

2015 Waste Composition Study

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Chittenden Solid Waste District

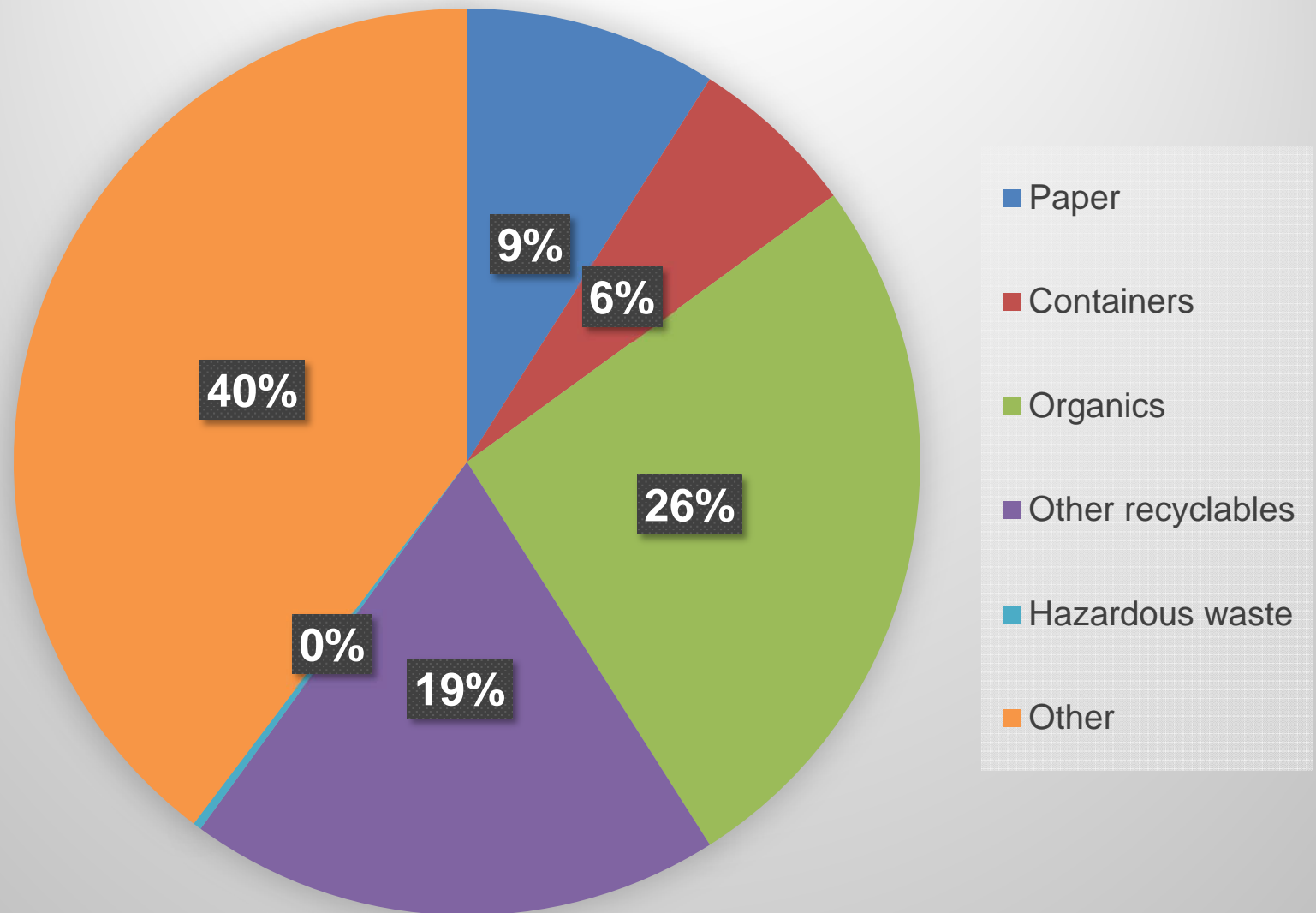


Comparison of 2015 Results to Previous Studies

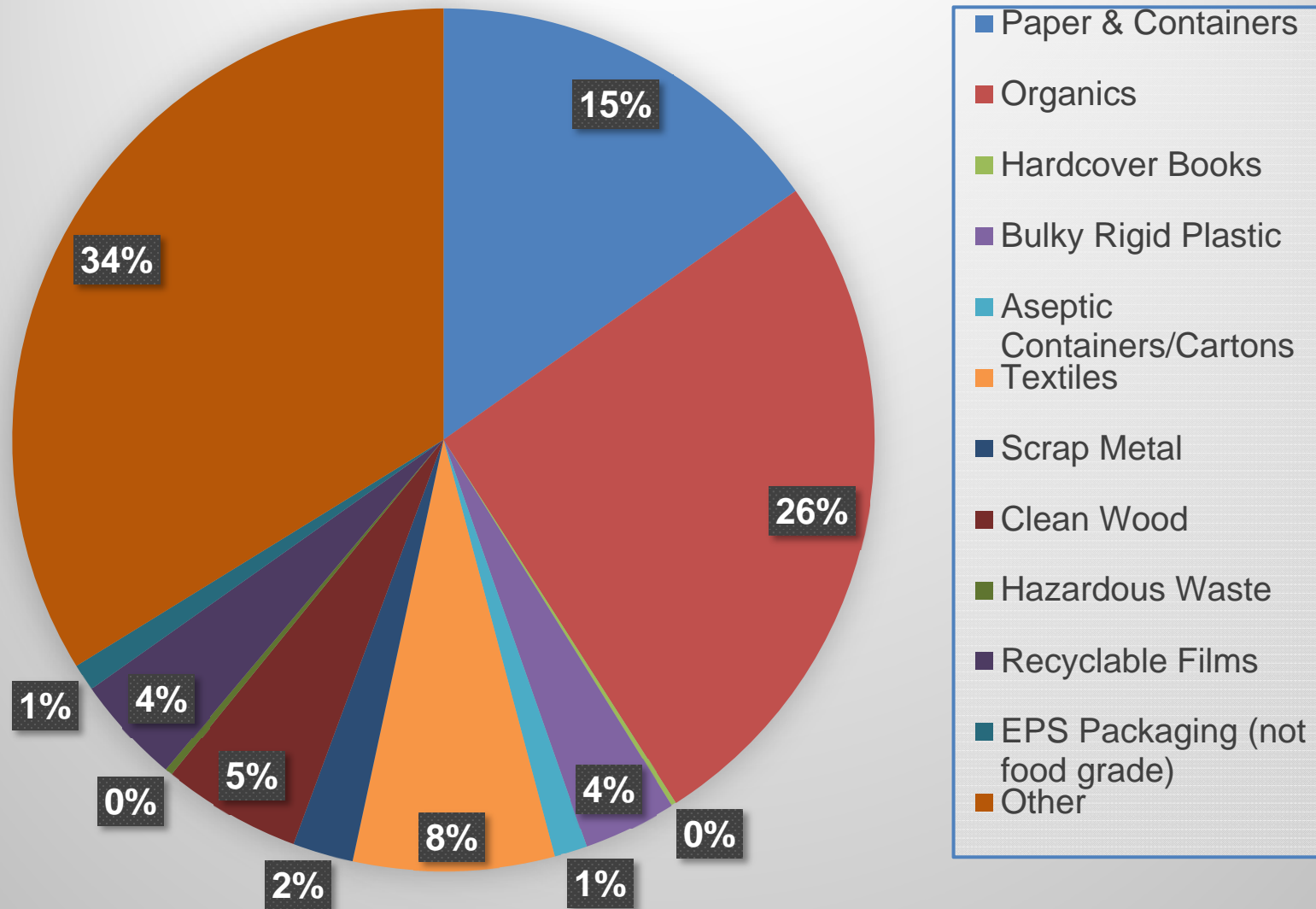
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MATERIALS	2006	2010	2015	2012
Paper	14%	11%	9%	14%
Containers	6%	6%	6%	6%
TOTAL Recyclables	19%	17%	15%	20%
ORGANICS	33%	29%	26%	34%
REMAINDER	48%	55%	59%	45%



CSWD 2015 Residential Waste Composition Study Components of Waste Disposed



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Major Findings & Recommendations

- Mandatory recyclables and organics make up a smaller portion of the residential waste stream as compared to previous studies.
- Over 60% or an estimated 31,300 tons of what households are disposing could be diverted through existing programs.
- In addition to mandatory recyclables, textiles, clean wood, and plastic bags should be targeted for diversion.
- A collection program for bulky rigid plastics should continue to be investigated.

