Recycling in Delaware

Public Attitudes and Perceptions

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Survey Background

Data collected from August-September 1999

Random Digit Dialing Methodology random selection of one adult (18+) in each household 15 call-backs daytime, nighttime, weekend segments refusal conversion

647 telephone interviews completed 205 in Kent County 227 in New Castle County 215 in Sussex County

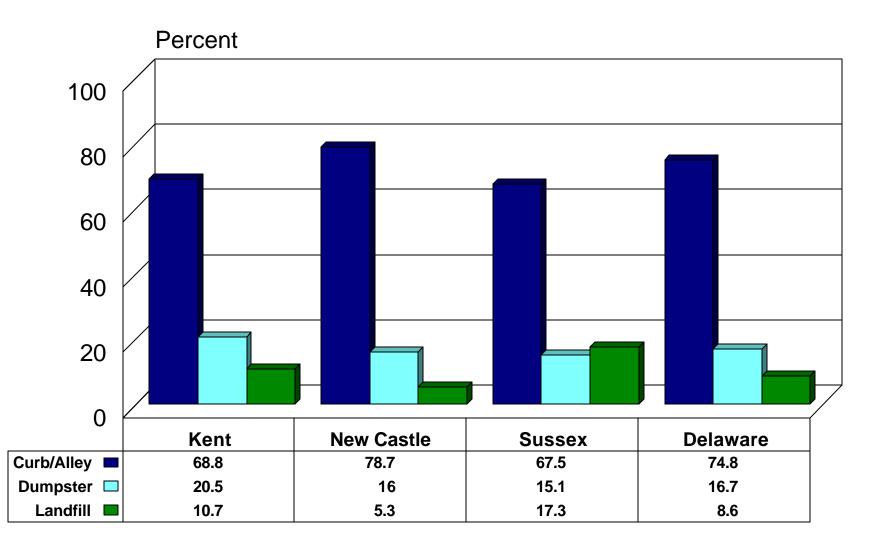
Data adjusted for the number of residential numbers and number of adults in the household

Data reweighted to age-sex distribution in each county

95% confidence interval +/- 6.7% at county level with N=205 95% confidence interval +/- 4.7% at state level with N=647 (Intervals increase as subsets of the data are examined)

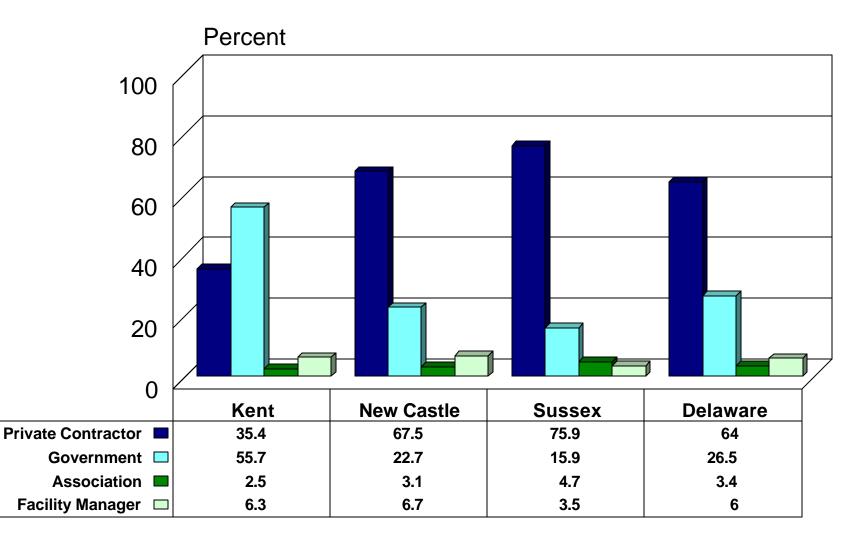
How Do You Dispose of Your Household Trash?

by County ** (N=646)



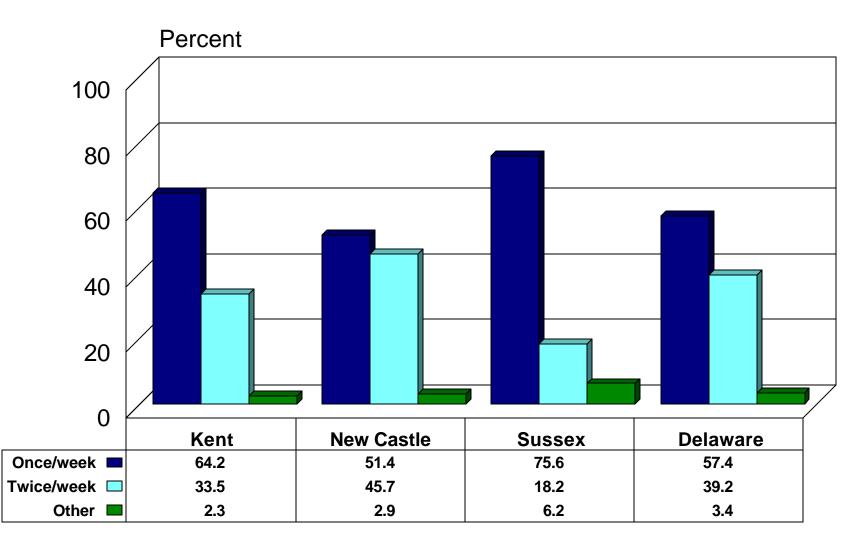
Who Provides Your Trash Collection Service?

by County ** (N=522)

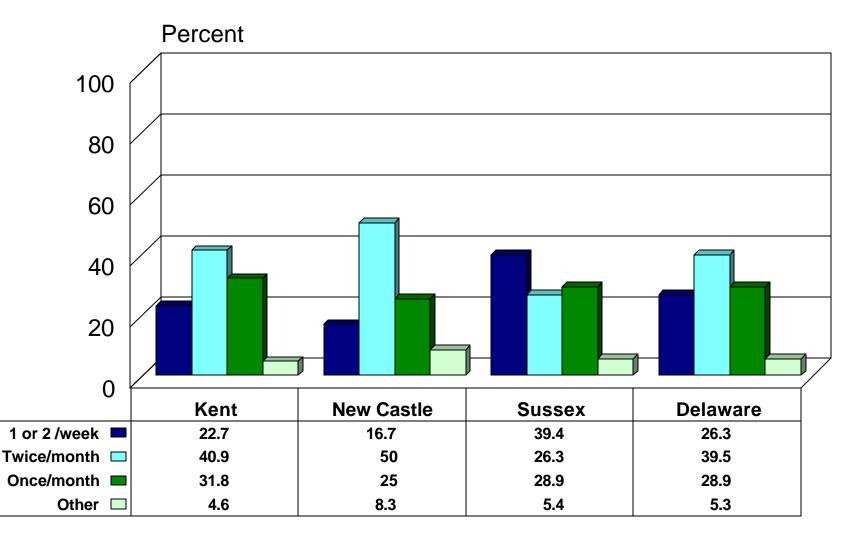


How Frequently is Your Household Trash Collected?

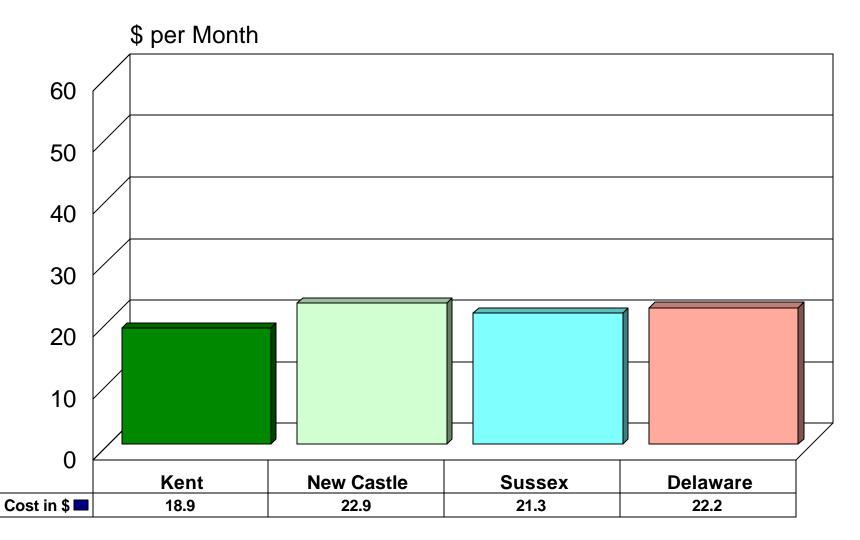
by County ** (N=559)



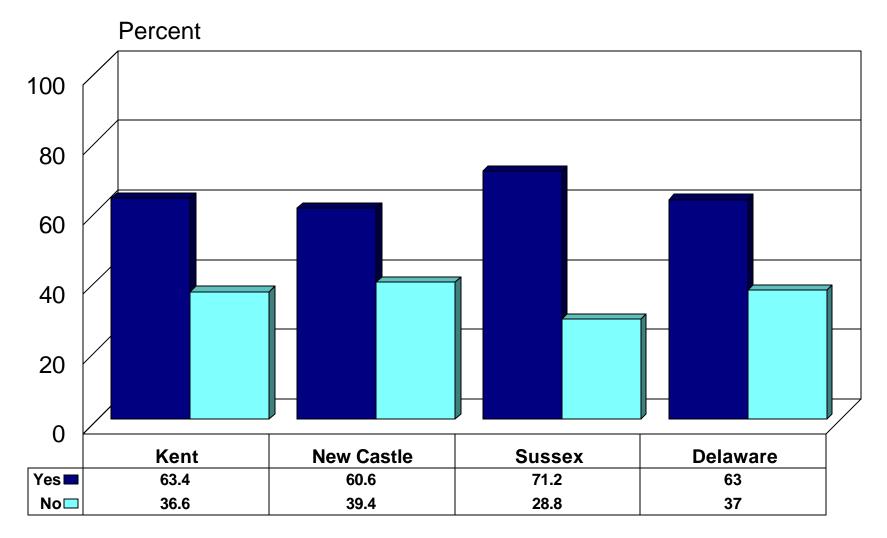
How Frequently Do You Take Trash to the Landfill? by County (N=72)



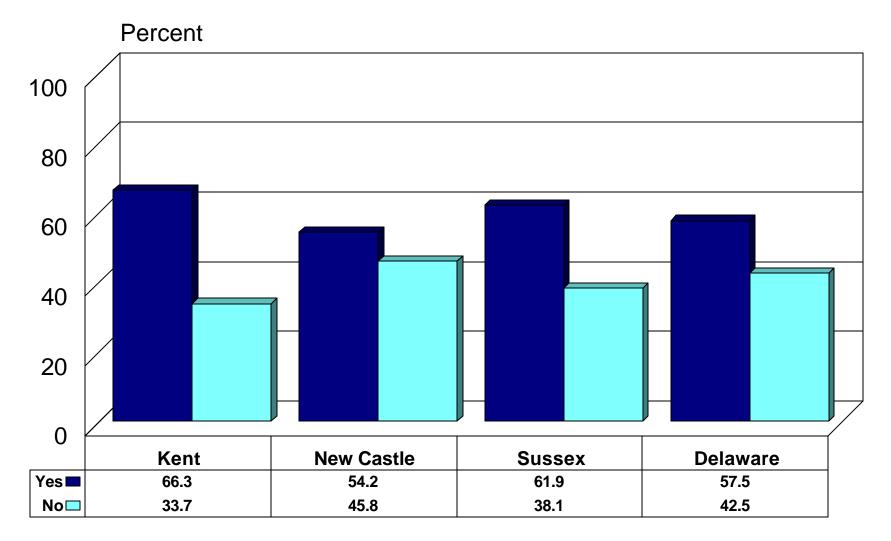
How Much Do You Pay for Your Trash Disposal? by County (N=191)



Are You Aware of Any Recycling Programs in Your Area? by County (N=646)

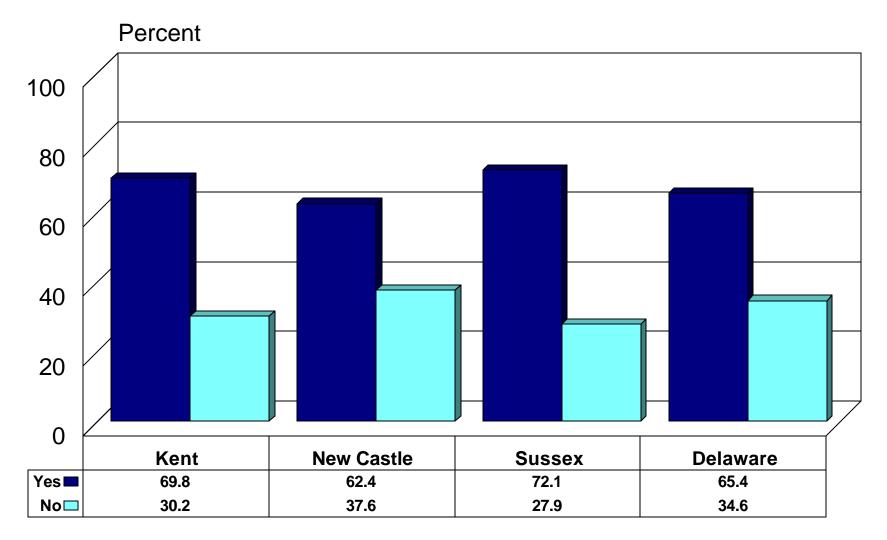


Are You Aware of the "Recycling Delaware" Igloo Program? by County ** (N=647)



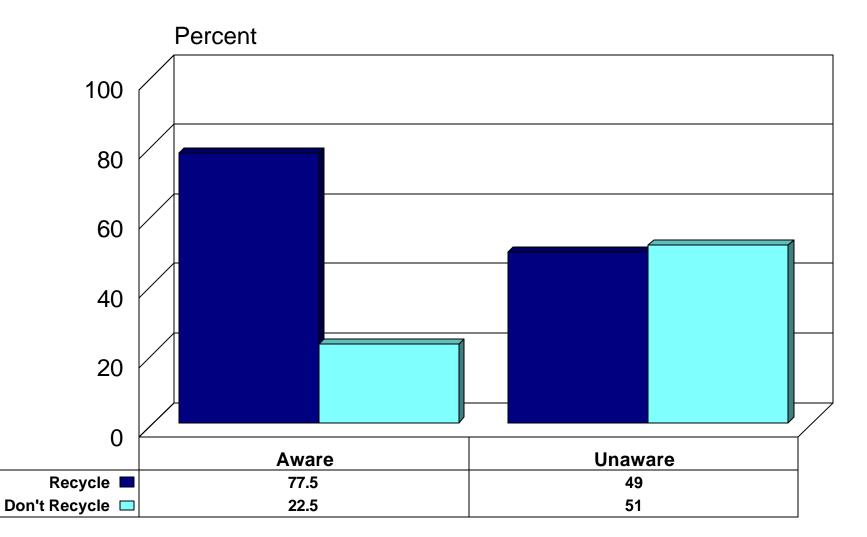
Do You Recycle Any Trash in Your Home?

by County (N=646)



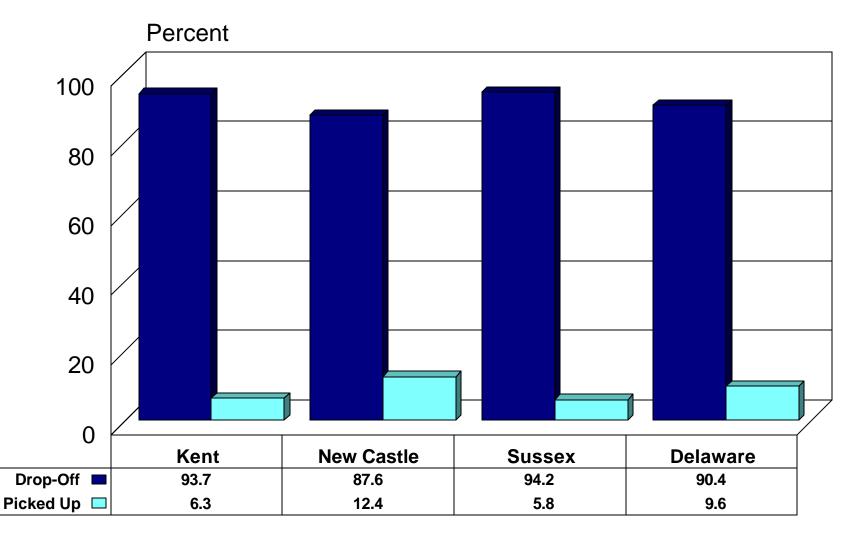
Do You Currently Recycle

by Awareness of "Recycle Delaware" ** (N=646)

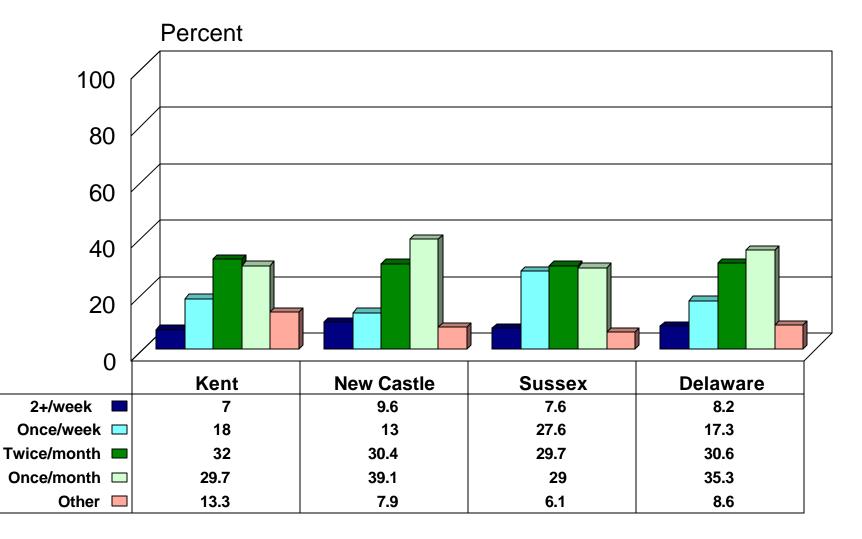


Take Recyclables to a Drop-off Center or Picked Up at Home?

by County (N=434)

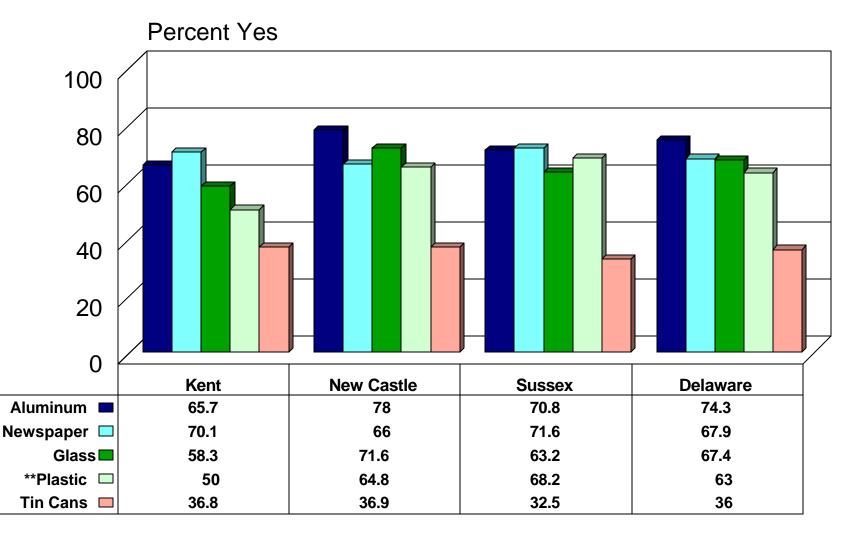


How Often Do You Take Material to a Drop-off Center? by County (N=389)



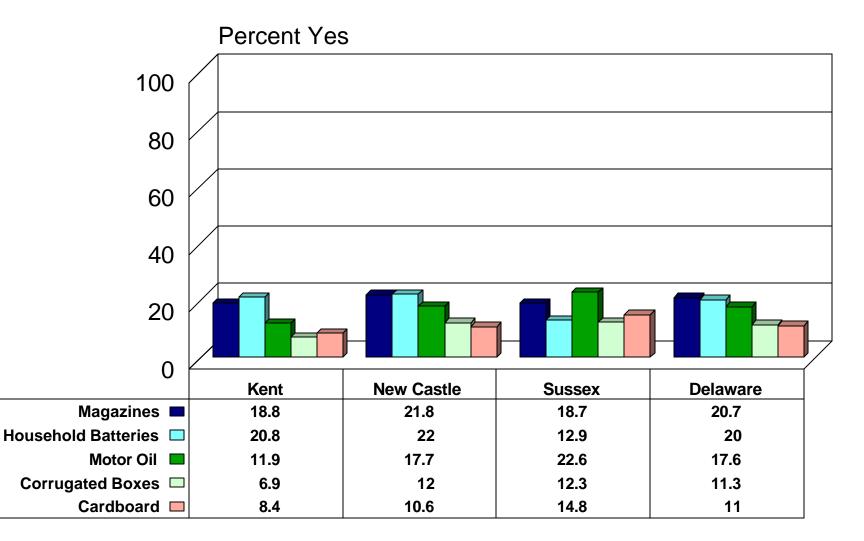
Do You Recycle Any of the Following Materials(1)?

by County (N=441)



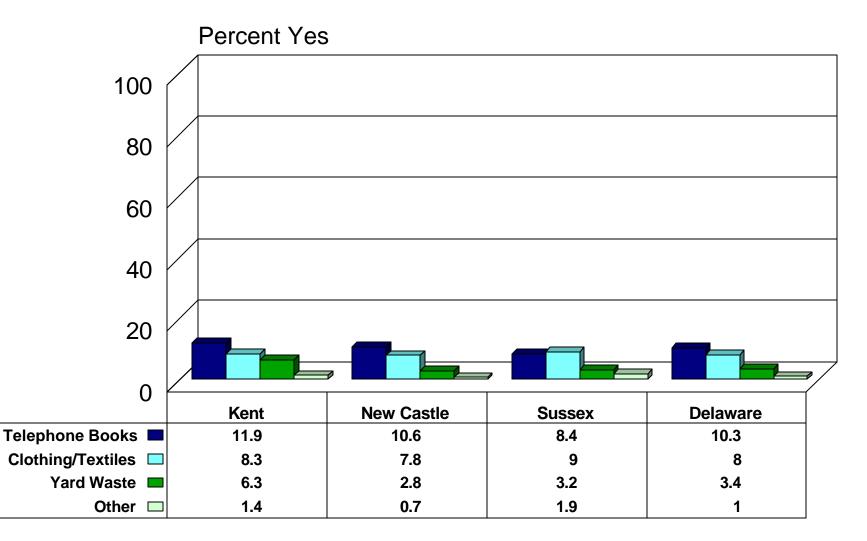
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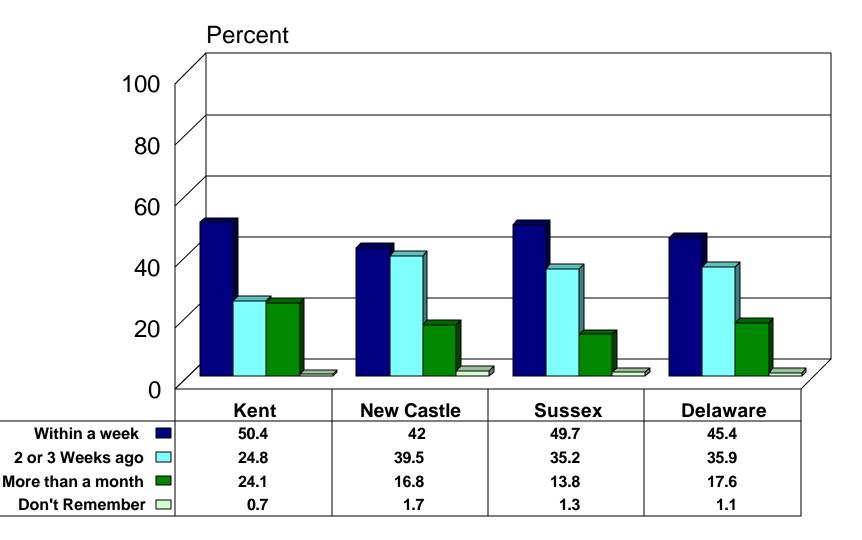


Do You Recycle Any of the Following Materials(3)?

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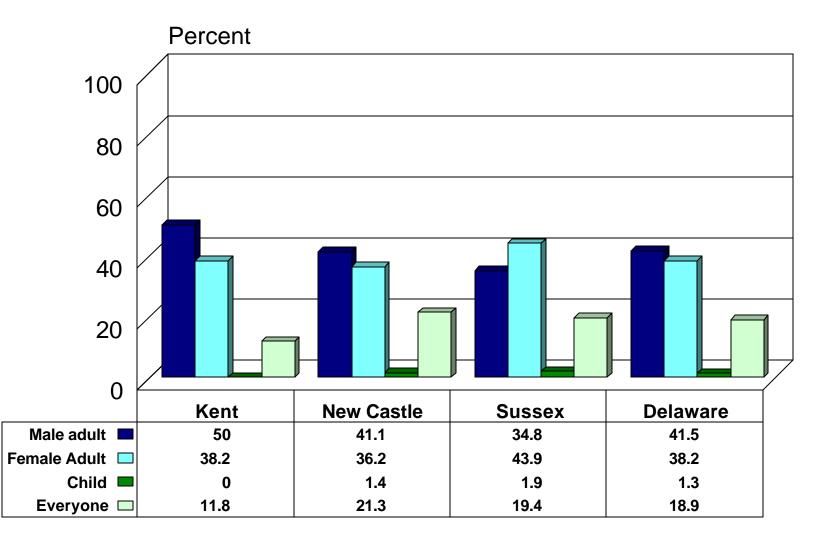


When Did You Last Take Material to a Drop-off Center? by County (N=397)



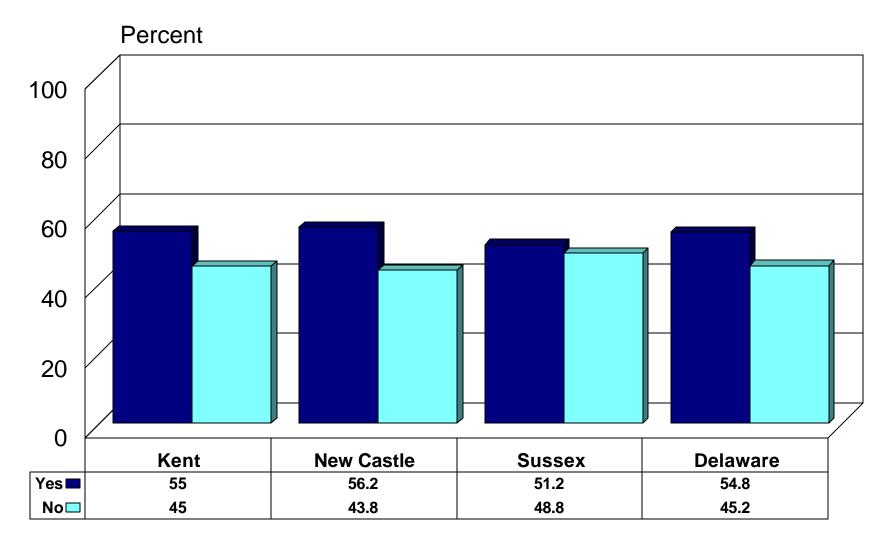
Who in Your Household Takes Responsibility for Recycling?

by County (N=440)



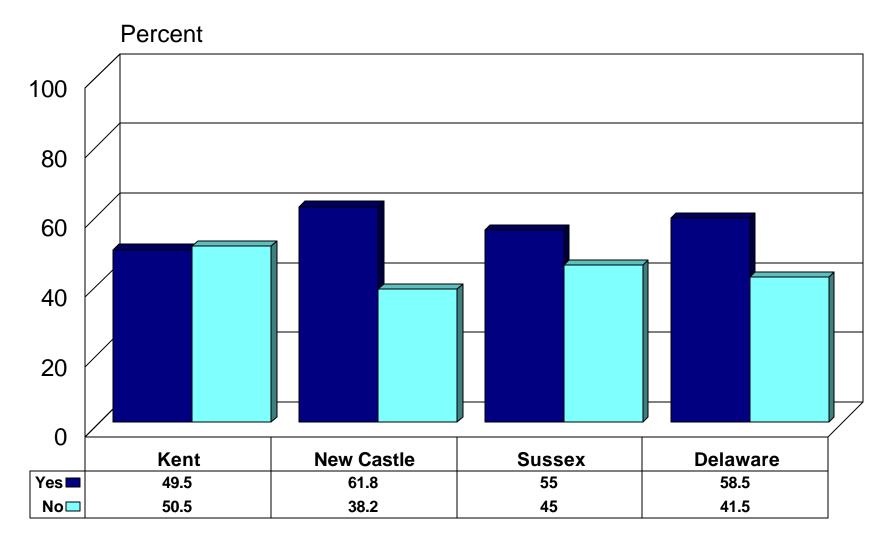
Do You Buy Bottles That Have Deposits?

by County (N=632)



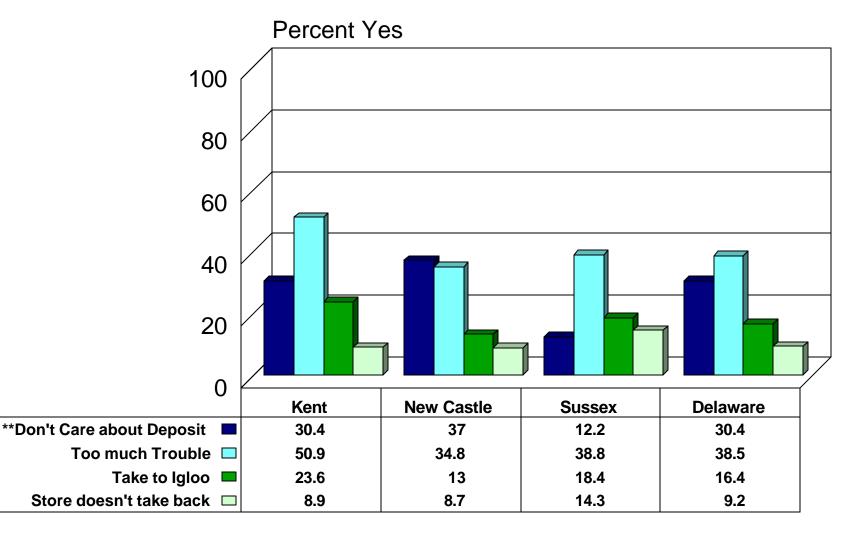
Do You Return these Bottles for the Deposit?

by County (N=343)



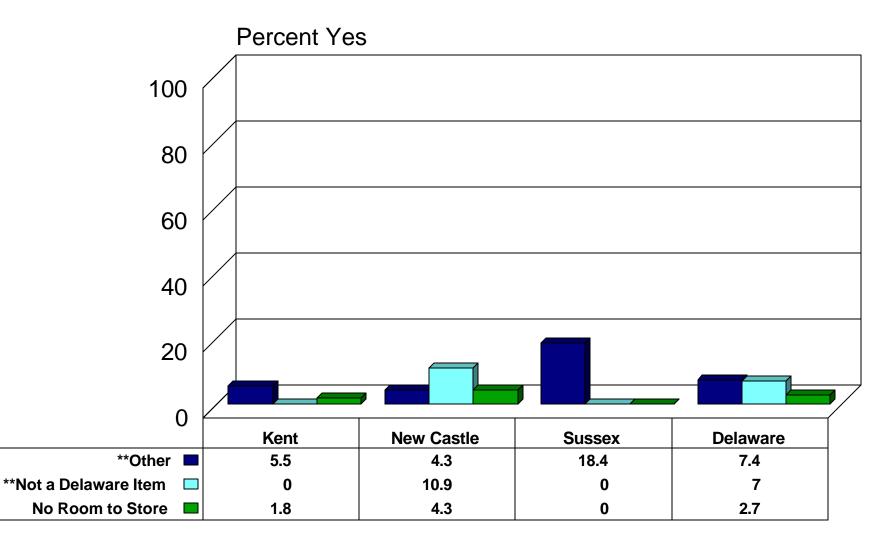
Reasons for NOT getting the Deposit(1)?

by County (N=151)



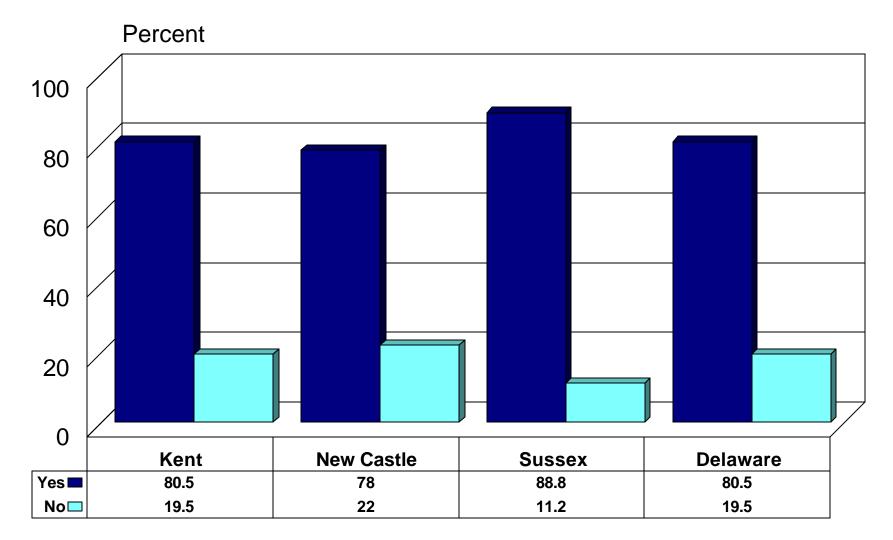
Reasons for NOT getting the Deposit(2)?

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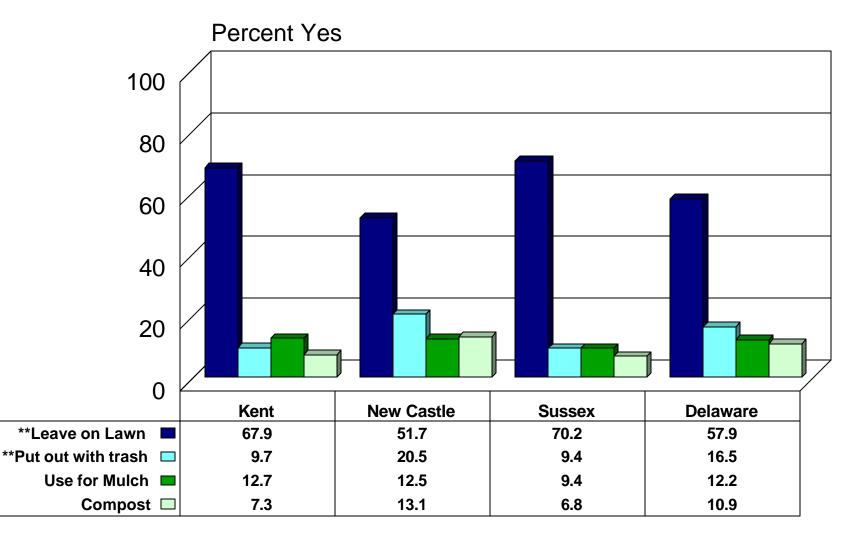
Does Your Home Have a Lawn that Requires Cutting?

by County ** (N=647)



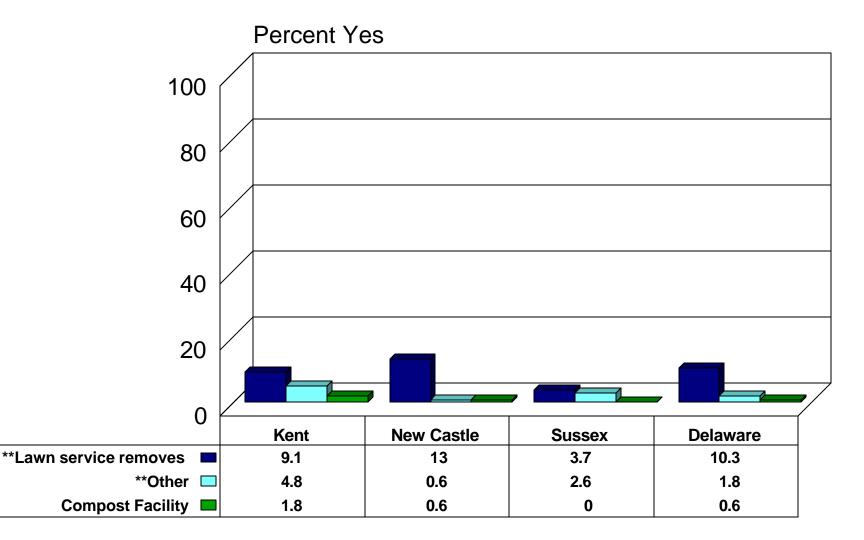
How Do You Dispose of the Lawn Clippings(1)?

by County (N=533)

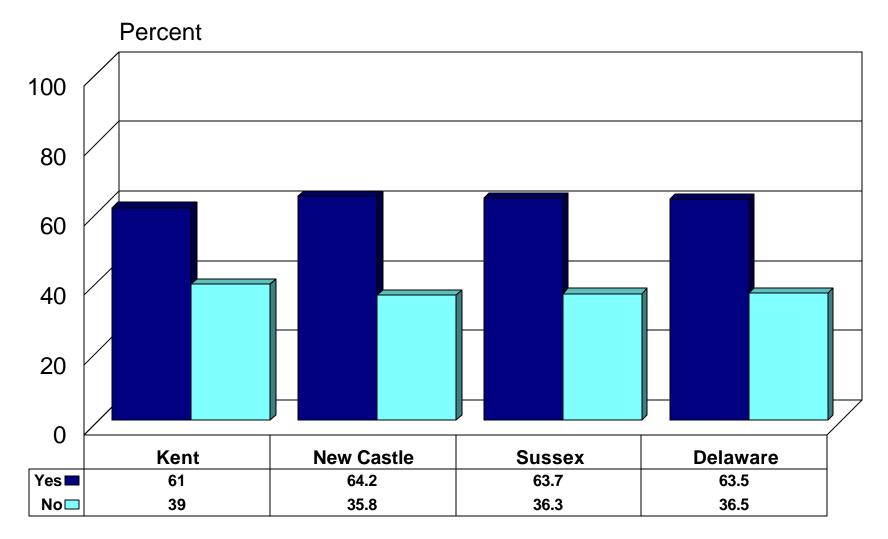


How Do You Dispose of the Lawn Clippings(2)?

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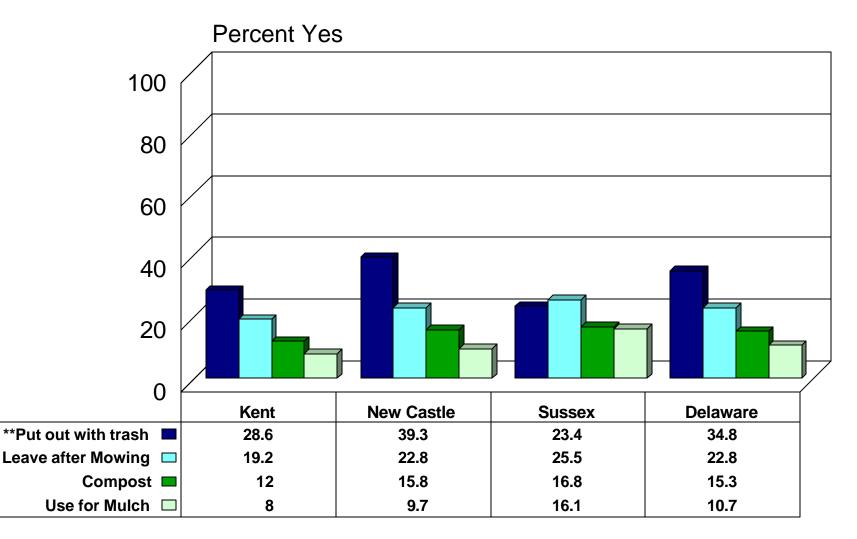


Do You Have Leaves on Your Property in the Fall? by County (N=646)



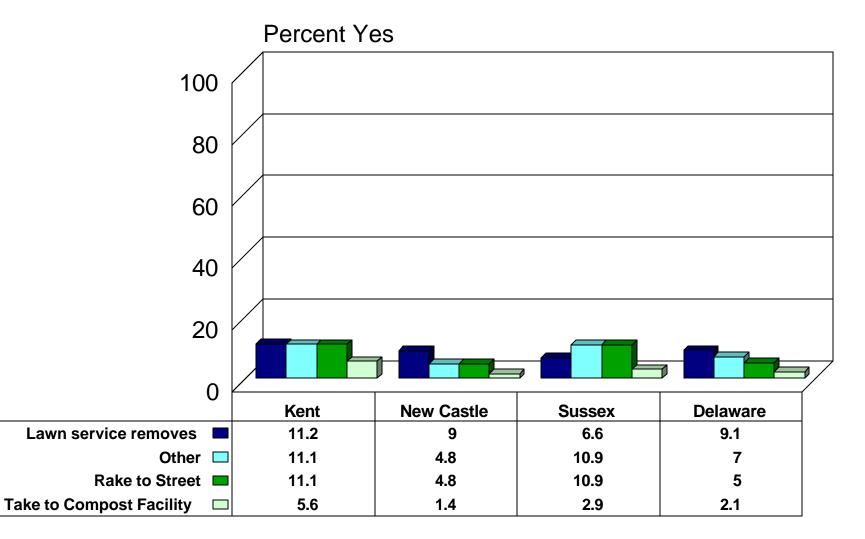
How Do You Dispose of the Leaves(1)?

by County (N=408)

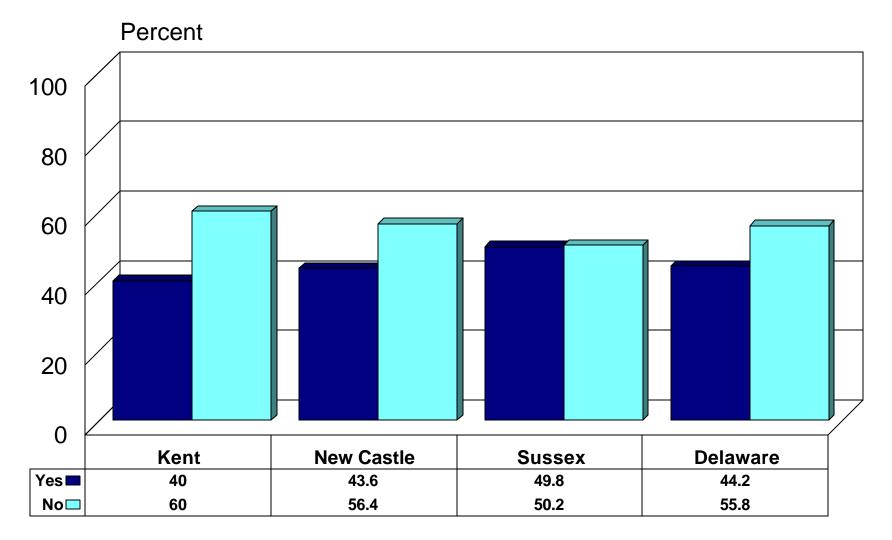


How Do You Dispose of the Leaves(2)?

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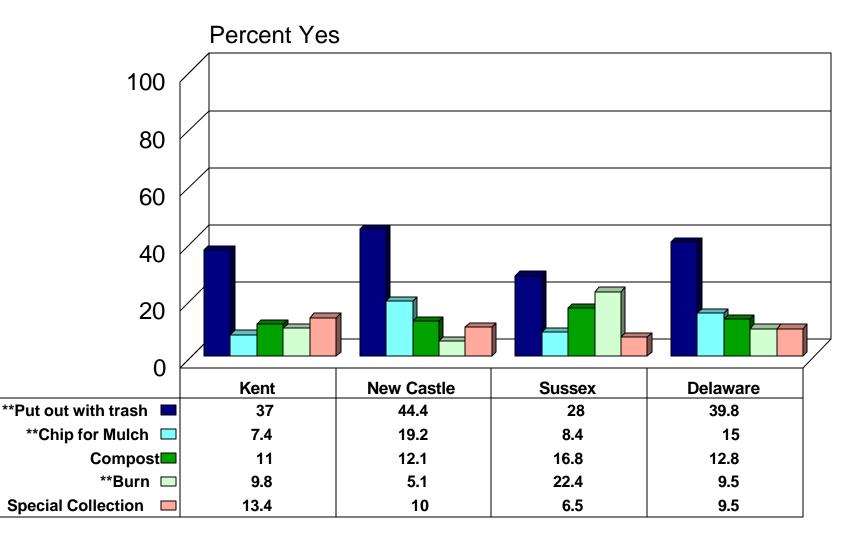


Does Your Household Generate Tree and Bush Trimmings? by County (N=647)



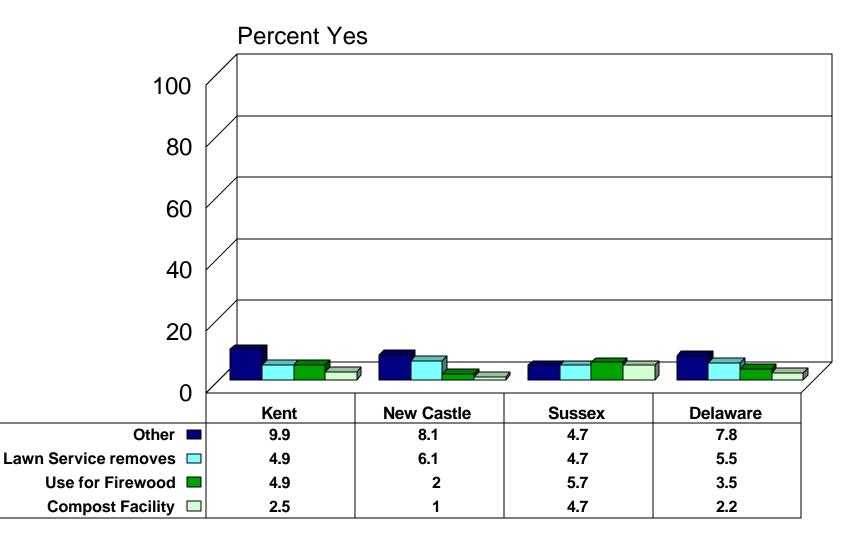
How Do You Dispose of the Tree/Bush Waste(1)?

by County (N=288)



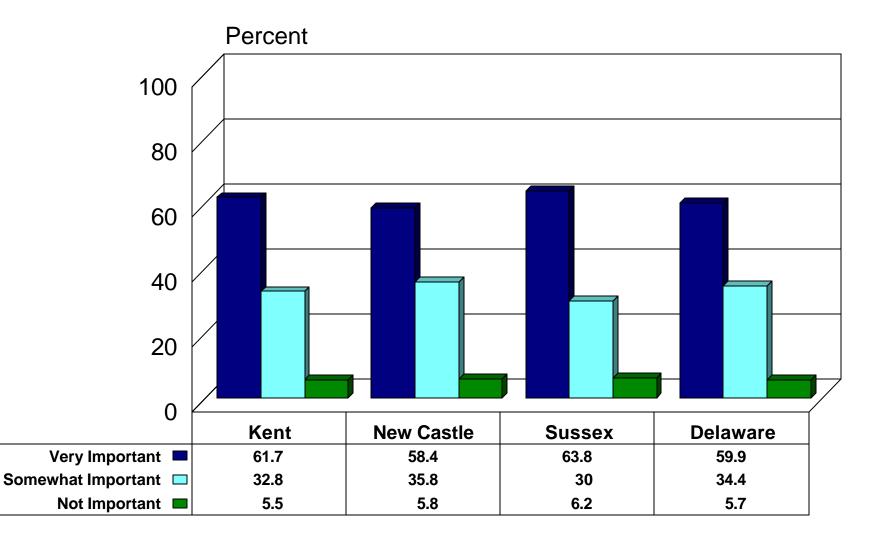
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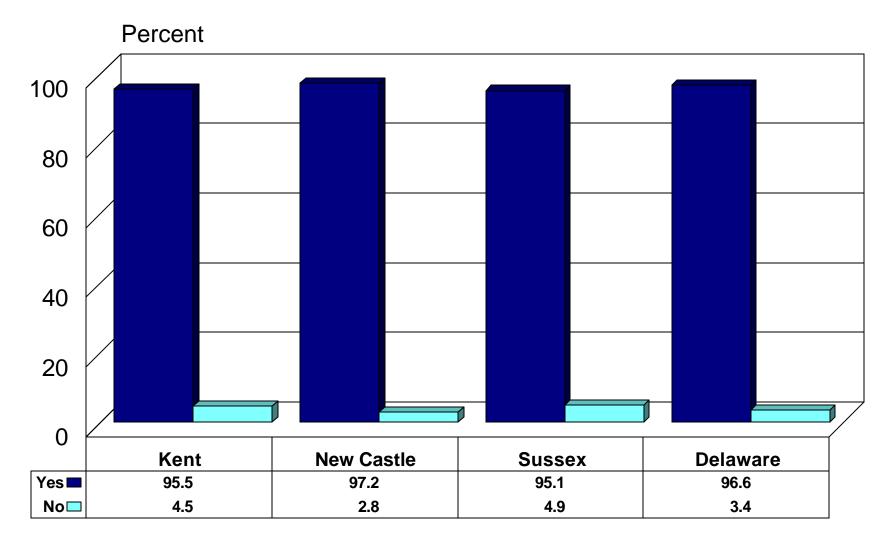


How Important Do You Believe it is to Recycle?

by County (N=640)

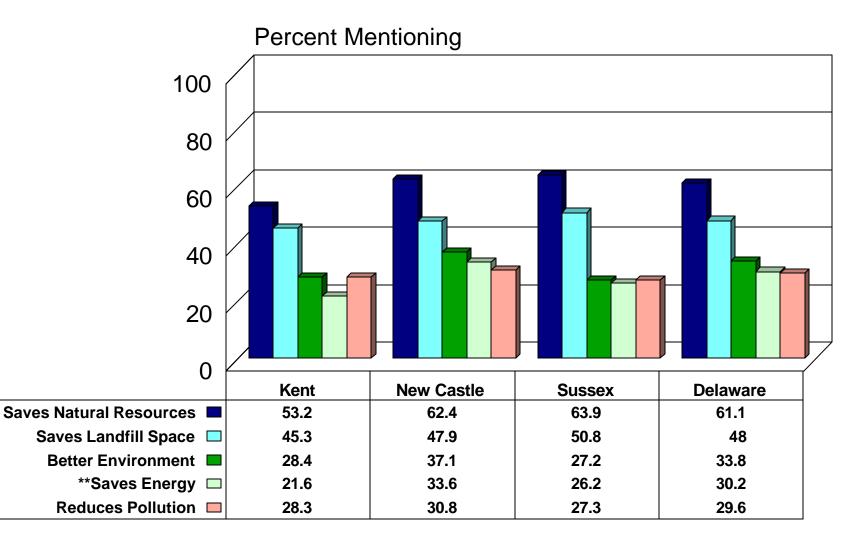


Do You Believe There Are Benefits to Recycling? by County (N=621)



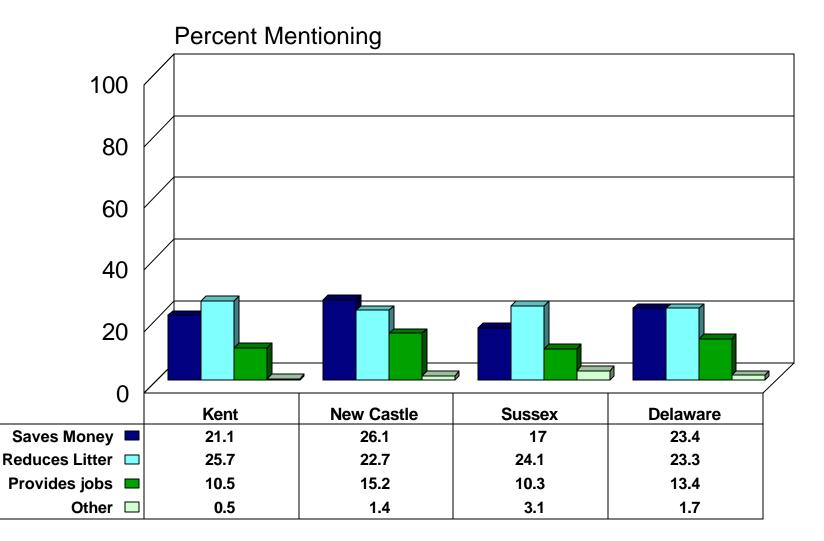
Can You Name Some Recycling Benefits?(1)

by County (N=597)



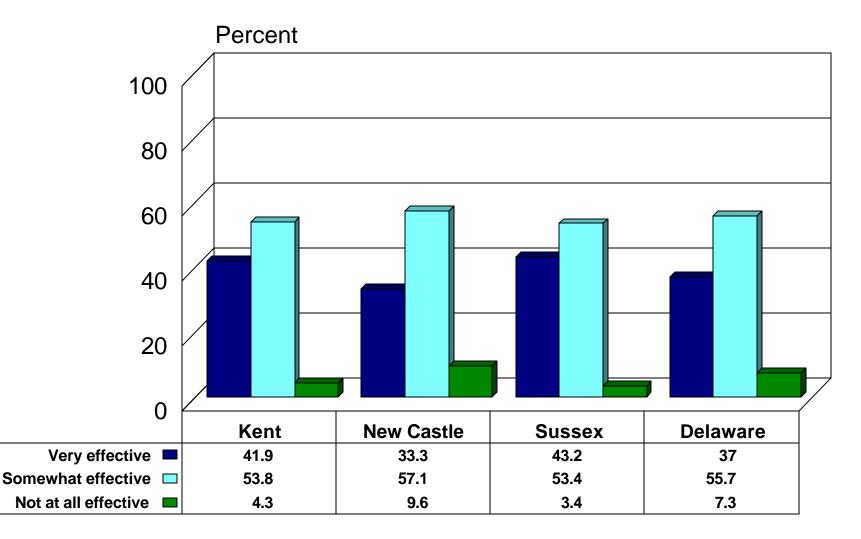
Can You Name Some Recycling Benefits?(2)

by County (N=597)



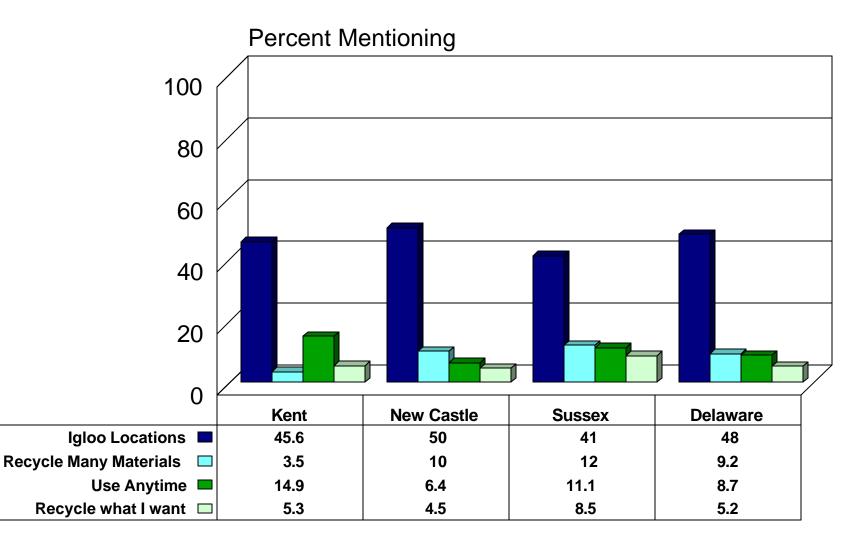
How Effective Is the "Recycle Delaware Program"?

by County (N=340)



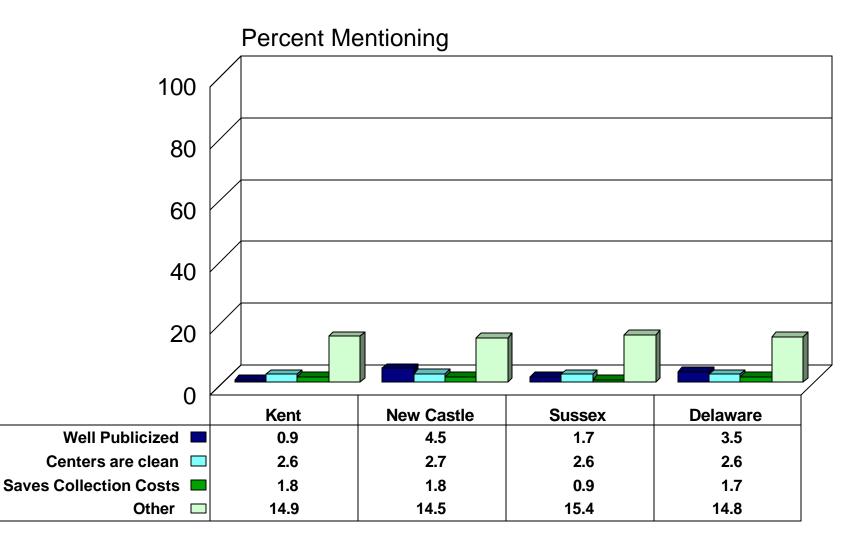
What Do You Like Most About the Program? (1)

by County (N=341)



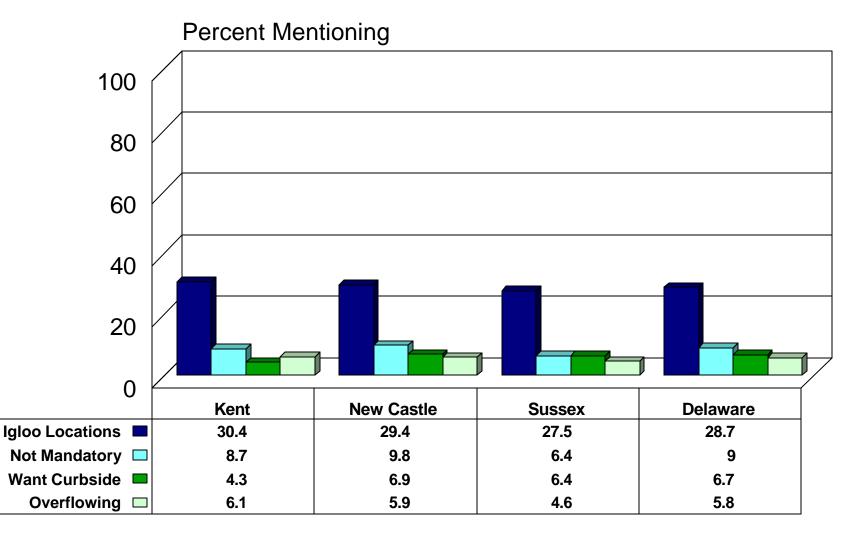
What Do You Like Most About the Program? (2)

by County (N=341)



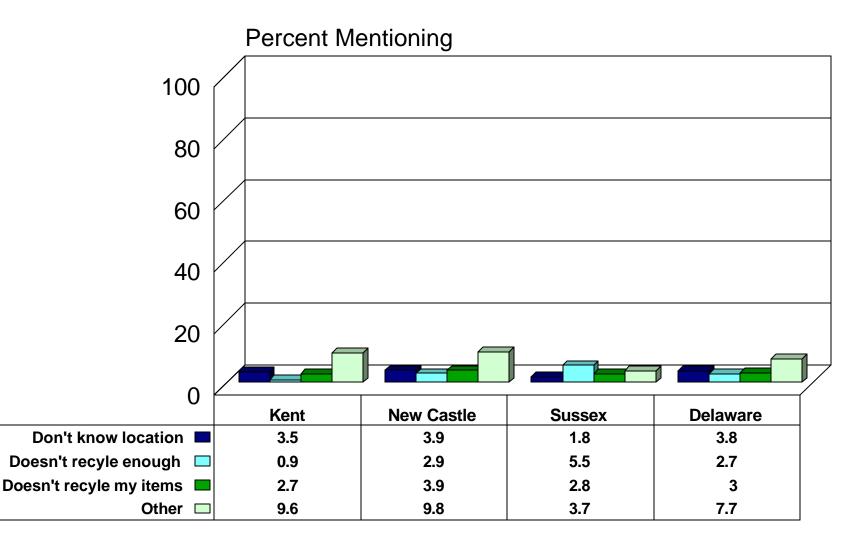
What Do You Like Least About the Program? (1)

by County (N=327)



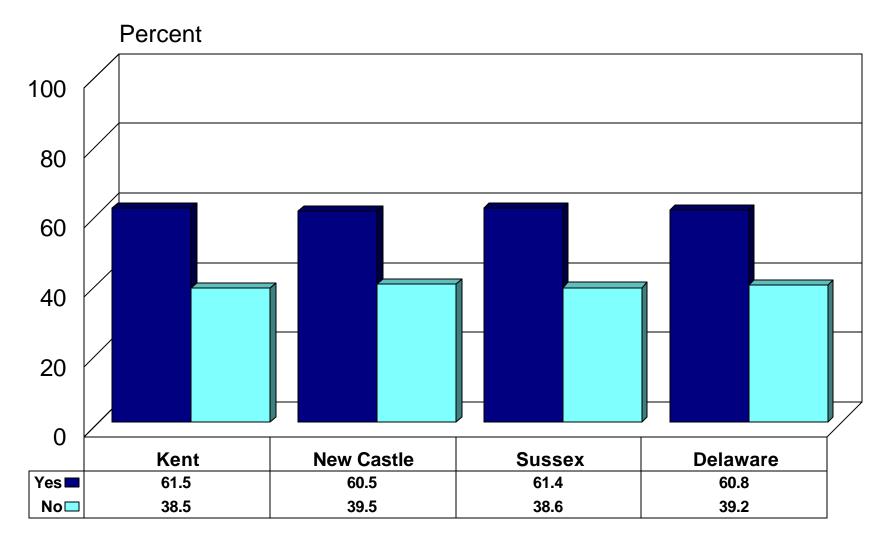
What Do You Like Least About the Program? (2)

by County (N=327)



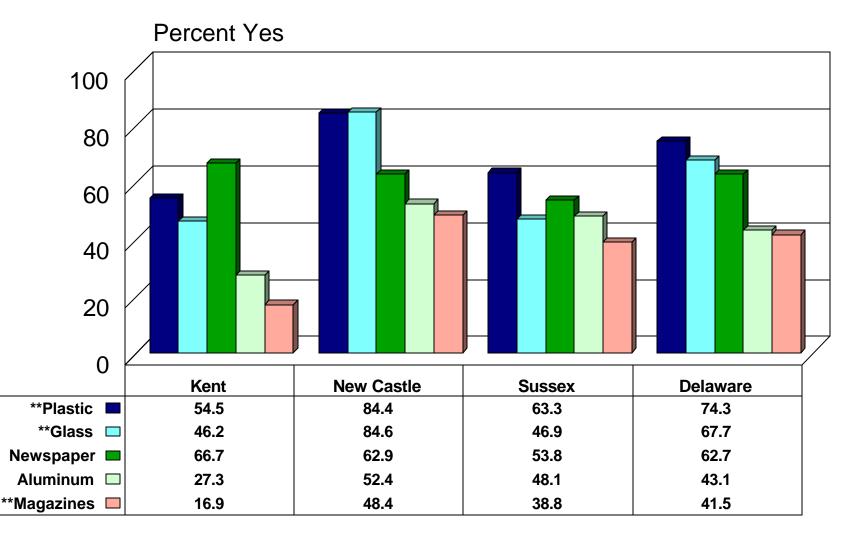
Would You Like to Recycle More Materials?

by County (N=409)



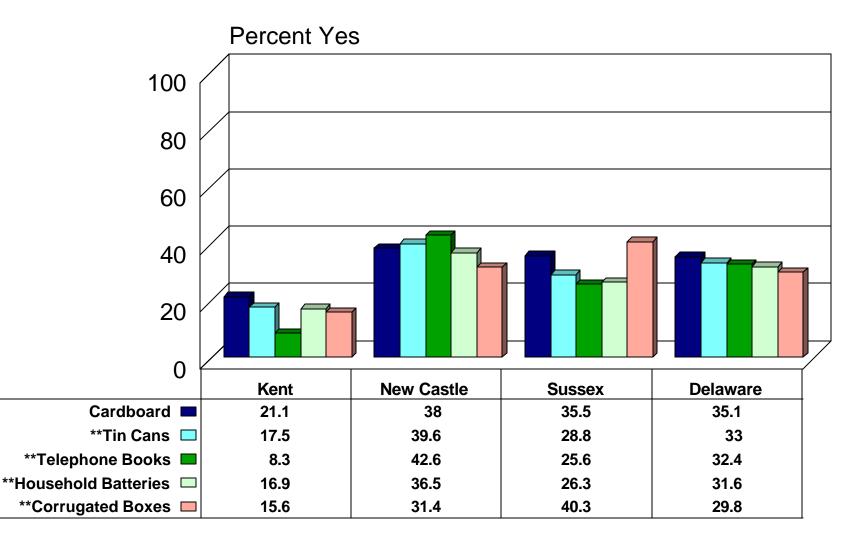
What Other Materials Would You Like to Recycle(1)?

by County (N=250)



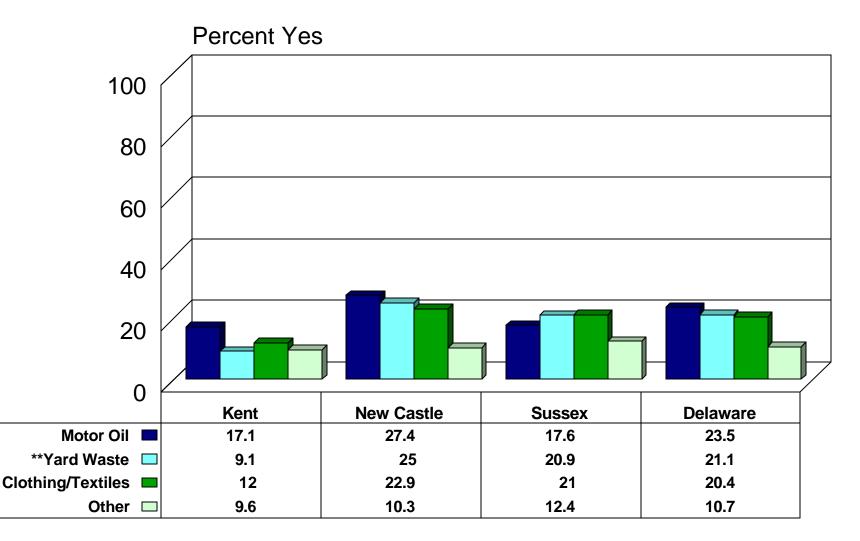
What Other Materials Would You Like to Recycle?(2)

by County (N=250)



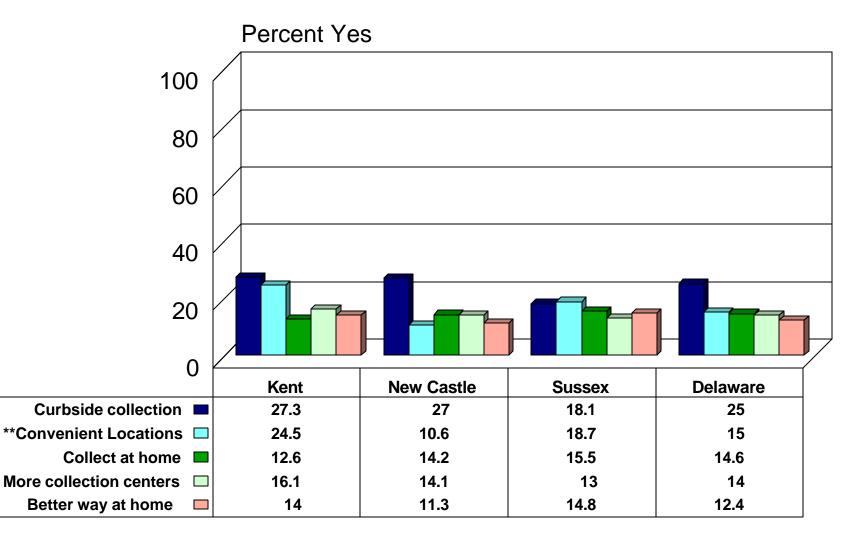
What Other Materials Would You Like to Recycle?(3)

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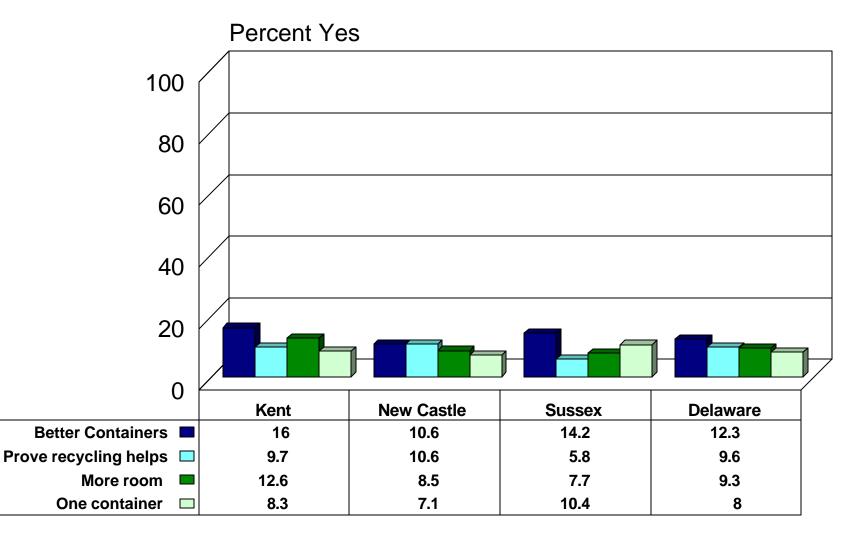
What Would it Take For You to Recycle More? (1)

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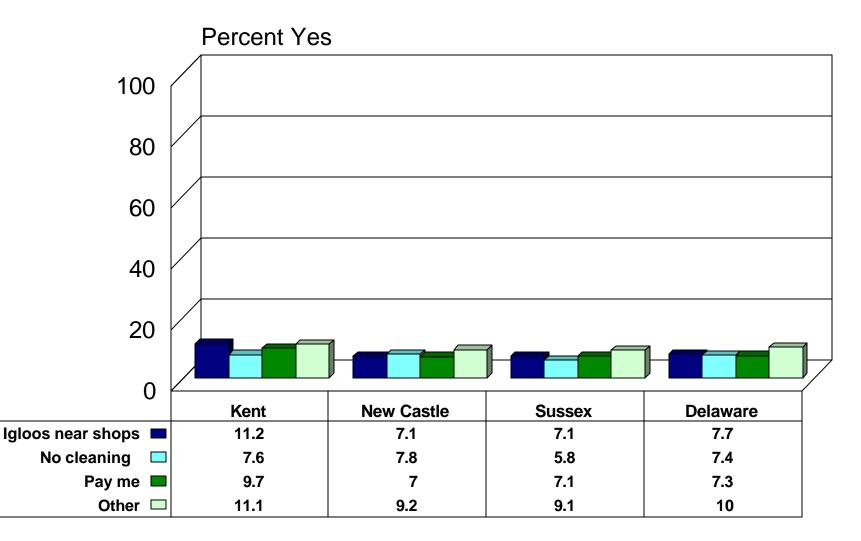
What Would it Take For You to Recycle More? (2)

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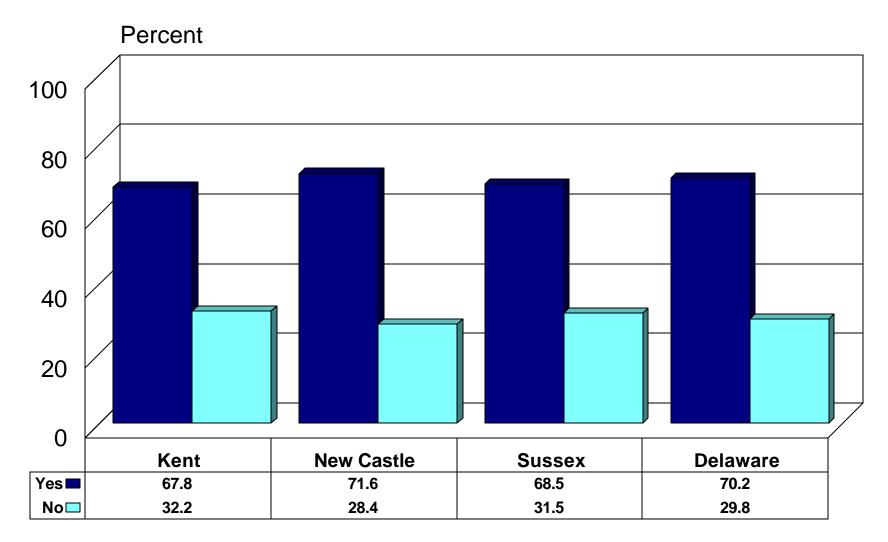
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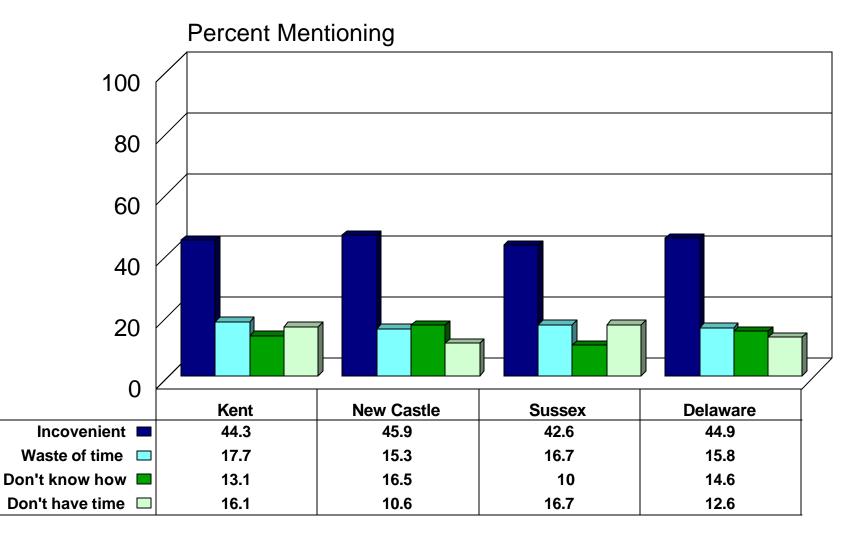
Would You Like to Recycle?

by County (N=194)



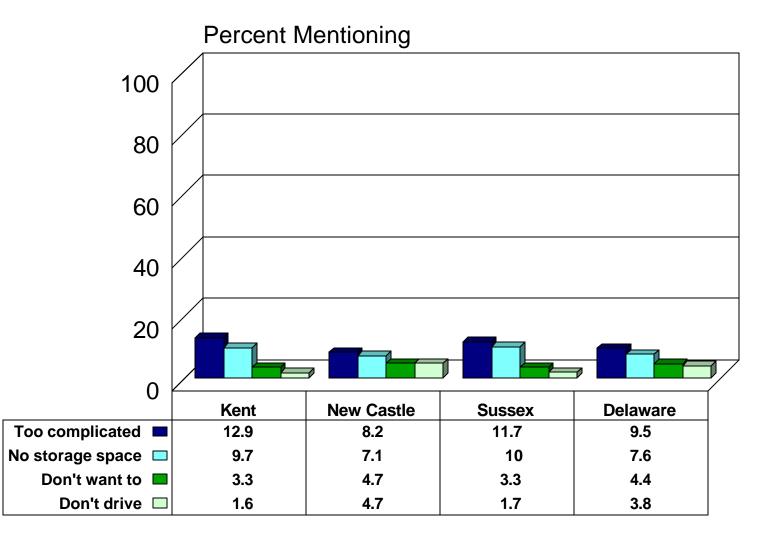
Is there a Reason Why You do not Recycle?(1)

by County (N=207)



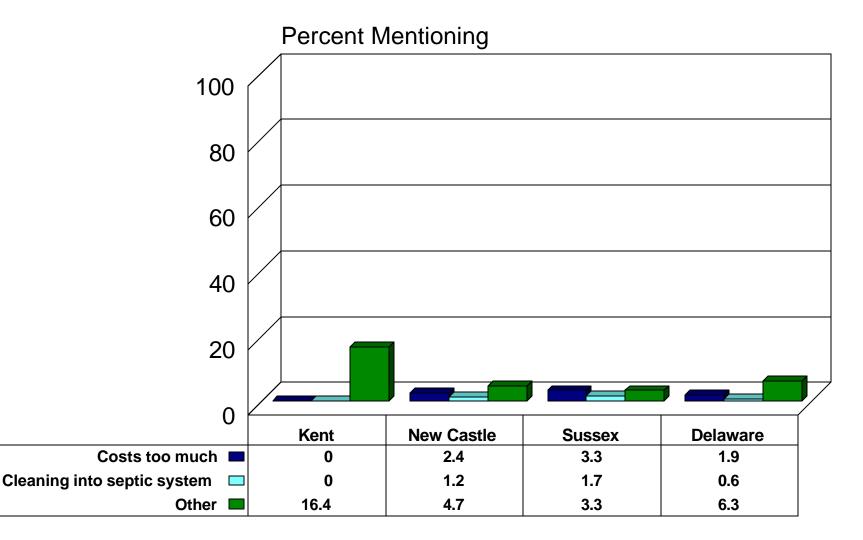
Is there a Reason Why You do not Recycle?(2)

by County (N=207)



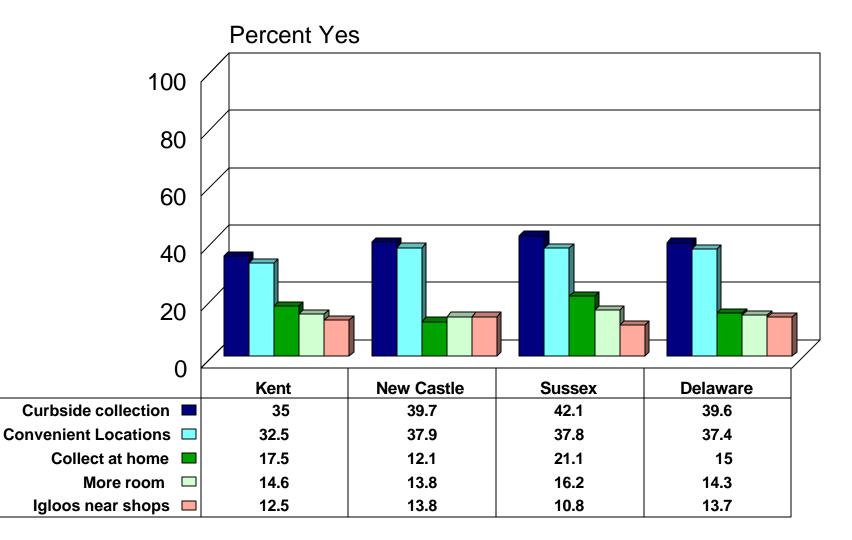
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by County (N=207)



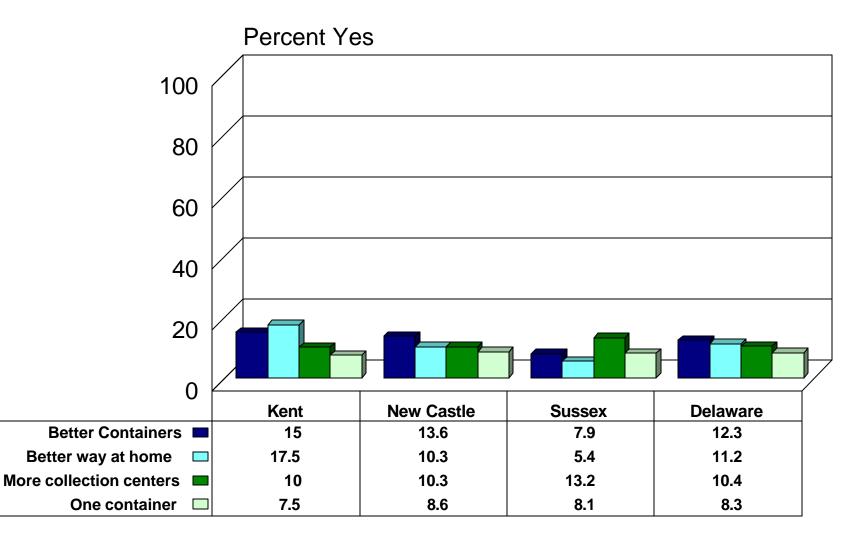
What Would it Take For You to Recycle? (1)

by County (N=81)



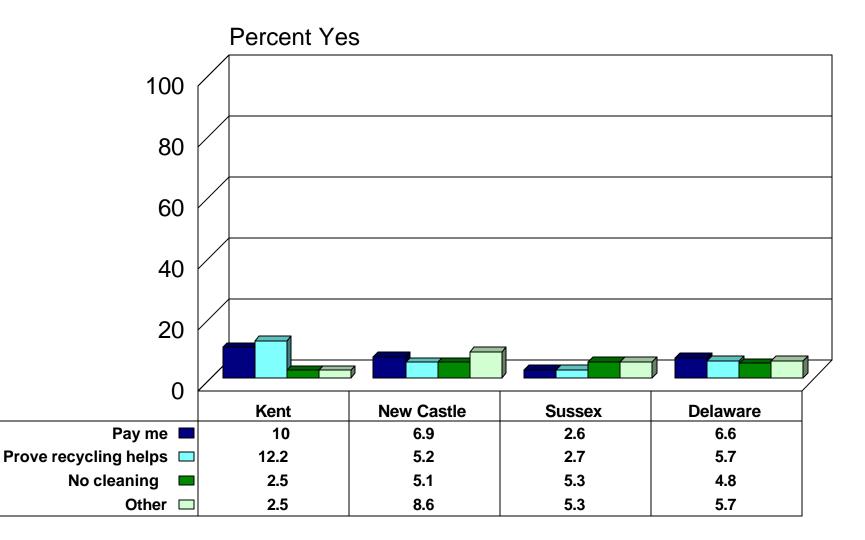
What Would it Take For You to Recycle? (2)

by County (N=81)

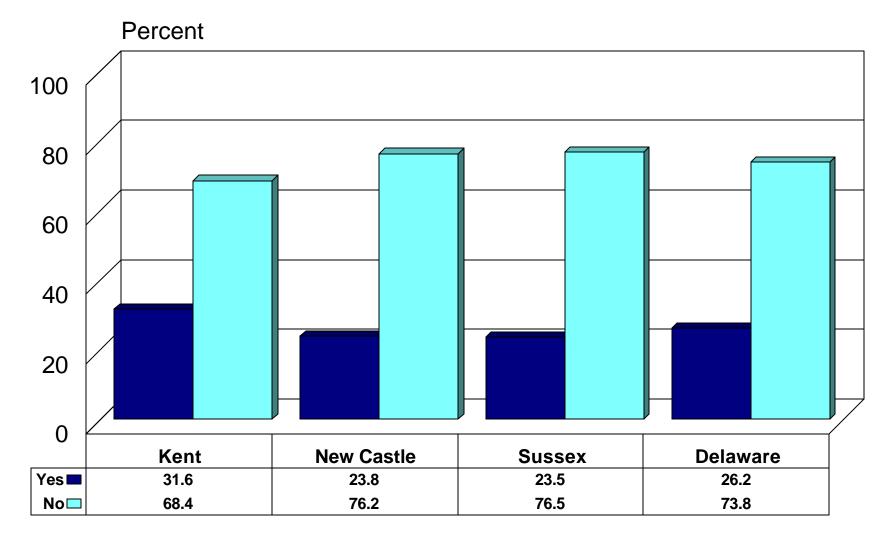


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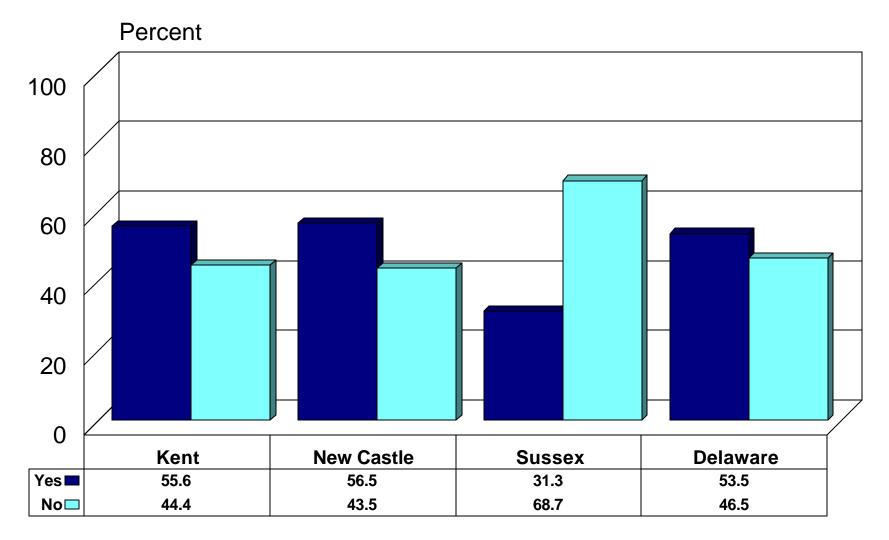
by County (N=81)



Recycle if there were More Convenient Igloo Locations? by County (N=57)

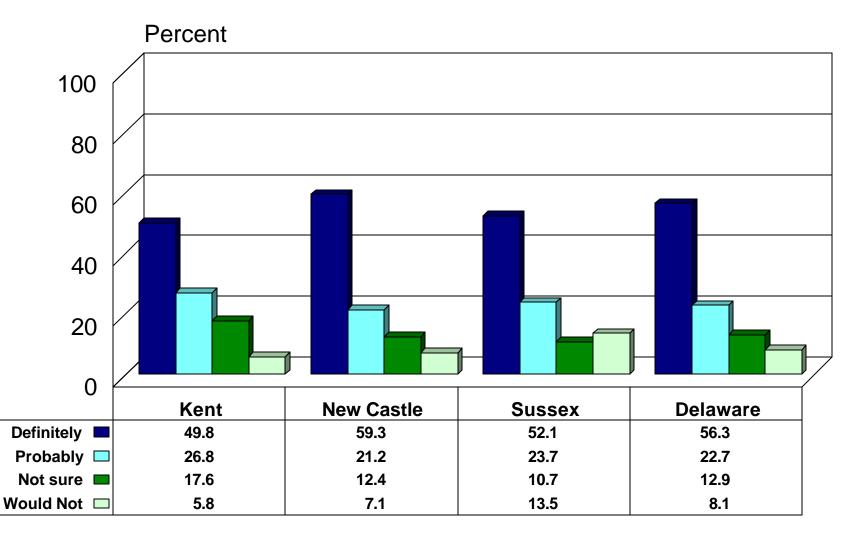


Recycle if there was a Regular Collection at Home? by County (N=57)

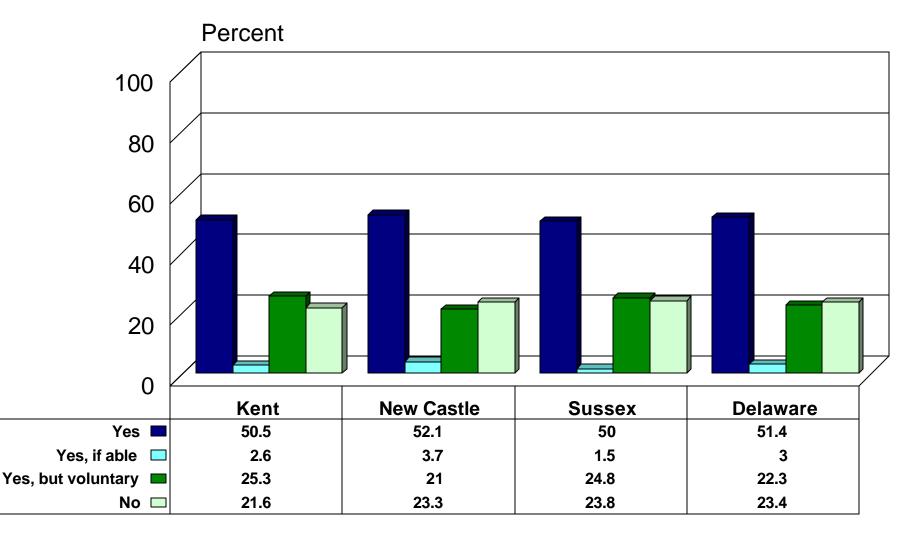


Participate if there was a Regular Collection at Home?

by County ** (N=619)

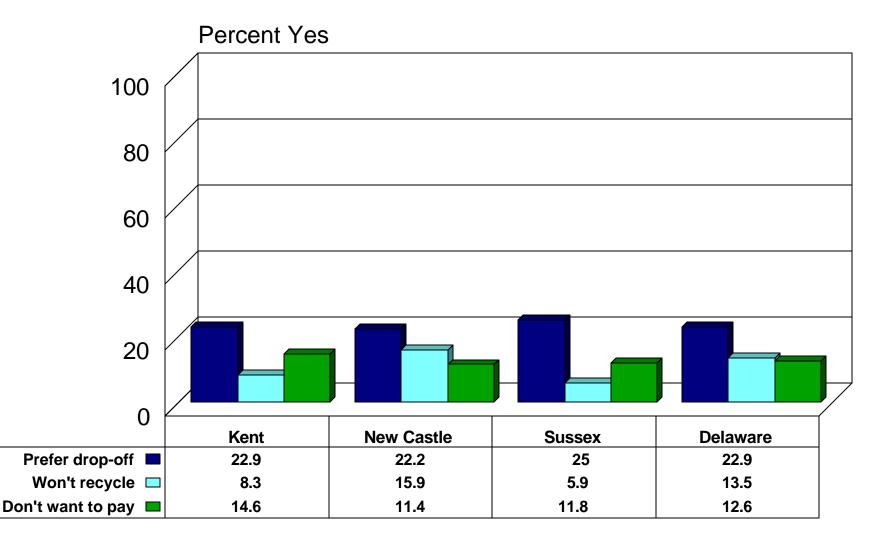


Should Curbside Participation be Mandatory? by County (N=619)



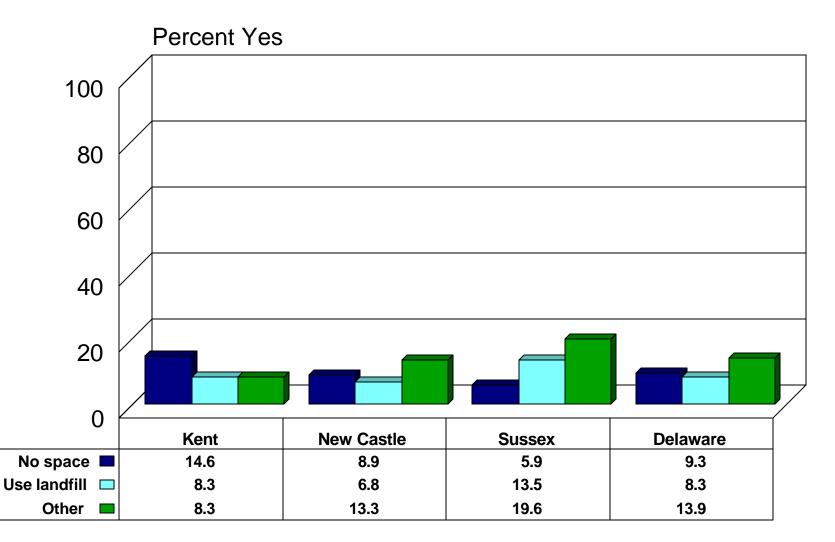
Why Won't You Participate? (1)

by County (N=144)

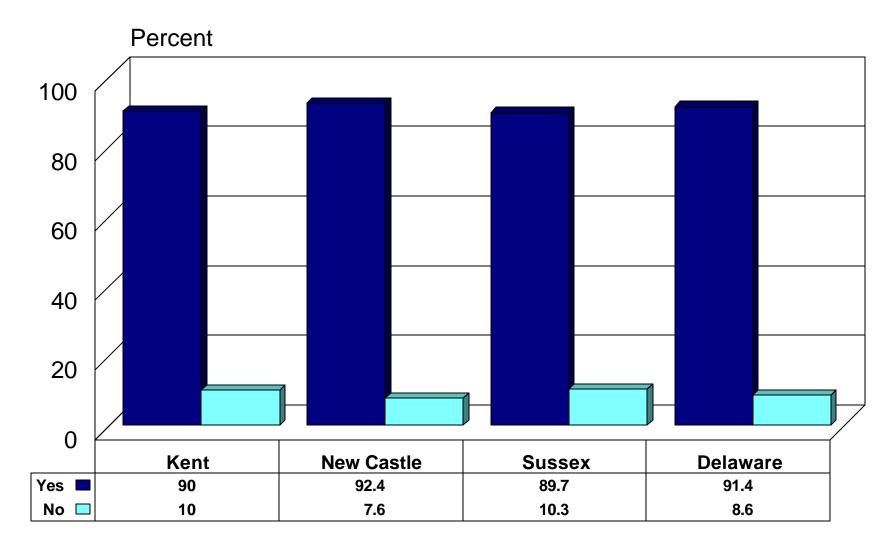


Why Won't You Participate? (2)

by County (N=144)

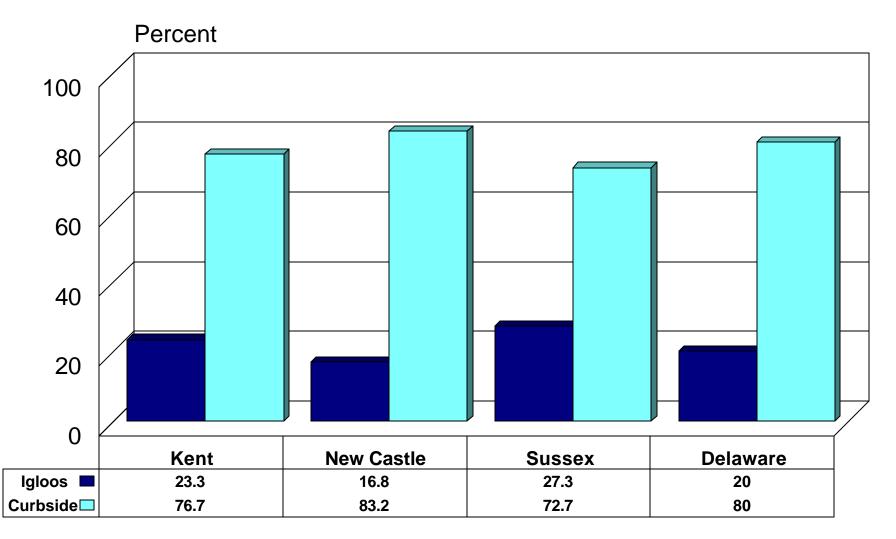


Would you Participate if Mandatory? by County (N=636)

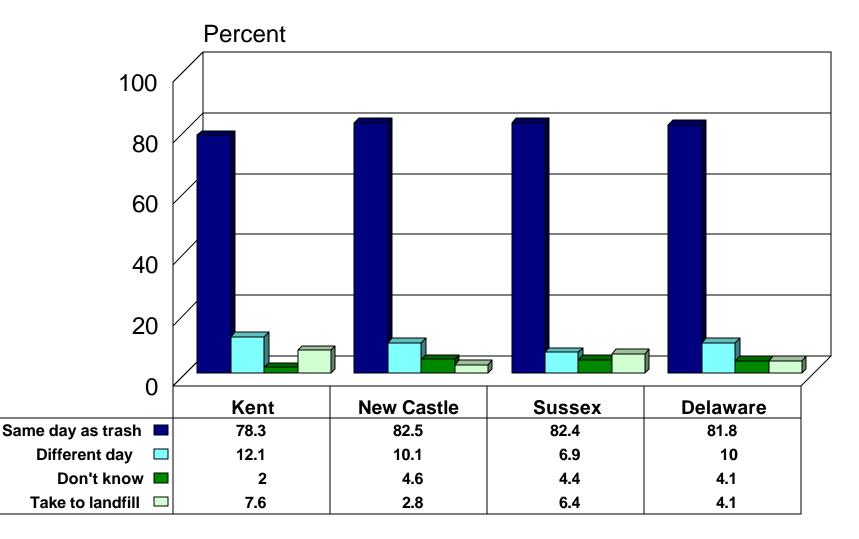


What type of program would you prefer?

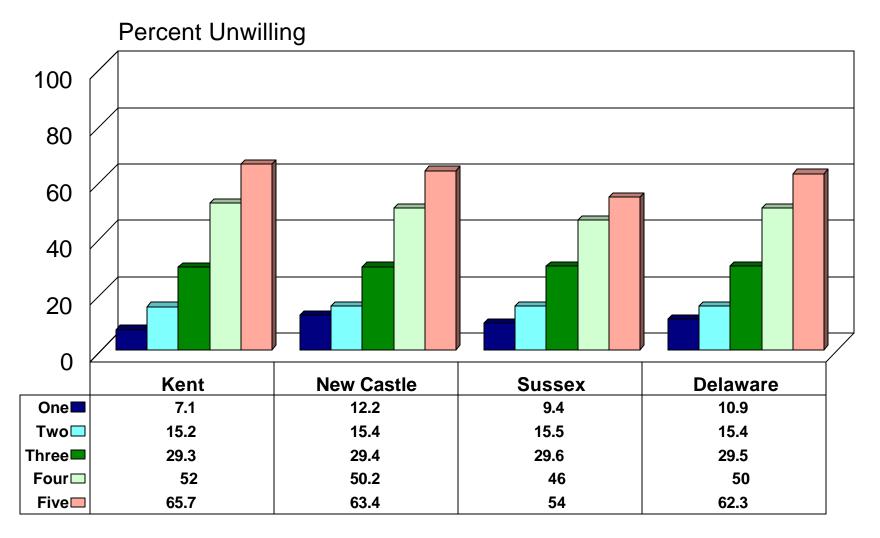
by County ** (N=631)



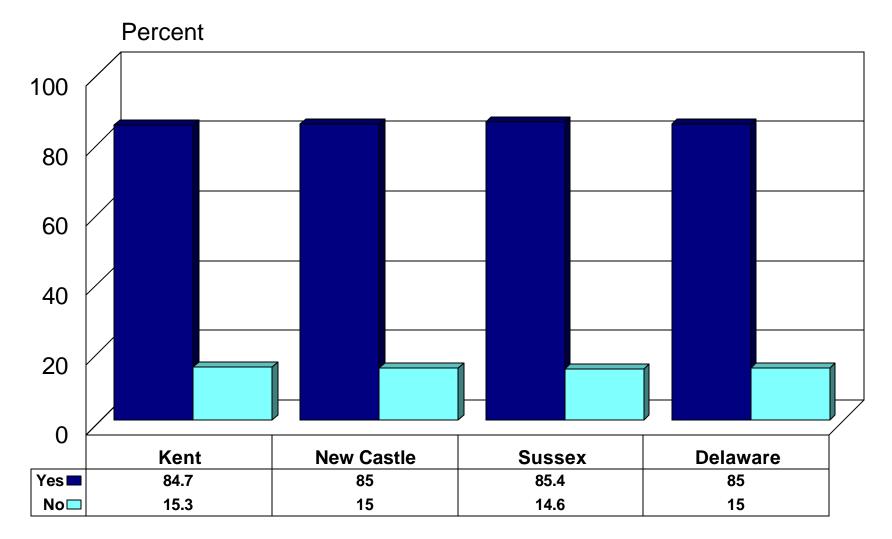
What type of home pickup schedule would you prefer? by County (N=619)



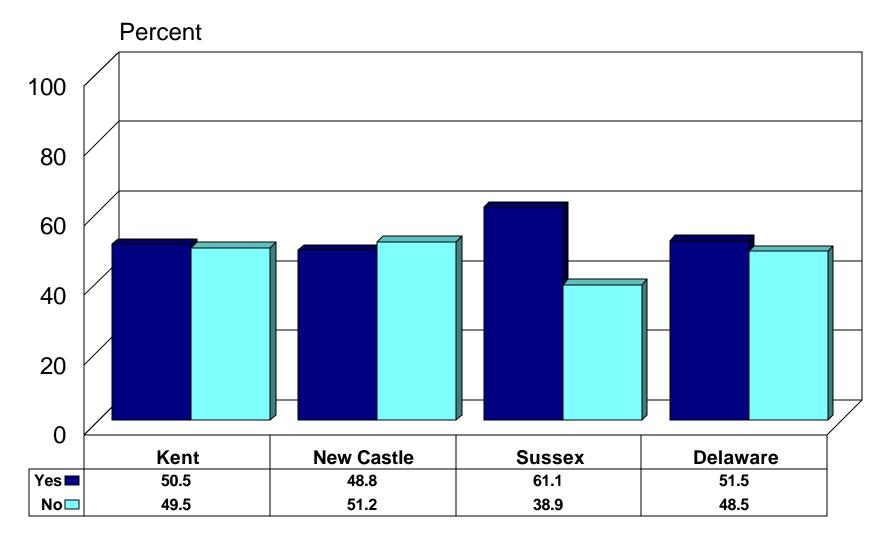
Unwilling to Collect Materials in this Number of Containers? by County (N=632)



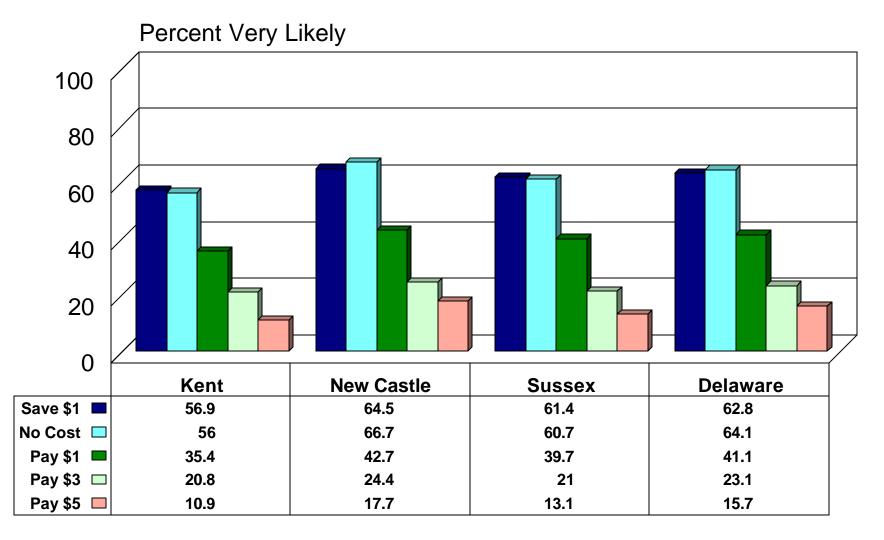
More willing to separate if provided with special containers? by County (N=629)



Still use Igloos if not all materials picked up at home? by County (N=619)



Participation Very Likely at the Following Prices per Month by County (N=619)



What Payment Plan would you prefer? by County (N=647)

Percent 100 80 60 40 20 0 Kent **New Castle** Sussex Delaware Everyone the same 54.6 56.8 53 55.9 Charge by trash 32.7 29.5 40.5 32.1 Don't understand 4.4 1.4 3.5 4 Need more Info 8.3 9.7 5.1 8.5