Investments to Tackle Plastic Pollution

NEW ZEALAND



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 WASTE GENERATED

0.2 mn

tonnes per year

(Global Partnership on Plastic Pollution and Marine Litter, 2020)





0.004 mn

tonnes per year

(Global Partnership on Plastic Pollution and Marine Litter, 2020)



PLASTIC WASTE IMPORTS

3.7

kilotonnes per year

(Trade Map, 2022)



PLASTIC WASTE EXPORTS

22.0

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

Ban on Single-Use Plastics

Phase out of single-use and hard-to-recycle plastic in three tranches, with the more challenging phase-outs by July 2025 (Ministry for the Environment, 2023)

MIDSTREAM

Deposit Return System Legislation

The government conducted a co-designed container return scheme project but decided

(Ministry for the Environment, 2023)

DOWNSTREAM

Waste Segregation

Extended Producer Responsibility

Plastic packaging is one of the six priority products

(Ministry for the Environment, 2024)

Plastic Waste Trade Restrictions

Certain types of plastic waste require a permit for

(Environmental Protection Authority, 2021)

Recycled Content Mandates

Australian, New Zealand and Pacific Islands (ANZPAC) Plastics Pact targets an average of 25% recycled content in plastic packaging

(ANZPAC Plastics Pact, 2021)

Mandatory Recycling Targets

ANZPAC Plastics Pact targets an increase of

(ANZPAC Plastics Pact, 2021)

Disposal Bans/ Landfill Taxes

NZ\$60 per tonne levy for all waste disposed at municipal landfills by 2024 (WM New Zealand, 2022)

Implemented

In progress

Not available



INVESTMENTS

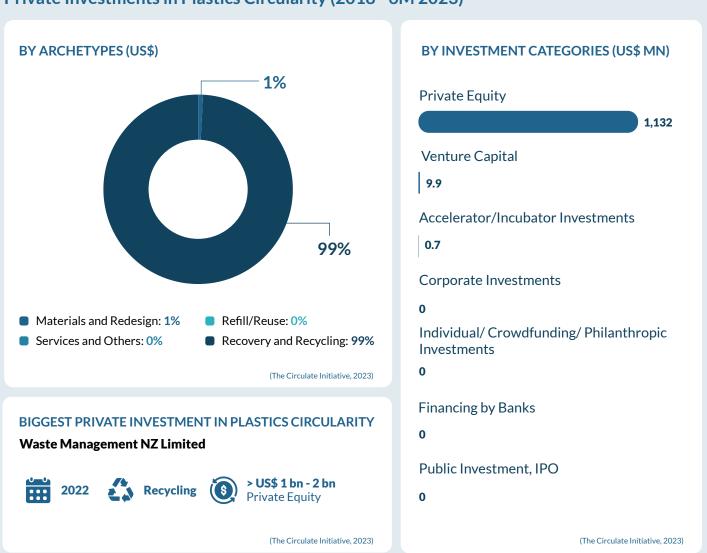


This section provides a summary of public and private investments in waste management, plastic waste management, and plastics circularity. Further breakdown of private investments in plastics circularity solutions by archetypes and investment categories is also provided.

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



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



f Glossary and Other References

