This report contains the results of a "Spot Survey" on **Office Trash/Recycling Centralization** and reflects the answers based on voluntary participation. 9/14/2018... <u>The survey can be found here</u>.



Total Responses

## **Office Trash Pickup Practice** Central receptacle and pickup Deskside receptacle and pickup Deskside receptacle with central pickup Varies by facility 2 10 12 Λ 6 8 14 Companies **Office Recycling Pickup Practice** Central receptacle and pickup Deskside receptacle and pickup Deskside receptacle with central pickup Single stream: recycling goes in regular trash Varies by facility

Companies

12

14

10

#### Comments

Recycle is picked up weekly, but there are central locations if you need to dump quicker.

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Our janitorial contract is scheduled to only pick up deskside receptacle once a week. Employees are not allowed to place any wet products in the deskside receptacle. Recycling pickup near the office desks is only white paper into a central receptacles that are placed through the office area.

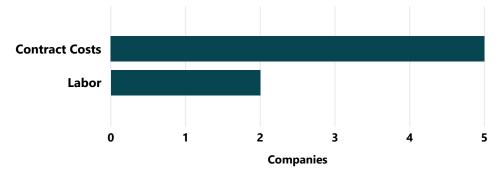
Office pickup on Fridays only, with central trash pickup daily

Janitors pick up trash employee take recycle to a recycle bin in area

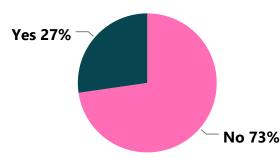
Employees have trash & recycling bins at desk, but self manage and empty both to a central point on the floor/building. Janitorial empties only the central & common areas.

3x/week except call center is daily

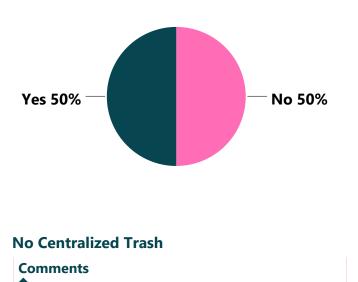




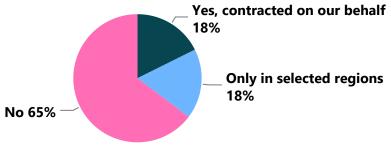
**Considering Central Trash/Recycing?** 



# Think It Can Be Done?



# **Composting Program?**



#### Composting

## Comments

Large scale composting facilities are difficult in Portland. The region had a major facility but had to reduce operations due to odor issues.

Limited to only one building

#### Pilot program only

Very limited but could be based upon the County or City ordinace of where the compost is being generated.

### **Centralized Trash**

#### Comments

Good communication

In 2009 we changed our daily pick-up of deskside trash cans from 5 days a week to only once a week. It helped lower the overall janitorial contract expense.

It's more expensive to recycle but we have a corporate policy to recycle as economically as possible.

Lots of Communication. Change management.

n/a

Our employees are responsible for collection and disposal of recyclables.

Policy guidelines and best practices implantation. Communicated well.

I think the employees will push back... NOT my job