete treatment step;
- physical dimensions of plant components;
- design capacity;
- plant performance;
- effluent quality details;
- sludge volume;
- final disposal methods;
- any other relevant information.

For more information about the database contact NZWWA or the Ministry for the Environment.

NZWWA Operations and Research Group for Drainage

NZWWA holds annual meetings of the Operations and Research Group for Drainage to discuss collection systems of wastewater treatment plants. A report containing information on a number of wastewater treatment plants is published for these meetings. Table VI-1 provides a summary for of a number of wastewater treatment plants for 1995/96 [NZWWA, 1996].

Table VI-1 Summary for a selected number of wastewater treatment plants in New Zealand in 1995/96 [NZWWA, 1996].

| Parameter | Mangere | Christ-church | North Shore | Hamilton | Inver-cargill | Rotorua | New Plymouth | Hutt Wainui -omata | Hutt Valley Milliscreen | Tauranga Chapel St | Tauranga Te Maunga | Whangarei | Nelson |
|---|---------|---------------|-------------|----------|---------------|---------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|---------|
| Connected population (X1000) | 720 | 314 | 151 | 105 | 49.0 | 50.0 | 48.5 | 20.0 | 108.0 | 53.0 | 22.0 | 40 | 25.0 |
| Average flow (x10 ³ m ³ /day) | 282 | 155 | 42.1 | 40.5 | 19.4 | 19.7 | 19.3 | 4.5 | 43.6 | 15.4 | 6 | 15.3 | 13.2 |
| Est. proportion of flow from trade waste (%) | 8.5 | | 4 | | | | | | | 7.9 | 13.7 | | |
| Average BOD ₅ received (t/day) | 83 | 38.4 | 10.1 | 8.4 | 3.7 | 2.81 | 2.6 | 0.77 | 7.1 | 3.5 | 2.9 | 3.08 | 4.1 |
| Est. proportion of BOD ₅ from trade waste (%) | 45 | 21.4 | | 13 | 17 | | 16 | | | 15.7 | 55 | | 70 |
| Overall BOD ₅ removed (%) | 90.6 | 85.8 | 93.9 | 44.5 | 81.4 | 93.8 | 98.5 | 87 | | 94 | 97 | 96 | 94 |
| Non-filtrable residue received (t/day) | 83 | 30 | 11.4 | 11.5 | 4.2 | 2.9 | 4 | 0.94 | 4.8 | 4.1 | 3.2 | 4.08 | 7.4 |
| Est. proportion of non-filtrable residue from trade waste (%) | 24 | | | | | | | | | 5.2 | 12 | | |
| Overall non-filtrable residue removed (%) | 90.4 | 73 | 89.3 | 74.6 | 87.1 | 93.0 | 98 | 93.5 | | 94 | 74 | 97 | 92 |
| Total coliforms in influent (x10 ⁶ /100 ml) | | 67.6 | 102 | 40 | 66.3 | 2.9 | | | | | | | |
| Total coliforms in effluent (x10 ⁶ /100 ml) | | 0.092 | 0.24 | 0.044 | 0.027 | | | | | | | | |
| Total coliforms removal (%) | | 99.0 | 99.7 | 99.89 | 99.95 | 93.3 | | | | | | | |
| Faecal coliforms in influent (x10 ⁶ /100 ml) | 18 | 5.9 | 52.3 | 14 | 7.47 | | 3.5 | | | 14.7 | 17.3 | 14.9 | |
| Faecal coliforms in effluent (x10 ⁶ /100 ml) | 0.024 | 0.009 | 0.09 | 0.225 | 0.0028 | | 0.000004 | 0.021 | 0.003 | 0.000056 | 0.5 | 0.0001 | |
| Faecal coliforms removal (%) | 99.9 | 99.8 | 99.93 | 98.4 | 99.98 | | >99.99 | | | 99.99 | 97 | 99.93 | |
| Indicator organism in influent (x10 ⁶ /100 ml) | | | | | | | | | | 1.8 | 3 | | |
| Indicator organism in effluent (x10 ⁶ /100 ml) | | | | | 0.13 | | | | | 0.000022 | 0.035 | | 0.00012 |
| Indicator organism removal (%) | | | | | | | | | | 99.99 | 99 | | |
| Avg total residue to digesters (t/day) | 79.7 | 31.2 | 10.7 | | | | | | | 4.9 | | | |

| Parameter | Mangere | Christ-church | North Shore | Hamilton | Inver-cargill | Rotorua | New Plymouth | Hutt Wainui -omata | Hutt Valley Milliscreen | Tauranga Chapel St | Tauranga Te Maunga | Whangarei | Nelson |
|--|---------|---------------|-------------|----------|---------------|---------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------|
| Avg volatile residue to digesters (t/day) | 64 | | 8.7 | | | | | | | 4.2 | | | |
| Gas production/unit total residue added (m ³ /t) | 503 | 571 | 353 | | | | | | | 308 | | | |
| Gas production/unit volatile residue added | 629 | | 436 | 580 | 336 | | | | | 356 | | | |
| Measured gas yield/unit volatile matter destroyed (m ³ /kg) | 1.13 | | | 0.88 | | | | | | 0.6 | | | |
| Digester loading (kg total residue/m ³ capacity *day) | 1.73 | 2.08 | 3.3 | 2.4 | 1.89 | | | | | 1.9 | | | |
| Digester loading (kg volume residue/m ³ capacity *day) | 1.38 | 1.63 | | 2.00 | 1.40 | | | | | 1.9 | | | |
| Digester detention time (days) | 24.8 | | 16.5 | | | | | | | 20 | | | |
| Total annual power consumption (x10 ³ kWh) | | | | | | | | | | 2820 | | | |
| Total actual rainfall (mm) | 1406 | | 1428 | | | | | | | 1440 | 1541 | | |

APPENDIX VII

Auckland Air Emissions Inventory

Background

The Auckland Air Emissions Inventory project was initiated by the Auckland Regional Council (1997). The study has been undertaken by Environment Protection Authority, Victoria, Australia (EPA), in collaboration with the National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research, Auckland (NIWA). The inventory of pollutant emissions to air in the region is to be used as a planning tool for evaluating of policy options to reduce air pollution in Auckland. This project represents the most comprehensive study of its type carried out in New Zealand.

The computerised air emissions inventory includes anthropogenic emissions from industry, motor vehicles, area-based sources, and biogenic sources. Emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC, excluding methane), oxides of nitrogen (NO_x), carbon monoxide (CO), sulphur dioxide (SO_2), carbon dioxide (CO_2) and airborne particles from these sources have been estimated. Emissions of VOC have been identified according to individual chemical species (e.g. propane, benzene and formaldehyde) for each emission source. NO_x emissions have been classified into nitric oxide and nitrogen dioxide. In addition, airborne particles have been classified into total suspended particles (TSP) and particles less than 10 micron diameter (PM10).

The region selected for this study includes the major urban areas of the Auckland region and includes significant sources located outside the urban regions. The absolute boundaries of the study region are shown in Figure VII-1. The study region covers a total area of 8,613 km^2 .

Emissions from each source have been estimated for an average week day on an hourly basis according to grid cell (3 km x 3 km), height, and season (summer/winter) for the base year 1993. Emissions have also been estimated for the year 2003. Emissions were monitored on summer days and on winter days because the outside temperature is a main factor of influence of the quantities emitted.

The emissions inventory has been designed in modules to enhance versatility in policy development, urban planning, health risk analysis and urban airshed modelling.

Inventory Design

The inventory includes four major modules: mobile sources (vehicles on public roads), stationary sources (industry), area-based sources (domestic fuel combustion, drycleaning, etc.) and biogenic sources (emissions of VOC and NO_x from vegetation and soils). A conceptual model of the inventory is presented in Figure VII-2.

Data used in the estimation of the inventory emissions have been obtained from a variety of sources including the Department of Statistics (population and consumption data), ARC (traffic vehicle kilometres travelled (VKT) estimates, vegetation distribution), various industry groups and other government departments. In addition, data on domestic activities contributing to air pollution in the region were obtained from a phone poll carried out by Phoenix Research Ltd, and data on industrial activity was obtained from a written questionnaire and from ARC Resource Consent Applications. Emission rates have been estimated from the EPA motor vehicle testing station databases, USEPA publications and various other literature sources.

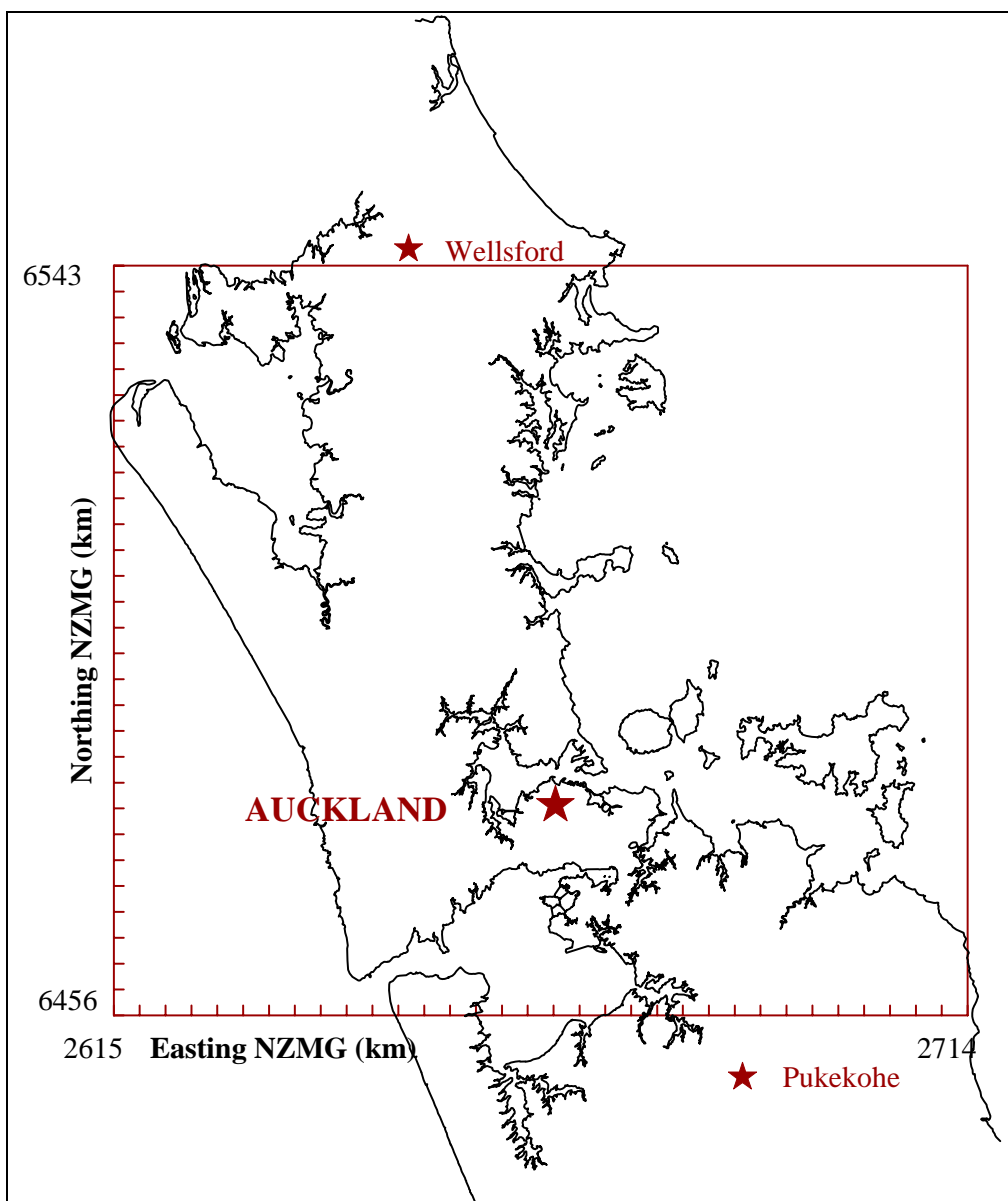


Figure VII-1 Definition of the Auckland Study Region [Auckland Regional Council, 1997].

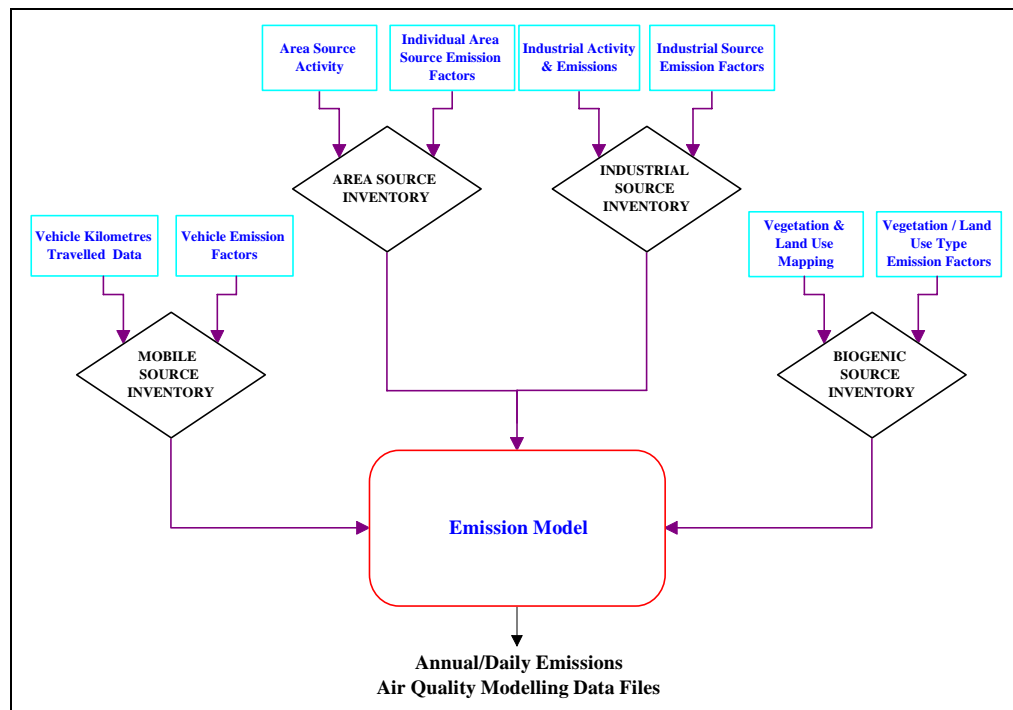


Figure VII-2 Structure of the Auckland Air Emissions Inventory [Auckland Regional Council, 1997].

Methodology

Emissions from domestic and commercial sources

Emissions from ten major domestic or commercial source categories have been estimated. These include domestic fuel combustion, lawn mowing, solvent use, service stations, service station refuelling and use of surface coatings and thinners. Domestic/commercial sources represent numerous small emitters which are treated collectively on an area basis.

A survey of 1,000 residents in the Auckland Study Region (ASR) was undertaken to generate data on activity patterns (temporal profiles and consumption) for domestic fuel usage, waste combustion, lawn mowing and boating. The survey was undertaken by Phoenix Research using telephone interviews based on a questionnaire developed by EPA and ARC.

Emissions from major industrial and commercial premises

Emissions from a total of 114 near-ground and 24 elevated discharge points have been calculated. Near-ground emission sources include low-level stack discharges and fugitive emissions from major industrial premises. Elevated discharge points represent tall stacks which have been documented with stack characteristics.

Emissions were estimated using data from a comprehensive questionnaire survey of major industrial and commercial premises in the region. Questionnaires were mailed to 236 industrial sites within the study region. Of these 114 returns were processed for the inventory, representing a response rate of almost half. Supplementary information, and information from major premises which had not responded to the questionnaire was obtained from ARC resource consent applications.

Classification for urban airshed modelling

The ASR emissions inventory has been designed to be fully compatible with the input data requirements of the CALGRID urban airshed photochemical model. This will ensure that the results of the inventory can be used for future airshed modelling. Presentation of data in this form has necessitated the transformation of individual VOC and NO_x species into CIT/LCC equivalents. Individual chemical species profiles have been retained in the inventory to allow transformation to other chemical surrogate models if required.

Emission estimation uncertainty

The inventory established for the ASR provides data based on the best available information for mobile sources, diffuse domestic/commercial sources, major industrial premises and biogenic sources in the region. The inventory methodology has been developed and updated over many years that the EPA has been undertaking emissions inventory for urban areas throughout Australia.

Despite these efforts, it must be recognised that substantial uncertainty and errors may exist in inventory data. These mostly arise because emission estimates are based on either limited experimental test data, laboratory rather than real-world testing, or the use of general emission factors rather than measurements at specific sites. Verification of emission inventories is usually undertaken using modelling and ambient air quality data.

The ASR inventory has not included any experimental measurements to verify the emission rates reported and very little local experimental data is available to verify the emissions. Although the reported emissions represent the best available estimates at the present time it would be valuable to obtain experimental data to validate the inventory. It is recommended that as new emission measurement data becomes available, the inventory be updated to employ these new data; and that as new major industrial sites are developed, they be incorporated into the inventory estimates.

APPENDIX VIII

The Auckland Region Hazardous Waste Survey 1996

Background

A hazardous waste survey was undertaken in the Auckland region during 1996 as part of a Hazardous Waste Management Programme initiated by the Auckland Regional Council (ARC) in 1995. The purpose of the survey was to collect baseline data on the generation, handling and disposal of hazardous waste in the Auckland region. This information is essential for the long-term management of hazardous waste. The data gathered enable identification of the nature and extent of the problems associated with hazardous waste.

The objectives of the ARC Hazardous Waste Management Programme are:

- to identify sources, types and quantities of hazardous waste in the Auckland Region;
- to develop strategies for the minimisation, tracking, treatment and safe disposal of hazardous waste.

The ARC Hazardous Waste Management Programme has four stages:

- **Hazardous waste analysis:** this work was completed in September 1996, and the results are described in this report.
- **Management options:** this and the next stage of the programme (treatment and disposal options) will consider the information gathered during the waste analysis stage and develop strategies, identify priorities and establish specific programmes to manage hazardous waste. The emphasis will be on education and reduction of hazardous waste.
- **Treatment and disposal options:** to complement the work undertaken in Stage 2 above, the data collected during the waste analysis will be evaluated to assess whether current treatment and disposal methods and facilities in the region are adequate.
- **Long-term management issues:** hazardous waste management involves a wide range of activities from land-use planning to the development of suitable monitoring programmes. These issues are addressed on an ongoing basis.

Hazardous waste included

For this survey a hazardous waste has been defined as any substance which:

- is listed in the New Zealand Waste Identification Code (NZWIC)(see Appendix II);
- exceeds USEPA TCLP (Toxicity Characteristics Leaching Procedure) criteria⁵;
- conforms with the specifications of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996;
- has the potential to cause significant adverse environmental effects as defined under the Resource Management Act 1991, for example trade waste discharges and industrial organic waste;
- is a “special” waste, that is a hazardous waste which was treated before being disposed of at a landfill;

⁵ The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) has established specific values for a range of materials to describe the degree of leaching that is permissible after the waste has been treated and immobilised. The test applied to measure the leaching is termed “Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure” (TCLP).

- is a mixed hazardous waste such as cess pit and grease trap waste, contaminated soil or treated timber;
- is radioactive.

Organic wastes such as those generated by the food processing industry were also included because they have a very high biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and need to be treated before they can be disposed of.

The following wastes were specifically excluded from the survey:

- domestic sewage, including liquids and sludges from domestic septic tanks;
- domestic solid waste;
- industrial point-source discharges to air, land or water which have a resource consent under the Resource Management Act 1991;
- solid waste from growing and harvesting activities which are used as fertilisers;
- empty containers and remaining residues;
- scrap metal that is recycled or re-used.

Methodology

The full life cycle of hazardous waste was considered, including generation, handling and disposal. To collect as much data as possible, the survey team focused on three different sectors involved with hazardous waste:

- hazardous waste generators;
- hazardous waste operators;
- final disposal facilities.

Each group was surveyed through questionnaires and telephone interviews. They were asked about the types and quantities of hazardous waste they handled in the 1995 calendar year. This provided valuable information which produced an interesting and useful picture of the way hazardous wastes were generated and managed in the Auckland region in 1995. Figure VIII-1 summarises these groups and the information they were able to give.

Because New Zealand has no mandatory reporting system for hazardous waste, participation in the survey was entirely voluntary for all the businesses surveyed. To encourage participation, confidentiality was of utmost importance, and businesses were offered the opportunity of signing a confidentiality agreement.

Throughout the survey, the media were enlisted to ensure that information about the survey was communicated to the public in general and to the business community in particular. This included various articles in the general press and suburban newspapers, a radio interview, a newsletter and an information flyer.

Because there is no legal requirement for businesses to accurately record and report hazardous waste, the survey team needed to ensure that the quality of the information obtained was as high as possible. Therefore, great care was taken with the training of the interviewers and the quality control of data collection and processing.

Despite this emphasis on quality control, the survey results are only as good and reliable as the data that was received. For this reason, it is important to note that the quantitative results presented in this report are estimates only, and that the qualitative results are derived from the comments of those interviewed. It is very difficult to determine how reliable and representative this information is.

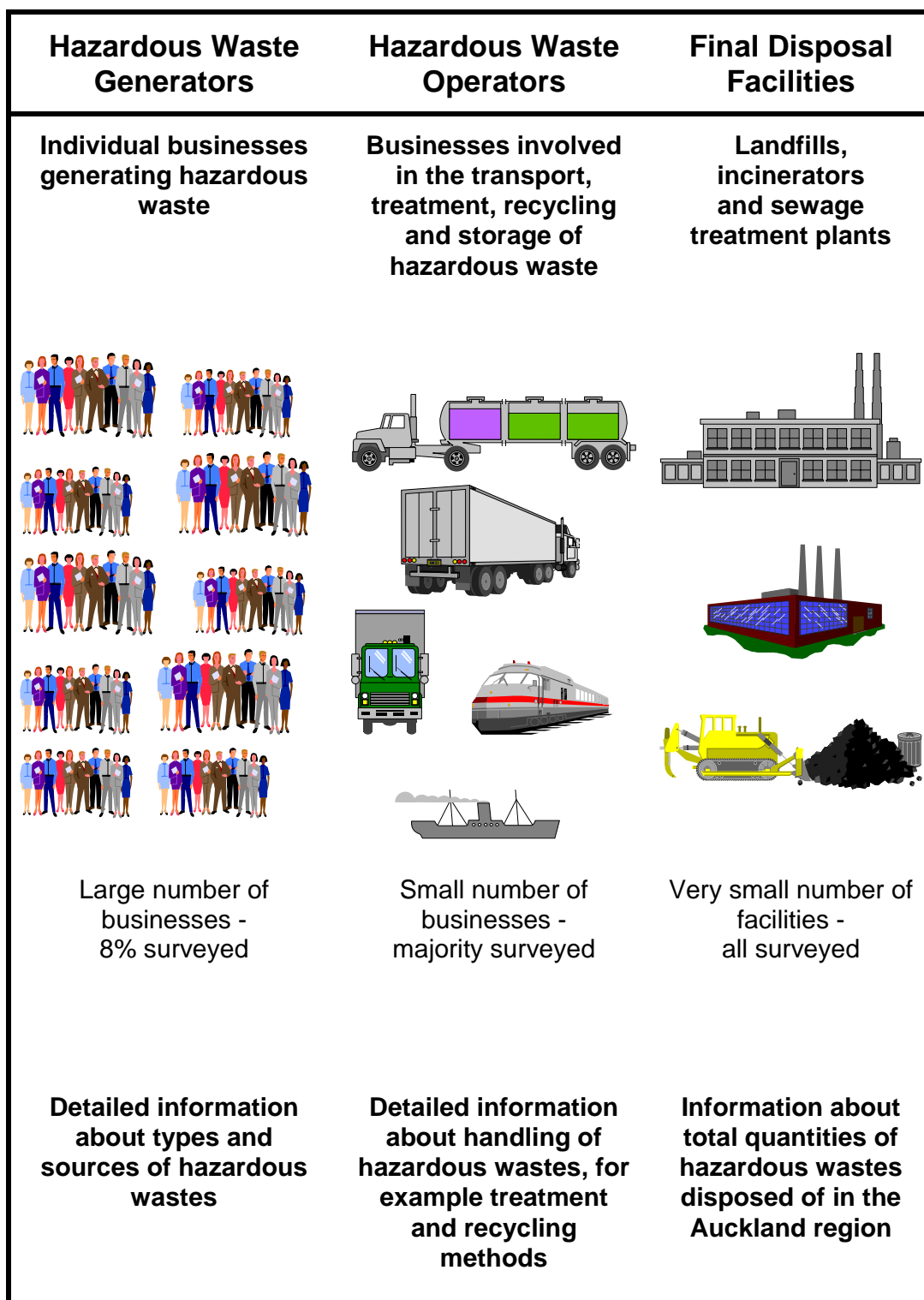


Figure VIII-1 Information sources for the 1996 Auckland Region Hazardous Waste Survey [Environment and Business Group Ltd and Auckland Regional Council, 1996].

APPENDIX IX

Types of Waste Hazardous Substances Generated in the Taranaki Region

Table IX-1 Types of waste hazardous substances generated in the Taranaki region [Ministry for the Environment, 1994(a)].

| NZSIC grouping | Industrial activity and waste per activity |
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| 1 Agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing | <p>11 Agriculture and hunting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agrichemical spray contractors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – accumulated spray containers = up to one hundred or more (several per week); – redundant chemicals; – old vertebrate. • Dairy companies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – sludge from dairy processes – caustic cleaners = 4m³ per week – acidic cleaners = 2m³ per week – workshop wastes = oils and cleansing materials – laboratory wastes <p>12 Forestry and logging</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sawmills: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – tanalised sawdust and offcuts = several m³ per week |
| 2. Mining and Quarrying | <p>21 Coal Mining</p> <p>22 Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production Contact Taranaki Regional Council for information on petroleum exploration wastes.</p> <p>23 Metal Ore Mining</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - cyanide - spent catalyst -- toxic by-products. <p>24 Other Mining and Quarrying</p> |
| 3 Manufacturing | <p>31 Food, Beverage, Tobacco</p> <p>32 Textile, Apparel and Leathergoods</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tanneries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – contaminated degreasing solvents; – dyes, pigments, bleaching agents; – animal matter 1 m³/month; – chemical containing sludges: organic acids, chrome salts, sulphides, detergents, ammonia 1 m³/year; – wool scours, detergents, mothproofing agents (permethins). <p>33 Wood Processing and Wood Product Manufacture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timber treatment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – boron residues = 5-10 L/week; – antisapstain residues = 10-20 L/week; – CCA residues = 1-10 L/week; – pentachlorophenol residues; – several containers per month; – CCA wastes 1000 - 10000 L;⁽¹⁾ – TBT. <p>34 Manufacturing of Paper Products; Printing and Publishing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Printers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – photographic chemicals; – inks, solvents, cleansers and sludges = 10 - 100 L/week. |

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| | <p>35 Manufacture of Chemicals and of Chemical, Petroleum, Coal, Rubber and Plastic Products</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hot mix asphalt manufacture: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 300 drums of 200-L contaminated drums per year - contaminated by asphalt and similar – machinery oil, machinery cleansers; – solvents. Fibreglass fabrication: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – fibreglass offcuts, containers with hardened solvents, plasticisers, adhesives, resins, epoxies = 10-100 kg/month; – paint container residues Paint manufacture: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – resins and paint wastes 200 - 10,000 L;⁽¹⁾ – solvents; – trace heavy metals from drying agents and pigments. Pesticides: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – pesticide residues and byproducts 20-10,000 L.⁽¹⁾ Bulk chemical suppliers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – acidic, alkaline residues = several m³/week. Chemical and petrochemical manufacturers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – off-specification products, solvents, acids, alkalis, spent catalysts, containers, laboratory wastes, refining slops, water treatment sludges, ion exchange resins; – solvents 200-10,000 L. |
| | 36 Concrete, Clay, Glass, Plaster, Masonry, Asbestos, and Related Mineral Product Manufacture |
| | <p>37 Basic Metal Industries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foundry: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – machinery. Metal plating and galvanising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – solutions and sludges of nickel, tin, chromium, zinc and/or other metals - acidic. Several m³, once per year; – cleaning solutions and sludges - acids (sulphuric, nitric, hydrochloric, phosphoric, ammonium salts) or basic (hydroxide); – metal-based skimmings - normally recovered; – alkaline cyanide solutions or containers - normally continuously discharged to trade waste; – electroplating wastes 2000-10000 L;⁽¹⁾ – galvanising wastes 3000-7000 L;⁽¹⁾ – heavy metal dusts 2000-8000 kg.⁽¹⁾ |
| | <p>38 Manufacture of Fabricated Metal Products, Machinery and Equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Metal workshops: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – machinery turnings - metals (normally recycled) - 100 kg/week; – zinc/dichromate etching bath solutions - acidic; – lubricant containers = 20-80 per year; – machinery oils, cutting oils; – oil/water mixtures off presses: up to 10 m³/week. Aluminium fabricators, powder coat paints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – cutting oils = 1 L/week; – thinners, resins = 1 L/week; – solvent containers = a few L/week; – acidic cleaners; – paint containers and residues. |
| 4 Electricity, Gas and Water | 39 Other Manufacturing Industries |
| | <p>41 Electricity, Gas and Steam</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Electrical generation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – PCBs; – oil (workshops). |
| 5 Construction | 42 Water Works and Supply |
| | <p>51 Construction of Buildings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cement lime |
| | 52 Construction Other Than Building |
| | 53 Ancillary Construction Services |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolition yards, furniture restoration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> dry paint residues: 1-10 kg/month; paint stripper residues: caustic, methylene chloride, acidic (phosphoric hydrochloric) containing high paint residue levels = 1-10 m³/year; contaminated containers (paints, cleansers). Paint/surface application contractors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 500 kg per week of abrasive blasting media, containing low levels of paint fragments and other abraded material, e.g. lead, zinc, chromium; emptied paint containers contaminated thinners, solvents (usually evaporated to dryness). Insulation installation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> asbestos residues = possibly several hundred kg. |
| 6 Wholesale and Retail Trade and Restaurants and Hotels | 61 Wholesale Trade 62 Retail Trade <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Photo laboratories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> residues collected on filters = less than 1 kg/week; spent chemicals = 1-10 L/week; photographic wastes 20-1000 L. ⁽¹⁾ Drycleaners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> perchloroethylene wastes and sludges = 1.5-10 kg/week; alkalis. 63 Restaurants and Hotels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hotels, restaurants etc: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> grease trap wastes - fats, greases, oils = 1-2 m³ 6-monthly or yearly. |
| 7 Transport, Storage and Communication | 71 Transport and Storage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motor vehicle servicing and repairs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> asbestos dusts, brake linings; contaminated degreasers, solvents = 5-10 L/week; used oil = 10-100 L/week; oil contaminated engine parts, filters = 100 L/week; brake fluids = 1 L/week; batteries, battery fluids = 1-5/week; rust treatment residues = 5-30 L/week; paint containers; radiator additives; antifreeze and corrosion inhibitors. Heavy vehicle fleets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> several batteries per year; oil = 10 L/week. Paint shops: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> strippers, solvents, paints (liquid, dusts) containers. Oil and petrol terminals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> lead sludges and scales from desludging storage tanks = up to 300 kg every five years; oil-contaminated sludges and scales = 2 m³ every five years; interceptor sludges 100-200 L/month Road sweepings and stormwater sump clearance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> lead/zinc/bacteriological contaminated road sweepings = 30-40 m³/day; stormwater sump. 72 Communication |
| 8 Business and Financial Services | 81 Financing 82 Insurance 83 Real Estate and Business Services |
| 9 Community, Social and Personal Services | 91 Public Administration and Defence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educational institutions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> assorted laboratory chemicals; contaminated swimming bath chemicals. |

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| | <p>92 Sanitary and Cleaning Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pest control: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – contaminated containers = 50 L/week; synthetic pyrethroids, dursban, methyl bromide, organophosphates - containers may be steel, aluminium or cardboard. • Cleaning services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – contaminated containers, disinfectants, cleaners. <p>93 Social and Related Community Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical laboratories, hospitals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – sharps; – pharmaceuticals; – laboratory wastes – laboratory media; – photographic developers. <p>94 Recreational and Cultural Services</p> <p>95 Personal and Household Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vet clinics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – cage linings, animal droppings = 2-10 rubbish bags per week; – animal tissue, including carcasses = several animals per week (0.25m³); – medicine residues, sharps, containers, photographic chemicals, and other surgery wastes = 1 bag per week. <p>96 International and Extra-territorial Bodies</p> |
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Note (1): Quantities in this table are included as an approximate guide to the amount of waste hazardous substances produced by individual waste generators. Actual quantities will vary considerably depending on the size of the facility and the technology utilised.

APPENDIX X

Hazardous Waste Generation in the Otago Region

This appendix is taken in its entire form from “*Otago Regional Council: Collection, storage, treatment and disposal of hazardous wastes - options report*” [Works Consultancy Services Ltd, 1996]. All estimates in this appendix can be considered to be derived from the following broad definitions:

- hazardous substances are substances which pose a present or future threat to humans and/or the environment;
- hazardous wastes can be defined as hazardous substances which are unwanted and economically unusable.

The tables in this section include:

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| Table X-1 | Estimated volumes of industrial hazardous waste generated in the Otago region in 1996; |
| Table X-2 | Estimated volumes of agricultural chemicals generated in the Otago region in 1996; |
| Table X-3 | Estimated volumes of household hazardous waste generated in the Otago region in 1996. |

These tables represent estimated total volumes of hazardous wastes that are likely to be generated from different industrial, agricultural and domestic practices. The estimates were obtained using the following methodology:

- a telephone survey of a cross-section of industries in Otago;
- typical industrial discharges and hazardous waste outputs (see Appendix IX);
- rural and domestic populations in Otago;
- known numbers of industries in different sectors in Otago;
- bulk hazardous chemical collections undertaken in other regions in New Zealand;
- National Waste Surveys.

It should be noted that although the data contained within the above documents are both detailed and accurate, the assumptions made in preparing the tables are such that a margin of error of $\pm 20\%$ has been adopted for all bulk estimated volumes of hazardous waste reported.

Table X-1 Estimated volumes of industrial hazardous waste generated in the Otago region in 1996 [Works Consultancy Services, 1996(b)].

| Industry | No. of businesses in Otago | Hazardous wastes produced | Estimated total hazardous waste produced |
|---|----------------------------|---|--|
| Agrichemical spray contractors | 5 | Empty containers Unused chemicals - pesticides - herbicides - animal remedies | 5 m ³ /yr |
| Aircraft maintenance | 3 | Aviation fuel Waste oil | 10 L/yr 10 L/yr |
| Asbestos disposal | 3 | Asbestos | 20 m ³ /month |
| Asphalt manufacture | 1 | Asphalt cont. drums Hydrocarbon materials - solvents - waste oils | 300 x 200L contaminated drums per year 10 L/yr 100 L/yr |
| Asphalt applicators | 7 | Asphalt cont. drums Hydrocarbon materials - solvents - waste oils | 100 x 200 contaminated drums per year 10 L/yr 100 L/yr |
| Brake and clutch servicing | 8 | Asbestos linings Used brake fluid Empty brake fluid containers | 1T/yr 2000 L/yr 5 m ³ of empty containers per year |
| Chemical suppliers - agricultural | 3 | General agrichemicals Fertilisers / phosphates Chemical residues | 1 T/year |
| Chemical suppliers - industrial/technical | 5 | Solvents Hydrocarbons / oils Acid / alkali Heavy metals Adhesives / resins | 1000 L/month |
| Chemical and petrochemical manufacturers | 2 | Solvents Hydrocarbons Waste chemicals /sludges | 100-200 L/month (sludges) |
| Cleaning services | 20 | Cleaning products Disinfectants | 50 m ³ /month 10 m ³ per month (containers) |
| Dairy companies | 3 | Acid solutions Caustic solutions Waste oils | 2 m ³ /week 4 m ³ /week 1 L/week |
| Dry cleaners | 14 | Perchloroethylene Carbon tetrachloride Ethane Trichloroethylene | 100 kg/week 10 kg/week 10 kg/week 10 kg/week |
| Electricity generation | 3 | PCBs Waste oils | Assumed removed 1 L/week |
| Electroplaters and galvanisers | 3 | Zinc Chromium Acids Cadmium Nickel Tin | 10,000 L/yr |

| Industry | No. of businesses in Otago | Hazardous wastes produced | Estimated total hazardous waste produced |
|---|----------------------------|--|---|
| | | Cyanide | |
| Engine repairs | 40 | Waste oil Hydrocarbons Heavy metals Solvents Acid / alkali Refrigerants Antifreeze Empty containers | 2000 L/yr 10 L/yr 100 m ³ /yr 10 L/yr 100 L/yr 10 L/yr 10 L/yr 100 m ³ /yr |
| Fertiliser manufacturer bulk store | 5 10 | Sulphuric acid Phosphates Oil | 1,000 L/yr 200 kg/yr 1,000 L/yr |
| Fibreglass fabrication | 7 | Adhesives, resins, epoxies Fibreglass offcuts Paint residues | 100 kg/month 10 m ³ /month 10 m ³ /month |
| Foundries | 6 | Machinery oils Solvents Metal/paint dusts | 500 L/yr 100 L/yr 100 kg/yr |
| Gold mining | 1 | Cyanide Metal ores | 10 L/week 10 m ³ /month |
| Hospitals, medical centres and medical laboratories | 30 | Human tissue and wastes Pharmaceutical residues Sharps Photographic chemicals Radioactive materials | Mediawaste Incinerator treats 30-40 T/month |
| Muffler and exhaust repairs | 10 | Waste oil Metals and oxides | 1000 L/yr |
| Oil/petrol terminals | 4 | Hydrocarbon sludges | 5 m ³ /yr |
| Paint applicators and spray painters | 8 | Paint flakes/residues - lead - zinc - chromium Solvents | 1000 kg/yr 10 L/week |
| Paint strippers | 5 | Dry paint flakes/residues - lead - zinc - chromium Stripping chemicals Solvents/thinners | 1000 kg/week 10 L/week 10 L/week |
| Paint retailers | 21 | Empty containers Strippers/solvents Waste paints/residues | 100 m ³ /week 10 L/week 100 kg/week |
| Painting contractors | 20 | Empty containers Paint fragments - lead - zinc - chromium Thinners/solvents | 10 m ³ /week 1000 kg/week 10 L/week |
| Paint manufacture | 3 | Resins and paint wastes Solvents Trace metals/pigments | 1000 L/week 100 L/week 10 kg/week |
| Pest control | 15 | Bromides Organophosphates | 1000 L/week contaminated containers |
| Photo laboratories | 2 | Spent chemicals Spent filters | 10 L/week 1 kg/week |

| Industry | No. of businesses in Otago | Hazardous wastes produced | Estimated total hazardous waste produced |
|--|----------------------------|---|--|
| | | Photographic wastes | 20 L/week |
| Printers | 36 | Photographic chemicals Solvents Acid / alkali Chromium | 100 kg/week 100 L/week - } 1000 L/week - } |
| Road maintenance (road sweepings) | 20 (No. of towns) | Lead Zinc | 100 T/month |
| Slipways (boat maintenance) | 3 | Flakes and residues from cleaning of boat/ship hulls: Tri-butyl tin (TBT) Arsenic Mercury Lead Cadmium Chromium | = 100 kg/yr |
| Service Stations | 150 | Waste oils/lubricants Solvents | 750 m ³ /yr 5000 l/yr |
| Scrap metal dealers | 9 | Battery acid Radiator fluids | 5 l/day 50 l/day |
| Tanning | 6 | Heavy metals (chromium) Formaldehyde Dyes Acids | 100 kg/yr 1,000 l/day ongoing discharge of diluted acid |
| Textiles | 3 | Asbestos Dyes | 10m ³ /yr 150m ³ /yr |
| Timber treatment sites | 47 | Contaminated soils and sludges CCA salts Boron sludge Waste oil Chemical drums | 100,000 m ³ 10 m ³ /yr 10 m ³ /yr 500 l/yr 100 m ³ /yr |
| Vehicle Fleet Operators, (say more than 20 vehicles) | 100(est.) | Batteries Waste oil Brake fluid | 100 batteries / year 200 L/week 10 L/week |
| Vet Clinics | 23 | Animal tissue Medicine residues Sharps | - 100 kg/week |
| Woolscours | 2 | Detergents Permethins | |
| Total intractables | N/a | Industrial hazardous wastes | 250,000 T 50,000 T |

Table X-2 Estimated volumes of agrichemicals generated and stockpiled in the Otago region in 1996 [Works Consultancy Services, 1996(b)].

| Chemical groupings | Breakdown (uses, trade names and chemical compositions) | Estimated total quantities | |
|---------------------------------|--|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| | | Existing (tonnes) | Ongoing (tonnes/year) |
| Animal remedies (5.6 %) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arsenic sheep/cattle dip (As) • Bacterial drenches and dips (trichlorfon) • Cattle lice control sprays • Dehorning pastes • Flea/fly spray (Malathion) • Footrot fluid • Dewormers (dowzene) • Others | 2.8 | 0.5 |
| Deregistered chemicals (7.2 %) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DDT, DDE, DDD, TDE • 2,4,5-T • Aldrin, dieldrin • Various intractable organics • Toxic organochlorine and organophosphorus pesticides • Others | 3.6 | N/a |
| Fungicides (6.9 %) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copper, chromium, arsenic • Pentachlorophenol (PCP) • DDT • Cuprous oxide • Dichlorophen • Dimethirimol • Others | 3.5 | 1.0 |
| Herbicides (42.3 %) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tordon - (2,4,D, pichloram, 2,4,5-T) • Weedkillers - (2,4,D and 2,4,5-T) • Amitrole + Dalapon + Sima • Sodium arsenate • Arsenic pentoxide • Mineral oil • Hydramethynon • Others | 22 | 4.6 |
| Insecticides (11.4 %) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Borer killers (lindane, chlordane) • Metaldehyde • Boric acid • Sodium borate • Diazinon • Gammexane • Pyrethrins • Mineral oil • Others | 5.7 | 1.2 |
| Other chemicals (10.7 %) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creosote • Waste oil • Methylated spirits • Hydrocarbons • Asbestos • Fertilisers • Others | 5.4 | 1.1 |
| Unidentified chemicals (15.9 %) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various (much the same as above, only unlabelled or old/deteriorated containers. | 7 | 0.6 |
| Total | • Agrichemicals | 50 | 10 |
| Total intractables | | 10 | 2 |

Table X-3 Estimated volumes of household hazardous waste generated in the Otago region in 1996 [Works Consultancy Services, 1996(b)].

| Type of waste | Estimated total (stockpiled) in the Otago Region (tonnes) | Estimated total (ongoing) in Otago (tonnes/year) |
|--|---|--|
| Waste oil | 1.4 | 0.5 |
| Oil based paints | 0.7 | 0.3 |
| Water based paint | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| Solvents | 0.7 | 0.3 |
| Car batteries | 50,000 | 10,000 /year |
| DDT, DDE, TDE, DDD | 3 | 1 |
| Aldrin, Dieldrin, Lindane | 3 | 1 |
| Moss killers | 1.5 | 0.5 |
| Fungicides | 3 | 1 |
| Herbicides | 7 | 2 |
| Insecticides | 3 | 1 |
| Corrosives (acids) | 3.5 | 1 |
| Aerosols | 1.5 | 0.5 |
| Cleaners / detergents | 70 | 50 |
| Empty containers with residual chemicals | 350 | 50 |
| Total | 450 | 110 |
| Total intractables | 50 | 10 |

APPENDIX XI

The New Zealand Basel Convention Annual Report 1995

Introduction

This report addresses New Zealand's 1995 Basel Convention reporting requirements. The Ministry for the Environment is the designated focal point for the preparation of this report. The Ministry of Commerce is the Competent Authority which has supplied most of the information.

General

The Basel Convention requires Parties to provide information on any efforts taken to reduce transboundary movement of hazardous wastes and measures undertaken for development of technologies for the reduction and/or elimination of the production of hazardous wastes.

In 1995 substantial progress has been made on the management of hazardous wastes in New Zealand, including:

- progress of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act through Parliament (it became an Act in June 1996);
- surveys of waste generation, including hazardous waste going to landfills, as well as its generation by industry and households;
- regional collections of unwanted or redundant agricultural chemicals;
- promotion of cleaner production and voluntary waste reduction agreements with industry (eg the used oil recovery programme);
- programme to investigate organochlorine wastes and disposal technology.

Transboundary movements

Table XI-1 summarises the information on transboundary movements and hazardous wastes involving New Zealand in 1995. The table includes the maximum amounts approved for movement. It should be noted that the actual amounts moved are often significantly less. For example, approval was given to export 340 tonnes of PCB for destruction in France. The actual export receipts amounted to 120 tonnes in 1995. From 1996 onwards it is intended to routinely report the actual tonnage moved, as well as the amount approved.

Accidents involving transboundary movements of hazardous wastes

No accidents involving the transboundary movement of hazardous wastes have been reported.

Changes to definitions of hazardous wastes

No changes have been made to the definition of hazardous waste.

Decisions to ban or limit the import or export of hazardous wastes

No specific decisions were made which would ban, or limit, the export or import of hazardous wastes.

Information on health effects of transport of hazardous wastes

No health effects due to the transport of hazardous wastes have been recorded.

Information on bilateral, multilateral and regional agreements

New Zealand has been involved in only one Article 11 arrangement over the last twelve months. On 16 September 1995 this country signed the Convention to Ban the Importation into Forum Island Countries of Hazardous and Radioactive Wastes within the South Pacific Region, known as the Waigani Convention. New Zealand has not yet ratified the Convention, however, so its provisions have yet to be implemented in New Zealand.

The Waigani Convention represents a regional approach to waste management. It allows the Forum Island Countries (FICs) to export hazardous wastes to Australia and New Zealand, but the latter are not permitted to export wastes to the FICs. These differentiated responsibilities reflect the fragile environments in the FICs and recognise that they are not always equipped to deal with hazardous wastes. The Waigani Convention also prohibits imports of radioactive wastes into the Convention area (i.e. the FICs, Australia, and New Zealand).

Table XI-1 New Zealand transboundary movements of hazardous wastes in 1995 [Ministry for the Environment, 1996].

| Waste type | Approved amounts (tonnes) | Basel category | OECD category | Characteristics | Origin | Destination | Transit country | Disposal operations |
|---|---------------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Imported waste | | | | | | | | |
| Spent lead acid batteries | 15,000 | Y31/Y34 | AA170 | H12 | Australia | NZ | N/A | R4 |
| Exported waste | | | | | | | | |
| Vanadium slag | 8000 | No Code | GC070 | H12 | NZ | China | Hong Kong | R4 |
| Vanadium slag | 6000 | No Code | GC070 | H12 | NZ | Russia | Latvia | R4 |
| PCBs | 340 | Y10 | Y10 | H12 | NZ | France | Tahiti | D10 |
| Aluminium dross | 19 | No Code | GB030 | H11 | NZ | Australia | Direct | R5 |
| Tungsten carbide grinding residue | 8 | Y17 | GA080 | H11 | NZ | Germany | Direct | R5 |
| Zinc oxide baghouse dust | 75 | Y23 | GA160 | H11 | NZ | Australia | Direct | R4 |
| Spent cell lining | 120 | No Code | AA050 | H11 | NZ | Australia | Direct | R5 |
| Copper alloy dross | 100 | Y22 | AA040 | H11 | NZ | UK | Direct | R4 |
| Spent lead acid batteries | 39 | Y31/Y34 | AA170 | H12 | NZ | Phillipines | Direct | R4 |
| Waste in transit (awaiting export) | | | | | | | | |
| Low grade tankhouse slimes | 400 | No Code | Not known | H6.1 | Australia | Belgium | NZ | R4 |
| Aluminium alkyl | Not known | No Code | AB010 | H6.1/H11 | Australia | USA | NZ | Not known |
| Precious metal plant solids | 39 | No Code | GA030 | H6.1 | Australia | Belgium | NZ | R4 |

APPENDIX XII

Generation of Hazardous Waste from Contaminated Sites in New Zealand

Definition

The Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council (ANZECC) and National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) (1992) define a contaminated site as:

“ site at which hazardous substances occur at concentrations above background levels⁶ and where assessment indicates it poses, or is likely to pose, an immediate or long-term hazard to human health or the environment.”

Contaminated sites can potentially create large amounts of waste which will require some form of management, ranging from disposal or treatment. An indication of the number of sites in New Zealand, and the associated volumes of wastes likely to be associated with some form of clean-up needs to be considered.

Assessing the number of contaminated sites in New Zealand

The ANZECC in consultation with the NHMRC have jointly put together the Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for the Assessment and Management of Contaminated Sites in New Zealand (1992). The purpose of the guidelines is to provide a consistent framework for the proper assessment and management of contaminated sites.

ANZECC lists some specific industries and landuses which have a higher probability of contaminating a sites. This list has formed the basis of much of the work being carried by regional councils throughout the country. The specific industries and landuse which have been associated with site contamination are listed in Table XII-1.

Table XII-1 Industries and landuse associated with site contamination [ANZECC and NHMRC, 1992].

| Acid/alkali plant and formulation | Agricultural/horticultural activities | Airports |
|--|--|--|
| Asbestos production and disposal | Chemicals manufacture and formulation | Defence works |
| Drum reconditioning works | Dry cleaning establishments | Electrical manufacturing (transformers) |
| Electroplating and heat treatment premises | Engine works | Explosive industry |
| Gas works | Iron and steel works | Landfill sites |
| Metal treatment | Mining and extractive industries | Oil production and storage |
| Paint formulation and manufacture | Pesticide manufacture and formulation | Pharmaceutical manufacture and formulation |
| Power stations | Railway yards | Scrap yards |
| Service stations | Sheep and cattle dips | Smelting and refining |
| Tanning and associated wastes | Waste storage and treatment | Wood preservation |

⁶ Background levels are the ambient levels of a contaminant in the local area under consideration.

The ANZECC guidelines note that the “exact level of site contamination associated with any particular industrial, commercial or agricultural practice will depend upon the standard of management, including the past regulatory framework and of safety procedures employed at individual sites” [ANZECC and NHMRC, 1992].

Preliminary studies of the likely extent of potentially contaminated sites, based on this ANZECC landuse list, indicates that there may be over 8000 potentially contaminated sites in New Zealand. These are made up of 7200 sites identified in a 1992 report, approximately 800 timber treatment sites, and a number of agricultural sites such as sheep and cattle dip sites [Worley Consultants Ltd, 1992].

Sources of Contamination

Three particular sources of potential contamination have been the subject of guidelines prepared by the Ministry for the Environment, including:

- timber treatment sites;
- gasworks sites;
- petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated sites.

These particular contaminants have been chosen because of a combination of their prevalence and their potential effects of human health and the environment. Subsequent to the release of the *Health and Environmental Guidelines for Selected Timber Treatment Chemicals* a number of regional councils have undertaken to assess timber treatment sites for their potential to have an adverse effect on human health and the environment [Ministry for the Environment and Ministry of Health, 1993].

The major groups of polluting substances associated with these three industries are listed in Table XII-2.

Table XII-2 Polluting substances associated with timber treatment sites, gaswork sites and petroleum hydrocarbon sites [Ministry for the Environment and Ministry of Health, 1993].

| Timber treatment sites | Gaswork sites | Petroleum hydrocarbon sites |
|------------------------|--|--|
| Arsenic | Polyaromatic hydrocarbons | Total petroleum hydrocarbons |
| Boron | Phenols | Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene |
| Chromium (III) | Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene | Polyaromatic hydrocarbons |
| Chromium (VI) | Cyanide | |
| Pentachlorophenol | | |
| Dioxins and furans | | |