



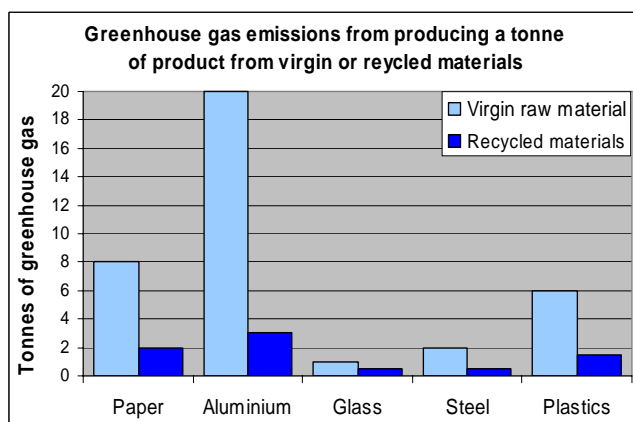
Did You Know?

FACT: During 2001-02 Australia used 1.23 million tonnes of writing and printing paper which equates to approximately 30 million trees

(http://www.acfonline.org.au/uploads/res_paper_book.pdf)

FACT: Each office worker in Australia uses around 10, 000 sheets of A4 paper per year
(www.paperspecs.com)

FACT: One tonne of paper requires the use of 98 tons of various resources including trees, energy, water and chemicals (Natural Capitalism; Paul Hawken, Amory and L. Hunter; Lovin Little Brown & Co.; September 1999)



FACT: A significant proportion of the trees that provide the pulp for paper are from native forests. In Australia we have lost 95% of our old growth forests

(http://www.acfonline.org.au/uploads/res_paper_book.pdf)

FACT: For every tonne of recycled paper purchased, we save approximately:

- 19 trees
- 764 kilograms of CO2 emissions
- 31, 843 litres of water
- 407 kilograms of solid waste

To calculate the impacts of paper consumption in your area and the benefits of using less and/or recycled content paper, use the online paper calculator at
<http://www.greenbiz.com/frame/1.cfm?targetsite=http://www.papercalculator.org>

Remember if you are recycling paper but not buying recycled content paper you are only doing half the job!

View the **Property and Facilities Central Store Catalogue** at:
<http://www.pf.uq.edu.au/StoresCatalog.html>

How to Bribe Your Staff

Offering tasteful hints to key staff members is a great way to encourage people to do the right thing!

Problem: Office not taking advantage of high quality, economically competitive and readily available recycled content paper

Tip: One area got their Purchasing Officer to switch to green after providing tasteful hints (i.e. leaving a copy of the P&F Central Store catalogue with recycled content paper highlighted on their desk)

Result: An intrigued PO on Monday and a radiant PO on Friday, pleased with themselves for implementing improved purchasing practices in the office

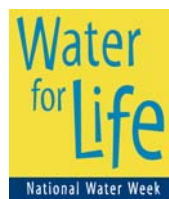
Email us with the initiatives that you have found works in your area.

Hints and Tips

Choosing environmentally friendly paper is an important step in the preservation of our forests. But we can also reduce our consumption of paper products. 4 simple things that you can do include:

- Consider email instead of letters and faxes
- Reuses once used paper for notepaper
- Don't print unnecessarily – proofread on screen
- Print and photocopy double-sided and halve your use of paper

Coming events - mark these in your diary!



National Water Week 2006

October 15 – 21

Australians are encouraged to "Protect, Conserve & Get Involved" in water-related activities & celebrations.

For more information see

www.nationalwaterweek.org.au

Next Green Office Update Session

10 October 2006 at 2.30pm

Topic: Conserving Water.

All Green Office representatives are invited!

Next Green Office Information Session

19 September at 2:30pm

All personnel wishing to join the Green Office Program are invited! (Not for existing GO Reps)

To register interest in the next Green Office Information and Training session please contact Property & Facilities: Environmental Services



For further information, contact Environmental Services:

- | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------|---|
| ▪ Green Office Coordinator (p/t) | Ext: 69959 | Email: s.butler@pf.uq.edu.au |
| ▪ Environmental Coordinator | Ext: 52076 | Email: k.ollett@pf.uq.edu.au |
| ▪ Project Officer Environment | Ext: 57580 | Email: l.thompson@pf.uq.edu.au |

Website: www.pf.uq.edu.au/Ems/GrnOffPrgrm.html