



## 2010-2011 OVERVIEW

- ♻️ SARCAN is the recycling division of the Saskatchewan Association of Rehabilitation Centres.
- ♻️ SARCAN was formed to handle the contract for the recycling of non-refillable deposit beverage containers.
- ♻️ SARCAN currently accepts all ready-to-serve non-refillable beverage containers made of aluminum, tin/steel, plastic, glass, and aseptic packaging for deposit refund.
- ♻️ **Last year, we recycled more than 341 million containers, which returned more than \$39 million in deposit refunds. SARCAN's return rate continues to be one of the highest in Canada.**
- ♻️ In addition to deposit beverage containers, SARCAN recycles milk containers, refillable beer bottles, used paint, and obsolete electronics. All of SARCAN's endeavors result in a waste reduction of more than 19,661 tonnes annually.

Material	Number of Containers	Weight (lbs.)	Return Rates
Aluminum	187,060,369	5,833,823	89.27%
P.E.T. Plastic	104,015,512	7,260,276	80.19%
Glass	28,568,738	21,286,946	86.37%
Tin/Bi-metal	718,563	125,896	92.73%
Mixed Plastic	1,826,923	243,735	83.04%
Juice Boxes	18,979,134	1,052,973	55.36%
<b>Total Deposit Cont.</b>	<b>341,169,219</b>	<b>35,793,649</b>	<b>83.16%</b>
Non-Legislated Cans	965,209	32,173	---
Plastic Milk Jugs	7,050,090	1,007,163	43.79%
Paper Milk Cartons	5,226,301	373,279	23.29%
Beer Bottles	9,856,160	---	---
Used Paint	252,460 liters		---
Obsolete Electronics		6,039,078 lbs	---
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	364,266,979	<b>43,255,342 lbs</b> or <b>19,661 tonnes</b>	



- ♻️ There are 71 SARCAN depots in 63 communities throughout Saskatchewan.
- ♻️ Of these 71 depots, 44 are operated by our SARC Member Centres across Saskatchewan.
- ♻️ All SARC Member Centres operating SARCAN depots receive management fees annually. These payments provide funding support to our Member Centres and provide seed capital to expand the programs they offer for persons with disabilities.
- ♻️ SARCAN employs more than 454 adults permanently, plus an additional 172 seasonal casual employees. The majority of our employees are persons with disabilities or persons who had previously received Social Assistance. **This results in a reduction of more than \$1.5 million in annual payments of Social Assistance and a net social benefit of more than \$2.5 million per year for Saskatchewan.**
- ♻️ SARCAN pays competitive wages and provides excellent group benefits and pension plans.
- ♻️ SARCAN has an operating budget of \$23.192 million. Over 89% of these costs are spent within Saskatchewan, and 74.6% of these costs are for wages and benefits for employees.
- ♻️ SARCAN remains committed to expanding employment opportunities for persons with disabilities in the recycling industry. We will continue to pursue new initiatives that can create additional employment.
- ♻️ SARCAN truly provides:
  - An employment benefit;
  - An environmental benefit; and
  - A net economic benefit to Saskatchewan.
- ♻️ Most important of all, we are creating the dignity of meaningful work for persons with disabilities. We provide greater economic freedom, empowerment, and personal independence.

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