

Quarterly Report

Q2 - 2024

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Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative

We are in awe of the engagement from Oregonians in the Earth Week Give campaign during Q2 of 2024! This marked the fourth year of the campaign, and it was record-breaking in many ways. 947 nonprofits participated in the event (up 43% from 2023)! The number of online donations from BottleDrop account holders was up 91% from 2023 and more than \$250,000 (up 34% from 2023) was raised for nonprofits across the state! Our BottleDrop community continues to inspire us with their generosity. Thank you!!

We continued our ongoing partnership with the Oregon State Treasury and Oregon College Savings Plan. By linking their BottleDrop accounts to their Oregon College Savings Plan accounts, Oregonians have transferred more than \$1.4 million to date to help cover costs for higher education.

Container redemptions in Q2 were up slightly over Q1 (a 14.6% increase), which was expected as we welcomed in the spring season. Oregonians continue to demonstrate a strong preference for redeeming containers through the BottleDrop network with more than 81% of returns coming back through Redemption Centers, Dealer Redemption Centers, and BottleDrop Express sites. The Green and Blue Bag program remains a linchpin in the convenience equation with 3.1 million bags processed during Q2 (up 12.9% from Q1).

We saw some of the technological upgrades for Redemption Centers that we referred to in the Q1 report come to fruition. We installed our Green Bag-counting AI technology and related equipment in the processing plant at the Redmond Redemption Center in June, which has significantly reduced the time for counting and processing containers at that location.

All-in-all, Q2 was dynamic in its success thanks to Oregonians' participation in Oregon's Bottle Bill, made possible by convenient return options at retail locations and through the BottleDrop network.



OBRC Network at a Glance

Members & Participants	404
Employees in Oregon	520
Processing Plants	5
Clackamas, Eugene, Pendleton, Redmond, White City	
Redemption Centers	27
BottleDrop Express Sites	17
Dealer Redemption Centers	56
Retail Return Sites Served Q2	1,819
Reverse Vending Machines	673

OBRC is a statewide cooperative that receives no taxpayer funding from the State of Oregon.





Quarterly Returns Through the BottleDrop Network

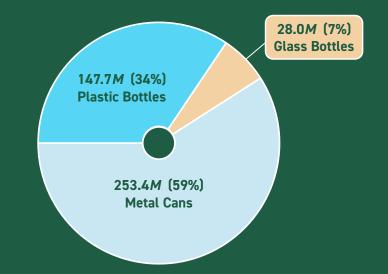
Containers Redeemed Q2	429.1 <i>M</i>
Green & Blue Bags Processed	3.1 <i>M</i>
Metric Tons of CO ₂ Equivalent Emissions Reduced*	11,352

* By recycling containers through the BottleDrop Network vs. sending containers to landfills, as calculated by US EPA Waste Reduction Model. Comparable to taking 2,410 passenger cars off the road.



% Returns Through BottleDrop

Return Volume by Container Type

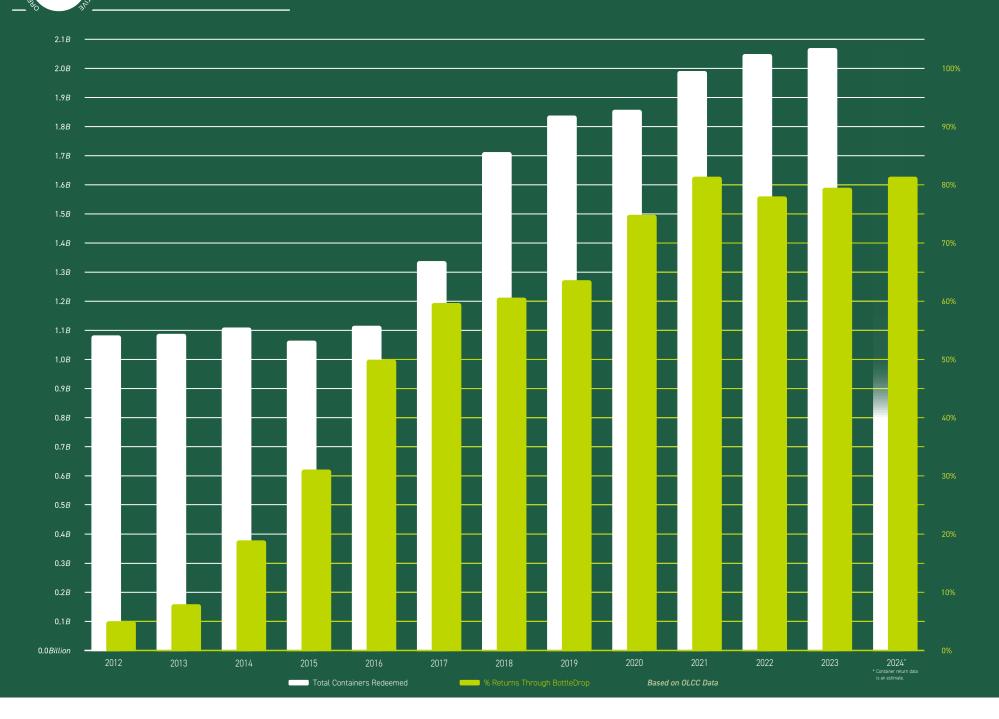


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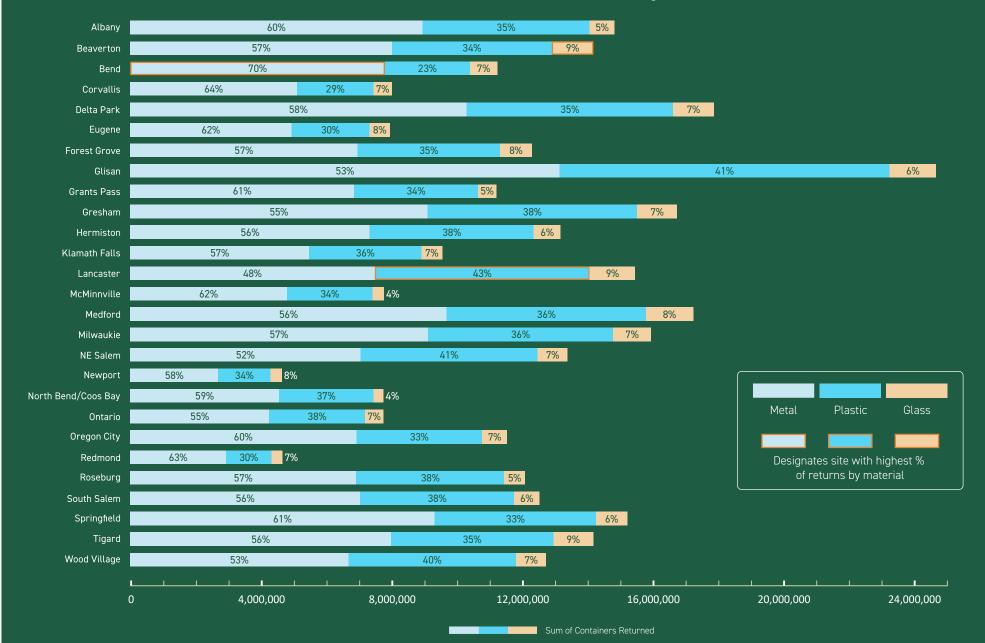
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Container Return Volume Year-Over-Year





Q2 Return Volume by Redemption Center & Material







BottleDrop Accounts

New accounts added daily (avg)	268
Q2 New Accounts	24,412
Bend	748
Eugene	2,174
Hermiston	373
Medford	1,130
Portland	7,897
Online	12,090
Total BottleDrop Accounts	1,090,603

The BottleDrop network ended the quarter with 10.8% more account holders than at the end of Q2 '23 (984,698) and 25.7% more than at the end of Q2 '22 (867,472).





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the Rescue

BottleDrop Give

Registered Nonprofit Fundrais	ers	6,523
Q2 New Give Accounts		244
Total Raised in Q2	\$1,4	32,250
Total Raised All-Time	\$30,4	17,094

BottleDrop Give 2024

OBRC hosted its 4th annual Earth Week Give campaign during Q2 2024. In total, 947 nonprofits participated, raising over \$205,000 through Blue Bags and online donations from Green Bag accounts. OBRC's Containers for Change program provided a 20% match for funds raised during the campaign and hosted a social media contest with prizes as well. Earth Week Give was a huge success, with a combined total of over \$250,000 raised for nonprofits across Oregon.





ORPET

PET Processing - St. Helens, OR		
Plastic Bottles Returned Q2	180.5 <i>M</i>	
Pounds of PET Processed	9.0 <i>M</i>	

ORPET continues to be a steady source of high-grade rPET flake. It is all processed right here in Oregon and provides recycled content for new, high-quality products, reducing the reliance on virgin plastics.

Variations in ORPET's quarterly recycling data are due to fluctuations in processing throughput.



