# DID YOU KNOW? 

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- Americans use 100 million plastic bags annually, which is the equaivalent of 365 bags per person annually.
- It can take up to 1,000 years for a plastic bag to decompose in a landfill. Even after this time has passed, the plastic may not fully break down and continue to pollute the environment.
- Up to $40 \%$ of all food in the United States is wasted, while 41 million Americans lack access to healthy food.
- Households account for $37 \%$ of wasted food and consumer-facing buinesses account for $28 \%$ of wasted food.
- Electronic waste is becoming an increasing concern with a global increase of $3 \%-4 \%$ each year.

- For every ton of paper you recycle, you save 17 trees, 464 gallons of oil, 42 gallons of gasoline, and 7,000 gallons of water.
- When U.S. recyling levels reach $75 \%$, it will be the environmental equivalent of removing 55 million cars from the roads each year.
- Recyling one can saves enough energy to run a television for three hours.


