



North Carolina Environmental Facts:

- North Carolina is the 12th highest carbon dioxide producing state. Each North Carolina resident produces 18 tons of carbon dioxide per year.
- By turning off the water when brushing your teeth, North Carolinians could save as much as nine gallons each time you brush.
- If one-third of North Carolina's households sent junk mail reduction cards to the Mail Preference Association, it would save North Carolina local governments almost \$1.3 million in disposal fees per year.
- With the amount of trash North Carolinians throw away, we would fill enough dumpsters to line the length of N.C.'s Interstate 40 more than six times in one year. That's 2,555 miles of dumpsters each year!
- North Carolinians throw away enough trash to fill dumpsters from Boone to Bald Head every 47 days.
- North Carolina electricity consumption increased by 53,734 million kilowatt-hours (kWh) between 1980 and 2001, representing an annual average increase of 2.9%.
- North Carolinians throw away more than \$20 million in aluminum cans each year.

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