Investments to Tackle Plastic Pollution

This country fact sheet presents the plastic material flow, policy, and investment landscapes, offering quick and easy access to a one-stop resource on tackling plastic pollution.



PLASTIC MATERIAL FLOW

This section provides an overview of the plastic material flow within the country, offering a snapshot of the plastic waste landscape.



PLASTIC PRODUCED

.3 mn

tonnes per year

(International Trade Administration,



PLASTIC CONSUMED

8.5 mn

tonnes per year

(Calculated from GIZ and UN, 2023)



PLASTIC WASTE GENERATED

5.9 mn

tonnes per year

(Inter-American Development Bank, 2020)



PLASTIC RECYCLED

10.0%

(What Design Can Do,



MISMANAGED PLASTIC

tonnes per year

(Inter-American Development Bank, 2020)



PLASTIC WASTE IMPORTS

kilotonnes per year

(Trade Map, 2022)



PLASTIC WASTE EXPORTS

kilotonnes per year

(Trade Map, 2022)

POLICIES

This section highlights selected policies impacting plastic pollution in the country. Details on the status of development of the policy where relevant are also provided.

UPSTREAM

Tax on Single-Use Virgin **Plastics**

Proposals by Congress to create a "Law of the Federal Tax for Single-Use Plastic Bags" (WRI Mexico, 2020)

Ban on Single-Use Plastics

No national ban but there are bans on different single-use plastics such as bags, straws and expanded polystyrene containers across different municipalities

(Inter-American Development Bank, 2020)

MIDSTREAM

Deposit Return System Legislation

DOWNSTREAM

Waste Segregation

Source separated waste collection introduced in 144 municipalities (Holland Circular Hotspot, 2021)

Extended Producer Responsibility

Mexican Senate approved the general terms for the new Circular Economy Law (Global Product Compliance Group, 2021)

Plastic Waste Trade Restrictions

Prior notice and consent requirements for United States' exports of non-hazardous plastic scrap and waste

(United States Environmental Protection Agency, 2024)

Recycled Content Mandates

Proposed revision to the General Law for Circular Economy for plastics to contain at least 25% recycled content by 2025 (Lorax EPI, 2022)

Mandatory Recycling Targets

Disposal Bans/Landfill Taxes

Waste tax of MXN 100 per metric ton applied to non-hazardous urban waste disposed in landfills, collection centers and other disposal sites, effective April 2024 (Baker McKenzie, 2024)





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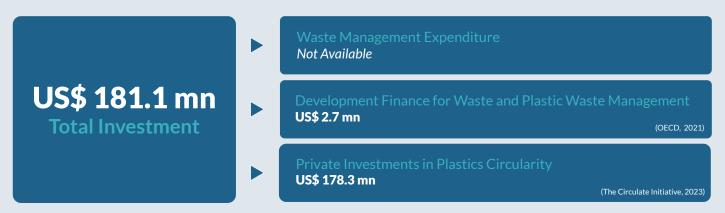


INVESTMENTS



This section provides a summary of public and private investments in waste management, plastic waste management, and plastics circularity. Further breakdown of private investments in plastics circularity solutions by archetypes and investment categories is also provided.

Investments in Waste and Plastic Waste Management (2018 - 2021)



Private Investments in Plastics Circularity (2018 - 6M 2023)

