# PET BOTTLE RECYCLING: ITS USE AS 3D PRINTING FILAMENT AND ITS PROPERTIES

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# **A LITTLE OVERVIEW**

Growth in Asia

As the economies in Asia grow, so does demand for consumer products-and plastics. Half the world's plastics are made there, 29 percent in China.

**Global plastic** production by industry in millions of tons

Legacy of World War II Shortages of natural materials during the war led to a search for synthetic alternatives-and to an exponential surge in plastic production that continues today.

100 1973 oil crisis

Total 448 million tons produced in 2015

#### Other

400

2008 recession

300

200

52 million includes health care and agriculture

**5 years 4** The average time plastics are used before they're discarded.

**Building and construction** 72 million 35 year

Industrial machinery 3 million 20 years

Transportation 30 million 13 years

Electrical 19 million 8 years

Textiles 65 million 5 years

**Consumer products** 46 million 3 years

Packaging 161 million Less than six months

The largest market for plastics today is for packaging materials. That trash now accounts for nearly half of all plastic waste generated globally; most of it never gets recycled or incinerated.

#### THE CHALLENGE OF RECYCLING

Globally, 18 percent of plastic is recycled, up from nearly zero in 1980. Plastic bottles are one of the most widely recycled products. But other items, such as drinking straws, are harder to recycle and often discarded.

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<b>PET</b> Polyethylene terephthalate	<b>HDPE</b> High-density polyethylene	<b>PVC</b> Polyvinyl chloride	<b>LDPE</b> Low-density polyethylene	<b>PP</b> Polypropylene
Beverage bottles, food jars, clothing and carpet fiber, some shampoo and mouthwash bottles	Detergent and bleach bottles, snack boxes, milk jugs, toys, buckets, crates, plant pots, garden furniture, trash bins	Credit cards, window and doorframes, gutters, pipes and fittings, wire and cable sheathing, synthetic leather	Packaging film, shopping bags, bubble wrap, flexible bottles, wire and cable insulation	Bottle tops, drinking straws, lunch boxes, insulated coolers, fabric and carpet fiber, tarps, diapers
11%	14%	5%	20%	19%



Ease of recycling by type\*



PS Polystyrene

Plastic-foam cups, Nylon fabrics, baby egg boxes, meat trays,

hangers, yogurt

containers,

insulation, toys

6%

bottles, compact disks, medical packing peanuts, coat storage containers, car parts, watercooler bottles 24%

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OTHER

#### 1950

2000 1960 1970 1980 1990 2010 2015

## MAP OF THE PRESENTATION



- Current State of PET Recycling
- Challenges in PET Recycling
- Future Projections of PET Recycling

- Recycled PET for 3D Printing filament
- Preparing the PET Bottles
- Dehumidifying the Small Pieces of PET
- Loading and Melting the PET Pieces into the Extruder
- Extruding the Plastic
- Cooling and Winding the Filament onto a Spool

Properties of Recycled PET for 3D Printing filament

- Tensile strength
- Flexibility
- Heat resistance
- Water resistance
- UV resistance
- Printability

### POLLUTION MADE BY PET BOTTLES

### Current State of PET Recycling

Plastics Waste Management: 1960-2018









### POLLUTION MADE BY PET BOTTLES

#### Challenges in PET Recycling





### POLLUTION MADE BY PET BOTTLES



# DON'T TRASH OUR FUTURE



# RECYCLED PET FOR 3D PRINTING FILAMENT



# PROPERTIES OF RECYCLED PET FOR 3D PRINTING FILAMENT



# CONCLUSION



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