

**Clean Up Australia Day**  
 5 March 2017  
**Business Clean Up Day**  
 28 February 2017  
**Schools Clean Up Day**  
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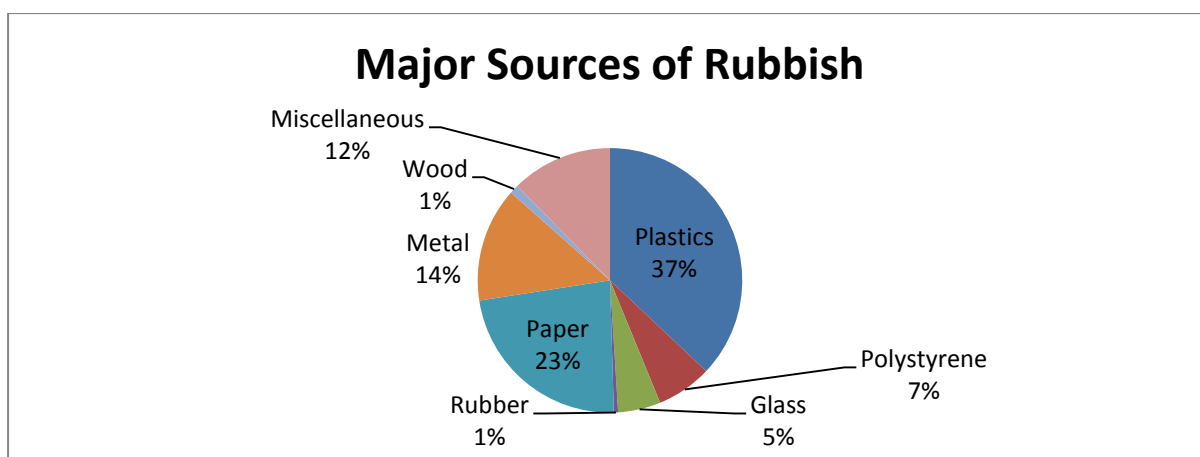
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### 2016 RUBBISH REPORT-SOUTH AUSTRALIA

**Sites Registered:** 440 [509 in 2015]  
**Estimated Volunteers:** 40,268 [30,237 in 2015]  
**Estimated Rubbish Removed:** 968 tonnes [1119.8 in 2015]  
**Volunteer hours:** 80,536 [60,474 in 2015]

The 2016 Rubbish Report is a snapshot of rubbish removed by Clean Up Australia Day volunteers. In South Australia, the Report is based on rubbish surveyed from 37 locations.



#### NOTABLE CHANGES FROM 2015

- Plastics and polystyrene items each increased by 5%, metals and paper by 4%, miscellaneous items by 2%
- Glass decreased by 6%, paper by 4%
- Rubber and wood each halved

#### THE TOP 10 RUBBISH ITEMS AS A PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL RUBBISH SURVEYED

##### GROUPED DATA

	Item Description	%
1	Food packaging	24.5
2	Non-food packaging	22.8
3	Chip & confectionery wrappers	12.8
4	Beverage related rubbish	10.5
5	Beverage containers	10.2
6	Clothing	5.1
7	Sanitary items	4.7
8	Plastic bags	3.9
9	Household items	1.9
10	Construction materials	1.6

##### INDIVIDUAL ITEM COUNT

	Item Description	%
1	Plastic chip & confectionery wrappers	7.3
2	Foil chip & confectionery wrappers	6.5
3	Cigarette packets	5.6
4	Cigarette butts	5.4
5	Plastic packaging	5.1
6	Clothing	5.0
7	Straws	4.6
8	Napkins & tissues	4.5
9	Fast food packaging	4.0
10	Metal bottle caps	4.0

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### INTERESTING FACTS

- Grouped Top 10 data made up 98.1% [95.7% in 2015] of reported rubbish. Individual Item Top 10 data = 51.8% [60.3% in 2014]
- Within grouped data, beverage containers represented 10.2% of the whole rubbish count [8% in 2015] and 0% of the Top 10 individual items [0% in 2015]. No single beverage container made it into the Top 10 individual item count. These are the lowest counts in Australia, reflecting the positive impact of a container refund scheme on the amount of container rubbish reported by volunteers
- Small items again dominated the individual item count – cigarette butts and packets, confectionery wrappers, takeaway rubbish, straws and bottle caps
- Clothing was a new addition to the Top 10 in 2016

### THE MOST POLLUTED SITE

Site Type	Number of sites	Number of items found	% of states total waste	Average number of items per site
Waterways	3	370	5%	123
Parks	6	534	7%	89
Beach/Coastal	2	152	2%	76
Roadway	10	3472	48%	347
Bushland	3	178	2%	59
School Grounds	11	2440	34%	222
Outdoor Transport	1	53	1%	53
Dive Site	1	52	1%	52
Other	2	20	0%	10

Municipal roadways were the most popular site surveyed in 2016, also recording the highest average number of rubbish items per site at 347 [325 in 2015].

Three locations reported increased average rubbish counts in 2016:

- Roadways increased their average count by 22 across 10 sites [325 across 30 locations in 2015]
- An outdoor transport area was surveyed this year yielding 53 rubbish items
- A dive site recorded 52 items

All other locations reduced their average count in 2016:

- Waterways nearly halved their count reducing to 123 items per site [300 across 39 locations last year]
- Parks also dramatically reduced their average count to 89 from 6 locations [249 across 50 sites in 2015]
- Beach/coastal areas dropped by an average of 264 per location [340 across 18 sites last year]
- Bushland counts reduced to 59 over 3 areas, versus 300 over 25 locations last year
- School grounds dropped to 222 across 11 sites [297 across 10 sites in 2015]
- Other [non identified locations] recorded an average of 10 items across 2 locations [350 from 7 locations in 2015]
- Shops and malls were not surveyed in 2016

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