

Emissions of Greenhouse Gases in the United States 2004

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Table 36. Net Carbon Dioxide Sequestration from Landfilled Yard Trimmings and Food Scraps, 1990 and 1997-2003
 (Million Metric Tons Carbon Dioxide Equivalent)

| Description | 1990 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Yard Trimmings | 23.2 | 10.4 | 9.6 | 8.5 | 7.2 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 7.5 |
| Grass | 2.5 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| Leaves | 11.2 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 4.5 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Branches | 9.6 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 3.2 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.8 |
| Food Scraps | 2.8 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.7 | 2.6 |
| Total | 26.0 | 12.9 | 12.5 | 11.4 | 10.2 | 10.3 | 10.2 | 10.1 |

Note: Totals may not equal sum of components due to independent rounding.

Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, *Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2003*, EPA 430-R-05-003 (Washington, DC, April 2005), web site <http://yosemite.epa.gov/oar/globalwarming.nsf/content/ResourceCenterPublicationsGHGEmissionsUSEmissionsInventory2005.html>.