

# HP Planet Partners

Partner with HP for the environment



HP Planet Partners is a free and convenient return and recycling program for Original HP ink and toner cartridges and all brands of computer IT equipment, available in 73 countries worldwide.<sup>1</sup> For more than 25 years, we've been making a difference—together.



## Did you know?

Customers have returned and recycled more than 735 million HP ink and toner cartridges worldwide since the HP Planet Partners program began in 1991, representing a weight of 682 million pounds.

- If all the HP ink and toner cartridges that customers have recycled through HP Planet Partners were laid end-to-end along the equator, they would circle the earth 3 times.
- In 2015, HP used 20 million pounds of recycled plastic to manufacture new Original HP cartridges.

## Recycling Original HP ink and toner cartridges

Original HP Supplies were designed with the environment in mind. HP makes it easy to conserve resources and paper when printing. And when you are done, we make it easy and free to recycle.<sup>1</sup> The HP Planet Partners program for cartridges, available in more than 60 countries and territories around the world, offers multiple options to return and recycle HP cartridges. Go to [hp.com/recycle](http://hp.com/recycle) to find the most convenient option in your country.<sup>1</sup> HP cartridges recycled through the HP Planet Partners program are never refilled, resold, or sent to a landfill.

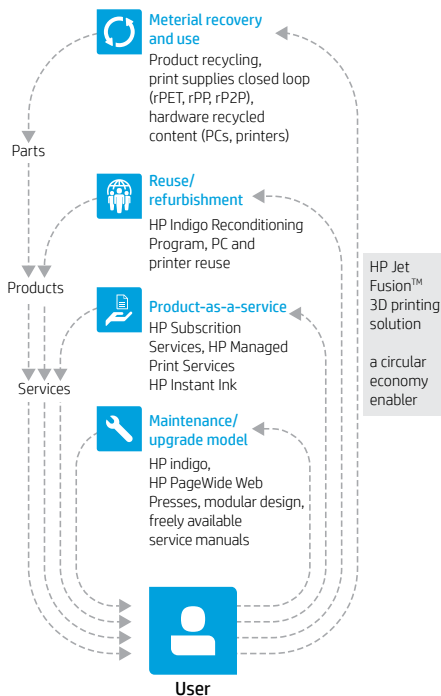
All HP ink and toner cartridges returned to HP Planet Partners go through a multiphase recycling process that separates and refines the raw materials for use in new Original HP cartridges and everyday products.<sup>3</sup> Since 1991, more than 735 million HP cartridges, 3.7 billion recycled plastic bottles and 70 million recycled hangers have been used as raw material in the manufacturing of 3.5 billion new HP cartridges. Today more than 80% of HP ink cartridges and 100% of HP toner cartridges are made with recycled material.<sup>8</sup>

You can support the use of recycled content by choosing Original HP cartridges and recycling them for free through HP Planet Partners.<sup>1</sup> The recycled plastic used in Original HP ink cartridges has a carbon footprint up to 33% smaller than the virgin plastic used in Original HP ink cartridges.<sup>5</sup>

## Did you know?

For more than 25 years HP has recycled more than 3.5 billion pounds of products, equaling the weight of more than 8 thousand blue whales.<sup>6</sup>

We recycled more than 264 million pounds of hardware (including HP and non-HP products) and HP cartridges in 2016—the equivalent weight of 347 Boeing 747s.<sup>7</sup>



HP is reinventing how products are designed, manufactured, used, and recovered as we shift our business model and operations toward a materials and energy-efficient circular economy.

## Recycling or reusing used computer IT equipment

Every piece of information technology (IT) equipment eventually reaches the end of its useful life. At HP, we believe it is essential to manage these items in a responsible and secure way. Not only can improper disposal or recycling of aging electronics harm the environment, but it can also put private data at risk.

HP has been recycling electronics since 1987, and today provides services worldwide.<sup>1</sup> Through HP's Design for Environment program, we develop products across our portfolio to use fewer materials and make recycling easier than it has been for previous generations of HP products.

### Hardware recycling for individuals

We offer convenient recycling drop-off locations across the United States. Our partnership with Staples allows you to bring your old consumer products to any Staples store for free recycling. Plus, we offer vouchers for free mail back for HP-branded products. [hp.com/recycle](http://hp.com/recycle)

### Hardware buyback for individuals

In the United States, you can receive cash back for your PCs, monitors, printers, digital cameras, PDAs and smartphones that still have value—no matter the brand. If your old hardware has no value, we will still responsibly recycle any brand of hardware, at no charge. [hp.com/go/easybuyback](http://hp.com/go/easybuyback)

### Hardware buyback for organizations

We help businesses of all sizes responsibly retire unwanted or obsolete IT equipment. Organizations in the United States with 10 or fewer items can choose to get cash back or recycling assistance for old PCs, monitors, printers, digital cameras, PDAs and smartphones. HP will also recycle hardware that no longer has value. [hp.com/go/smbrecycling](http://hp.com/go/smbrecycling)

### Custom hardware recycling services for organizations

We offer businesses and organizations in the United States and Canada customized services for recycling old electronics from HP, Compaq, Palm and other manufacturers. Custom services include on-site data destruction, packaging and shipping, asset tagging, and serial-number capturing. We'll work with you to create a custom service tailored to meet your specific requirements. [hp.com/go/businessrecycling](http://hp.com/go/businessrecycling)

### Packaging recycling services

The majority of HP packaging materials can be recycled curbside, but there are some areas where appropriate collection services and facilities aren't available. We can help recycle your HP packaging when local curbside recycling isn't an option. [hp.com/go/packagerecycling](http://hp.com/go/packagerecycling)

For more information on HP Planet Partners and how to get started, visit [hp.com/recycle](http://hp.com/recycle) or call 1-800-340-2445.

<sup>1</sup> Program availability varies. For more information, visit: [hp.com/recycle](http://hp.com/recycle)

<sup>2</sup> 2016 Four Elements Consulting LCA study, commissioned by HP, compared Original HP 80A and 83A monochrome toner cartridges with a sample of remanufactured alternatives across eight environmental impact categories. For more, visit [hp.com/go/NA-LJLCA-2016](http://hp.com/go/NA-LJLCA-2016). The LCA leverages a SpencerLab 2016 study, commissioned by HP, comparing Original HP LaserJet toner cartridges with two brands of non-HP toner cartridges sold in NA. For details, see [spencerlab.com/reports/HPReliability-NA-RM2016.pdf](http://spencerlab.com/reports/HPReliability-NA-RM2016.pdf)

<sup>3</sup> InfoTrends, 2016 North America Supplies Recycling study, commissioned by HP. Findings are based on average results of interviews with 9 remanufacturers, 3 NBC manufacturers, 3 brokers and 2 distributors. For details, see [hp.com/go/NA-2016InfoTrends](http://hp.com/go/NA-2016InfoTrends)

<sup>4</sup> As of 2016. Based on nominal payload of 40,000 pounds (18,000 kilograms)

<sup>5</sup> For polyethylene terephthalate PET cartridges produced in 2013 and beyond. Based on a 2014 life cycle assessment (LCA) performed by Four Elements Consulting commissioned by HP. The study compared the environmental impact of using PET plastic with the environmental impact of using recycled PET to manufacture new Original ink cartridges. For details see [hp.com/go/recycledplasticslca](http://hp.com/go/recycledplasticslca)

<sup>6</sup> One blue whale is equal to 400,000 pounds

<sup>7</sup> One Boeing 747 is equal to 987,000 pounds

<sup>8</sup> 80% of HP ink cartridges and 100% of HP toner cartridges includes recycled metals or plastics; 80% of HP ink cartridges and 38% of HP toner cartridges include closed-loop recycled plastic.

