



Hospital Recycling Survey

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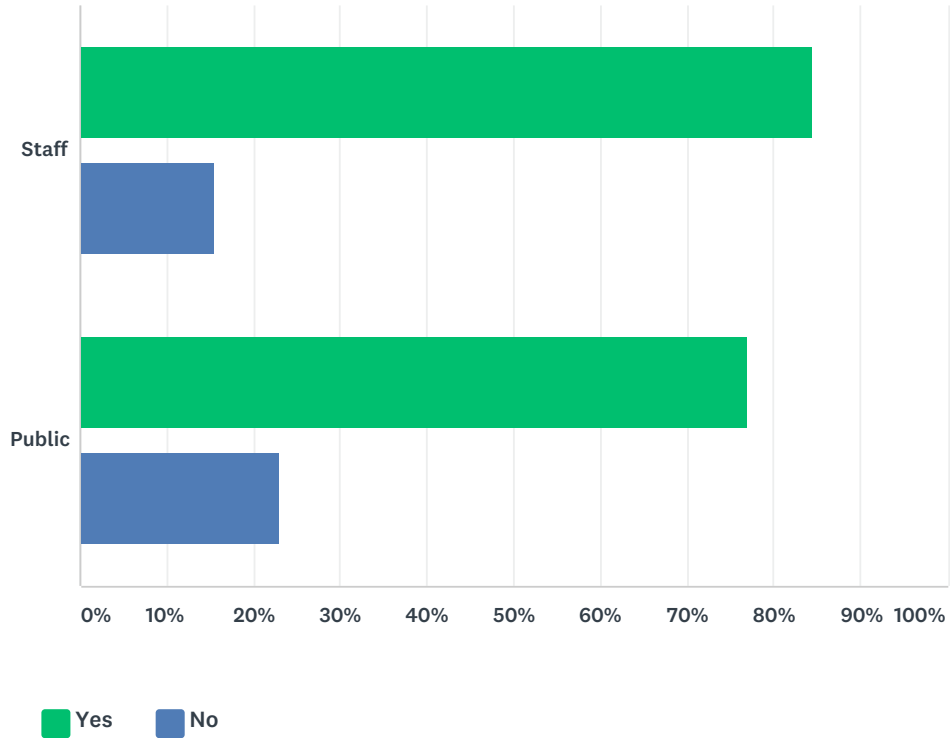
Participating Hospitals

Androscoggin Valley Hospital
Cheshire Medical Center
Cottage Hospital
Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center
Elliot Hospital
Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Concord
Littleton Regional Healthcare
New Hampshire Hospital
New London Hospital
Manchester VA Medical Center
Speare Memorial Hospital
St. Joseph Hospital
Wentworth-Douglass Hospital

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Q2 Does your hospital provide recycling bins for the public and/or staff?

Answered: 13 Skipped: 0



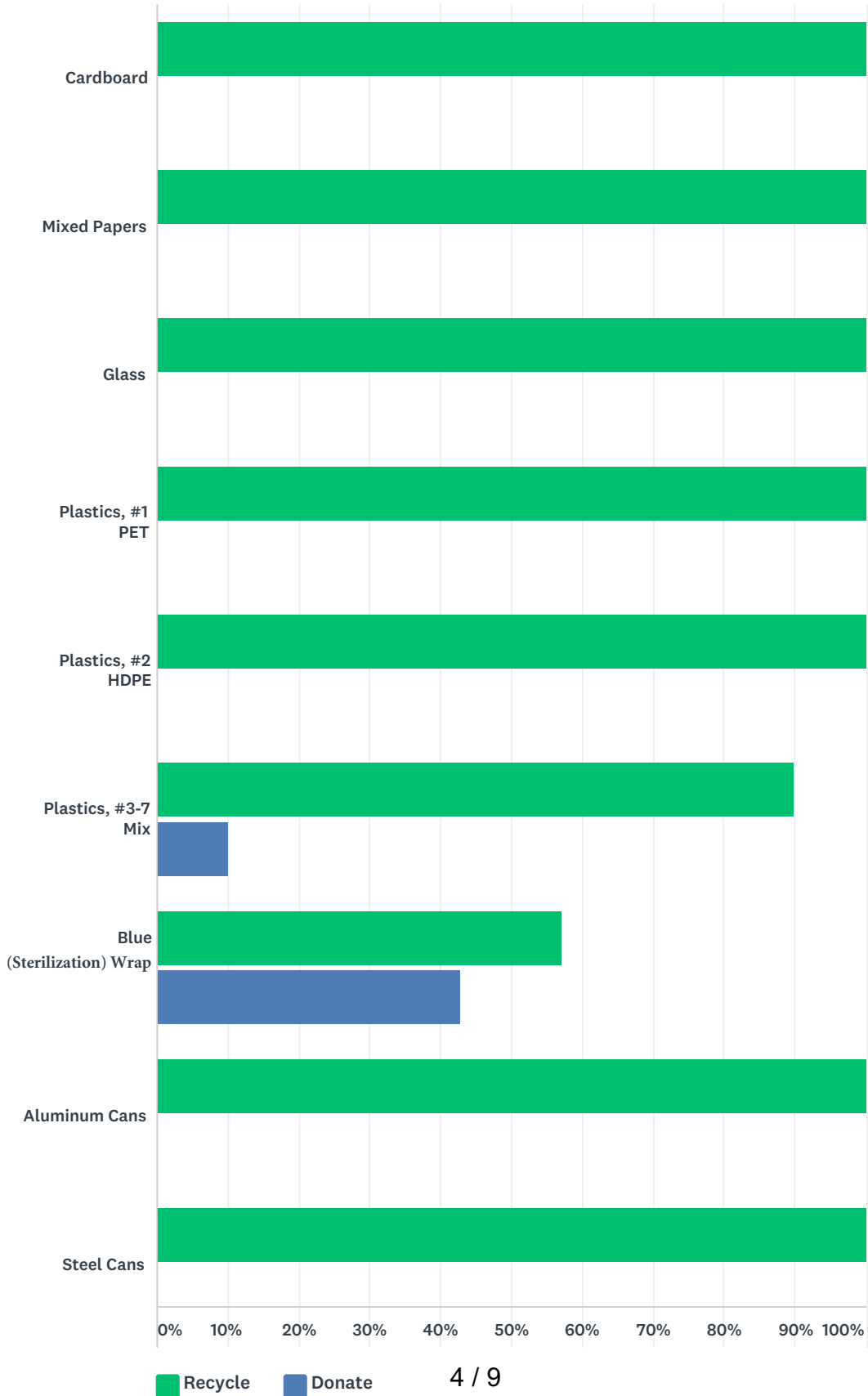
	YES	NO	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Staff	84.62% 11	15.38% 2	13	1.15
Public	76.92% 10	23.08% 3	13	1.23

#	COMMENT:	DATE
1	Limited recycling bins for the public.	10/14/2019 5:04 AM
2	There are some departments that recycle cans We recycle all the plastic wraps and bags from the laundry through the laundry company.	10/9/2019 10:56 AM

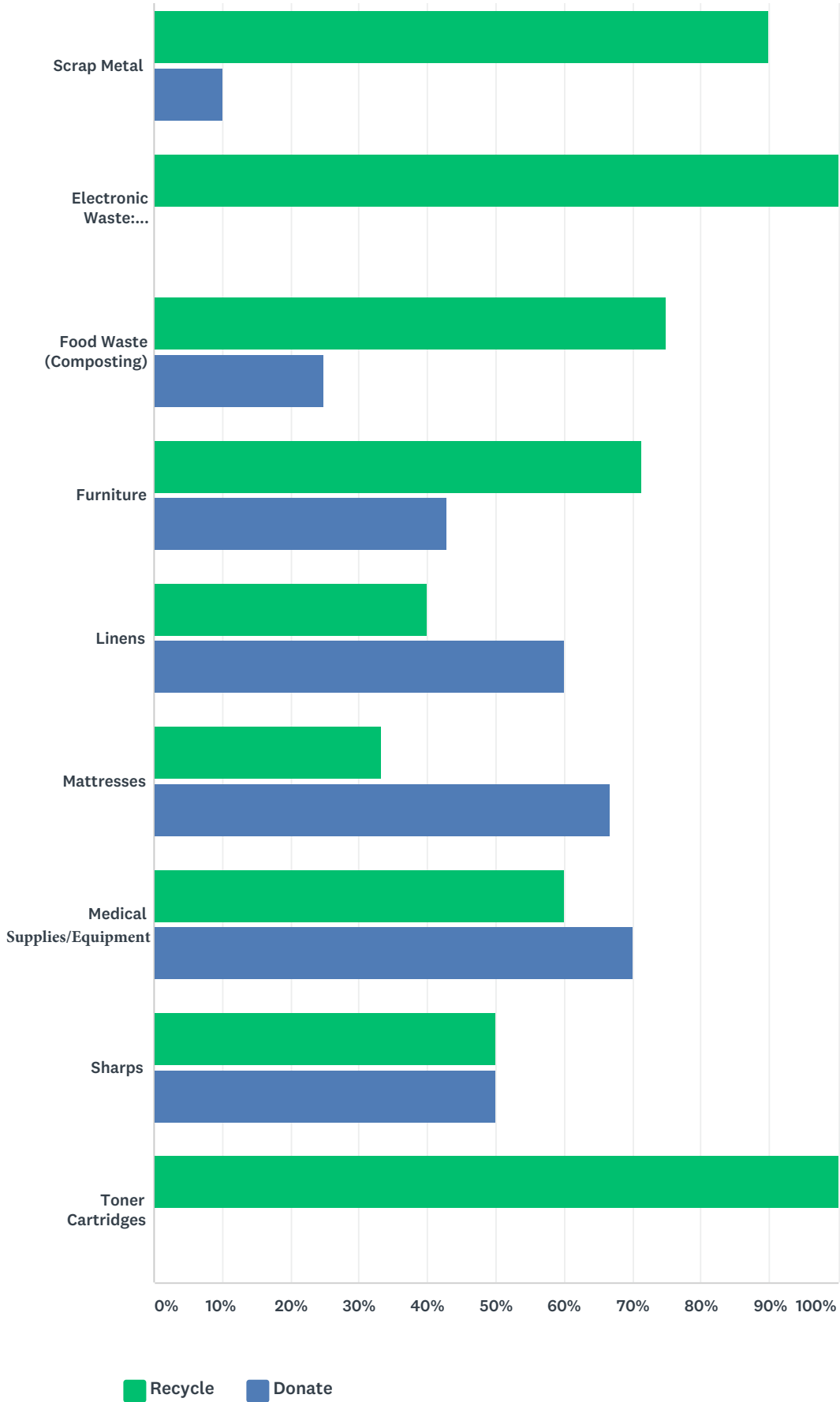
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Q3 Does your hospital recycle or donate the following materials? (Please put a check mark under each applicable option.)

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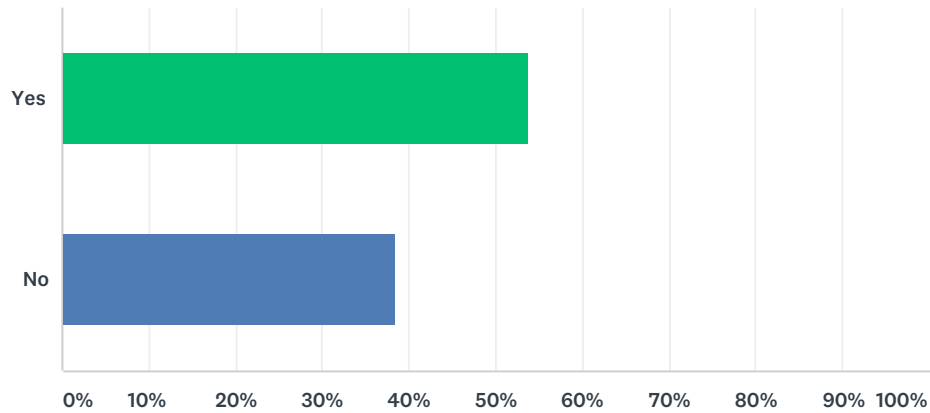


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	RECYCLE	DONATE	TOTAL RESPONDENTS
Cardboard	100.00% 11	0.00% 0	11
Mixed Papers	100.00% 11	0.00% 0	11
Glass	100.00% 10	0.00% 0	10
Plastics, #1 PET	100.00% 11	0.00% 0	11
Plastics, #2 HDPE	100.00% 11	0.00% 0	11
Plastics, #3-7 Mix	90.00% 9	10.00% 1	10
Blue (Sterilization) Wrap	57.14% 4	42.86% 3	7
Aluminum Cans	100.00% 11	0.00% 0	11
Steel Cans	100.00% 7	0.00% 0	7
Scrap Metal	90.00% 9	10.00% 1	10
Electronic Waste: Computers, Tablets, T.V.s, etc.	100.00% 9	0.00% 0	9
Food Waste (Composting)	75.00% 6	25.00% 2	8
Furniture	71.43% 5	42.86% 3	7
Linens	40.00% 2	60.00% 3	5
Mattresses	33.33% 1	66.67% 2	3
Medical Supplies/Equipment	60.00% 6	70.00% 7	10
Sharps	50.00% 2	50.00% 2	4
Toner Cartridges	100.00% 12	0.00% 0	12

Q4 Has recycling items such as paper, cardboard, glass, and plastics become more challenging due to changes in global recycling policies/markets? (i.e. cost increases, specification changes, etc.?)

Answered: 13 Skipped: 0

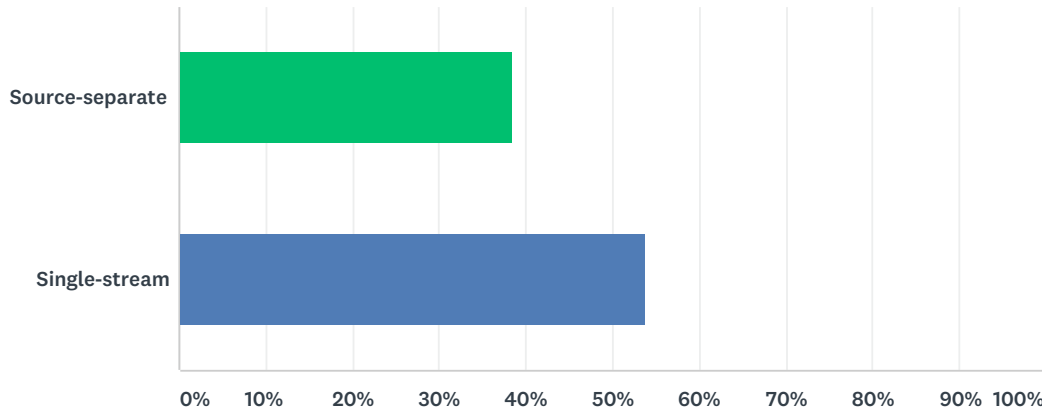


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	53.85%	7
No	38.46%	5
TOTAL		13

#	IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN:	DATE
1	Cost increases, loss of applicable rebate	10/14/2019 8:06 AM
2	There is no market for cardboard anymore. Not sure if our single stream is actually being recycled by our vendor.	10/14/2019 5:04 AM
3	More expensive and less willingness to accept various items	10/11/2019 3:27 AM
4	Waste hauler has gotten more strict on what can be collected in single stream recycling.	10/10/2019 4:05 AM
5	we need recycling disposal facilities to take the recyclable products too	10/9/2019 10:56 AM
6	the area we live in does not take all the plastics anymore due to the transfer station not taking them.	10/9/2019 7:24 AM
7	After a recent visit to the Casella recycling facility in Rutland I realized a lot of our plastics put into our zero sort stream are actually going into the landfill because they are not actually recyclable.	10/4/2019 7:01 AM
8	Not Applicable	10/4/2019 6:43 AM

Q5 Does your hospital source-separate the materials referred to in Question #4, or do you collect them as single-stream (zero sort)?

Answered: 13 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Source-separate	38.46%	5
Single-stream	53.85%	7
TOTAL		13

#	ADDITIONAL INFO:	DATE
1	We have a combination depending on commodity.	10/14/2019 8:06 AM
2	Paper is collected as confidential, shredded and recycled. Bottles and cans and papers are single stream. skids are held for recycling and / or heating fuel.	10/14/2019 5:04 AM
3	paper and cardboard and some of our plastics and other items get put in one giant cardboard bin because Waste Management takes it all and separates it on site at their facility.	10/9/2019 7:24 AM
4	All paper except hard bound books are single sourced, we separate our cardboard, and recycle glass and plastics together	10/7/2019 11:12 AM
5	We separate our cardboard and paper out from the rest of our zero sort stream.	10/4/2019 7:01 AM
6	Not Applicable	10/4/2019 6:43 AM

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Q6 If you have any additional information and/or concerns, please include here:

Answered: 2 Skipped: 11

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Only generating a small amount of some recyclable items makes finding a waste hauler/recycler more difficult. Contractors typically want a large volume to make pickup and transport more profitable.	10/10/2019 4:05 AM
2	rural communities need recycling opportunities ,we need recycling disposal facilities to take the recyclable products	10/9/2019 10:56 AM