



States from Coast to Coast Lead the Charge on Battery Recycling

Call2Recycle reveals 2018 Top 10 Battery Recycling States on National Battery Day

ATLANTA, GA, February 18, 2019 -- [Call2Recycle®](#), the country's first and largest consumer battery recycling program, is proud to reveal on [National Battery Day](#) the 2018 top 10 battery recycling states based on program participation. With Vermont topping the list, the following states made it into the top 10: Delaware, Georgia, Minnesota, California, Illinois, Tennessee, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania and Washington. The top 10 states are ranked based on per capita collection performance.

State	Battery Recycling Index: Collections Per Share of Population	Pounds Collected
Vermont	1,074%	146,000+
Delaware	473%	99,000+
Georgia	288%	657,000+
Minnesota	159%	193,000+
California	147%	1,261,000+
Illinois	147%	405,000+
Tennessee	134%	197,000+
New Hampshire	129%	37,000+
Pennsylvania	115%	319,000+
Washington	111%	181,000+

Contributing factors driving the top 10 states performance included strong participation from manufacturers along with public collection networks (municipalities and retailers). A surge in the removal and management of damaged batteries from the market and education awareness efforts also complemented collection efforts.

National Battery Day, celebrated each year on February 18th, reminds consumers to responsibly recycle their batteries once they no longer power devices. Proper handling, management and transportation of used batteries helps to mitigate the risk of safety incidents. The top 10 battery recycling states responsibly disposed of nearly 3.5 million pounds of batteries in 2018, helping to support the program's mission of protecting the planet by keeping batteries out of landfills.

"National Battery Day provides the opportunity to recognize the contributions of our top 10 battery recycling states and spotlight the ease of year-round battery recycling," said



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Call2Recycle Executive Vice President of External Relations, Linda Gabor. “As batteries continue to power our daily lives, we must continue to be good stewards of the environment by safely recycling batteries once they reach their end-of-life.”

The program’s collection network allows for easy and accessible battery recycling, with 86 percent of residents living within 10 miles of a [drop-off location](#). Before recycling, consumers should [review tips](#) on how to safely prepare their batteries.

Last year, Call2Recycle [collected](#) 7.2 million pounds of consumer batteries. Since 1994, the program has diverted and recycled more than 115 million pounds of batteries from U.S. landfills.



[Call2Recycle, Inc.](#), is committed to protecting and preserving the environment through collecting and recycling consumer batteries and cellphones. Founded in 1994, the not-for-profit organization works on behalf of stakeholders to provide its consumer battery recycling program to consumers across the U.S. Visit [call2recycle.org](#). Follow on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [LinkedIn](#).

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