

# In-depth review of the WEEE Collection Rates and Targets

in the EU-28, Norway, Switzerland, and Iceland

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- 1. Facts on WEEE collection
- 2. Positive impact
- 3. Negative impact
- 4. Sufficient for collection targets?
- 5. Impact of behavior
- 6. What is needed for future?

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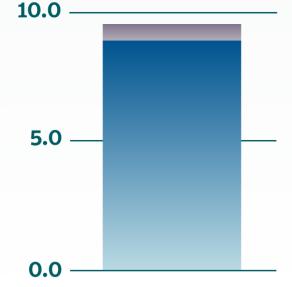
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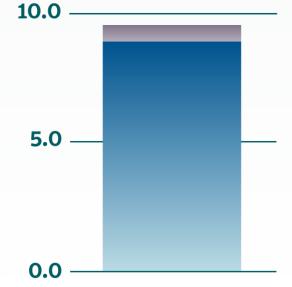
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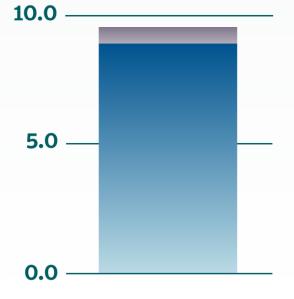
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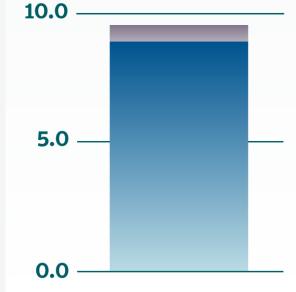
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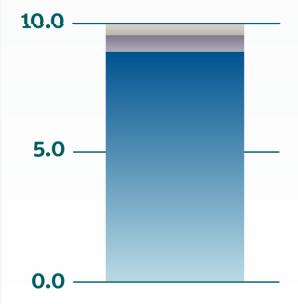
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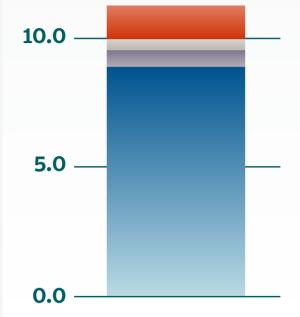


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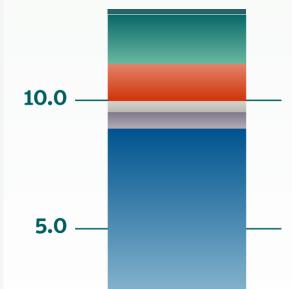
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**Metal scrap** 

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# 3. Factors that negatively impact WEEE Collection

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Illegal exports of WEEE outside the EU





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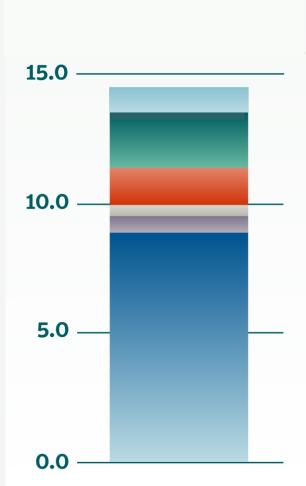
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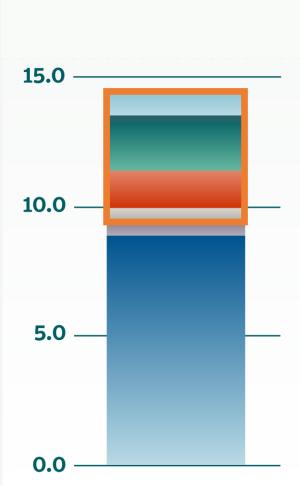
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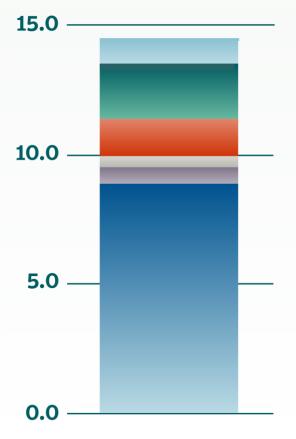




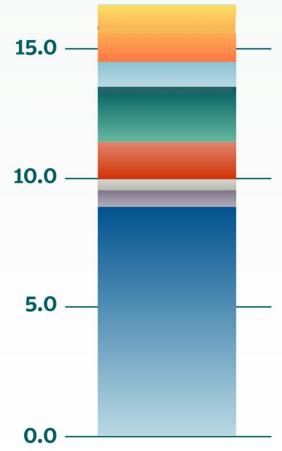


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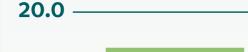
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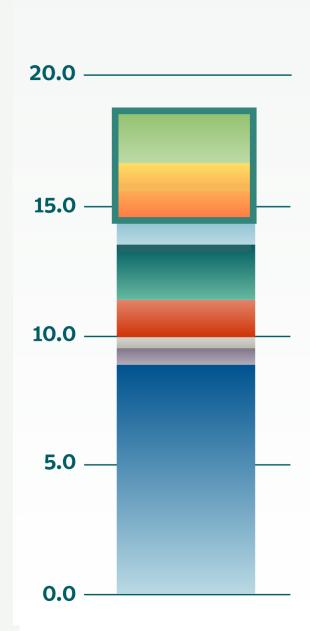
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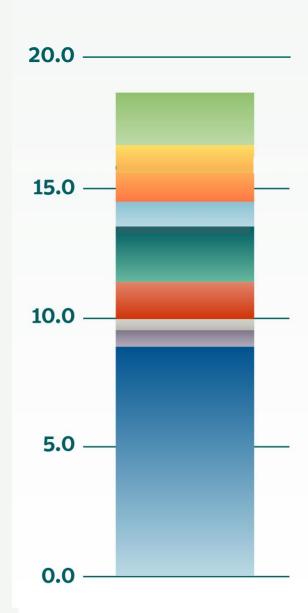
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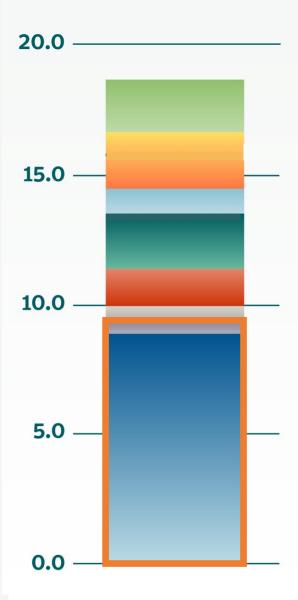
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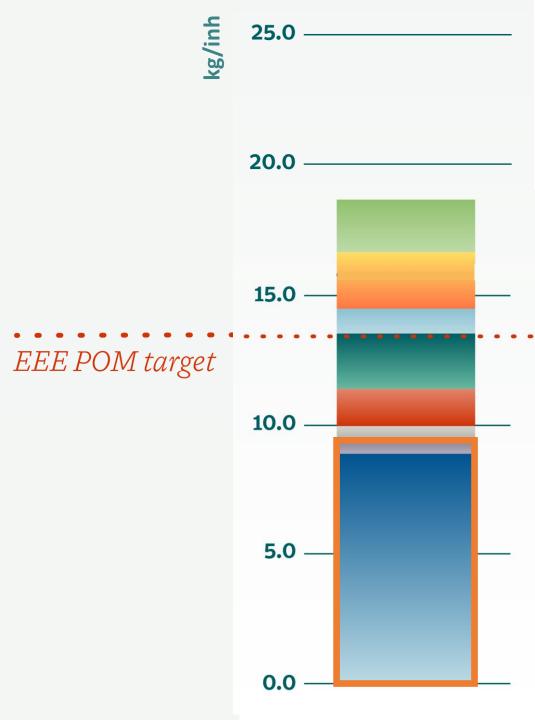
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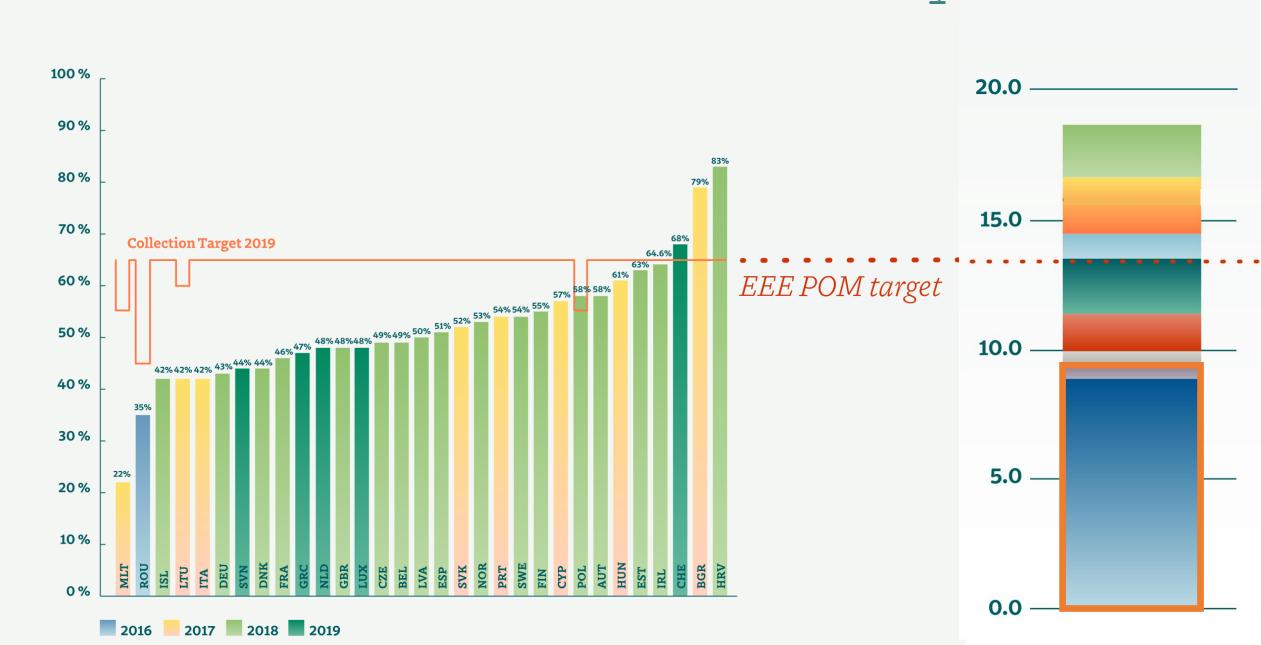




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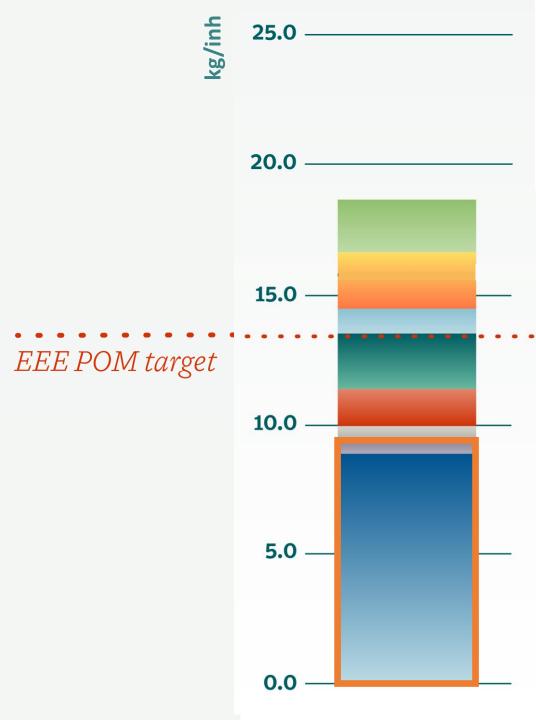






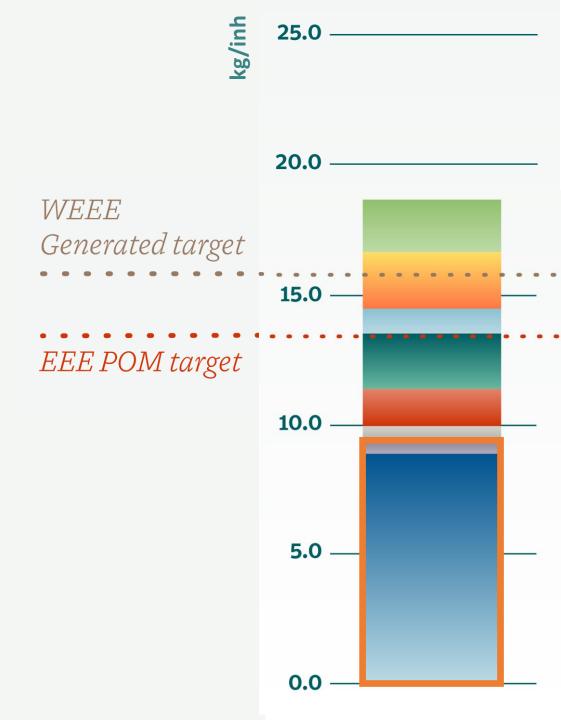


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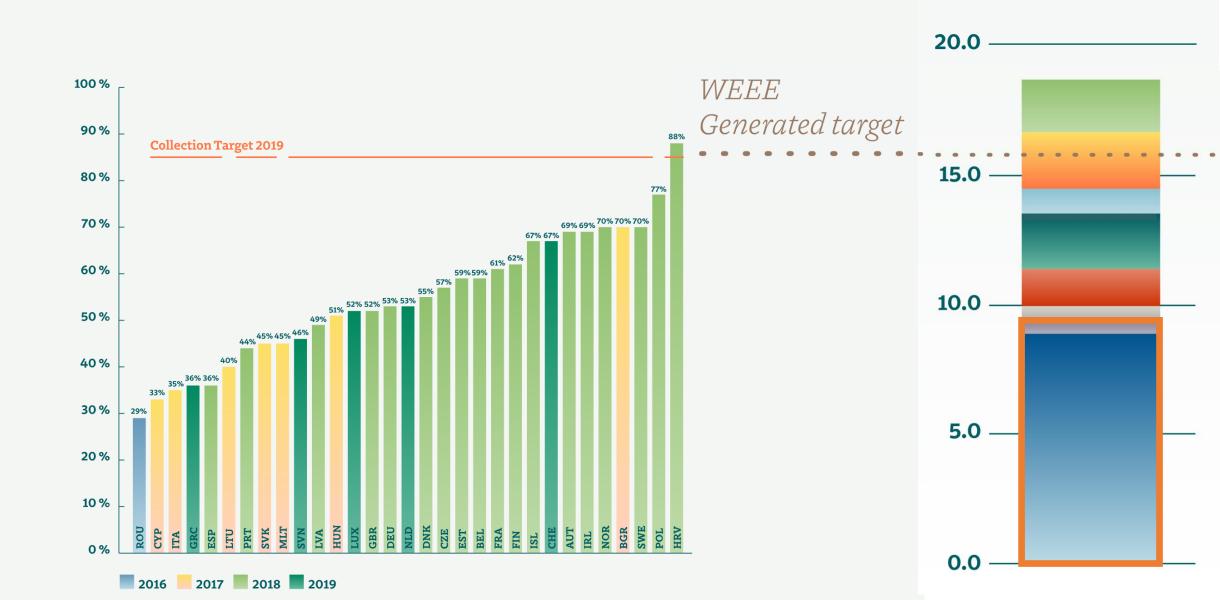




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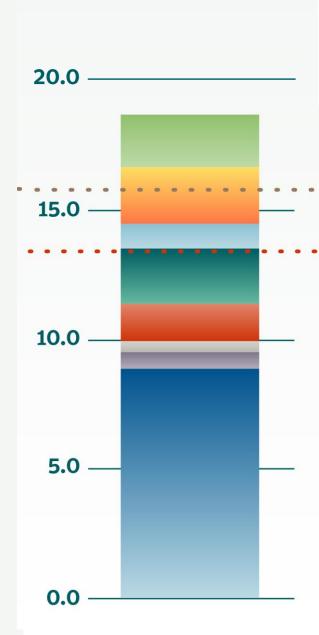




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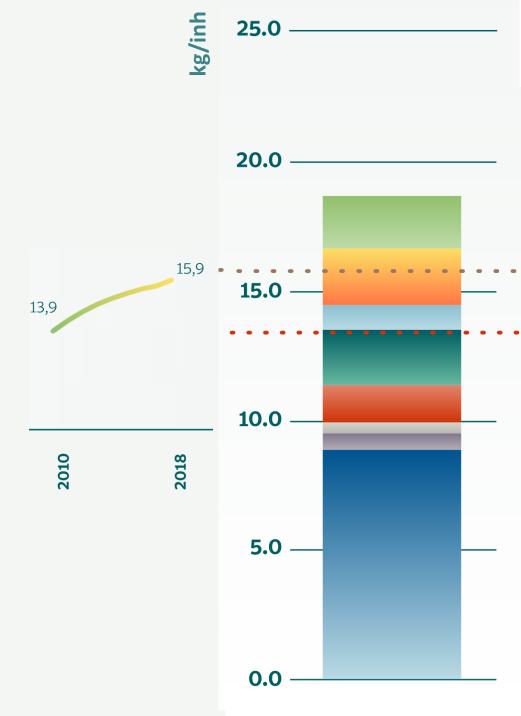
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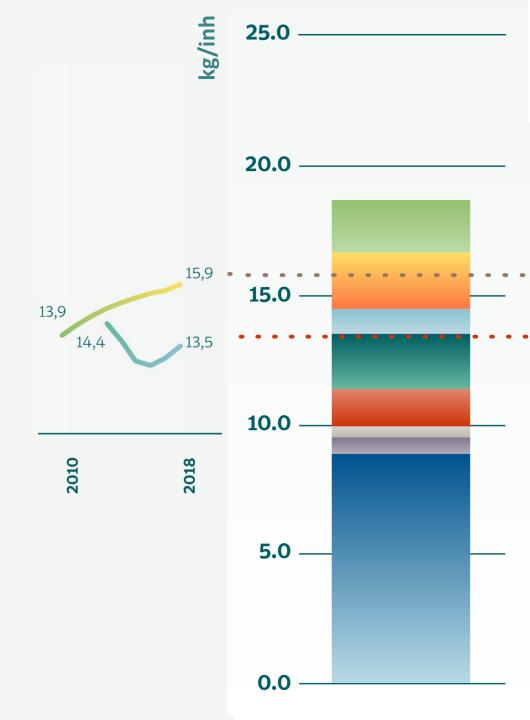
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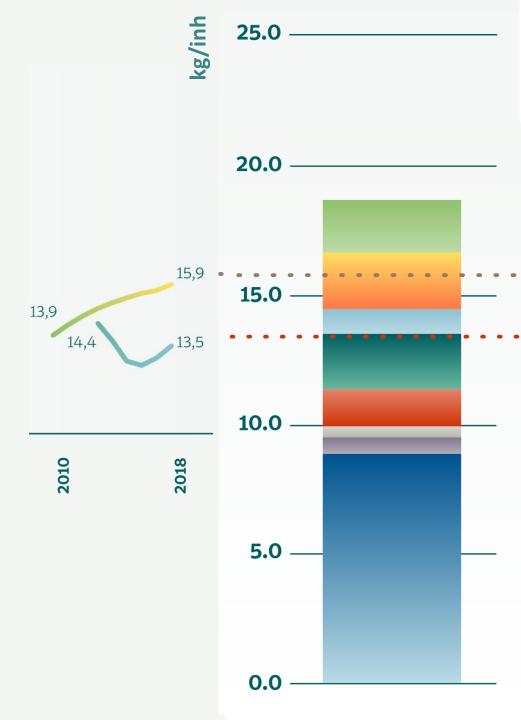


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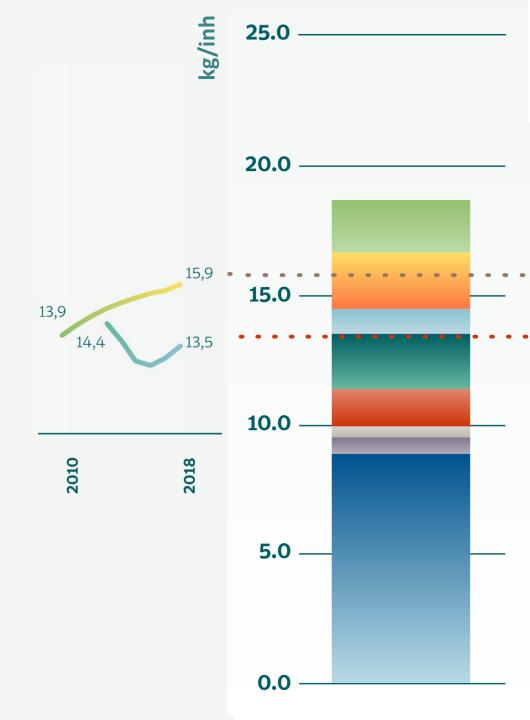


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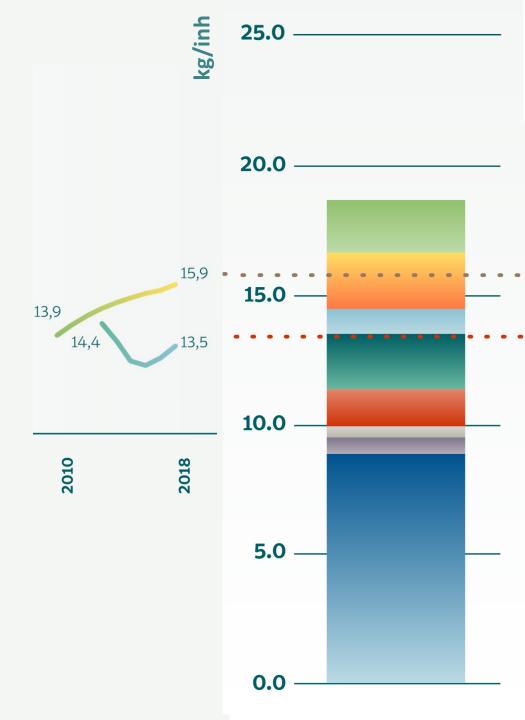


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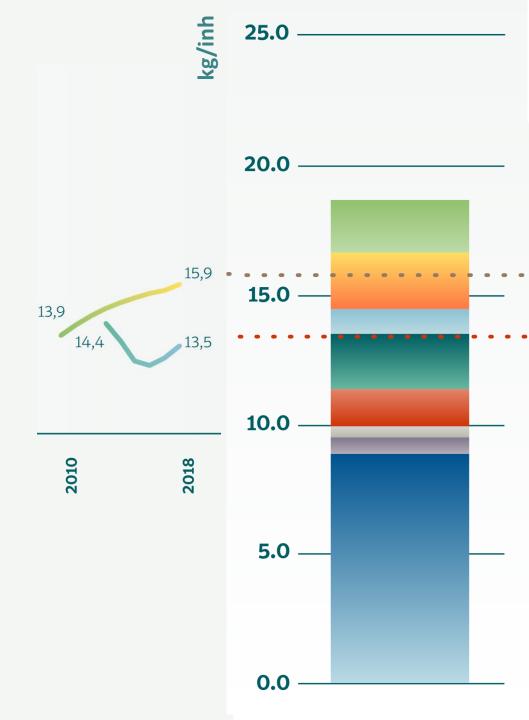


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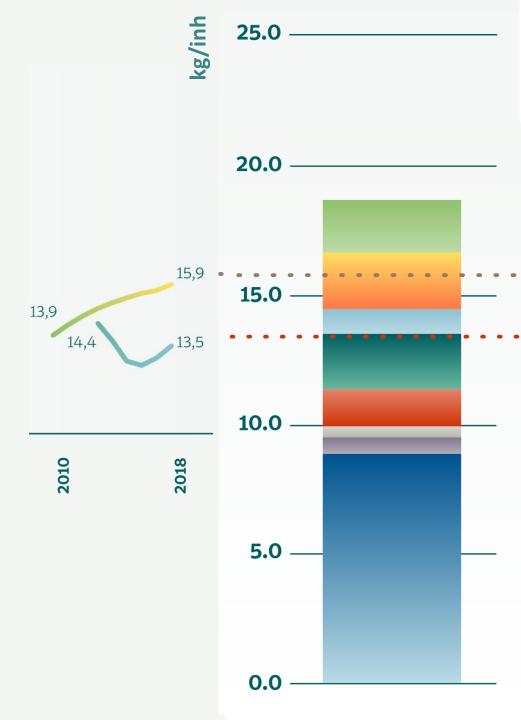
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### Less impact on collection rates

- Hoarding
  - In- and outflux of hoarded equipment seems to be the same

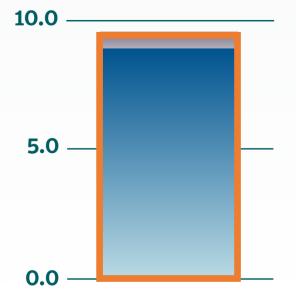


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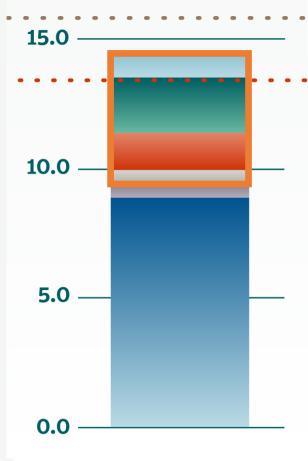




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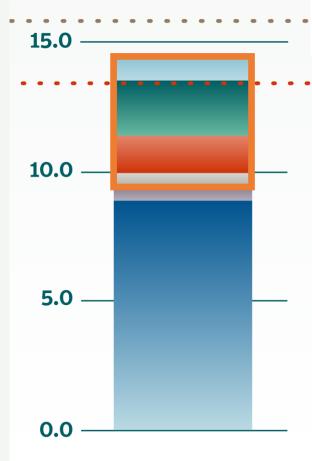




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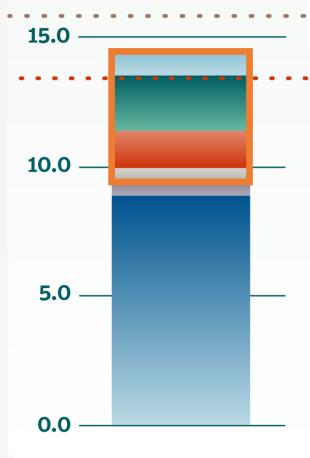




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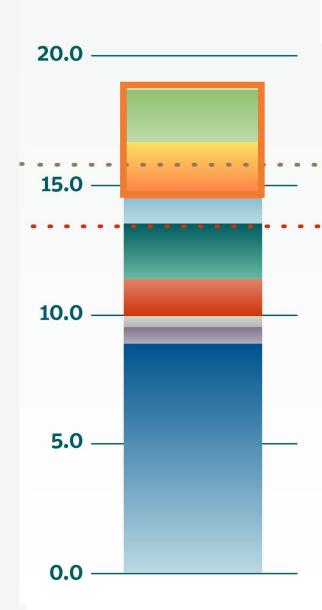






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- 25% is unknown
  - Countries have to improve monitoring







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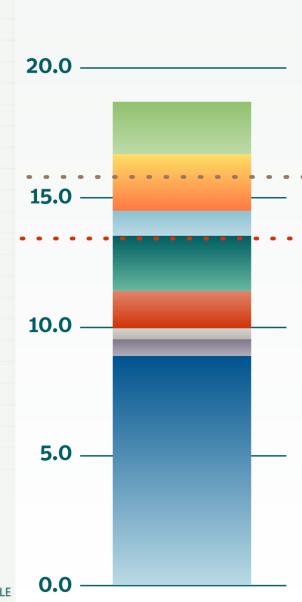
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