

The background of the slide features a photograph of three young adults sitting at a table outdoors. They are all smiling and eating from clear plastic food containers. The woman in the foreground is wearing a plaid shirt and has long blonde hair. The woman in the middle has dark hair and glasses. The man in the background is wearing a baseball cap. The overall atmosphere is bright and positive.

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Sustainable Food Needs Sustainable Packaging

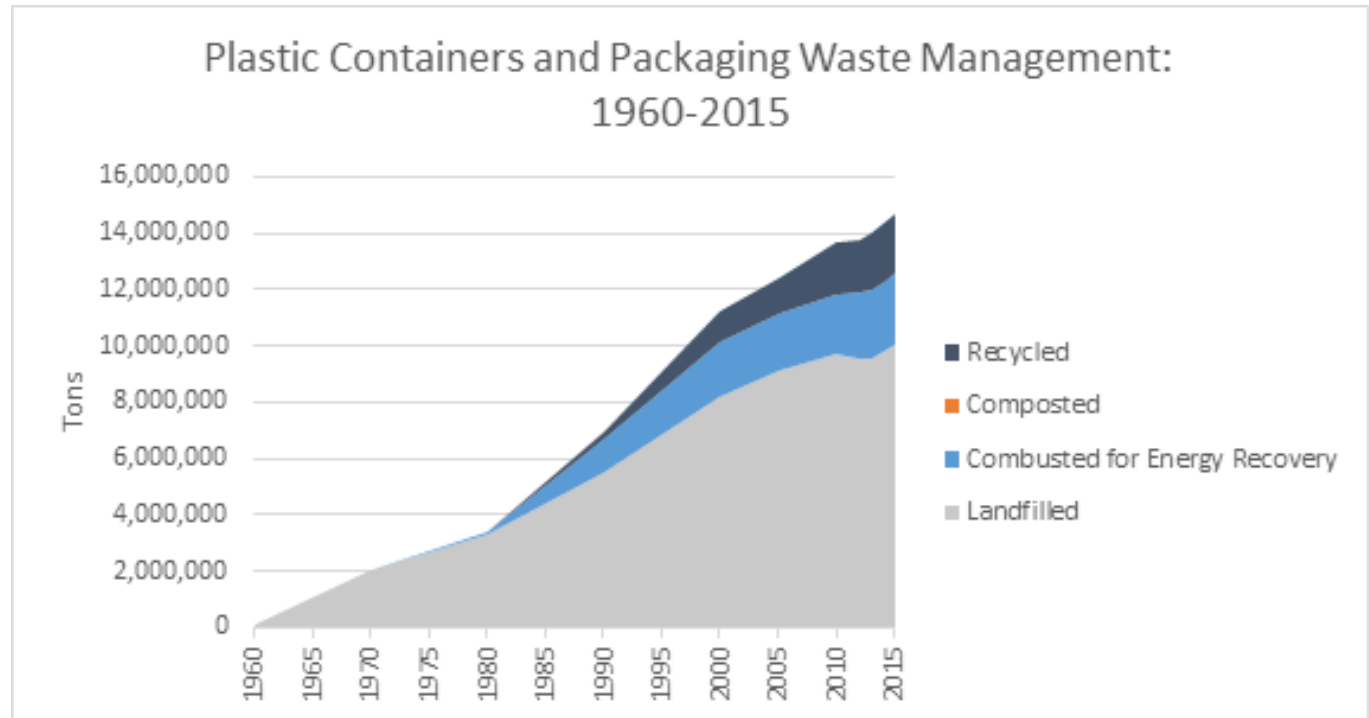
Switching to Better Food Serviceware



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Food, packaging, and waste

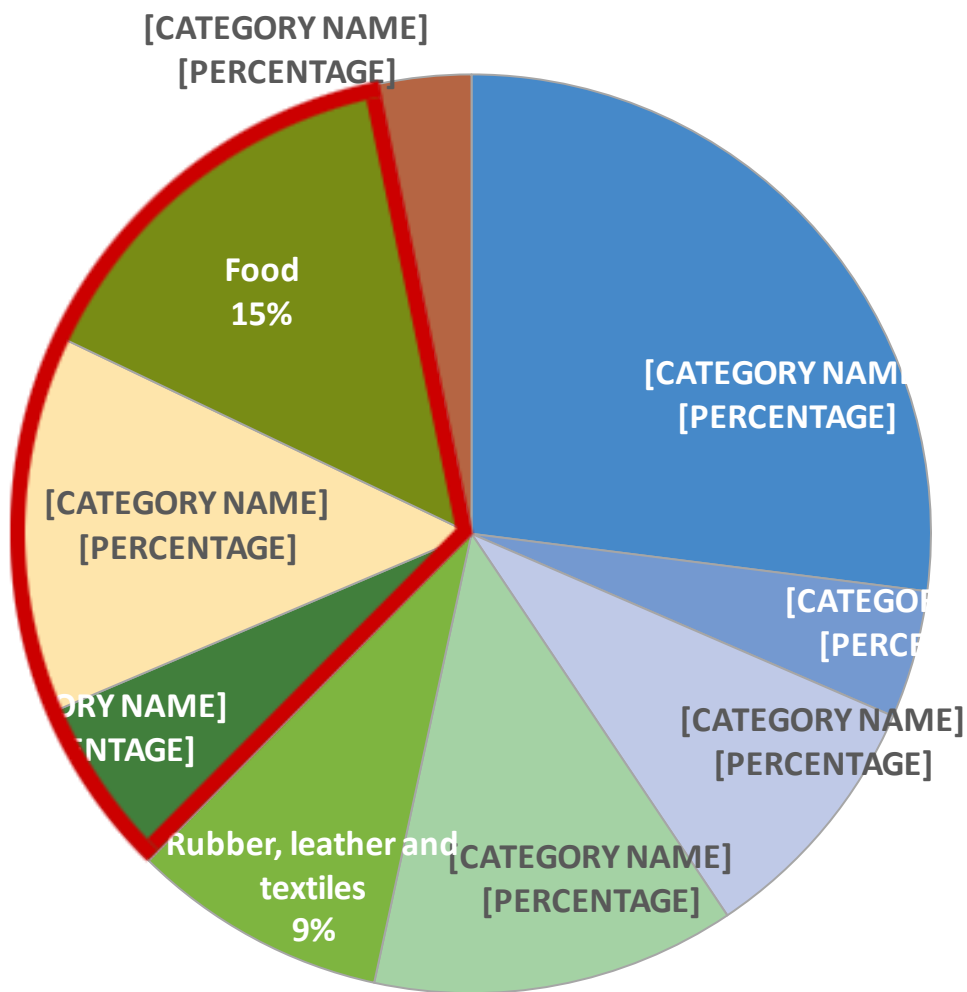
Most packaging is getting landfilled or incinerated



Source: EPA, 1960-2015 Total Plastic Containers and Packaging MSW by Weight

Food, packaging, and waste

Over 1/3 of waste is compostable



Source: EPA, Total MSW Generation (by Material), 2013. 254 Million Tons (before recycling)

Food, packaging, and waste

“With the collapse of the overseas recycling market and an influx of food- and beverage-related litter on our streets and in our waterways, waiting is no longer an option...

Recycling is no longer a solution — if we want to save the planet, **it's time to reduce, reuse and compost.**”

- Councilmember Sophie Hahn, Berkeley, CA

How do you choose food serviceware?

Compostable items are low-waste solutions

- 🌿 Plant fibers are rapidly renewable, unlike traditional plastics made from petrochemicals
- 🌿 Serve as a vessel for diverting food scraps
- 🌿 Compostables do not require cutting down forests for virgin tree fibers
- 🌿 Plastic items will only get recycled if clean & dry- highly unlikely in food service settings



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Lighter footprint during manufacturing

Use less energy:
44-88% less than plastics

Create less CO2:
27%-35% fewer carbon dioxide emissions than plastics



Avoiding wood fiber saves forests

Prevents deforestation

Also conserves biodiversity

Forests absorb carbon instead of releasing it into air



Made from renewable plants

Sugarcane and bamboo are rapidly renewable plants

Sugarcane is an agricultural by-product



Non-toxic

Certified by BPI, tested to be non-toxic

No phthalates or bisphenols like in traditional plastics

Thank You

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