

CLEAN EUROPE NETWORK

INTERPRETING MONITORING DATA

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SWOT OF THE DAY

STRENGTHS, WEAKNESSES, OPPORTUNITIES, THREATS

“HOW DO WE, AS ORGANIZATIONS FIGHTING LITTER AND LITTERING ACROSS EUROPE, ENSURE THE USAGE OF MONITORING DATA BEING A SMART TOOL FOR THE EFFECTIVE PREVENTION OF LITTER AND LITTERING?”



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LISE KEILTY GULBRANSEN

Chair Clean Europe Network





MONITORING IN EUROPE

Lise Keilty Gulbransen
CEN Monitoring Symposium
15th October 2019, Den Haag



- **Waste Framework Directive**
- **Single-Use Plastics Directive**

Waste Framework Directive

Article 9 includes the following obligation:

Member states must identify products that are the main sources of littering, notably in the natural and marine environments, and take measures to prevent and reduce litter from such products.

Single-Use Plastics Directive

Paragraph 30:

It is important to monitor the levels of marine litter in the Union in order to assess the implementation of this Directive. In accordance with Directive 2008/56/EC, Member States are required to regularly monitor the properties and quantities of marine litter, including plastic marine litter. That monitoring data is also to be communicated to the Commission.

Littering in Europe





EUROPEAN CITY SURVEY 2019

Seven European cities

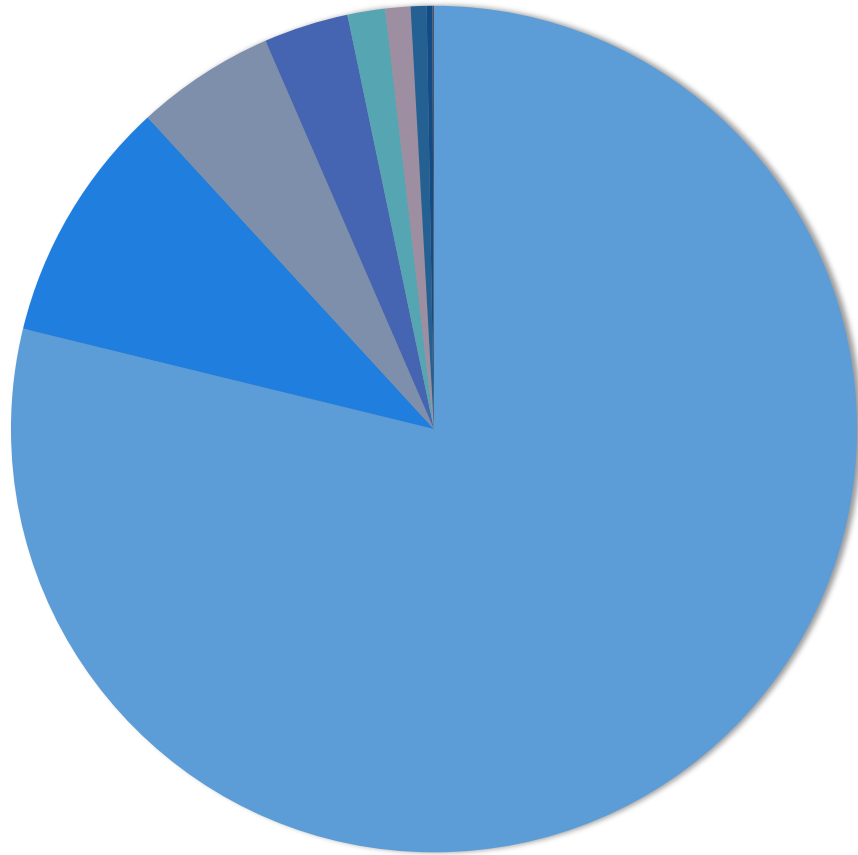
Five areas in each city

TOP FIVE ITEMS

1. Cigarette butts
2. Small pieces of paper
3. Pieces of plastic 2,5 – 5 cm
4. Confectionary/snack bags/wrappings
5. Snuff pouches

LOCATIONS

1. Main rail/bus station (2102)
2. Social residential area (1862)
3. Park (1799)
4. Iconic monument (1671)
5. City centre/shopping area (1316)



■ 1 ■ 2 ■ 3 ■ 4 ■ 5 ■ 6 ■ 7 ■ 8 ■ 9

PROF. DR. GRADUS

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam



Garbage dumping and unit-based pricing: what does the literature tell us?

Raymond Gradus (*) (***)

Elbert Dijkgraaf (**) (***)

(*) VU University Amsterdam

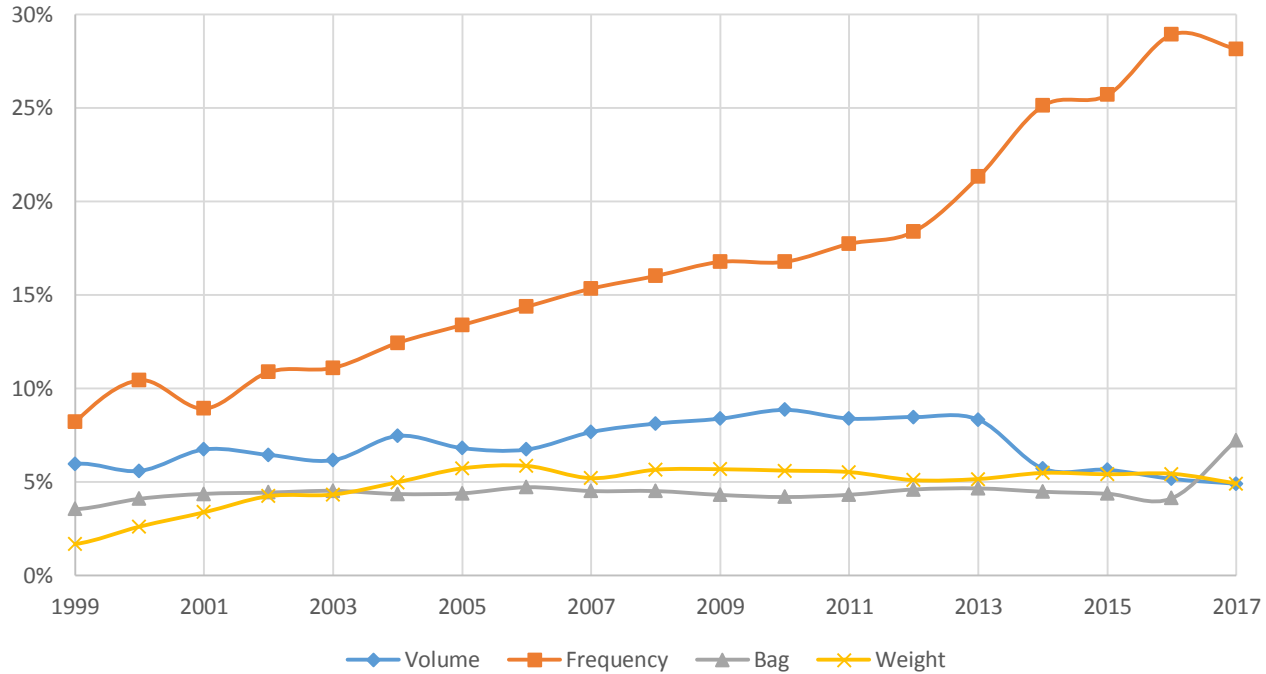
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(***) Tinbergen Institute

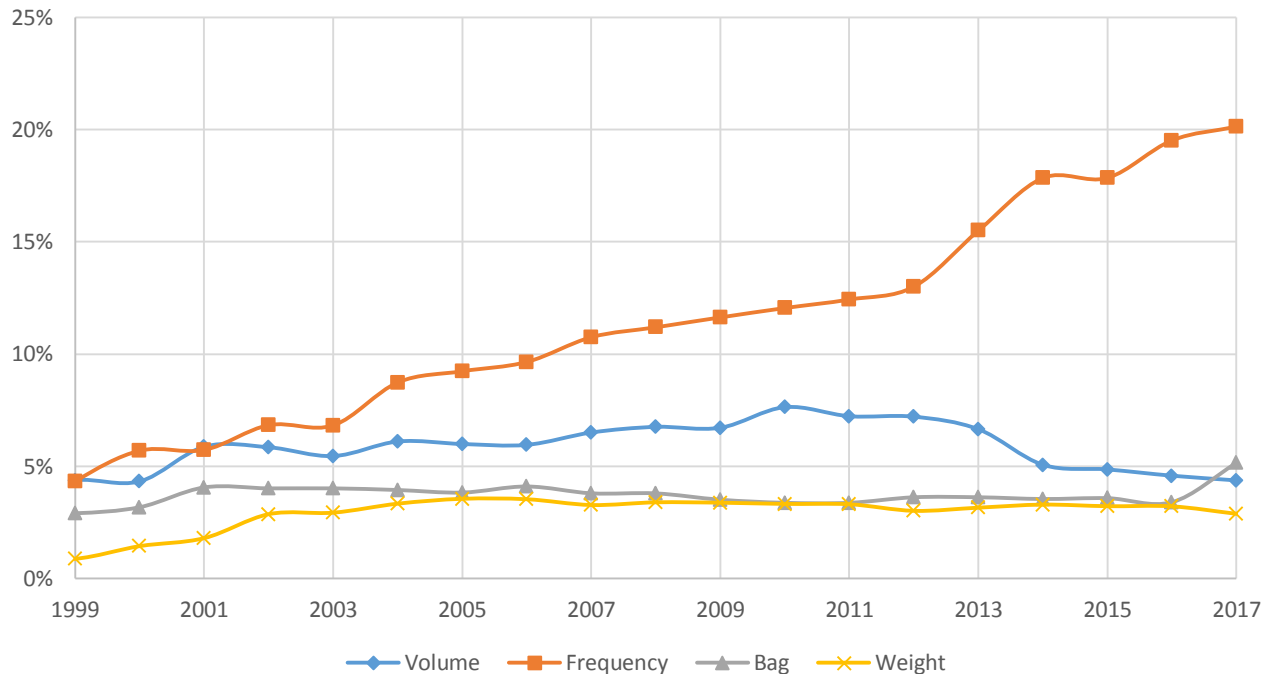
Dutch recycling context

- #municipalities with unit-based pricing raised from 20% in '99 to 45% in '17 (Gradus&Dijkgraaf, WM, '19)
- 4 systems ranging from most to less effective in recycling: (1) weight, (2) bag, (3) frequency, (4) volume
- Analyzing shifts: 83% implement a more effective UBP system and 17% change back

Unit-based pricing systems, 99-17



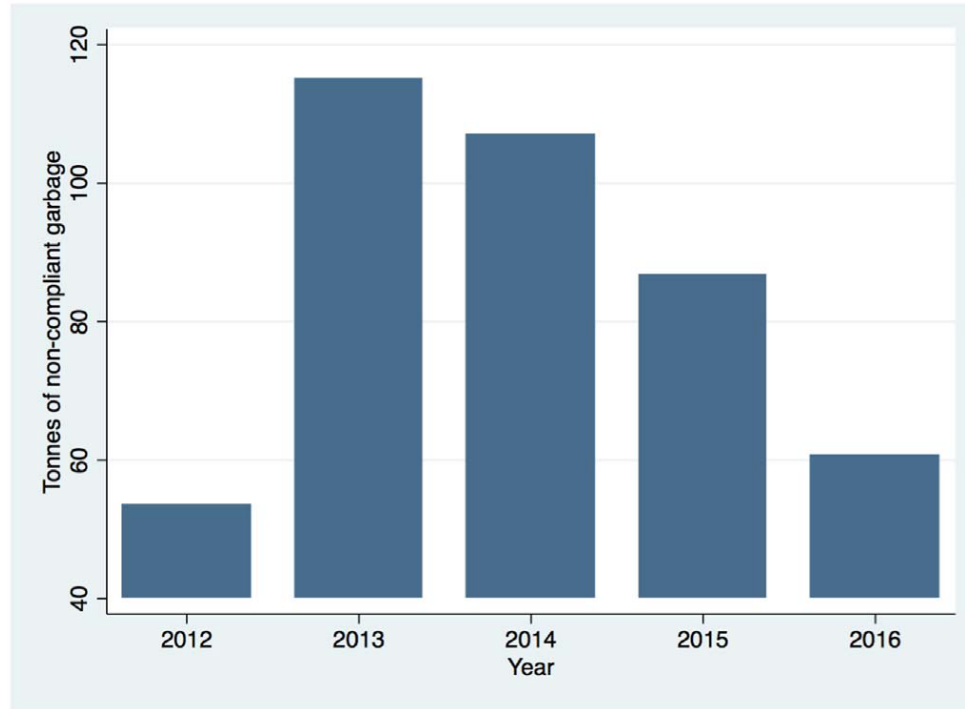
Unit-based pricing systems, weighted by inhabitants, 99-17



Effects of unit-based pricing

- Effect on unsorted waste depending on system (weight: -40%, bag: -30% and frequency: -20%) (D&G, '14)
- Why? More separation (50%), but other 50%: illegal or illicit dumping or less packaging material
- For last effect, there is less empirical evidence (D&G, '16)

What is evidence for illegal dumping? – I (Lausanne)



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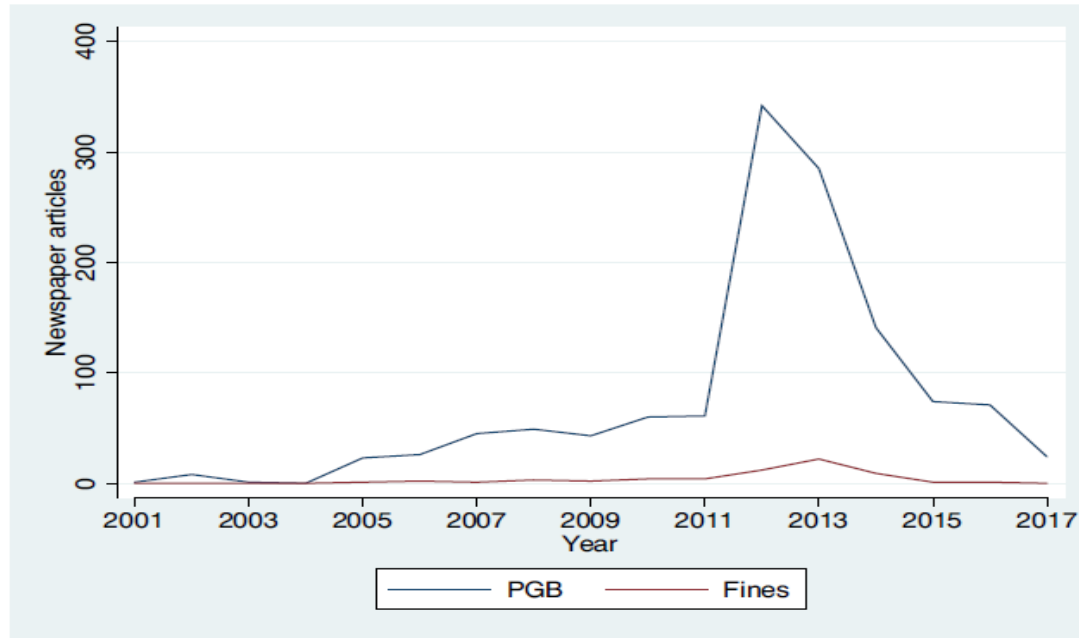


Fig. 6. Media data: local coverage of PGB and illicit behaviour.

What is evidence for illegal dumping? -II

- Empirical indication for more waste havens in case of UBP for Swiss municipalities (Erhardt, 2019)
- Dijkgraaf and Gradus (2016) found no evidence for a packaging effect in UBP-municipalities with post separation of plastics
- Heller and Vatn (2017) question the justification of an economic incentive scheme, and as a result the scheme can be counterproductive

Conclusions and further research

- Dutch municipalities with UBP separates more waste but is there more illegal dumping?
- Based on data of *NederlandSchoon* for 2016-2018 on Dutch shopping-centres for 75 municipalities the effect of UBP and **other aspects** on a neighborhood can be analyzed
- Behavior consumers ('packaging-effect') should be invest in more detail

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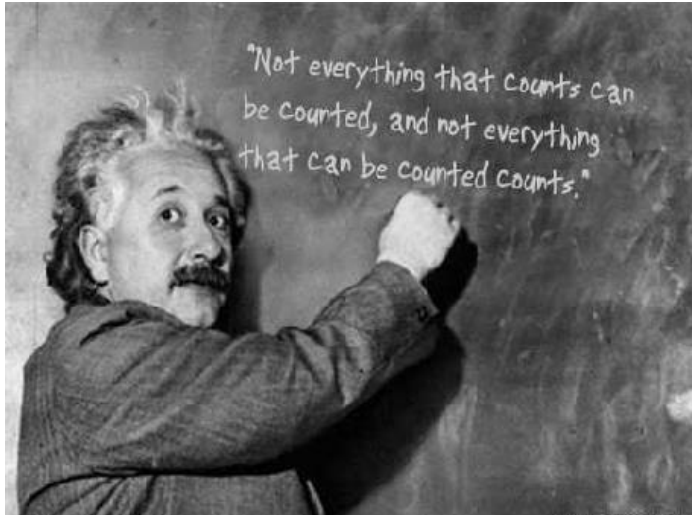
CEES RIKSEN

Rijkswaterstaat





Rijkswaterstaat
*Ministry of Infrastructure
and Water Management*



Monitoring the effects of litter

Cees Riksen
October 15th 2019



Agenda

- National monitor, objective
- National monitor, subjective
- Monitoring the effects



National monitor litter, objective





Why this monitor?

- Monitoring ambition "Impulsprogramma zwerfafval"
- *"The ambition of the program and therefore of the collaborating parties is to take the prevention of litter, enforcement and cleaning up in such a way that the public space is visible and measurably cleaner."*



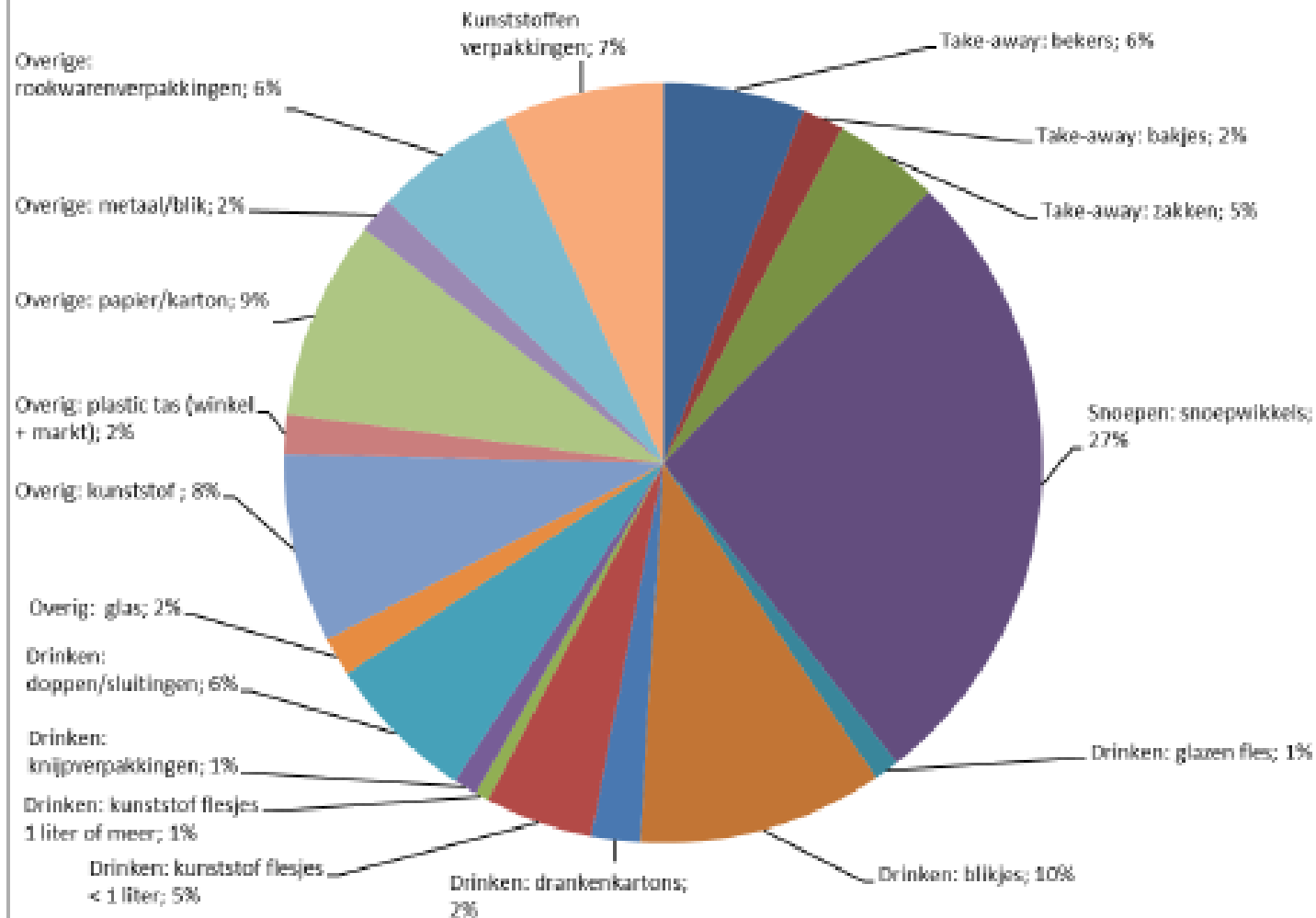


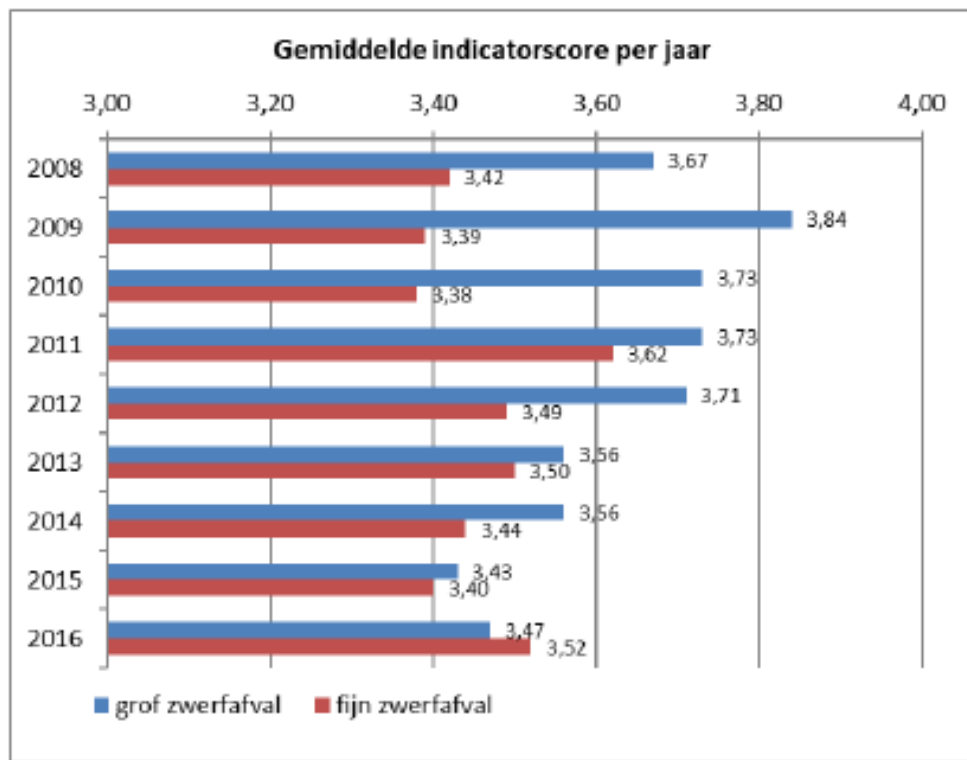
In de afgelopen twee jaar is gemeten op meer dan 1.000 locaties in heel Nederland. >



Schoonheidsgraad	←	Eenheden zwerfafval	←	Normeringsbeeld CROW
A+ zeer schoon		0		
A schoon		1 tot en met 3		
B matig schoon		4 tot en met 10		
C vuil		11 tot en met 25		
D zeer vuil		Meer dan 25		

Procentuele verdeling Drank- en eetverpakking per subcategorie







National monitor litter, subjective





Monitoring of effects

- Project 'Versterken beleidsbasis, meten is weten'
 - Translated 'Strengthening policy basis, measuring is knowing'

Projectgoals

1. Realizing a shared policy information basis for (the consequences of) litter
2. The development of an adequate monitoring method for litter. Linked to four goals
3. Developing and advising on national policy goals for litter



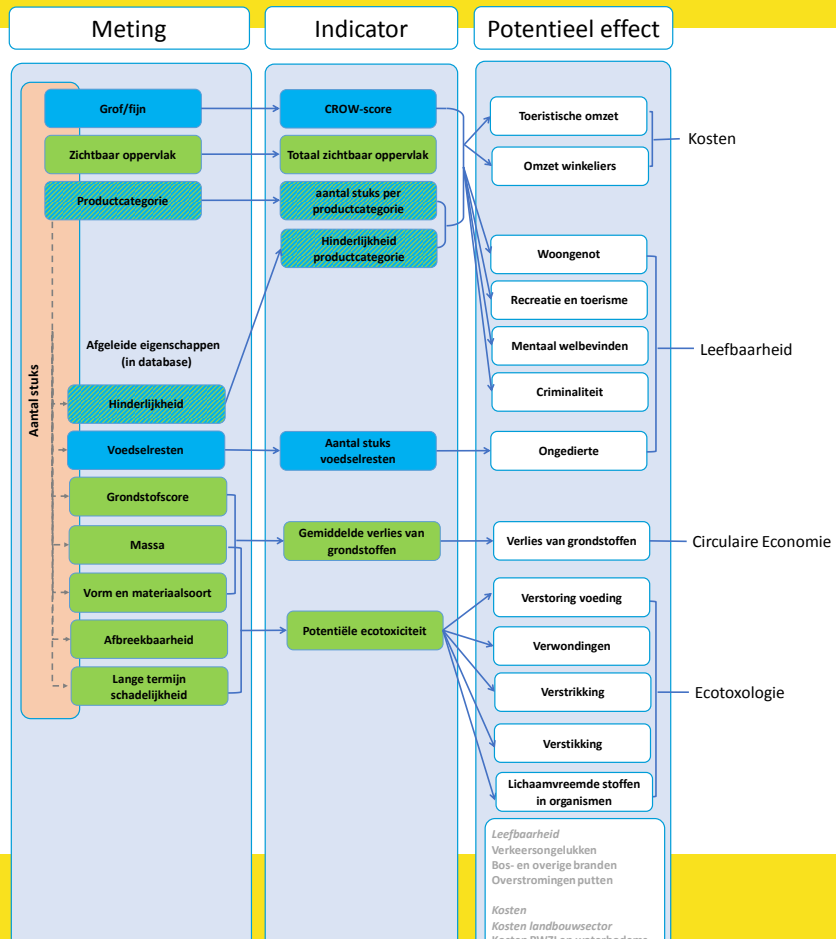
The four effects of litter

1. Livability effects.
 - Increase in quality of life, perception of safety.
 2. Preventing and reducing negative effects on human health and nature.
 3. Circular Economy.
 - Preventing and reducing the loss of raw materials.
 4. Reducing costs.
-
- Cleanliness must become the norm for everyone!
 - Good monitoring can contribute to this



Proces

- Inventory of the effects of litter
- Drawing up a broad list of indicators for the effects of litter
- Selection indicators
- Mapping costs and implementation process





Livability effects.





Effects on human health and nature.





Circular Economy

Circulaire economie





Costs

- Direct costs



- Indirect costs



MARLOES HEEBING & DICK AYRES

Go Clean De Liemers

Litterati





IT ALL STARTED
#LITTERATI



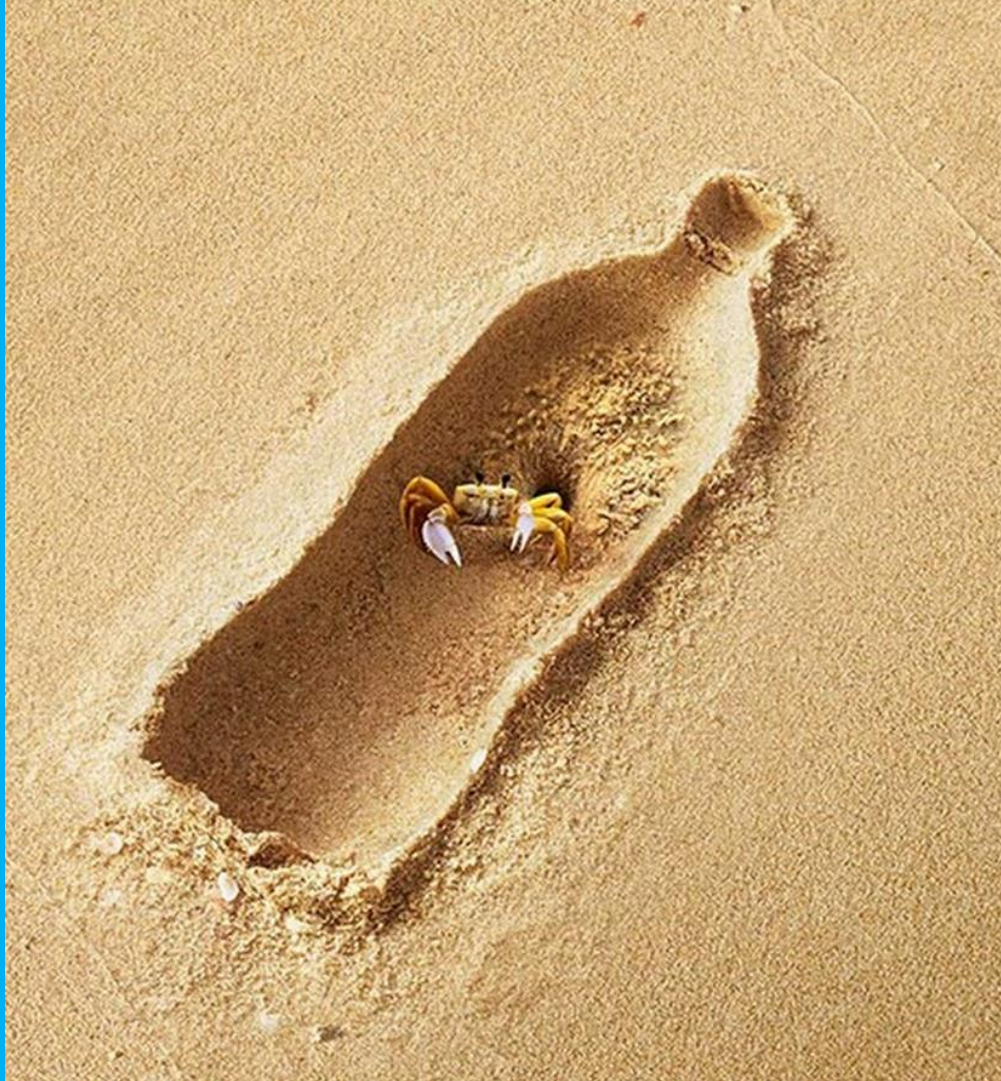
A COMMUNITY OF PEOPLE
CLEANING-UP
THE PLANET



INTO A
GLOBAL
COMMUNITY
IN 115 COUNTRIES



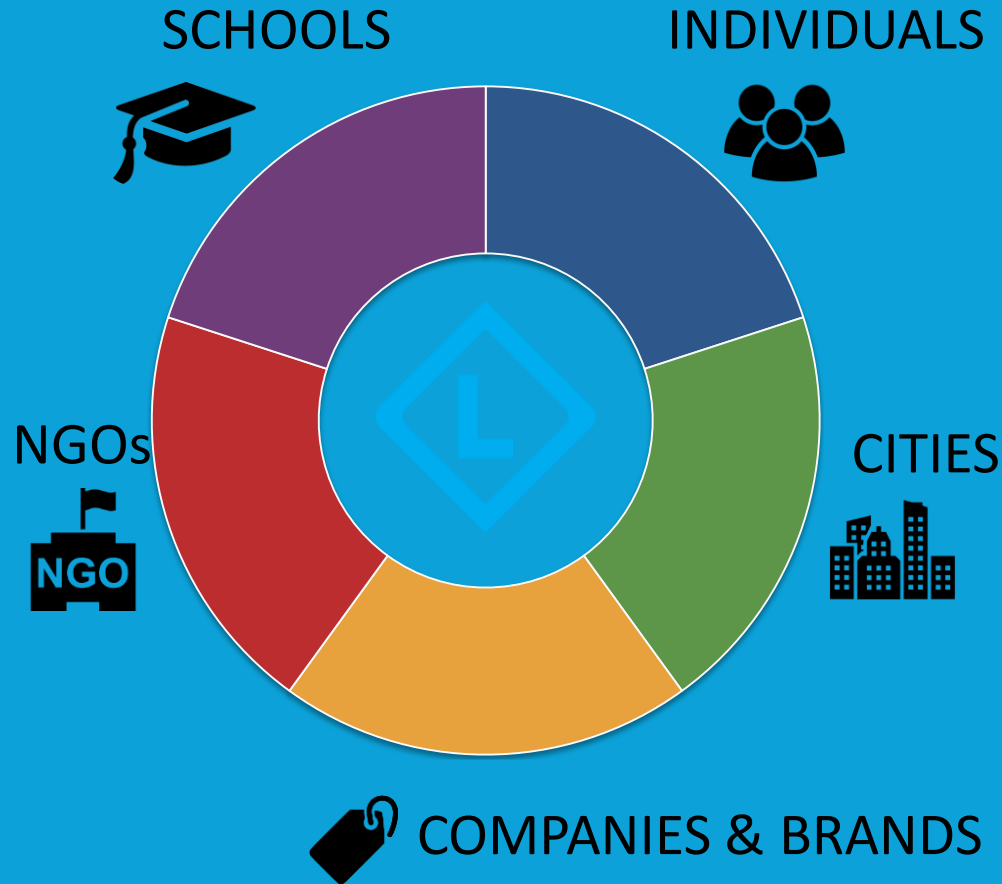
TO CREATE A
LITTER FREE
WORLD





LITTERATI IS THE PLATFORM THAT
CONNECTS, QUANTIFIES & EMPOWERS
A COMMUNITY TO CREATE A LITTER FREE WORLD.

WE'RE CONNECTED IN AN
ECOSYSTEM



A TOOL TO MEASURE IMPACT



INCORPORATING MACHINE LEARNING AND A TAXONOMY



BUILDING A
**GLOBAL
DATABASE**
OF LITTER



COMMUNITY + DATA =
CHANGE

IN SAN FRANCISCO, OUR DATA
GENERATES

\$4,000,000
IN ANNUAL TAX REVENUE

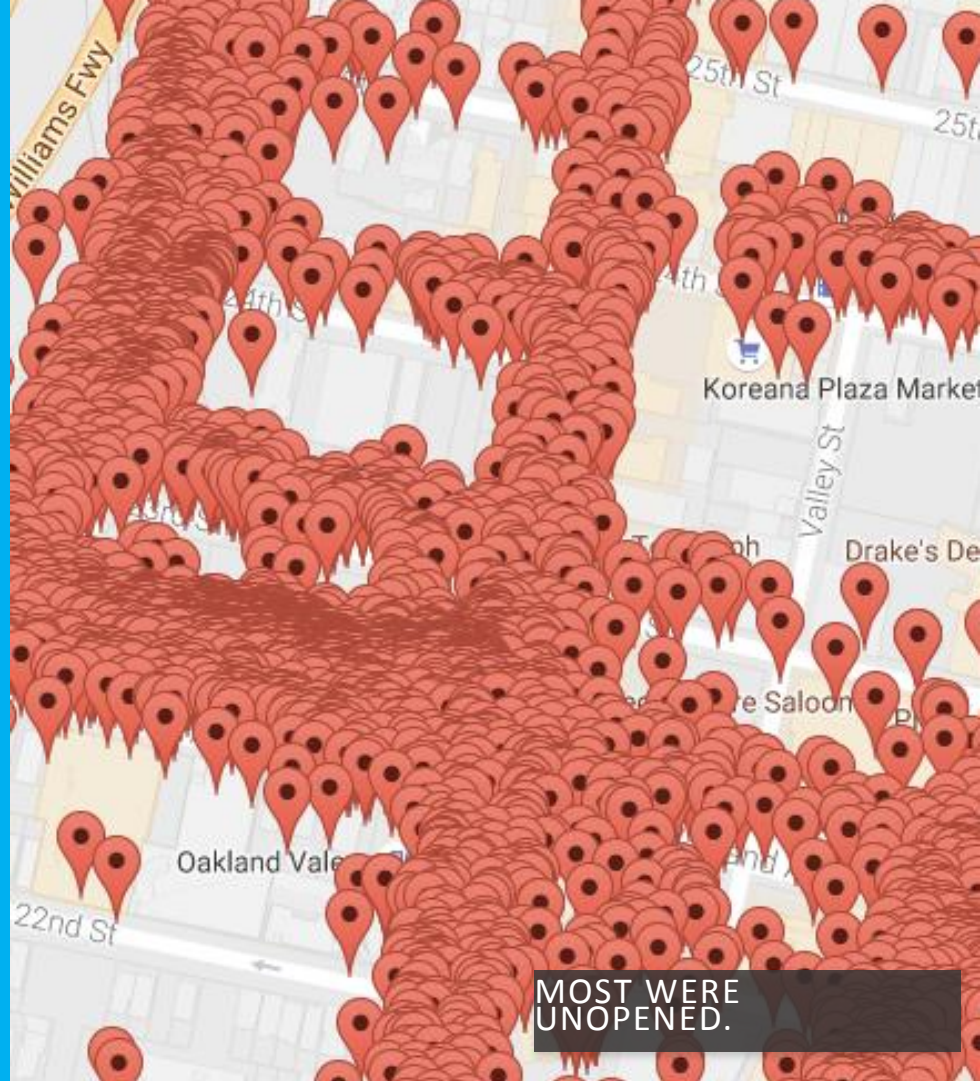


FUNDING THE CITY'S CLEANING
EFFORT.

IN OAKLAND, OUR COMMUNITY PICKED-
UP

1,500 TACO BELL

HOT SAUCE PACKETS.



MOST WERE
UNOPENED.

FROM
PLASTIC TO PAPER

ACROSS THE NETHERLANDS



WE CALL THESE

STORIES OF IMPACT.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

CONNECT & EMPOWER
**YOUR
COMMUNITY**



WE MEASURE IMPACT

✓ District 7

● NEUBAU

✓ Data garbage

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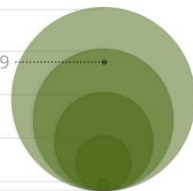
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AVG: 28.9



✓ POIs

● LOCATION POINTS

✓ Hostelry

● RESTAURANT, CAFE Y PUB

✓ Transport nodes

● BUS, CAB, SUBWAY

✓ Shops

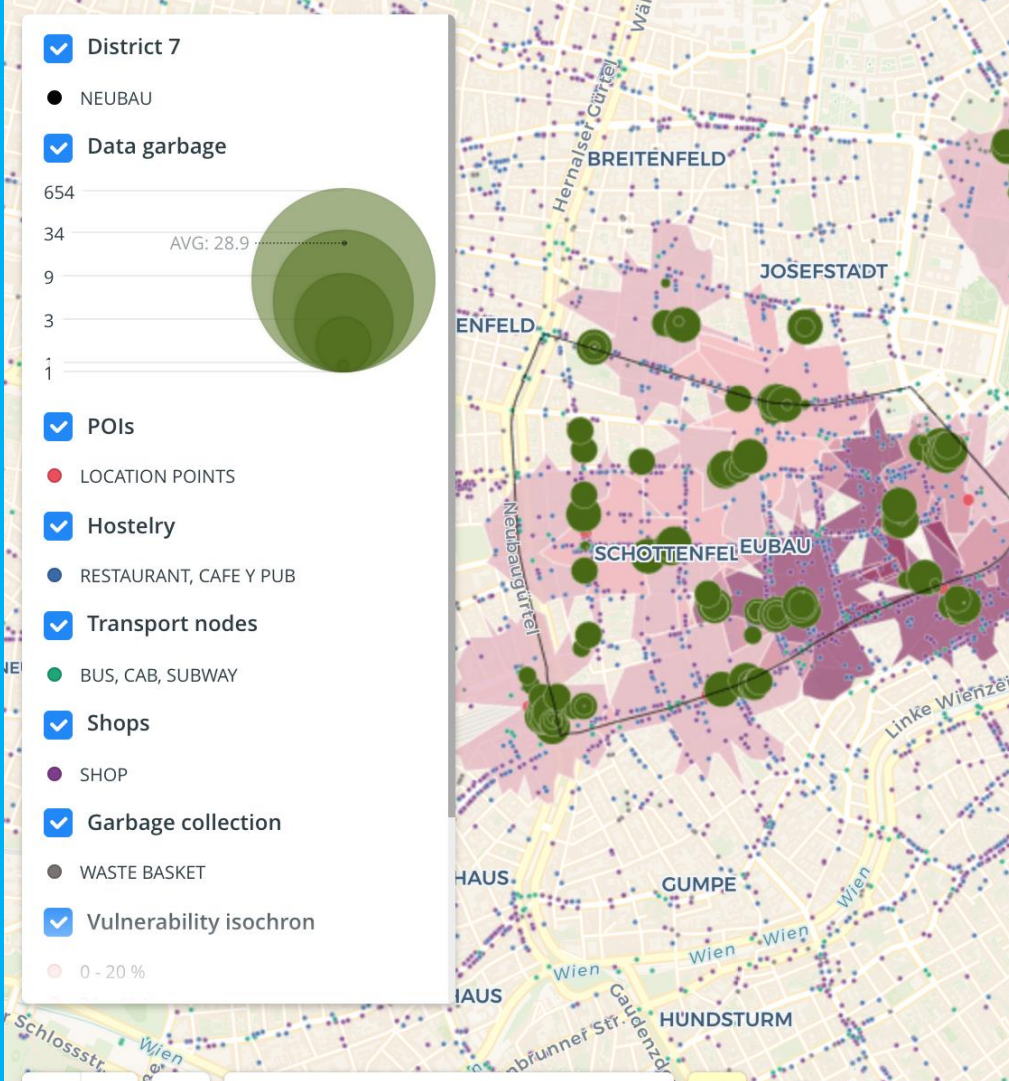
● SHOP

✓ Garbage collection

● WASTE BASKET

✓ Vulnerability isochron

● 0 - 20 %



SO YOU CAN DRIVE CHANGE.

- ★ LEARN FROM PATTERNS & TAKE ACTION
- ★ RECOGNIZE & REWARD THE COMMUNITY
- ★ CONTINUED MONITORING



MAKING THE

INVISIBLE VISIBLE.

JOIN US.



GOCLEAN



From Symptom
Control to Source
Control



Register litter



Litter Compass

Filters

Datum vanaf/tot

01-09-2017 t/m 11-10-2019

Categorie

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Object

bottle, can

Materiaal

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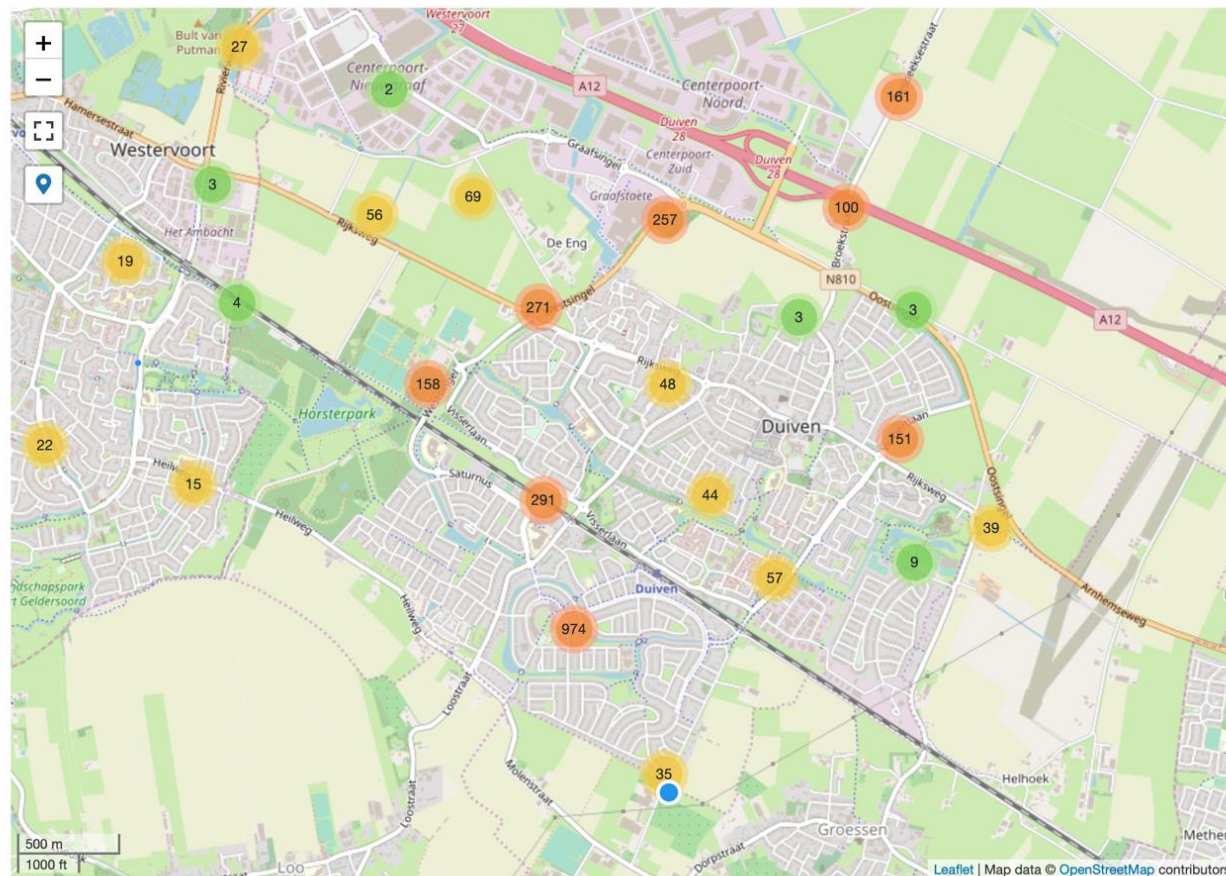
Kaart

Tabel

Diagram

Grafiek

Statistieken





(Drinks) drink, (Drinks) icetea, bottle, lipton, plastic, (ice tea) icetea



(Drinks) energydrink, can, (red bull) redbull, aluminum



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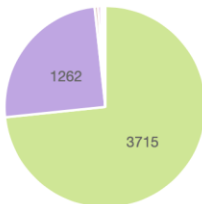
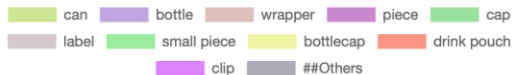
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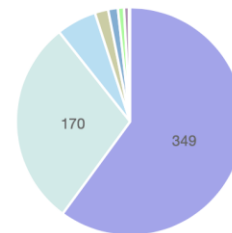
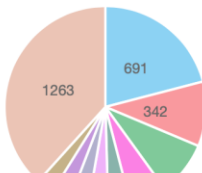
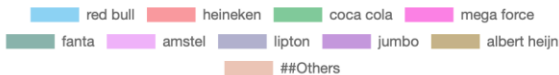
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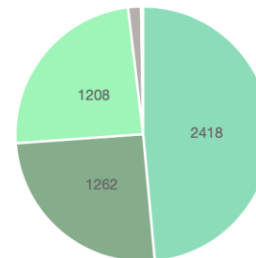
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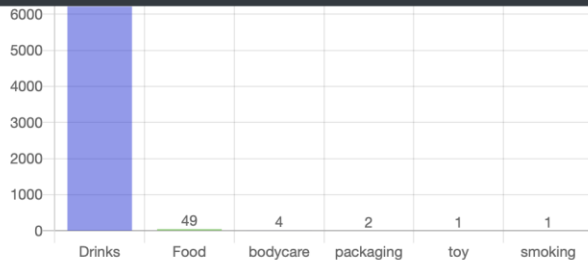
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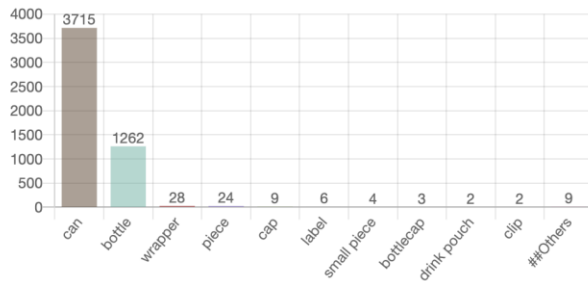
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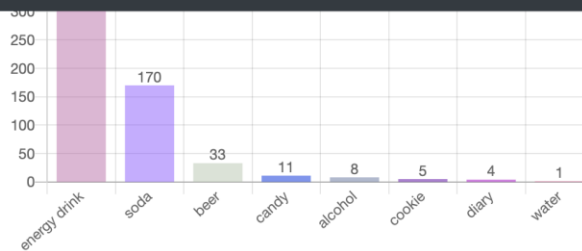
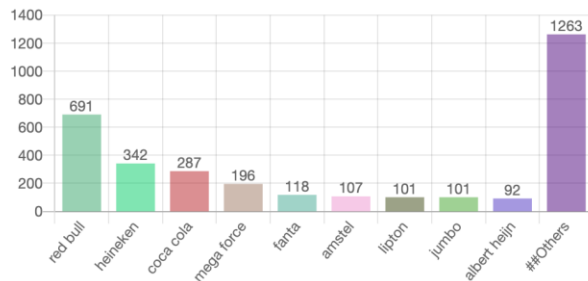
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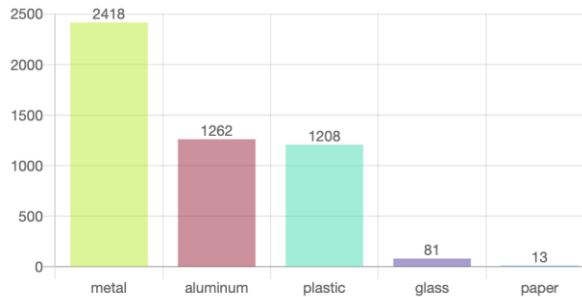
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Filters toegepast

Opslaan filters

 Filter is zichtbaar voor anderen in

37048 totaal afval.



365 gebieden.



4968 gefilterd afval.



365 geselecteerde gebieden.

C - (Categorieën)

Drinks	6789
Food	49
bodycare	4
packaging	2
toy	1
smoking	1

SC - (Subcategorieën)

energy drink	349
soda	170
beer	33
candy	11
alcohol	8
cookie	5
diary	4
water	1

O - (Objecten)

can	3715
bottle	1262
wrapper	28
piece	24
cap	9
label	6
small piece	4
bottlecap	3
drink pouch	2
clip	2
candy wrapper	2
water bottle	2
glass piece	1
glass bottle	1
plastic bottle	1

M - (Materialen)

metal	2418
aluminum	1262
plastic	1208
glass	81
paper	13

B - (Merken)

red bull	691
heineken	342
coca cola	287
mega force	196
##Others	168
fanta	118
amstel	107
lipton	101
jumbo	101
albert heijn	92
pitt bier	80
bullit	75
slammers	66
grolsch	58
golden power	58

In Depth Monitoring

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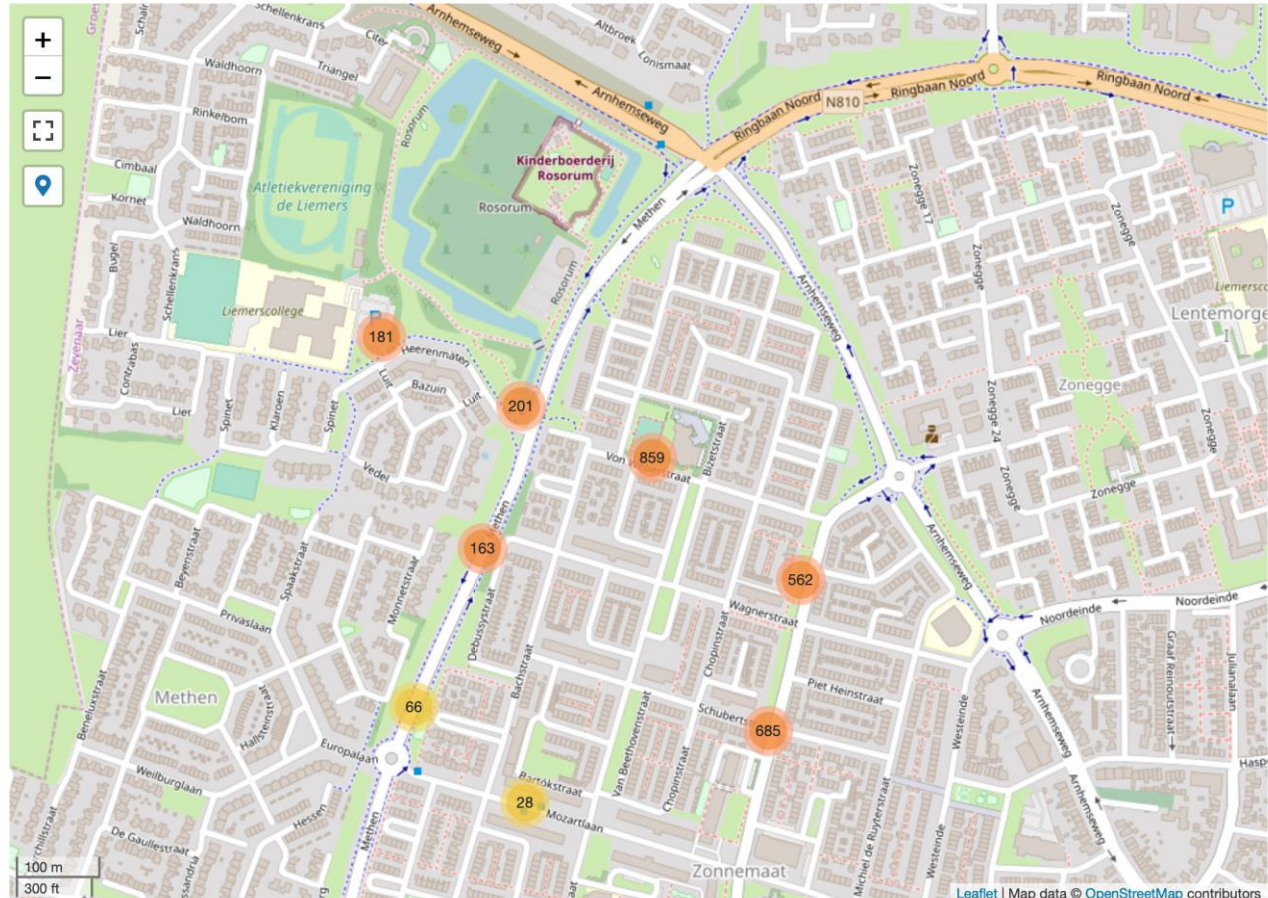
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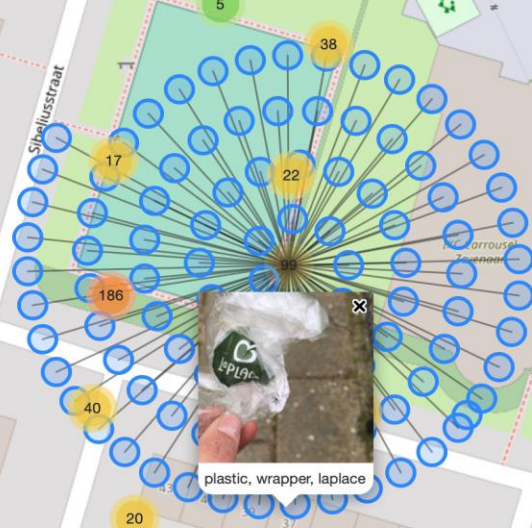
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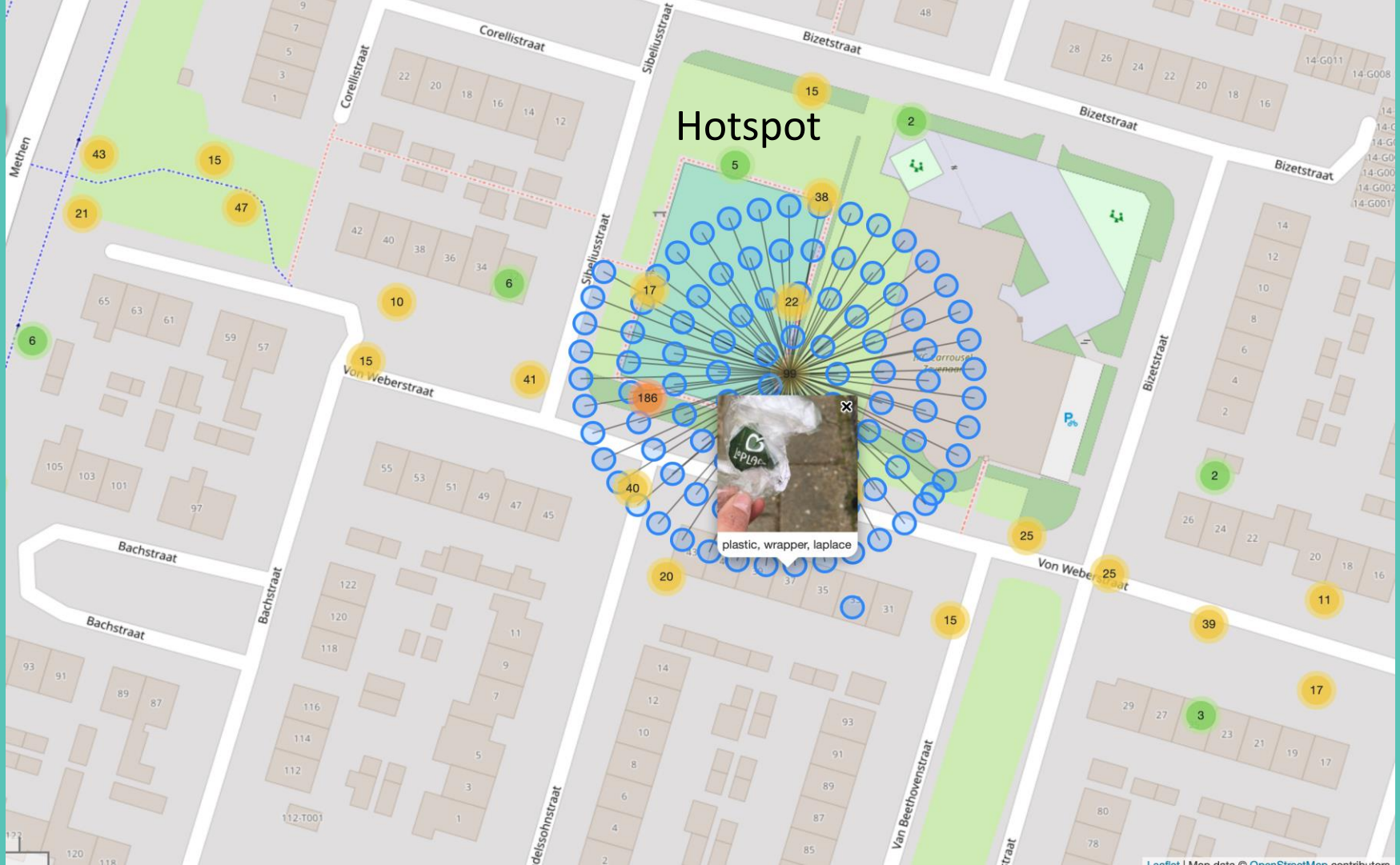




Hotspot



plastic, wrapper, laplace



Students in the Field





JUMBO
Jan Heemskerk

Elke zondag geopend
van 10.00 uur tot 18.00 uur.

Welkom bij de
allergeodkoopste
van Zevenaar!

MARI MO OSTERHEIDER

Hold Norge Rent



holdnorerent.no

hold
Norge
rent

Clean Europe Network, Den Haag 15th October 2019

Monitoring Symposium

Monitoring in Norway

Civil society as a source of knowledge and a basis for policy making

Mari Mo Osterheider, Keep Norway Beautiful





KEEP NORWAY BEAUTIFUL'S
MISSION IS TO END LITTERING

CAMPAIGNS

- Before the Birds Return
- Coastal Clean Up Week
- Keep the Autumn Beautiful
- My Part of Norway



AIMS

- Remove litter
- Awareness raising
- Collect data





OSPAR
COMMISSION

PROGRAMMES

- Citizen Science
- Nordic Reference Beaches
- Rivers and Lakes



holdNorderent

CITIZEN SCIENCE

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Volunteers	1 978	4 166	10 020	12 191	19 173	18 489	48 702	142 810
Clean-ups			389	522	855	1 364	2 845	5 738
Tonnes	19	60	116	132	250	377	1 374	2 793

Velkommen til Ryddeportalen

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Ofte stilte spørsmål

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Alle aksjoner hittil i år ▾

4 130
aksjoner

729 868
kg søppel samlet inn

2 007 680
meter ryddet strand

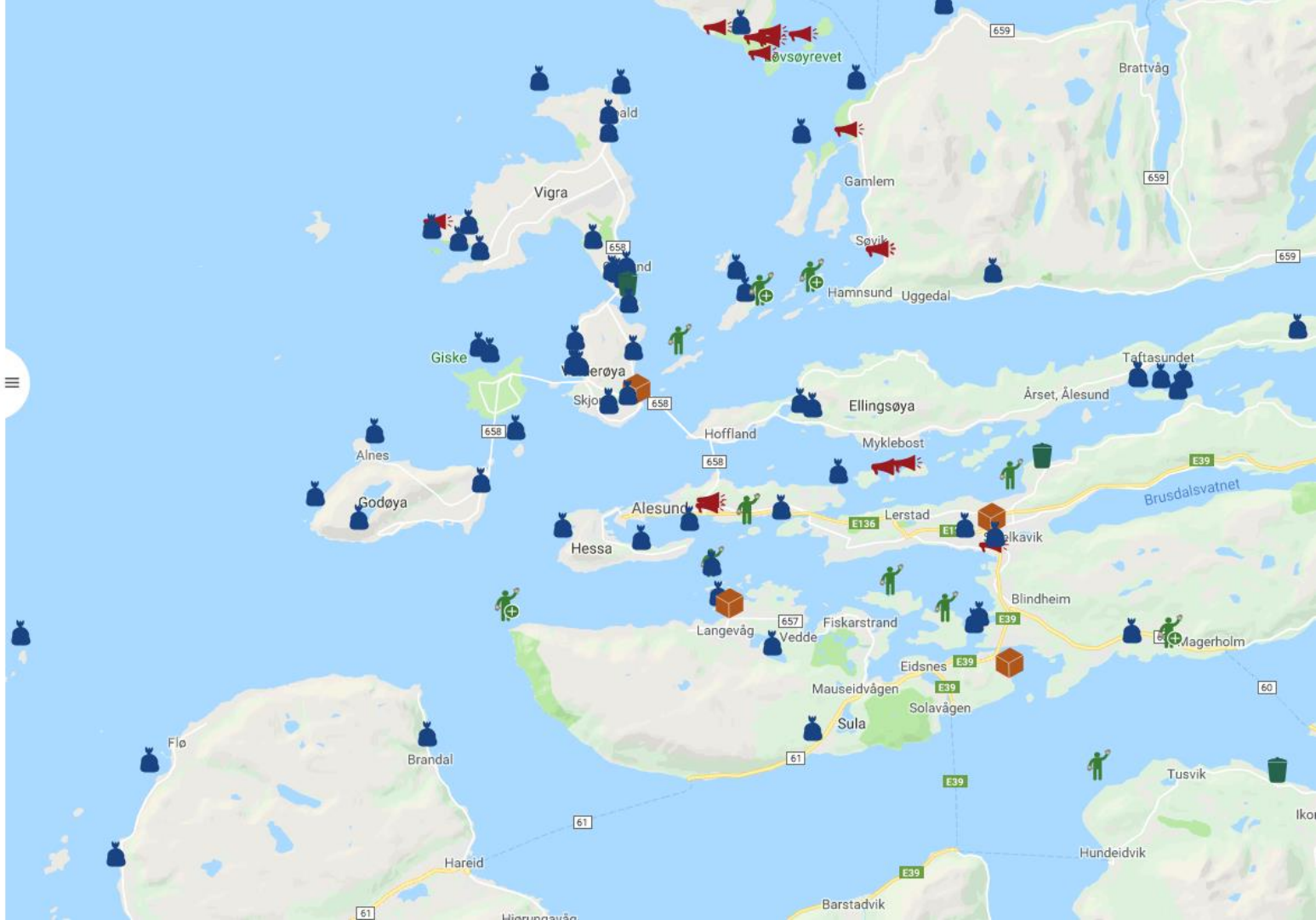
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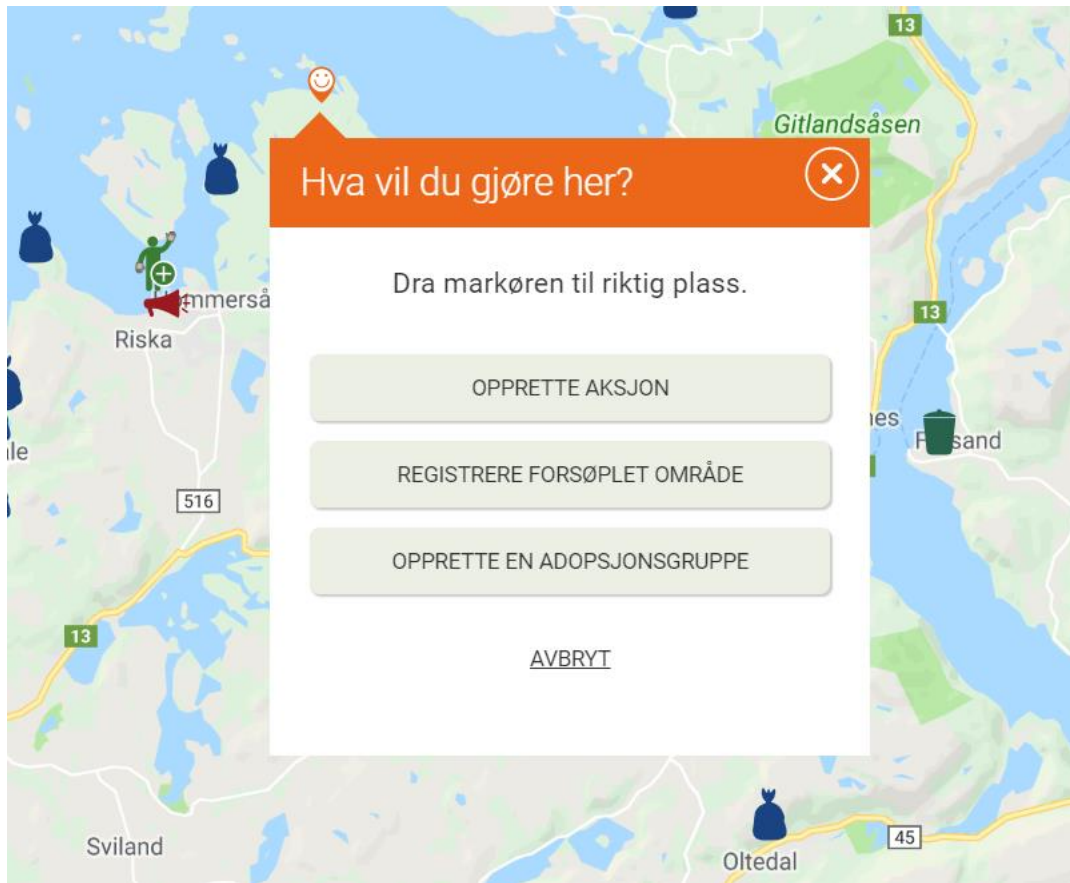
- Planlagte aksjoner
- Åpen for påmelding
- Avsluttede aksjoner
- Forsøplede områder
- Avfallsinnlevering
- Adopterte områder
- Utlevering ryddepakker

Strandryddeuka 2019



Vis år 2019





Hva vil du gjøre her?



Dra markøren til riktig plass.

OPPRETTE AKSJON

REGISTRERE FORSØPLET OMRÅDE

OPPRETTE EN ADOPSJONGSRUPPE

AVBRYT

Funnregistrering i kystsonen

Skjemaet er basert på Ocean Conservancys protokoll.

Antall Frivillige	Ca. kg ryddet	Ca. timer brukt	Ca. meter ryddet

* Dette er bare omtrentlige tall. En full seppelsekk tlovarer ca. 10 kg. Husk å gange timer med antall frivillige.

Fremkomstmåte (Hvordan kom du/dere til ryddastedet?)

Til fots Bil Båt, kano, kajakk Dykking Surfbrett/SUP

Skriv inn antall du/dere fant av hver type funn under

TOPP 12

Husholdningsflasker/
kanner som såpe/matolje: Lokk/korker/
drikkeboksringer:

Bomullspinner (q-tips): Drikkeflasker og bokser:

Isopor (biter over 5 cm): Matemballasje/take-away:

Pakkebånd og strips: Plastposer:

Sigarettsneiper og snus: Tau over 50 cm:

Tau under 50 cm: Uidentifiserbare plastbiter:

PERSONLIG FORBRUK

Engangsdekketøy som
bestikk/kopper/tallerkener: Husholdningsflasker/
kanner som såpe/matolje:

Ballonger: Drikkeflasker og bokser:

Glassflasker: Engangsgriller:

Klær og tekstiler: Leker og smokker:

Lightere: Lokk/korker/drikkeboksringer:

Matemballasje/take-away: Plastposer:

Sigarettsneiper og snus: Sko:

Snus- og røykpakker: Sugerør og rørepinner:

holdNorgeent

FISKERI OG MARITIMT

Agneballasje/bokser: Bøyer og flotterer:

Fiskegarn: Fiskekasser/isoporkasser:

Fiskekroker: Fiskesnøre:

Olje- og bensinkanner: Tau over 50 cm:

Tau under 50 cm: Teiner:

INDUSTRI OG NÆRINGSAVFALL

Armeringsfiber: Byggematerialer/behandlet trevirke:

Landbruksplast: Isolasjonsmateriale:

Plastpellets (råplastkuler/nurdles):

Sprengkabler/skyteledning:

HYGIENE OG SANITÆRARTIKLER

Bind og tamponger: Biomedier/reusefilter:

Bleier: Bomullspinner (q-tips):

Sprøyter og sprøytespisser: Kondomer:

Emballasje til hygieneart, som
linsertamponger/kondomer:

Våtservietter:

ANNET

Batterier: Bildeler:

Dekk: Elektriske artikler:

Hvitevarer: Isopor (biter over 5 cm):

Lyspærer: Malingspann o.l.:

Oljefat: Pakkebånd og strips:

Paller: Patronhylser:

Presenning/plastduker: Uidentifiserbare plastbiter:

Annet dere har funnet:

Logg inn på din aksjon på holdnorgeent.no/ryddeportalen eller bruk aksjonskoden din for å registrere funn i Ryddeportalen når du har fylt ut skjemaet.

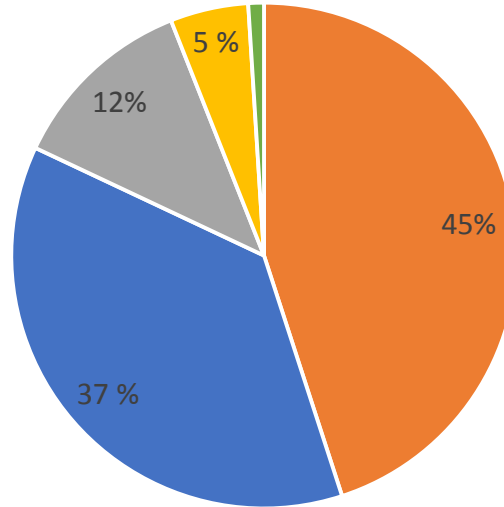
Tusen takk for din verdifulle innsats med å rydde og registrere funn!

BASIS

- 6 975 active users
- 2 423 clean-ups
- 2015 - 2018



SOURCES MARINE LITTER 2017



■ Personal consumption

■ Sanitary waste

■ Fisheries and recreational fishing ■ Construction and industry

■ Other sources

NORDIC COASTAL CLEAN-UP 5 MAY 2018



The Nordic countries –
surrounded and connected by water

HOLD
DANMARK
RENT



LANDVERIND

hold
 norge
 rent



ÅLANDS
NATUR & MILJÖ

HALL SVERIGE RENT.

RINGRÁS



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DATA CARD



Date of monitoring: _____

Beach surroundings <input type="checkbox"/> URBAN <input type="checkbox"/> PERI-URBAN <input type="checkbox"/> RURAL	Geography <input type="checkbox"/> WEST COAST <input type="checkbox"/> EAST COAST <input type="checkbox"/> SOUTH COAST <input type="checkbox"/> NORTH COAST	Location and type Name of beach: _____ County/region/province: _____ Municipality: _____ Type: _____ (e.g. "rocky" or "sandy")
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Aggregated data		
<input type="text"/> KILOGRAMS* <small>*One trash bag is approximately 10 kilos</small>	<input type="text"/> HOURS SPENT** <small>** Multiply hours spent with number of participants</small>	<input type="text"/> NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

Indicate the number of each litter type below:

<input type="text"/>	Rope	<input type="text"/>	Plastic bottles
<input type="text"/>	Plastic bags	<input type="text"/>	Aluminum drinking boxes
<input type="text"/>	Cigarette butts and snus	<input type="text"/>	Foamed plastic and Styrofoam
<input type="text"/>	Fish nets	<input type="text"/>	Wood
<input type="text"/>	Food packaging/wrappers, disposable tableware in plastic	<input type="text"/>	Sanitary waste (e.g. q-tips, wet wipes, tampon applicators)

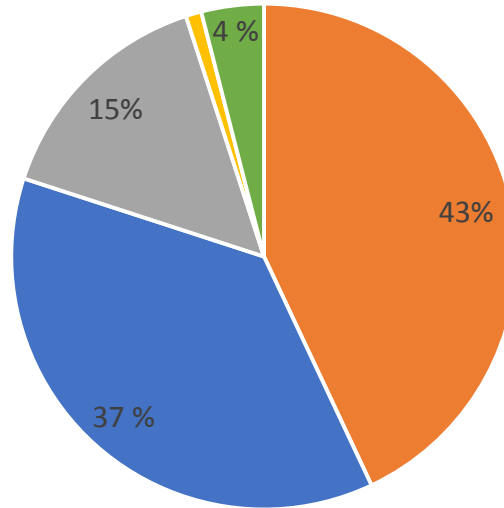
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<input type="text"/>	Lumps of paraffin	<input type="text"/>	Textile (e.g. clothing, cloth, shoes)
<input type="text"/>	Glass and ceramics	<input type="text"/>	Electronics
<input type="text"/>	Litter sourced overseas*	<input type="text"/>	Unidentified plastic pieces

(*PLEASE NOTE! Overseas items are counted twice, both as "sourced overseas" and as their item category (e.g. "bottle")

Comments



NORDIC SOURCES MARINE LITTER 2017



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■ Other sources

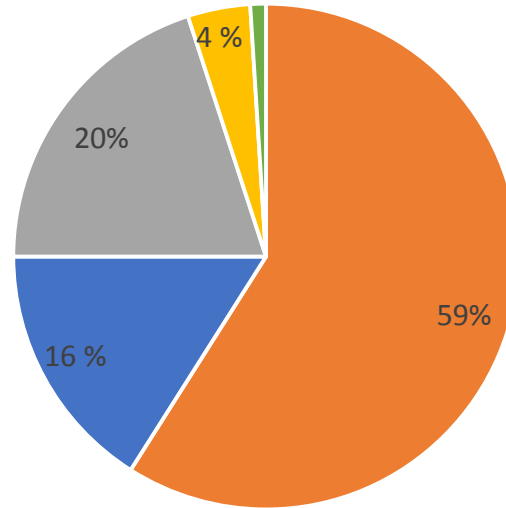
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Forsøpling langs vassdrag
og innsjøer i Norge

SOURCES ALONG RIVERS AND LAKES 2017



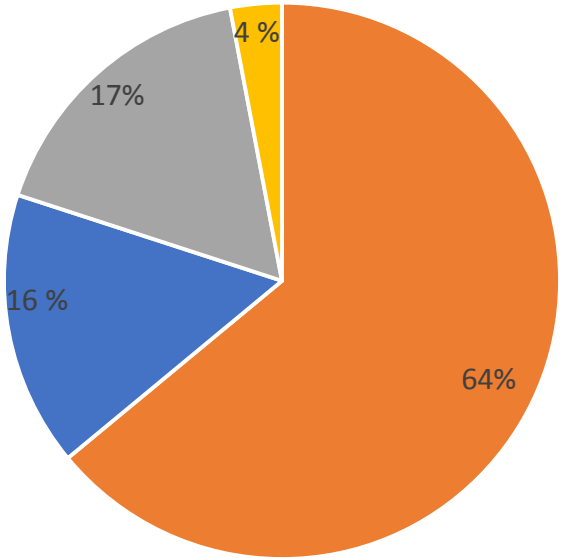
■ Personal consumption

■ Recreation and outdoor activities ■ Construction and industry

■ Sanitary waste

■ Other sources

CITIZEN SCIENCE RIVERS AND LAKES 2018



■ Personal consumption ■ Recreational and outdoor activities ■ Construction and industry ■ Sanitary waste

VALIDITY





POLICY



Overordnet vurdering av kilder og tiltak mot marin forurensning

Marin forurensning - konsekvenser og skadepotensial

ELEKTRONISK
SØKNADSSENTER



Logg inn

Tilskudd til tiltak mot marin forurensning

**Årets søknadsfrist var 31.januar 2019.
Informasjon om søknadsfristen 2020 kommer i
Q3/Q4 2019.**

Developing a
tool for data
collection and
monitoring in
Norway



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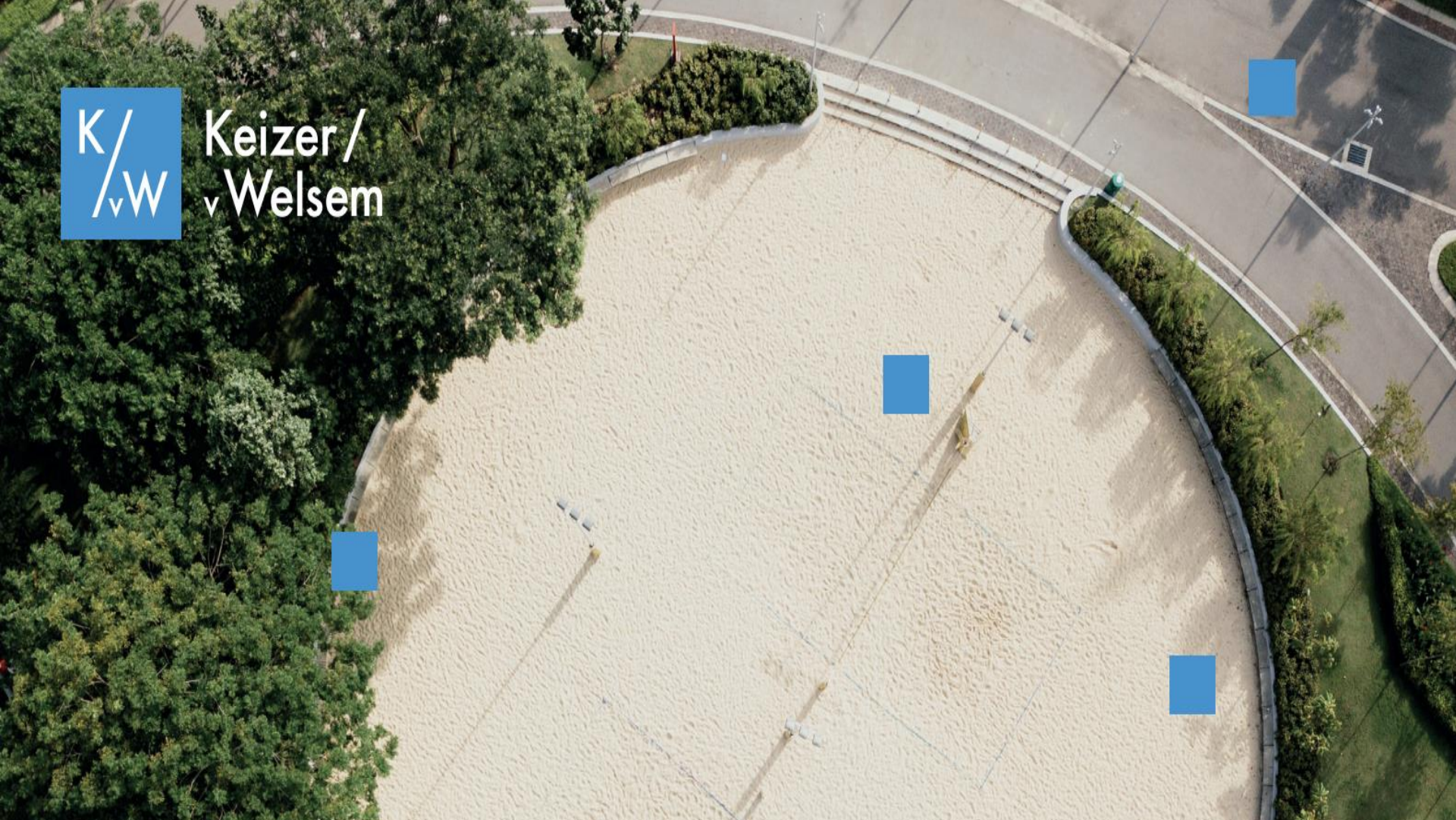
DR. KEES KEIZER

Keizer & Van Welsem





Keizer /
Welsem



(Monitoring) the impact of litter on behavior and perception

Kees Keizer

Clean Europe Network 15 October 2019

Today

- Litter → impact / causes
- Interventions



Testing +
Monitoring

- Experimental – Survey/ correlational
- Goal → establish + convince



Litter

Impact/ causes

Causes / spread



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Causes / spread



vs



Causes / spread



Causes / spread



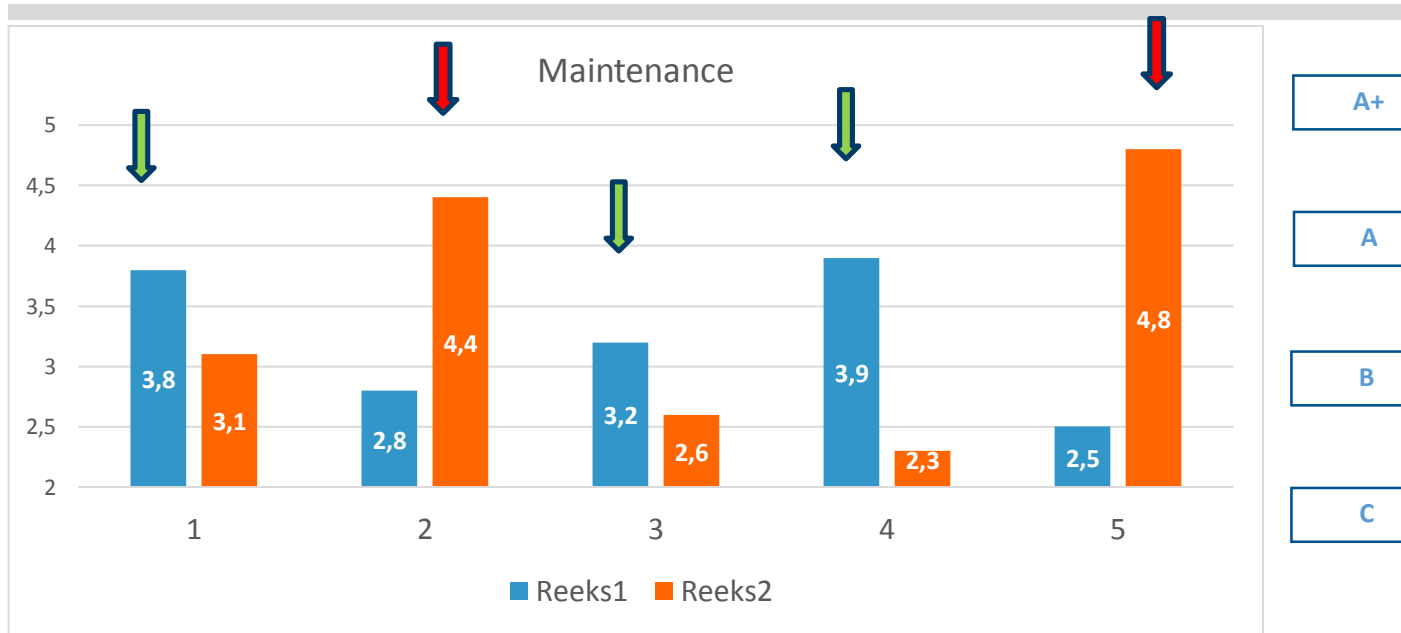
Effects / spread



Satisfaction



Technical quality vs Satisfaction



Very satisfied

Satisfied

Neutral

Dissatisfied

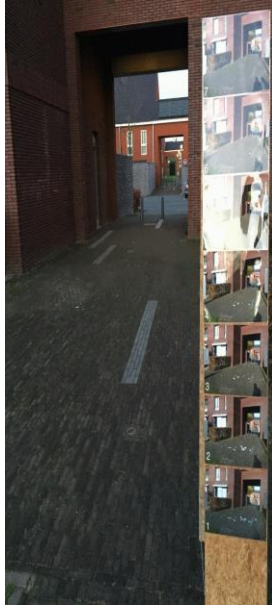
A+

A

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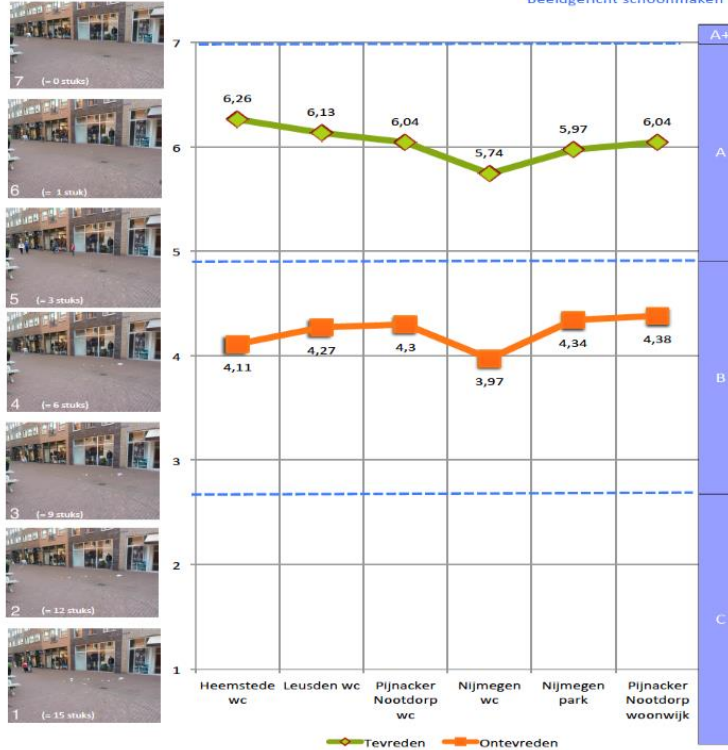
Amount of litter + (dis)satisfied



Amount of litter + (dis)satisfied

Foto's beeldladder
(met aantal stuks zwerfafval in foto)

Beeldgericht schoonmaken



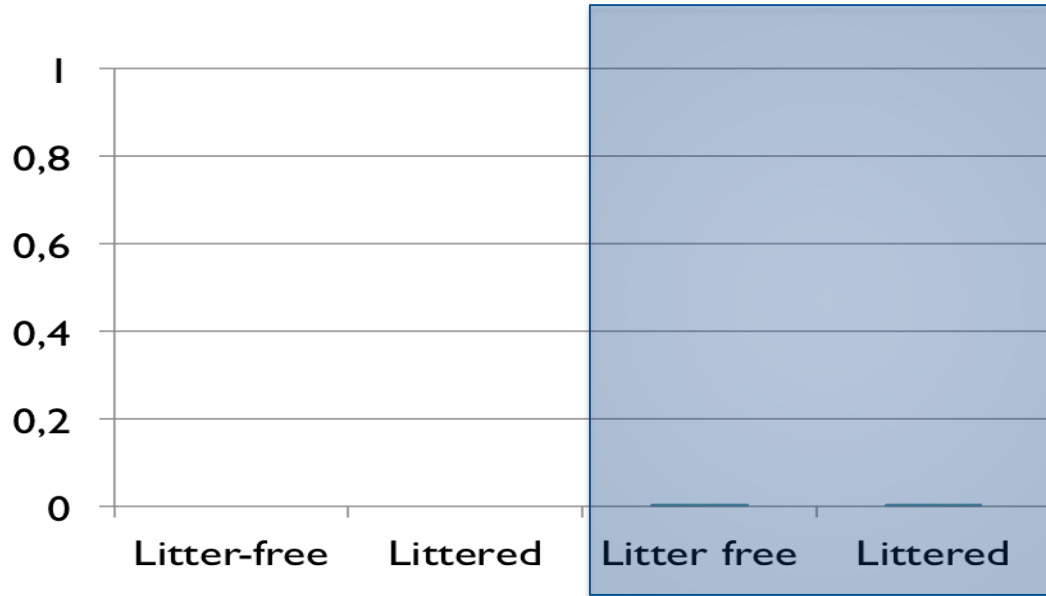
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Interventions

Prohibition signs



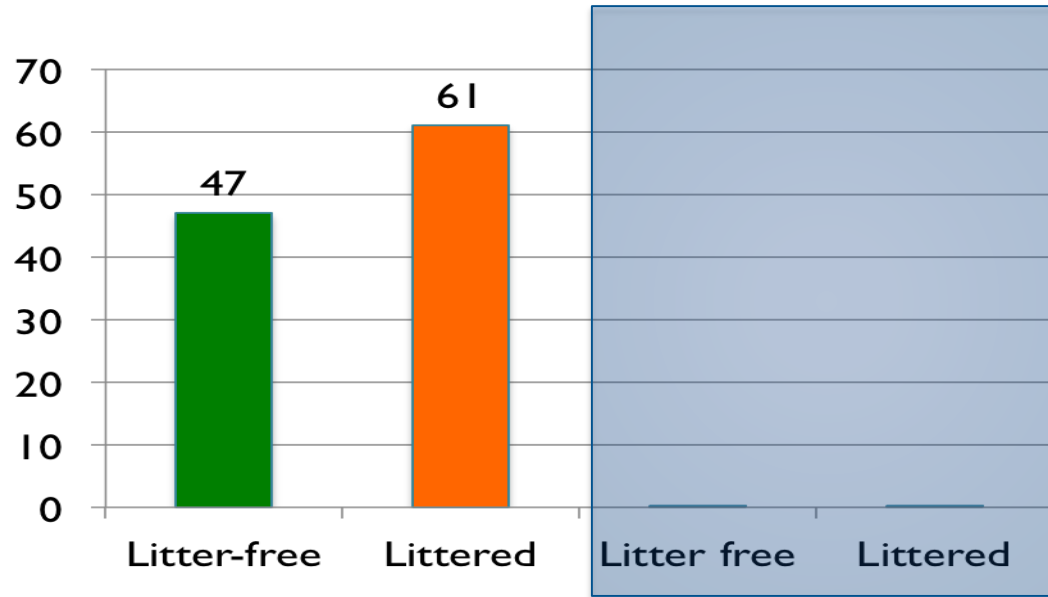
Prohibition signs



Prohibition sign: no litter!



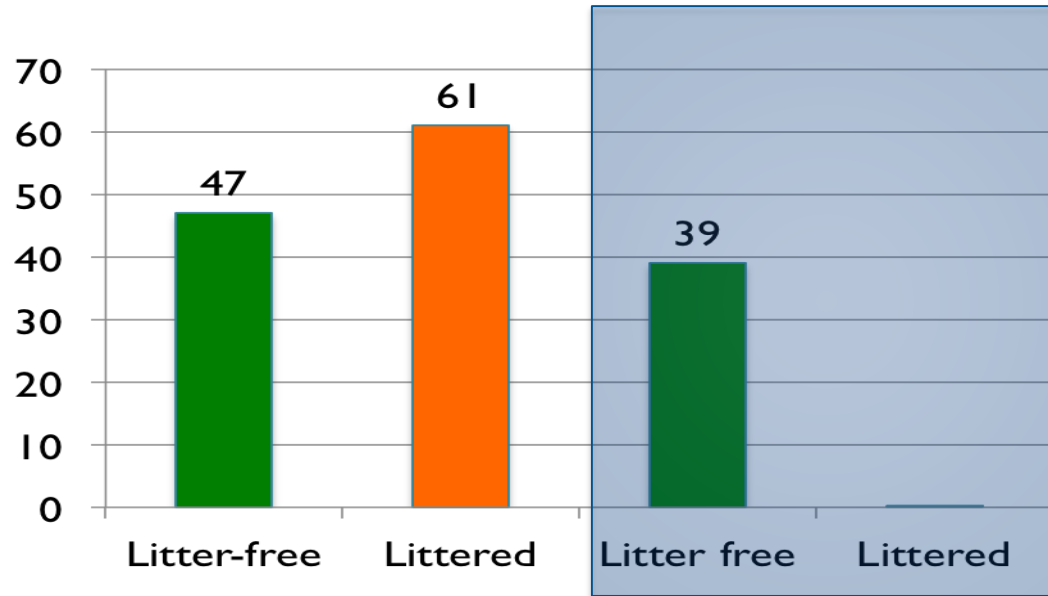
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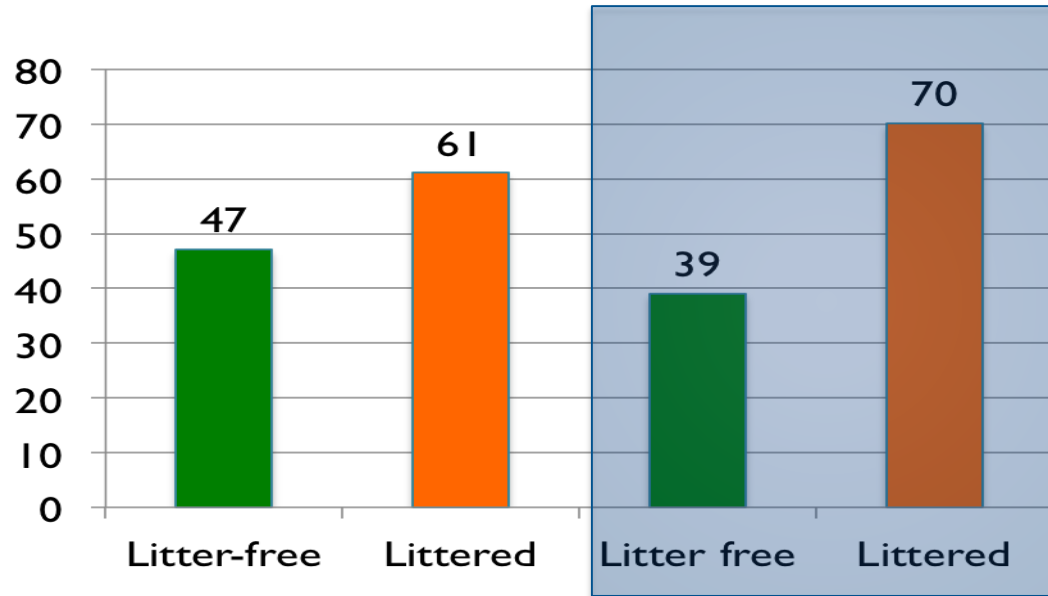
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Prohibition sign: no litter!



Prohibition signs



Prohibition sign: no litter!



(Positive) Effects



(Positive) Effects / spread



(Positive) effects / spread



Communicate: Who cleans + (dis)satisfied

DE GEMEENTE MAAKT HIER SCHOON



BURGERS MAKEN HIER SCHOON



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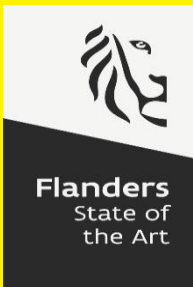
Wrappers



JAN VANSTOCKEM

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WE MAKE
TOMORROW
BEAUTIFUL
OVAM

Litter fraction count

Jan Vanstockem, Kristien Huygh, Els Gommeren (OVAM)

1. Introduction

- ▶ **Goal:** construct a methodology to sample litter composition (amount/weight/volume) on the public domain in Flanders
 - Sampling design
 - Upscaling methodology
- ▶ **Ultimate goals:**
 - **Policy evaluation:** Information on litter composition
 - × Work on prevention of specific litter types
 - **Extended producer responsibility:** Distribution of cleanup costs among sectors

1. Introduction

▶ Litter fractions: 15 main fractions, 25 subfractions

- ▶ 1. Cigarette butts
- ▶ 2. Gum
- ▶ 3. Dog poop (with/without bag)
- ▶ 4. Food packaging:
 - a. Cups and lids
 - b. Plastic bottles up to 3 liter
 - c. Cans
 - d. Cartons
 - e. Hard plastic packaging for single use
 - f. Soft plastic packaging for single use
 - g. Other service packaging for food (paper or foil)
- ▶ 5. Other plastic packaging not for food or drinks
 - a. Foils
 - b. Other
- ▶ 6. Other plastic litter (non-packaging)
- ▶ 7. Paper and cardboard
 - a. Cigarette box
 - b. Newspapers and magazines
 - c. Flyers, publicity material etc.
 - d. Other (e.g. paper tissues)
- ▶ 8. Fruit, vegetable or other food waste
- ▶ 9. Plastic bags
- ▶ 10. Disposable wipes for personal hygiene
- ▶ 11. Balloons and balloon sticks
- ▶ 12. Glass (bottles, jars, pieces)
- ▶ 13. Textile and clothing
- ▶ 14. Big pieces of litter (> 3 liter bottle)
- ▶ 15. Other (e.g. umbrella)

2. Our approach

- ▶ We want to use a **limited number of local measurements** to derive **robust estimates** of litter fractions **on the Flemish level**
- ▶ **Therefore:**
 - **Step 1: decide *where* to measure - *mapping***
 - **Step 2: decide *how much* to measure – *sample size***
 - **Step 3: decide *how* to measure - *methods***
 - **Step 4: upscale to Flemish level**

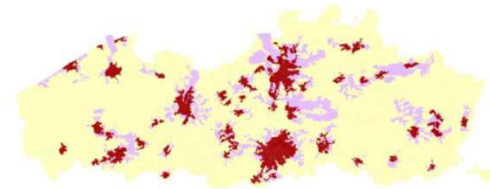
2.1 Step 1: Where to measure?

Public domain in Flanders

▶ Start with map of Flanders (10 x 10m raster)

- Remove all building lots
- Include all roads
- Remove all water
- Remove highways and railway tracks
- Remove zoos

▶ Distinguish between urban and rural areas (density, inhabitants)



Urban
Suburban
Rural



Flanders
State of the Art

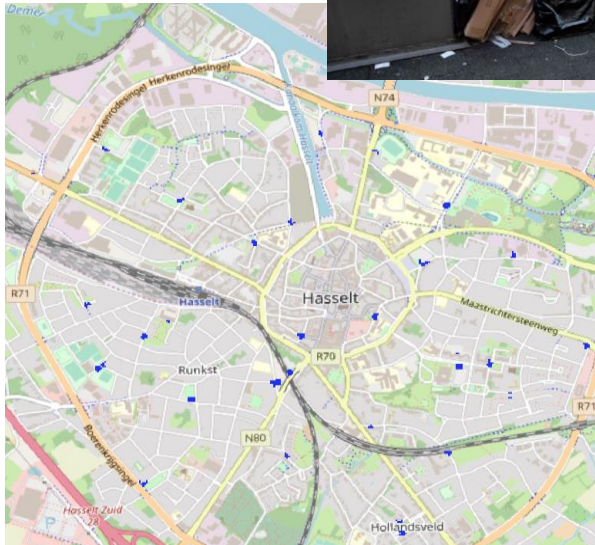
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Public domain in Flanders

▶ 16 environment types
(surroundings, terrain, area):

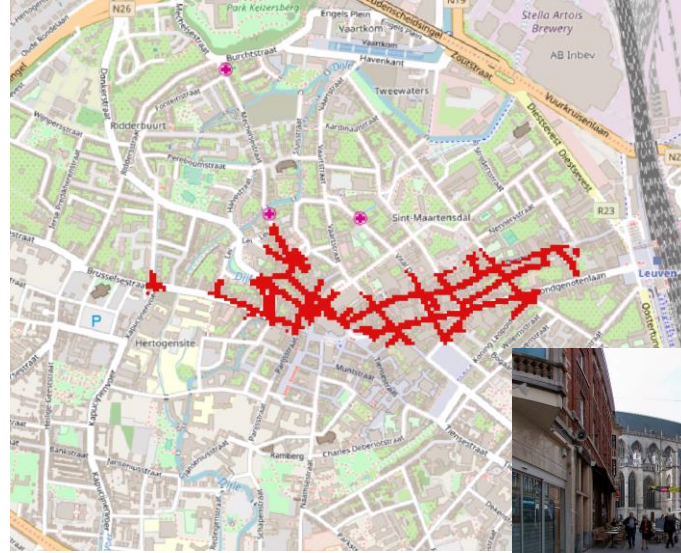
- Waste collection areas
- Public transport stops
- ...

▶ Mapping each type using
specific maps and
characteristics



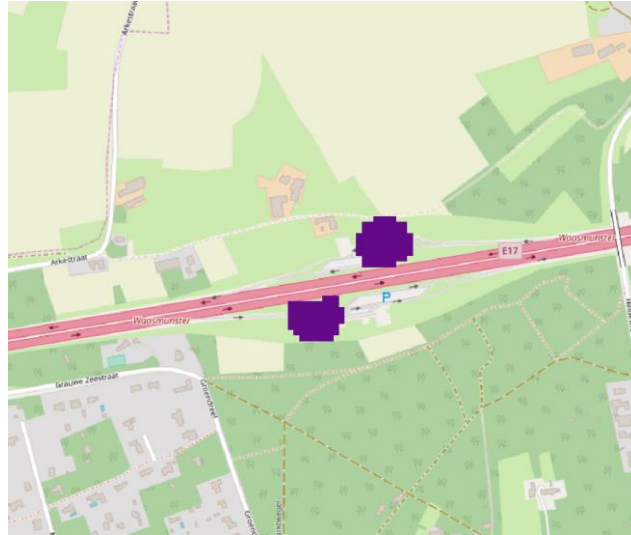
2.1 Step 1: Where to measure?

- ▶ Some more examples
 - Shopping & Walking street (Leuven)



2.1 Step 1: Where to measure?

- ▶ Some more examples
 - Highway parking without concession (Waasmunster)

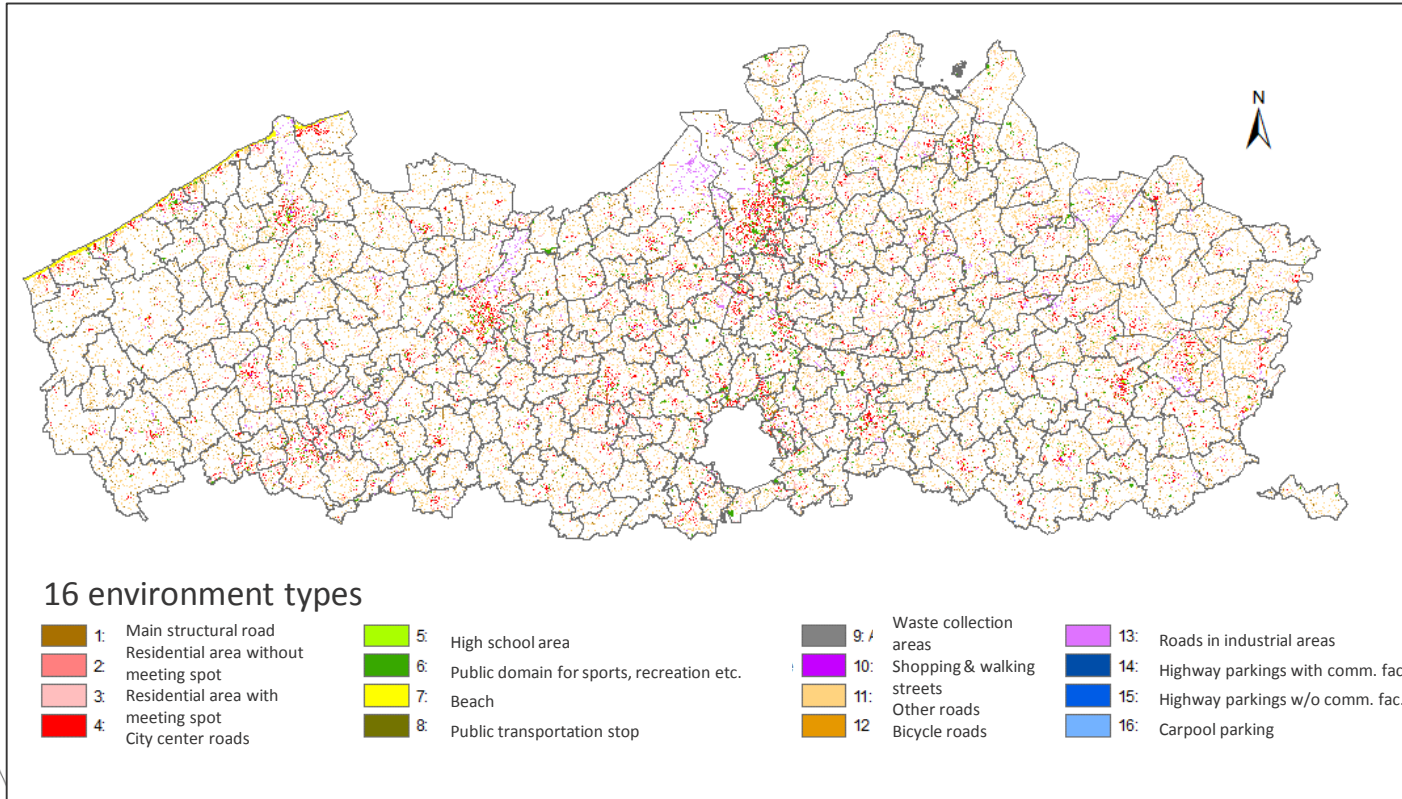


2.1 Step 1: Where to measure?

- ▶ Conflicts: some spots have multiple environment types
→ E.g. waste collection nearby high school environment
- ▶ What to select? Use priority list:

Type	Priority
7) Beaches	1
5) High school environment	2
6) Public domain for sports, recreation etc.	3
8) Public transport stops	4
9) Waste collection areas	5
10) Shopping & walking street	6
2) Residential areas with meeting spot	7
3) Residential areas without meeting spot	8
4) City center roads	9
12) Bicycle roads	10
1) Main structural roads	11
14) Highway parking with concession	12
15) Highway parking without concession	13
16) Carpool parking	14
13) Roads in industrial areas	15
11) Other roads	16

2.1 Step 1: Where to measure?



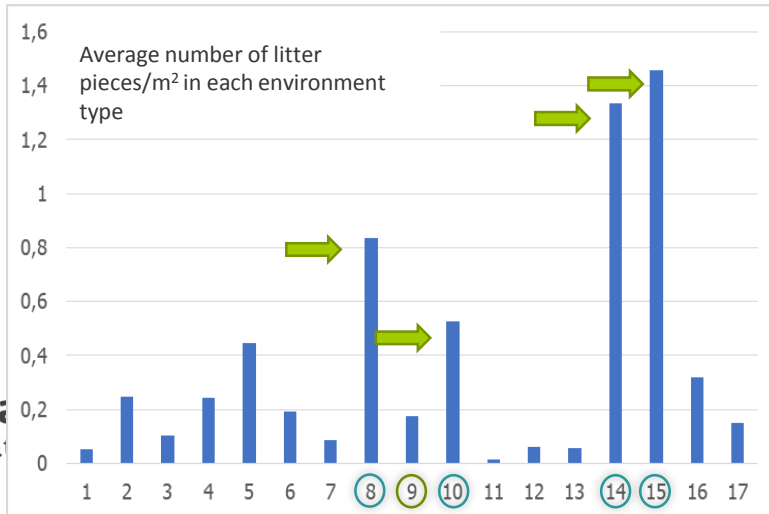
2.2 Step 2: How much to measure?

- ▶ How many points to sample to get a robust estimate?
- ▶ Decide end goal: how much detail needed?
 - E.g. statistically robust comparisons between all 16 environment types = more measurements necessary
 - Balance costs/time investment versus relevance

2.2 Step 2: How much to measure?

► Pre-pilot measurements beforehand:

- Not all environment types differ significantly in litter number
- Choose groups of types ('strata') based on significant differences: high- vs. low-risk strata



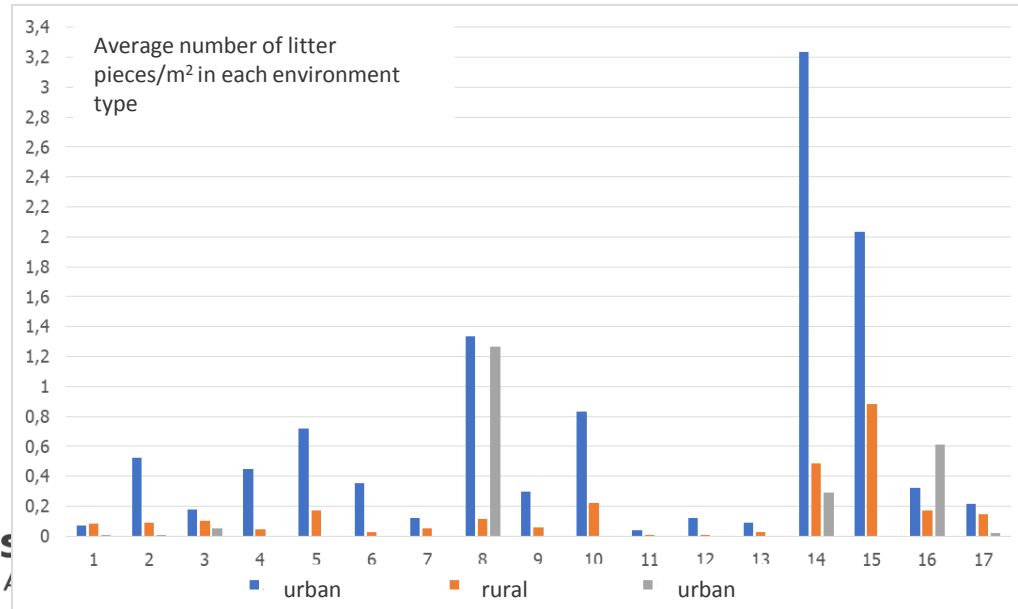
High risk:

- 8 – Public transport stops
 - 10 – Walking & shopping street
 - 14 – Highway parking with commercial facility
 - 15 – Highway parking without commercial facility
 - 16 – Carpool parking
- = High-risk



2.2 Step 2: How much to measure?

- ▶ Also significant differences between environment types in rural and urban areas



2.2 Step 2: How much to measure?

- ▶ Determine final strata:
 - Only make relevant comparisons
 - Reduce total amount of measurements (and costs)
- ▶ Determine acceptable error margin: 5 %
- ▶ Final strata and sample numbers:

Stratum	Urban	Rural
High-risk	1 516	1 011
Low-risk	2 105	1 906
Total	6 538	

2.2 Step 2: How much to measure?

- ▶ Spread measurements over 1 year (4 seasons)
- ▶ Number of sampling points in each environment type relative to its cover % in stratum
 - E.g. 1 124 sampling points for public transport stops in urban environment (1 124 out of 1 516)
 - × Public transport stops cover 74 % of the high-risk stratum in urban environments
- ▶ Backup sampling points are provided

2.3 Step 3: What to measure?

1. Number of pieces of each fraction
 2. Weight of each fraction
 3. Volume of each fraction
- Collection *in situ*, measurements *ex situ*
- ! Chewing gum and cigarette butts counted *in situ*, use of reference weight and volume
- Registration of surface area (m²) and exact location

2.4. Step 4: Upscale to Flanders

- ▶ Relative contribution of fractions: no upscaling needed due to sampling design
- ▶ Upscaling of absolute numbers, weight and volumes to total for Flanders based on relative cover of strata

The future

- ▶ Measurements starting this week by external partner
- ▶ 4 seasonal measurement campaigns
- ▶ Results expected by December 2020

3. Big data @ Litter fraction count

- ▶ Big data @ Preliminary study
 - Mapping of environment types: databases, registers, addresses, map layers (by external partner)
- ▶ “Big” data @ Study
 - Preparations: clear and convenient data-template
 - During measurements: big data can be wrong (wrong environment types, locations)
 - After measurements: correct use of dataset – statistical design

Questions?

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MARIA CABRERA

PAISAJE LIMPIO



SAMSUNG 90% 10:14

eLitter

eLitter

abandono de residuos en la naturaleza

A new way of knowing the land-based litter



LIBERA
MANTÉNLA EN SU NATURALEZA

Knowledge

How much

What Kind

Where





Land-based
litter in Urban
and Natural
environments

Our focus is on NATURE

- The impact of littering more important
- No cleaning service



Harmonize

As 80% of marine litter comes from land, it has been vital to harmonize it with the marine litter methodologies

Based on

- RIMMEL project (European Commission)
- Clean Europe Network methodology
- Master List of European Union
- OSPAR
- Official monitoring of the marine litter (Spanish Ministry of Environment)
- MARNOBA



Habitats

NATURAL

Recreational Areas
Forest
River
Path
Lake
Cliffs
Etc.

URBAN

Street
Industrial place
Shopping center
Park
Parking
Etc.



Classification by Categories



Plastic

Paper/Paperboard

Wood (Machined)

Metal

Glass

Waste of electrical and Electronic Appliances

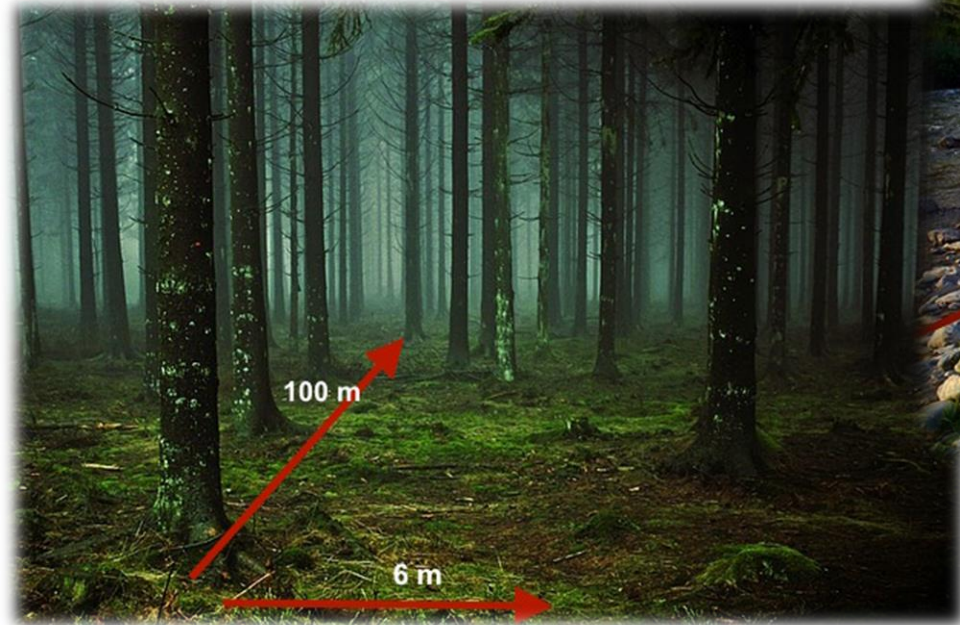
Sanitary Waste

Sanitary Medical

Other

Measurement TRANSECT

100 x 6 m²



Increase

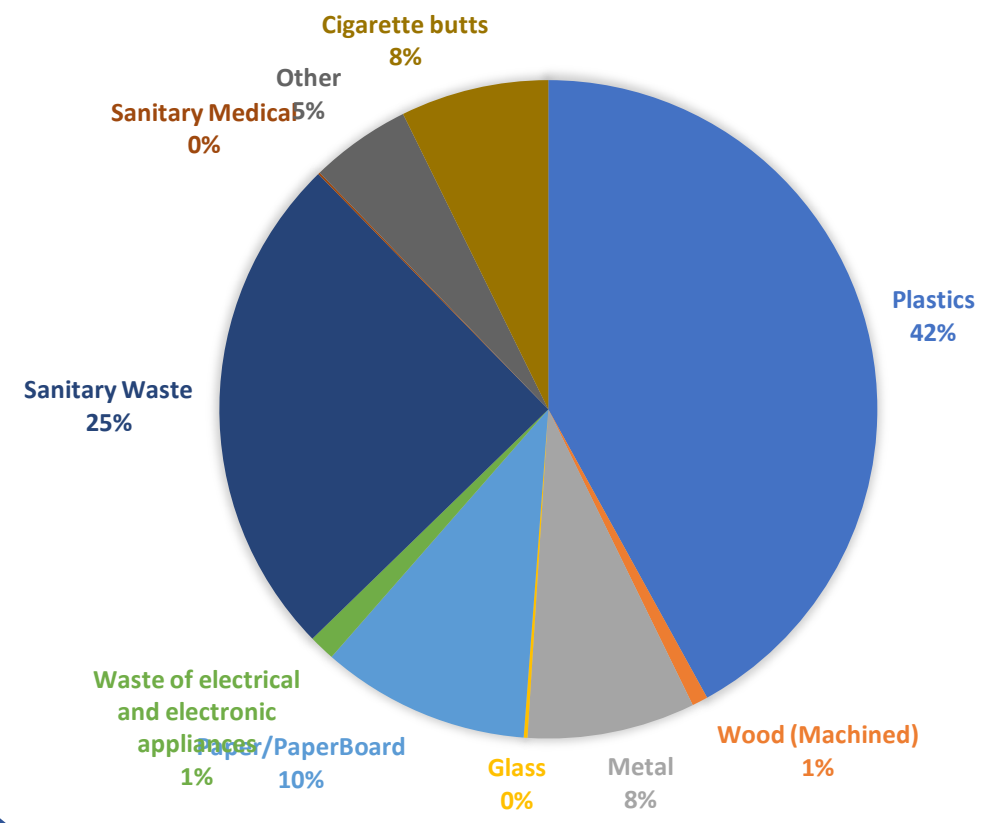




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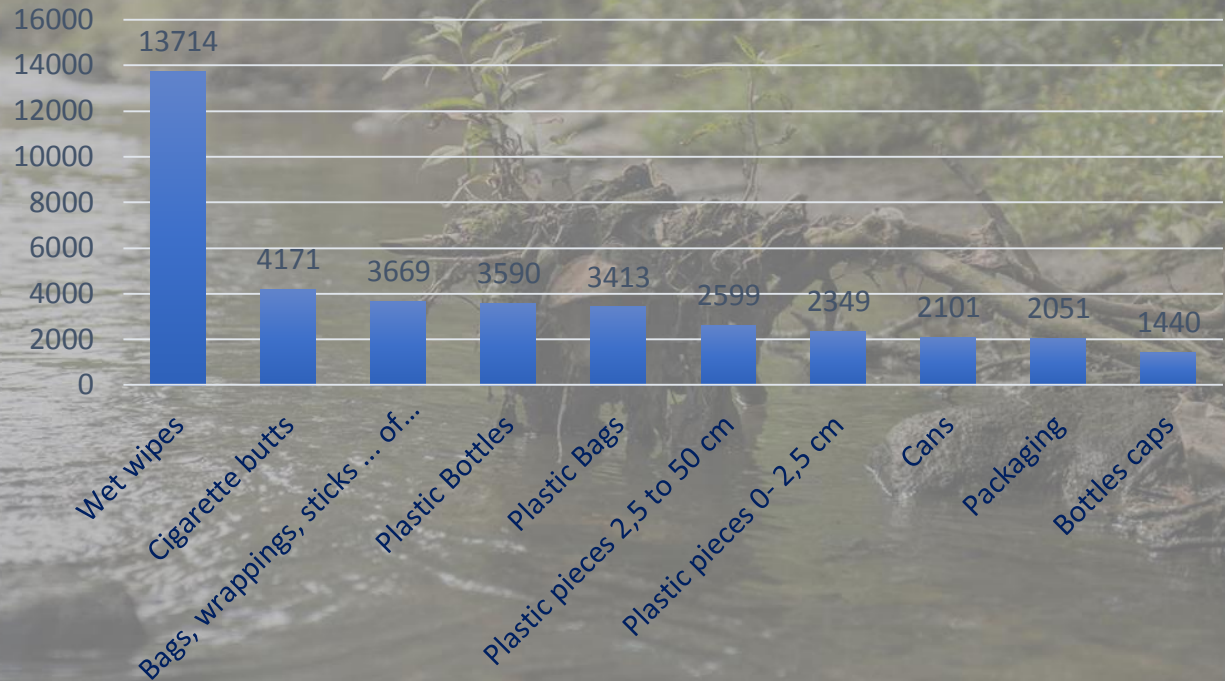
Percentages
by
categories
in 110
riverbanks

PERCENTAGES BY CATEGORIES



Top ten

Top ten





Everyone is welcome

- Free (Apple Store and Play Store)
- Share data
- Public data (www.elitter.org)
- Networking
- Available in English...
coming soon



THANK YOU

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Sustainability Manager M^cDonalds





SCALE FOR
GOOD





1

**REDUCING
(FOOD) WASTE
& Recycling**



2

**CLIMATE
ACTION**



3

**Youth
Opportunity**



4

**SUSTAINABLE
PROTEIN
Sustainability**



5

**Commitment
to Families**





Packaging & Recycling

2025

Global goals

- All packaging made from recycled or renewable material
- Maximum recycling of our restaurant waste

Local goals (NL)

- **Zero netlitter**
- Reduction of **food waste** in top 10-categories
- Closing the **loop** with circular supply chain solutions

Doing more for less waste, together

Reduce & sustainalize
packaging



Maximize waste collection,
minimize litter



Maximize recycling of all
restaurant waste





Maximize waste collection, minimize litter

What did we know?

- Packaging weight put on the market
- Collection weight of 7 waste fractions of all Dutch restaurants
- Eat-in versus take-away sales

What didn't we know?

- Share of packaging weight in our restaurant waste
- Share of packaging weight thrown away in bins outside of McDonald's premises
- Share of non-collected waste in the form of litter
- Weight of litter collected

Getting the data

Packaging weight in restaurant waste

- Waste content analysis
- *Challenge*: packaging in waste is contaminated with food and liquid

→ 83,4% of all guest packaging put on the market by McDonald's is collected by McDonald's

→ Including non-McDonald's packaging in restaurant waste, this number is **92,4%**

Packaging weight in litter

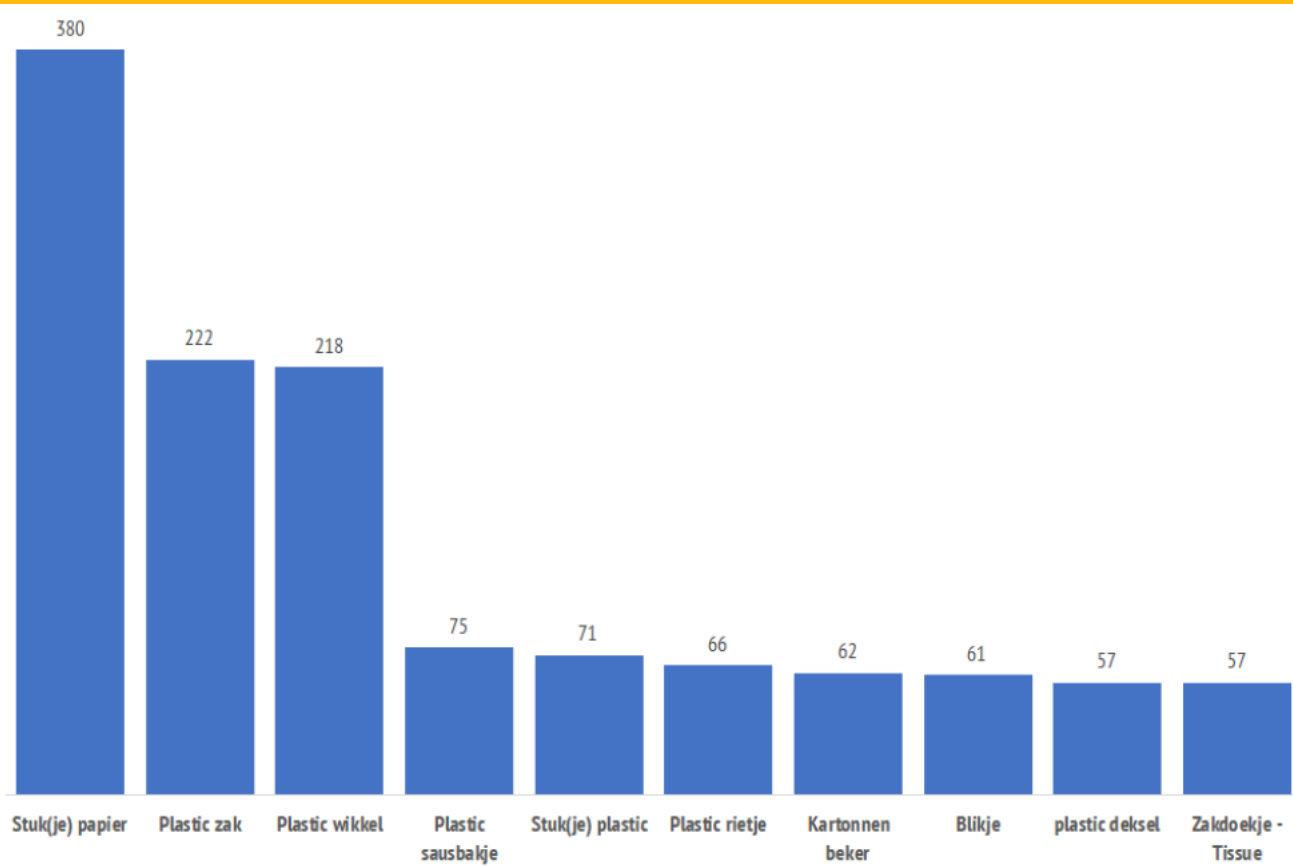
- Litter registration in 3k perimeter of 9 restaurants by @Zwerfinator
- *Challenge*: data reliability when extrapolating

→ 0,06% of restaurant waste ends up as litter on the street

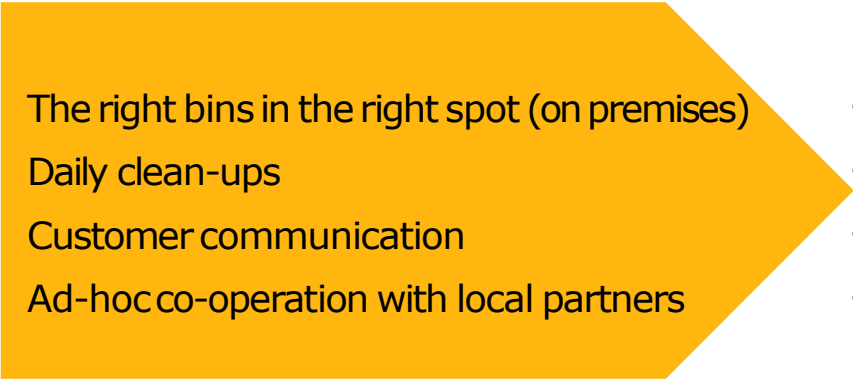
→ Hotspots & hot items

Weight of litter collected

- Collection samples
- *Challenge*: organise separate collection for regular waste and litter



Using the data

- 
- The right bins in the right spot (on premises)
 - Daily clean-ups
 - Customer communication
 - Ad-hoc co-operation with local partners
- The right bins in the right spot (outside premises)
 - More effective daily clean-ups
 - Communication based on behavioural science
 - Structural co-operation with local partners

NEXTGEN CUP CHALLENGE





SCALE FOR
GOOD

GO OUTSIDE: ROLAND BUIJS & DARRYL ISSELT

Beheeraccent





beheeraccent



**The Dutch approach:
“Inspecting our streets”**



1. Quality levels



2. Locations



3. Method








4. Practice





Qualitylevels






- Level A+: Perfect
- Level A: Clean and comfortabel
- Level B: Functional
- Level C: Restless image and discomfort
- Level D: Function loss, capital destruction and unsafe

Topic	Green	grass – large litter (>10 cm)			
Qualitylevels	A+	A	B	C	D
Photos					
Subscription	There is no large litter.	There is <u>litte</u> large litter.	There is a <u>limited</u> amount of large litter.	There is <u>quite</u> a lot of large litter.	There is a <u>lot</u> of large litter.
Requirement	Large litter (> 10 cm) 0 pieces per 100 m ²	Large litter (> 10 cm) ≤ 3 pieces per 100 m ²	Large litter (> 10 cm) ≤ 10 pieces/100 m ²	Large litter (> 10 cm) ≤ 25 pieces/100 m ²	Large litter (> 10 cm) > 25 pieces/100 m ²



Scoring scales for litter (NederlandSchoon)

1. Concrete – large litter
2. Concrete – small litter
3. Planting – large litter
4. Grass – large litter
5. Water – floating litter
6. Litterbins filling degree
7. Fly tipping – Container bags and other waste around containers

Street furniture	waste bin-filling rate			
A+	A	B	C	D
				
Waste bin is empty.	Waste bin is less than half full.	Waste bin is not full.	Waste bin is almost full.	Waste bin is full.
Filling rate 0% per waste bin	Filling rate ≤ 40% per waste bin	Filling rate ≤ 80% per waste bin	Filling rate ≤ 100% per waste bin	Filling rate > 100% per waste bin



Measuring locations

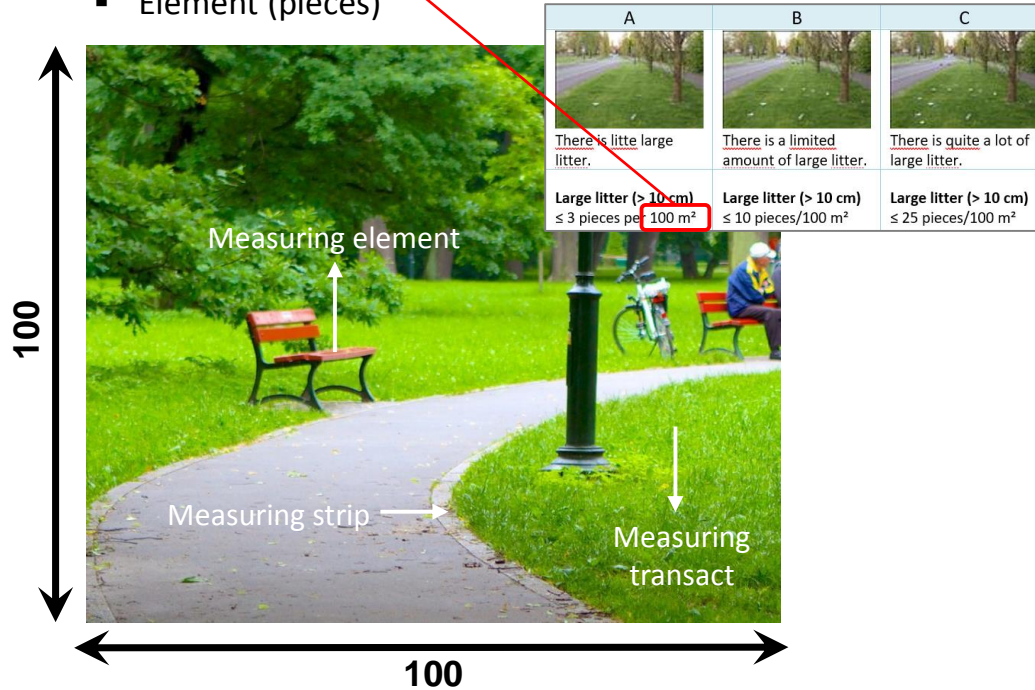
- Grid maintenance area
- Measuring location is a square of 100 x 100 meter
- Distinction to functional areas, neighbourhood layout or ambition levels





Location is divided in measuring units:

- Transect (m2)
- Strip (m1)
- Element (pieces)








- Search within your measuring locaties the worst place (transact, strip or element)
- Lowest scoring requirement determines the score
- Determine the quality score (A+, A, B, C or D)



Street furniture-litterbin-filling degree

A	B	C
		
Litterbin is less than half full.	Litterbin is not full.	Litterbin is almost full.
Filling degree ≤ 40% per litterbin	Filling degree ≤ 80% per litterbin	Filling degree ≤ 100% per litterbin

C



Practice

- Measuring 5 locations
- Timetabel: 15:00 – 16:00 (± 10 minutes per location)
- 1 Tablet per group
- Instructionforms (includes scoring scales, locations and inspection forms)

- Group 1: Darryl Isselt
- Group 2: Nina Listing
- Group 3: Roland Buijs





Feedback

- What do you take home from the Dutch measuring method?
- How can we improve the Dutch measuring method?



Thanks for your attention!

DISCUSSING SWOT

“HOW DO WE, AS ORGANIZATIONS FIGHTING LITTER AND LITTERING ACROSS EUROPE, ENSURE THE USAGE OF MONITORING DATA BEING A SMART TOOL FOR THE EFFECTIVE PREVENTION OF LITTER AND LITTERING?”



CLEAN EUROPE NETWORK



NederlandSchoon

Reference work of Clean Europe Network

Below you will find the summaries of the presentations, submitted by the presenters, of the Clean Europe Network Monitoring Symposium 2019 in order of presenting.

1. **Lise Keilty Gulbransen**, Chair of Clean Europe Network: placing monitoring into the current European context.

In a European context litter monitoring has never been more important. Littering, and especially marine litter and plastic pollution, is high on the agenda both globally and here in Europe.

Governments and municipalities are creating policy and legislation to combat littering both on land and in our oceans. And industry is both voluntarily and by means of legislation implementing changes to address the problem of littering. Main instruments in Europe. WFD: Broad strategic focus. Single Use Plastic (SUP): Narrow focus on certain items.

As everyone in this room knows, it is essential that litter prevention is knowledge based and targets the common litter items as well as the industries that are the main sources of littering. This requirement in the WFD will push member states to find the right combination of measures to tackle their litter problems. If they adhere to it ... Strong statement. Places litter monitoring right up on the top of the agenda.

However, in the SUP directive the need for monitoring litter is not really made that clear. Here monitoring is largely focused on consumption reduction and collection targets. But there is no doubt, and governments are waking up to this, that we need knowledge about the current state of affairs, we need to monitor the effect of the measures in the directive, and we need quality control to ensure new litter problems do not emerge in the wake of the directive. So, this directive also places monitoring high on the European agenda.

Although the SUP directive targets a number of common litter items, littering in Europe encompasses far more than these items, and in addition to monitoring the effects of this directive, we also need to highlight this fact. It is only part of the answer. Does not address the whole problem. Not a litter prevention strategy.

In this context, CEN board decided to carry out a survey. CEN: Litter Monitoring Methodology. Main aims: Show the value of a common methodology, focus on the fact that littering is a shared European problem, and highlight the main litter items across Europe.

Sneak Peak. Full report will be available shortly. No surprises. Cigarette butts make up 77 % of the items counted. Not scientific. Anecdotal in nature. Very limited amount of data.

Locations: Not surprising. Main station on top.

Quick look at the materials. We plan to do this exercise again next year, and hopefully more of the members will take part.

2. **Marloes Heebing** from GoClean de Liemers and **Dick Ayres**, Cofounder & CSO of Litterati: ‘The usage and possibilities of Litterati’

Marloes Heebing

GoClean started 2.5 years ago as a citizens' initiative to clean up litter, based on growing concern about litter in our nature.

Doing nothing was simply not an option anymore. The earth must be passed on to the following generations and litter indirectly poses a danger to our health and causes much animal suffering.

According to estimates, 50 million kilos of waste in the Netherlands alone, end up every year on the streets and in our nature. Littering is officially prohibited. It is harmful to our living environment and nature, but it is there!

We soon realized that only cleaning up wasn't the solution. It turned out that if one street was cleared away one week, it would be filled with litter the following week.

This was very frustrating. We came to the conclusion that plasticizing our living environment can only be effectively combated if it is preventively tackled at the source. That is why we do more than just cleaning up, our goal is to build the road from symptom control to source control.

Because we wanted to switch to source control we needed to have data about, what, where and which kind of litter was found by volunteers and at clean ups. We needed a possibility to register litter. We found this in the Litterati App. In short this app makes it possible to photograph and tag each piece of litter collected.

Nowadays every volunteer of GoClean uses the Litterati app. This means that we are building a huge database of collected litter in the Netherlands. To analyse the litter collected in the Litterati app, we needed a special analyzing tool which helps us to get a clear picture of what objects and which brands are found. That's why we developed the Litter Compass.

The Litter Compass:

The Litter Compass is the online impact platform of GoClean in collaboration with Litterati. The compass has extensive analyzing tools that enables us to analyze the Litter data and translate it into detailed information about, for example “hot spots”, target groups, origin and composition.

The volunteers register and municipalities use this information in their policy and search for preventive solutions.

The Litter Compass is currently under development and we hope to launch it "carefully" in November. The National presentation is scheduled for April 2020.

An increasing number of municipalities are also running programs to support their volunteers in the best possible way with their cleaning activity. GoClean plays an advisory and executive role in this.

Currently, information is collected from each municipality in what way they support volunteers in their cleaning activities. This information will also be shared on the Compass. In this way, data-driven, we are joining forces with national government institutions, policy makers and National action groups in the search for preventive solutions and targeted policies.

In-Depth monitoring and effect measurements;

GoClean also carries out in-depth monitoring and impact measurements for companies and municipalities. We do this with the use of the Litterati app and our platform.

Specific problem locations need an in-depth monitoring to provide more insights regarding the actual problem. First the location is viewed and a suitable measurement method is determined.



We choose a suitable monitoring and required time-frame to provide a truthful and correct report. In average this will take about 10 weeks (once a week). The first week of the monitoring the location is cleaned. Every piece of litter, except butts are removed and registered. Every next week the location is cleaned and all items are registered. In that way we collect a lot of data and facts.-After the monitoring the data is read and analyzed through the Litter Compass.

Why is this important?

Determining an effective approach requires more information about the pollution on site. Can a specific target group be designated as perpetrators? Where does the waste come from? Maybe conversations are possible with local companies that represent a share in this? What's the location? Is it still possible to make a profit with the 25-meter rule? What is the weekly / monthly pollution rate?

The results from in-depth monitoring give direction where to look for the most effective intervention options. Once determined, these are implemented on the route. The effectiveness of the intervention is tested during the effect measurement.

As you can see our monitors are based on actual data that deviates from other monitoring. The waste is also removed during each measurement, which also gives insights on the pollution rate.

To address candy routes, we have an extensive program in which we involve Secondary schools and their students in monitoring and possible solutions. This has proven to be very efficient.

DATA is therefore central to the collaboration and to the monitoring.

Dick Ayres

Litterati empowers people to "crowdsource-clean" the planet, one piece of litter at a time. What started with one person picking up a single cigarette, has grown into a community of 150,000 people who have collected over 4.3 million pieces in 115 countries. We've built a mobile application that inspires people to photograph and pick up litter. From these photographs, we're able to identify brands (eg: Starbucks, Marlboro) analyze packaging (eg: plastic, styrofoam), map problem areas, and understand local trends & larger patterns. This crowdsourced data creates awareness and transparency: information that can be used to influence human behavior, shape government policy, and lead the packaging industry toward sustainable solutions. We've proven a concept, but it's just the beginning. At scale, we can pave a path to eradicating litter.

See an example of a report we can create instantly from the images taken to map and make the invisible visible & an example of how Litterati is being used by a local authority 1.

Alameda County, CA, Cleanwater program ([link](#)) & Rethink Disposable Alameda CA, ([link](#))

Any questions visit www.litterati.org or write to support@litterati.org or dick@litterati.org

3. **Mari Mo Ostenreider:** monitoring marine litter in Norway: methodology explained

Monitoring of marine litter through citizen science has been the main driving force for policy making in Norway.

Other kinds of littering get little attention in Norway, and there has been very little interest in funding any projects related to litter monitoring.

Keep Norway Beautiful's strategy has therefore been to mobilize volunteers to clean beaches along the Norwegian coast, and to register their findings in KNB's beach clean-up portal/interactive clean-up map: Ryddeportalen.no.

To verify the findings from the data gathered by the volunteers, KNB has carried out several professional monitoring projects, and it turns out that the results are in line with the citizen science.

The results from the citizen science is presented in KNB's annual Beach Clean-up Report. Norwegian policy making on marine litter has to a very large extent been based on this report and KNB's data.

Just recently, KNB has finally been able to get some funding to monitoring of litter on land, and so far, we have tested the Swedish and the CEN monitoring method.

4. **Jan Vanstockem** of OVAM Belgium: 'Identifying Belgium's litter objects'

The Public Waste Agency of Flanders (OVAM) has developed a methodology to sample the litter composition (amount/weight/volume) on the public domain in Flanders. A total of 15 main litter fractions and 25 subfractions will be investigated, ranging from cigarette butts to textile and clothing. The sampling design for the methodology starts from a map that assigns every 10 x 10 m cell in the public domain to one of 16 habitat types (e.g. waste collection areas, public transport stops) in the public domain. To determine the number of samples that are needed to get a robust estimate, pre-pilots measurements were used to decide on which environment groups (strata) need to be investigated and compared. Using the map and this information, it was decided to sample ca. 6 500 locations divided over 4 strata (high/low risk x urban/rural environment).

The measurements will be spread out over 4 seasons to get a representative snapshot of the litter composition. Litter will be collected at the location and the number of pieces, weight and volume for each (sub)fraction are determined off site. The gathered data will be easily extrapolated to percentages and absolute numbers on the Flemish level because of the sampling design. The actual measurements for this study have started in October 2019 and final results are expected by December 2020.

If you would like to know more about the progress of the project, feel free to contact Jan by emailing him at jan.vanstockem@ovam.be

5. Floor Uitterhoeve, Sustainability Manager of McDonalds: ‘What is McDonalds doing with their monitoring data?’

- McDonald’s takes prevention and clean-up of litter very seriously, as part of its wider ambition to do more for less waste, together
- To guide our policies and monitor our progress, we need data. For packaging sustainability, collection and recycling, the data we have is sufficient. But for litter, quantitative data was very much lacking.
- Therefore we started to investigate this topic earlier this year, looking at how much packaging waste we already collect, how much waste ends up as litter, and, more importantly, what the reasons and patterns behind littering are: where does litter occur (hotspots), which items are most litter-sensitive, what target groups should we aim prevention efforts on?
- With this data, we can now increase the efficacy of our work on litter, both in terms of prevention (tackling sustainable packaging, nudging towards good disposal behavior) and in terms of clean-up (hotspot approach).
- Collaboration is key: we want to collaborate more structurally with municipalities, neighbouring companies, customers, experts and other stakeholders to work towards zero net litter. The support, tools and network of NederlandSchoon is very valuable in this regard.