

# Disposable Cups

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## Request for Information.

Thank you for your request received on 24 April in which you asked:

*For each of the past 5 years (broken down by year)*

*1. How many disposable cups have been purchased by the Welsh Assembly?*

*To help with clarification these are disposable plastic-lined cups.*

### 1. Number of disposable drinking cups purchased by the National Assembly for Wales in the last five financial years.

Financial Year	Number Purchased
2013/14	116,150
2014/15	108,250
2015/16	128,300
2016/17	128,050
2017/18	139,050
<b>Total</b>	<b>619,800</b>

We are working towards replacing non-recyclable disposable cups completely, by September 2018.

We are working with our catering supplier to identify compostable or recyclable drinking water cups to replace the single use plastic cups used currently and will switch to these alternatives by September 2018.

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We will also be carrying out awareness campaigns to encourage staff and visitors to use refillable bottles wherever possible to help to reduce the usage of water cups adjacent to water fountains in our buildings.

Your request has been considered according to the principles set out in the Code of Practice on Public Access to Information. The code is published on our website at [http://www.assemblywales.org/abthome/about\\_us-commission\\_assembly\\_administration/abt-foi/abt-foi-cop-pub.htm](http://www.assemblywales.org/abthome/about_us-commission_assembly_administration/abt-foi/abt-foi-cop-pub.htm)

If you have any questions regarding this response please contact me. If you feel you have cause for complaint, please follow the guidance at the end of this letter.

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Manager  
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Cause for concern or complaint with your FOI response?

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