

PLASTIC BAGS MAKE SENSE

...and have many other uses, too.

PLASTIC'S PROGRESS

854
MILLION

427
MILLION



In the past 10 years... recycling of plastic bags, sacks and wraps has

doubled

100%

of recycled plastic bags can turn into pellets that become...



9 out of 10 consumers



reuse their plastic bags as lunch totes, trash can liners, and more

Number of plastic bag recycling points created by Hilex Poly across the U.S....



PLASTIC VS ALTERNATIVES

It would take



of using the same **cotton bag** before it's a better option than a plastic retail bag reused three times

*393 uses, assuming one grocery trip per week

And in comparison to paper bag production, plastic bag production generates **80% less waste** and takes 40% less energy.

For every **7 trucks** needed to deliver paper bags...



...only **1 truck** is needed to deliver the same amount of plastic bags

THE BUSINESS OF RECYCLING

The largest closed loop plastic bag recycling facility recycles...

97%

of the total waste it produces



And at this same plant, Hilex will recycle **12,960,000 pounds** of plastic in a given year.

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