

fascinating facts about e-waste



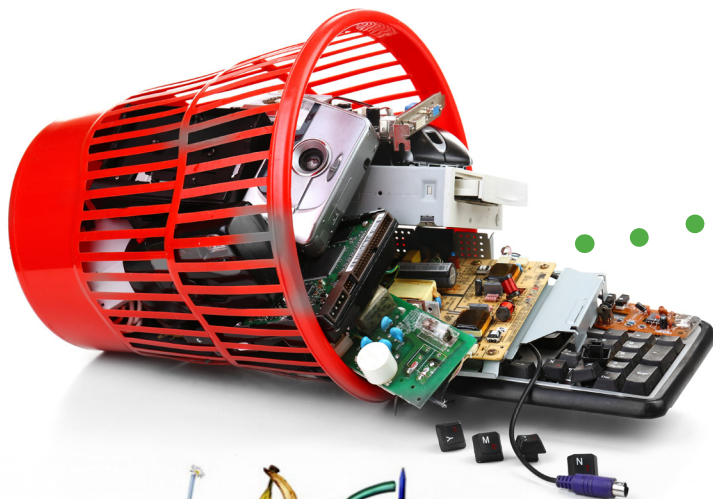
As a nation, we throw away 1.5 million tonnes of electrical equipment every year.

We throw away 2 million TVs every year.

There's enough gold in 50 mobile phones to make one gold wedding ring.



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Only 7% of the UK's e-waste is reused as a whole product.

Changing how EEE is designed, made, bought and disposed of could reduce the nation's carbon footprint by up to 15%.

In the UK, we each produce 23.5kg of e-waste a year – that's more than an average seven-year-old boy weighs!



Most people upgrade their TV every seven years.

Less than 5% of mobile phones are recycled.

The average household in the UK spends about £800 on new electrical and electronic goods every year.

It takes 530 lbs of fossil fuels, 48 lbs of chemicals and 1.5 tons of water to make one computer and monitor.



Nearly 25% of electrical equipment that's recycled could have been reused.



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