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NATIONAL RECYCLING WEEK

RECYCLING TRIVIA

True or false?

WARM UP

True or false?



It takes **1,000**
litres of water to
make one cotton
shirt.

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True or false?



This is a
recycling
symbol.

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True or false?



Recycling and
reuse **rose**
between 2016
and 2024.

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True or false?



All **glass** can go in the household recycling bin.

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True or false?



You should **tape the terminals** of dead batteries before storing or disposing of them.

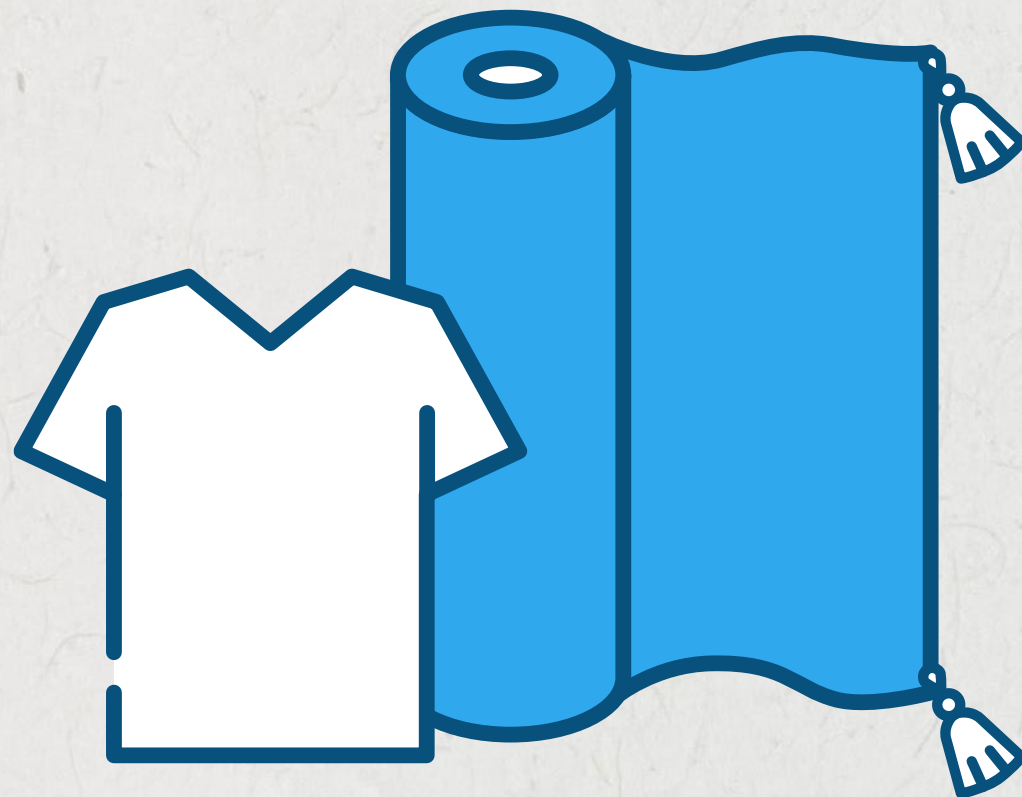
Multiple choice

GETTING HARDER

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**How long does it take
polyester to
decompose in landfill?**



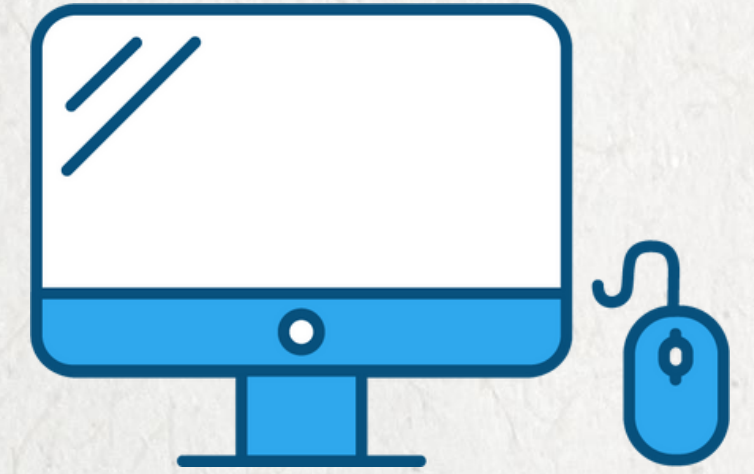
- a. 700 years**
- b. 200 years**
- c. 50 years**
- d. 1000 years**

**Which material found in
printer cartridges can be
recycled in a sustainable
road base?**



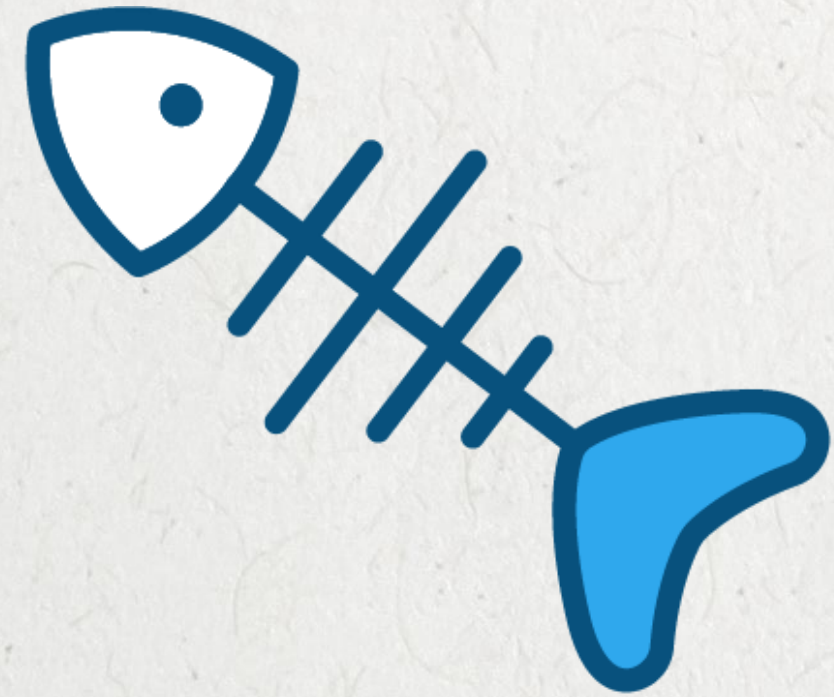
- a. Mixed plastics**
- b. Printer toner**
- c. Metal**
- d. The whole cartridge**

**On average, how much
electronic equipment do
Australians discard per
year?**



- a. 22kg**
- b. 55kg**
- c. 88kg**
- d. 1 tonne**

Approximately what percentage of waste generated per capita in 2023 was food organic waste?



- a. 30%**
- b. 50%**
- c. 80%**
- d. 10%**

**How many tonnes of
tyres reach their end of
life in Australia each
year?**



- a. 220,000**
- b. 540,000**
- c. 700,000**
- d. 950,000**

**Which recovered material
makes up the bulk of
Australia's exported
recycling?**

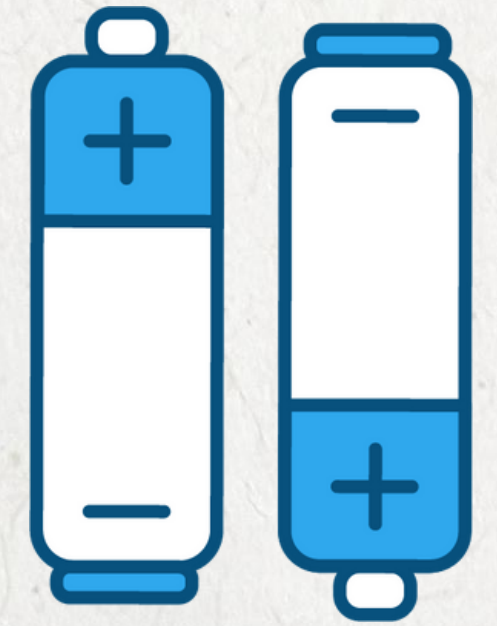
- a. Scrap metal**
- b. Soft plastic**
- c. Tyres & rubber**
- d. Textiles**

Between 2016 and 2024, which sector saw the **largest growth in recycling and waste recovery?**



- a. Construction & demolition**
- b. Commercial & industrial**
- c. Domestic & council**
- d. None**

**Approximately how many
battery related fires occur
in Australian waste and
recycling streams each
year?**

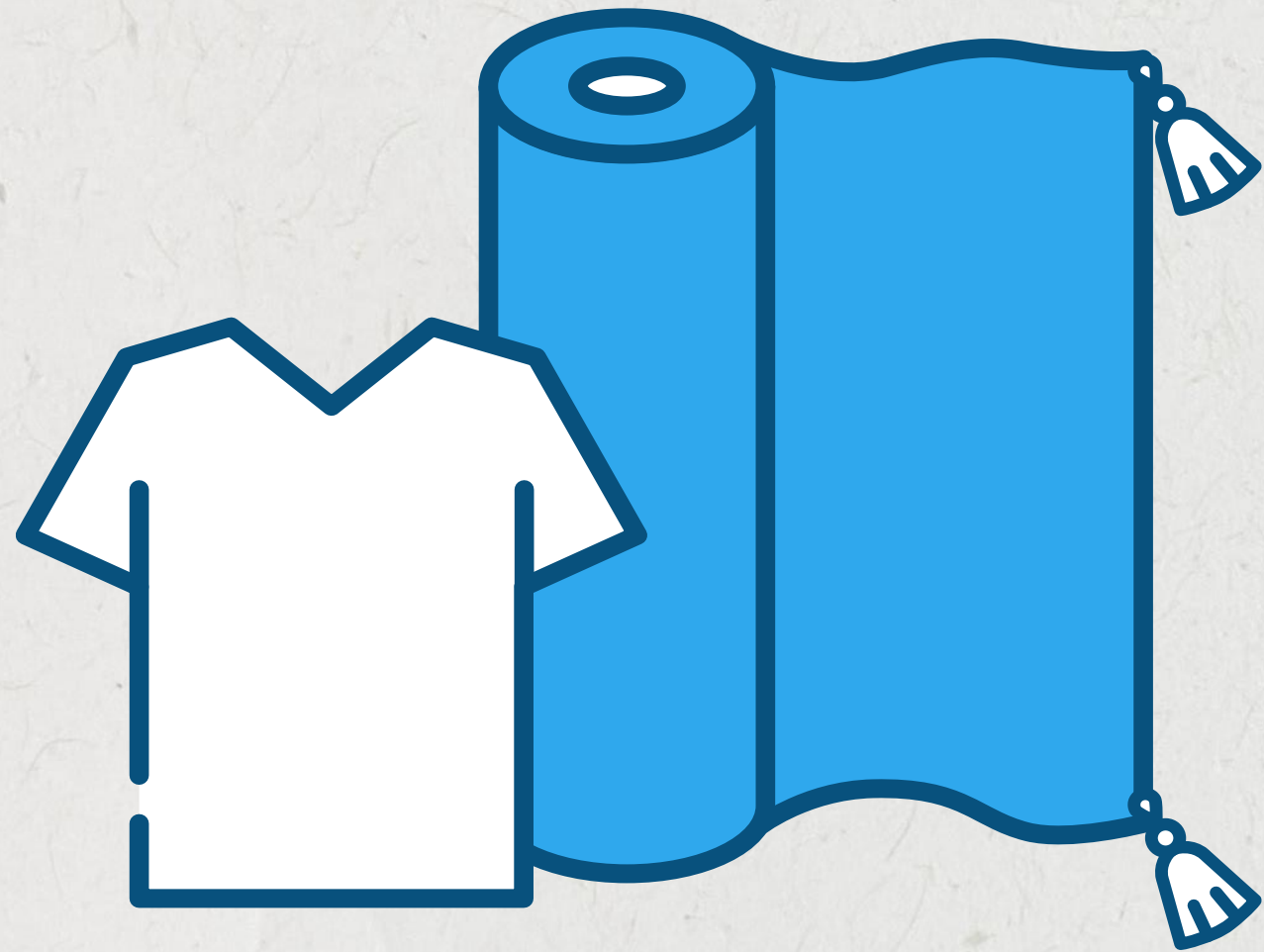


- a. 2,330**
- b. 5,000**
- c. 11,000**
- d. 95,000**

**33% of Australians report
not doing this simple action
to ensure they are recycling
correctly?**

- a. Check recycling labels**
- b. Empty or rinse recycling**
- c. Separate mixed recycling**
- d. Read recycling signs**

Which decade saw the start of the **fast fashion** trends?



- a. 1960s
- b. 1980s
- c. 1990s
- d. 2010s

Open answer

LEVEL: EXPERT

**How many kilograms
of waste do
Australians produce
per capita?**



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**What percentage of
Australians are
unsure of how to
dispose of household
batteries?**



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In the first year of running a container deposit scheme, how many beverage containers were diverted from landfill in Victoria?



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**What percentage of
Australians
incorrectly dispose of
coffee cups in
recycling bins?**



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**In 2023, how
many kilograms
of textile waste
did Australians
produce **per
capita?****



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Answers!

HOW DID YOU GO?

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Tips

HOW-TO RECYCLE

- Before buying a new product, consider **sourcing a secondhand item**.
- Before recycling, consider **repairing your item, donating or reselling your item to the manufacturer** to be used as spare parts.
- Visit recyclingnearyou.com.au to find all programs in this deck, your closest e-waste drop-off locations, plus services available from your local council.



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