



INDIANA E-Cycle

Indiana Department of Environmental Management

Indiana E-Cycle 2025 Report

Indiana's Electronic Waste (E-Waste) Law (IC 13-20.5) has assisted in the recycling of over 400 million pounds of electronics since 2009 while expanding electronic collection access for Indiana residents. The law created an extended producer responsibility (EPR) program, known as Indiana E-Cycle. This report gives annual information about the program as mandated by the Indiana legislature. It highlights the Program Year 15 (PY15), which is for calendar year 2024.

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Summary

Indiana's E-Cycle Program requires manufacturers of video display devices (VDDs) to collect and recycle e-waste from covered entities (households, small businesses, and public schools) in Indiana. The law requires that VDD manufacturers offering their products for sale to Indiana households annually register with, and report to, IDEM.

Each year these manufacturers are required to collect and recycle 60 percent, by weight, of the VDDs they sold to Indiana households during the previous twelve months. They can collect and recycle a broader range of products of any brand, known as covered electronic devices (CEDs), to fulfill their recycling obligation.

All collectors and recyclers that collect and recycle CEDs on behalf of a registered manufacturer must also register and report to IDEM annually. If collectors and recyclers do not register with the program, CEDs collected and recycled cannot be credited toward a manufacturer's recycling obligation.

As of January 1, 2011, the law also prohibits covered entities from disposing of CEDs with trash that is intended for disposal at a landfill or by burning or incineration.

Overall, nearly 30 million pounds of CEDs were collected and recycled from covered entities in 2024, of which manufacturers collectively funded the recycling of 18,481,936 pounds of CEDs. The vast majority of CED's are collected from metropolitan counties in the state, as opposed to non-metropolitan counties

Program Participation - Manufacturers

Registration is required for manufacturers that sell VDDs (televisions, computer monitors, laptops, netbooks, notebooks, tablet computers, and e-readers) to Indiana households. Manufacturers that sold more than 100 units of VDDs to Indiana households during the previous year are required to pay a \$5,000 registration fee for the first program year they register and a \$2,500 registration fee each year thereafter for which their sales were above the 100-unit threshold

The Indiana E-Cycle Program had 71 registered manufacturers in 2024, as shown in **Figure 1**. These manufacturers accounted for 89 different brands of devices that are being sold to Indiana households.

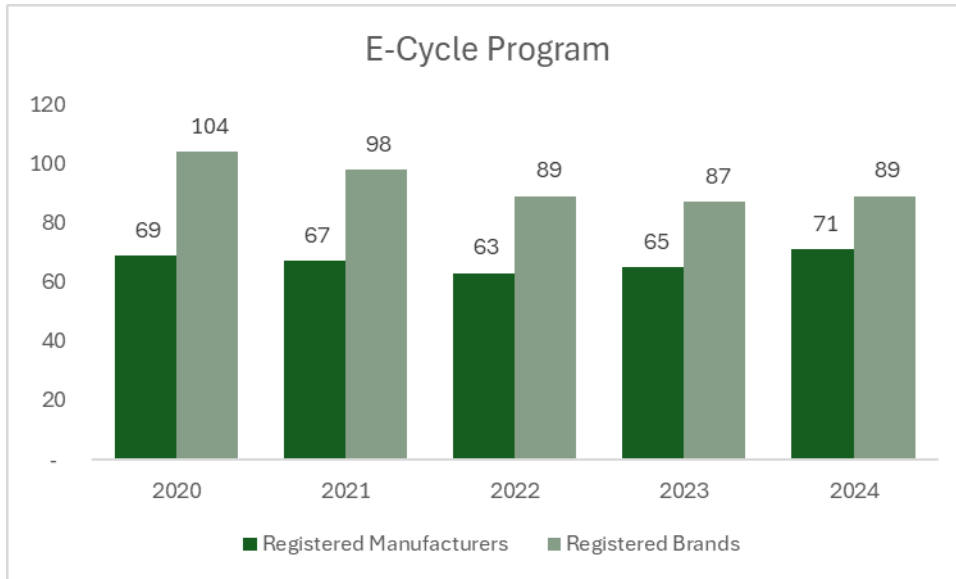
Covered Electronic Devices (CEDs):

- VDDs (televisions or computer monitors, including laptops, netbooks, notebooks, tablets, and e-readers, that contain a cathode ray tube or flat panel screen with a screen size that is greater than four inches measured diagonally)
- Computers (e.g., computer towers)
- Fax machines
- Peripherals including keyboards, external hard drives, printers, and mice
- An all-in-one printer/copier/scanner or a projector can be considered a peripheral if item is designed to be used exclusively with a computer
- DVD players (including gaming systems that can play DVDs)
- Video cassette recorders
- Digital photo frames
- Digital media players
- MP3 players
- Camcorders/Cameras
- DVR devices
- Portable GPS navigation systems

Previous Program Results

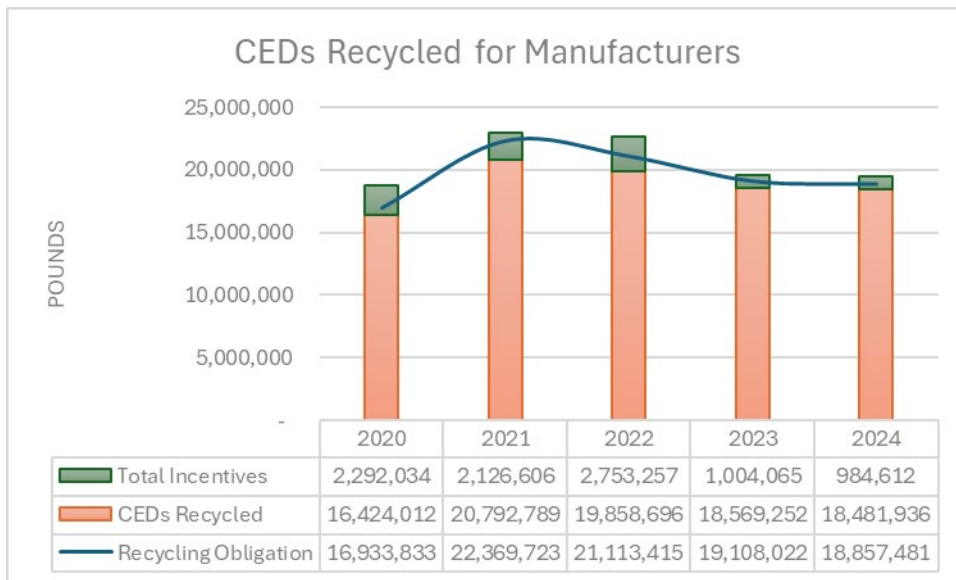
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<https://www.in.gov/idem/recycle/2428.htm>

Figure 1: Registered Manufacturers and Brands



Manufacturers collectively had a recycling obligation of 18,857,481 pounds in 2024, as shown in **Figure 2**. This was achieved by recycling 18,481,936 pounds of CEDs and earning 984,612 pounds of incentives for a total amount of 19,466,548 pounds recycled. Per the program, CEDs collected from non-metropolitan counties in the state have a 50 percent incentive. Also, a 10 percent incentive is given for recycling CEDs at a registered recycler facility in Indiana. These incentives can be combined; for example, each pound of CED collected from a non-metropolitan county and recycled at an in-state recycling facility is counted as 1.6 pounds recycled.

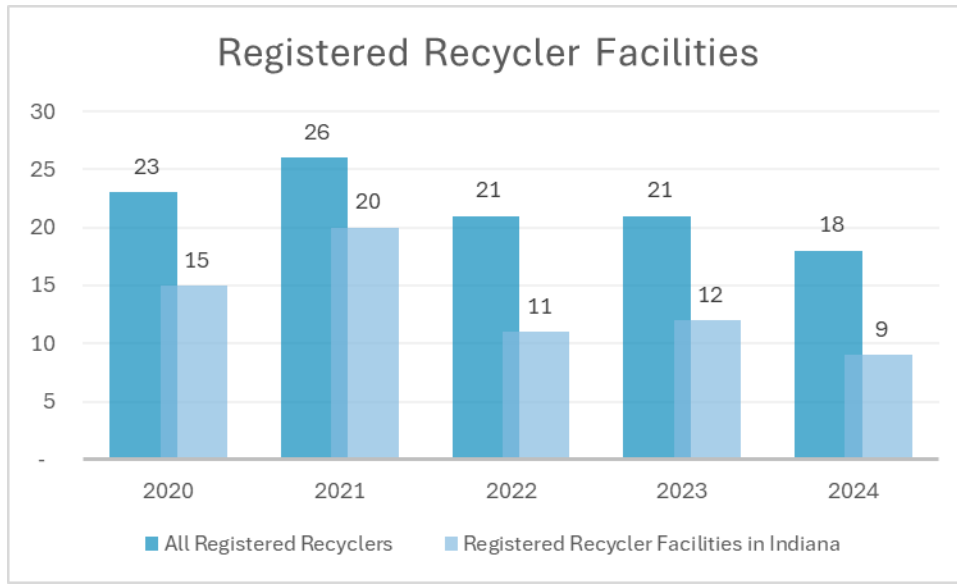
Figure 2: CEDs Recycled on behalf of Registered Manufacturers



Program Participation – Recyclers

All CED recyclers for manufacturers must be registered with the Indiana E-Cycle Program. The term “recycler” involves recycling programs (in Indiana or elsewhere) in which CEDs are recycled, as collected from covered entities by registered collectors. **Figure 3** tracks the number of recyclers in the E-Cycle program. For 2024, 18 recyclers were registered, of which 9 were in Indiana.

Figure 3: Registered Recycler Facilities



Recyclers reported the recycling of 29,531,738 pounds of CEDs from collectors in 2024, as shown in **Figure 4**. This was more than enough to satisfy the recycling obligation for manufacturers. Of the total CEDs recycled, 26,733,043 pounds came from metropolitan counties, while 2,798,695 pounds came from non-metropolitan areas. In-state recycler facilities recycled about 60% of the total. Only 18,481,936 pounds of total CEDs were collectively recycled on manufacturer’s behalf.

Covered Entities:

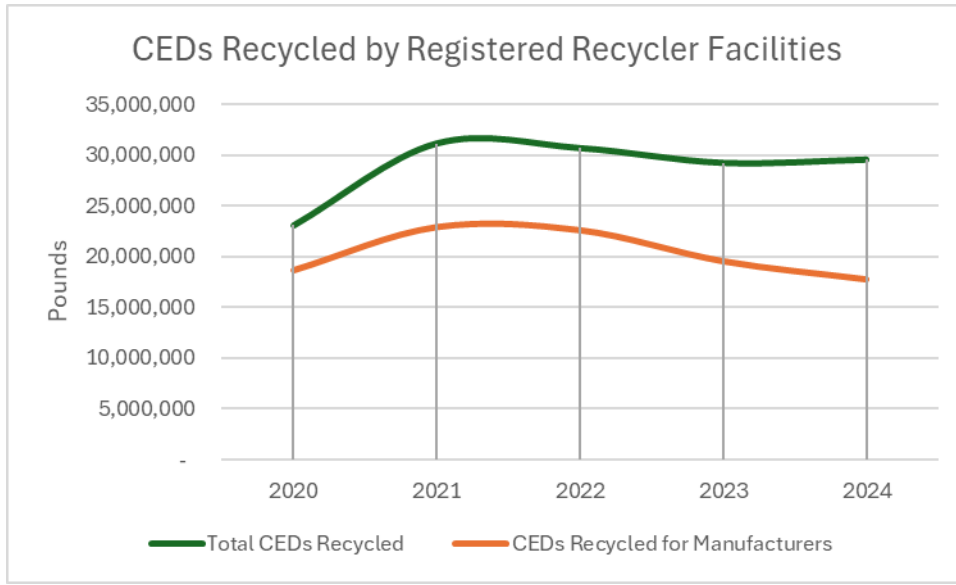
Household: Occupants of a dwelling located in Indiana who use a VDD at the dwelling primarily for personal use or home office use.

Small Business: A business that satisfies all the following:

- The business is independently owned and operated.
- The principal office of the business is in Indiana.
- The business satisfies either of the following:
 - Has less than 100 employees and average annual gross receipts is under \$10,000,000.

Public School: A K-12 public school or charter school.

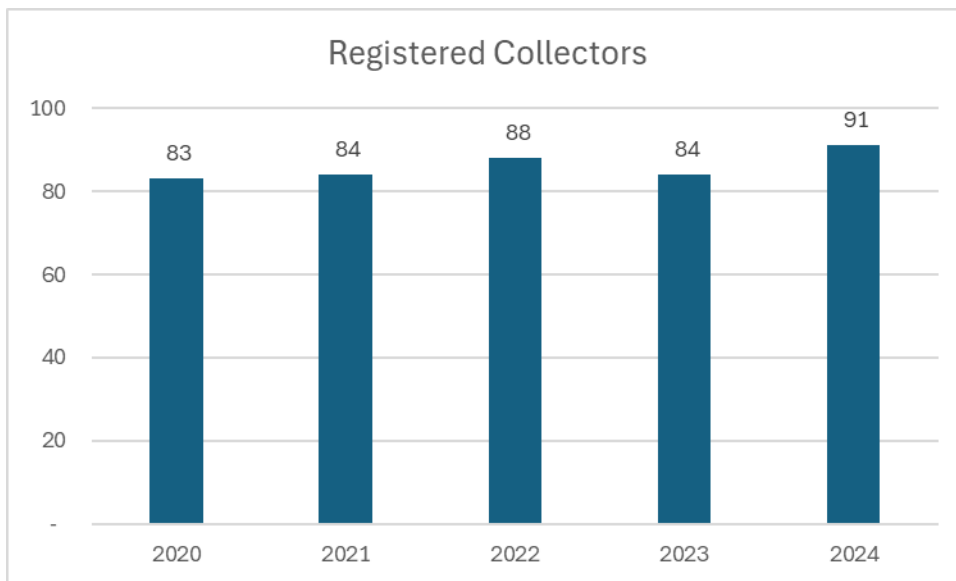
Figure 4: CEDs Recycled by Registered Recycler Facilities



Program Participation – Collectors

Like registered recycler facilities in the E-Cycle Program, all CED collectors must be registered. They are tracked on an annual basis in **Figure 5** with 91 in 2024. Collectors can include local units of government, solid waste management districts, curbside collection programs, manufacturer mail-back programs, electronic retailers, and any other collection program (in Indiana or elsewhere) in which CEDs are collected from covered entities.

Figure 5: Registered Collectors



Registered collectors are not allowed to perform any dismantling of CEDs. Dismantling of CEDs requires registration as a recycler. The collection sites include all registered permanent collection locations in the state and some, but not all, temporary and special collection events.

Nearly all the collectors in the E-Cycle Program are not registered as a recycler facility. However, several companies are registered both as recyclers and as collectors. They provide most of the total CEDs delivered by collectors.

The total CEDs collected and reported by registered collectors in 2024 were 29,328,771 pounds for delivery to recycler facilities. Of this total, 26,702,698 pounds came from metropolitan counties, while 2,626,073 pounds came from non-metropolitan counties.

Indiana Solid Waste Management Districts

have proven to be a valuable resource for collecting CEDs.

In 2024, they collected 5,199,834 pounds of CEDs and accounted for roughly 75 percent of all CEDs collected from non-metropolitan areas in Indiana.