

DASHBOARD

Delaware State Biosolids Statistics

Data Quality & Methods	2018	explanations & sources
Quality & Confidence in this state's data:	HIGH	ranking by survey team based on information provided in survey (options: High, Moderate, Low, None)
Data sources & methods:	State biosolids coordinator has years of experier	
State biosolids included in 2018 EPA ECHO data	45% % in ECHO vs. the total presented here	https://echo.epa.gov/facilities/facility-search?mediaSelected=bioAnnual
Demographics & Wastewater		
State population:	967,171	U.S. Census estimate for July 1, 2018
Total land area in state (acres):	1,247,360	https://www.census.gov/newsroom/press-kits/2018/pon-estimates-national-state.html
Population density (persons/square mile):	496.2	calculated
Total number of WRRFs reported in state survey:	33	survey response by state expert
total number of WRRFs permitted/reported elsewhere:	17	Seiple et al., 2020
number of WRRFs in EPA ECHO reports for 2018:	5	https://echo.epa.gov/facilities/facility-search?mediaSelected=bioAnnual
Average population served per WRRF:	42,669	calculated
Average wastewater flow statewide (MGD):	107	survey response by state expert
reported by others: average MGD:	104.11	Seiple et al., 2020 https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2020.110852
Number of WRRFs that treat >75% of state flow:	2	Seiple et al., 2020 https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2020.110853
% of population served by on-site (septic) systems:	25%	survey response by state expert
Biosolids used or disposed / person in 2018 (lbs):	57.55	calculated
Biosolids Application		
Agricultural land cropland (acres):	452,211	https://quickstats.nass.usda.gov/results/0CBBAD84-6032-3776-AF8B-624D88825822
% of state area in cropland:	36%	calculated
Number of farms with that cropland:	1,616	https://quickstats.nass.usda.gov/results/F56563D1-C9CD-30EF-9774-2F91CC0640EC
% cropland to which biosolids were applied:	no data	calculated
Application rate if all state biosolids were applied to cropland (dry U.S. tons/ac.):	0.06	calculated
% cropland needed if all state biosolids were applied at typical rate (~3 dt/ac):	2.1%	calculated
Nutrient Sources - Comparison		
Nitrogen (N) in all this state's biosolids (metric tonnes, 2018):	1,212	calculated assuming avg. 4.8% biosolids N
N in this state's animal manures (metric tonnes):	20,080	phosphorus-manure
N in this state's purchased fertilizer (metric tonnes, 2011):	20,181	https://www.epa.gov/nutrient-policy-data/commercial-fertilizer-purchased
If all state's biosolids applied, what % of state's applied N would		
come from biosolids?	3%	calculated
Phosphorus (P) in this state's biosolids (metric tonnes, 2018):	505	calculated assuming avg. 2% biosolids P
P in this state's animal manures (metric tonnes):	5,944	mus://www.epa.guv/murreni-pinicy-nara/esimalen-animar-agricumire-mirigen-anii- phosphorus-manure
P in this state's purchased fertilizer (metric tonnes, 2011):	1,425	https://www.epa.gov/nutrient-policy-data/commercial-fertilizer-purchased
If all state's biosolids applied, what % of state's applied P would	, -	
come from biosolids?	6%	calculated
State Regulatory Involvement		
	Environment and a contact /	
Biosolids oversight agency / division:	Environment agency - water /	wastewater program
Permitting of biosolids programs:		

of land application sites: FTEs: state biosolids regulatory program: Biosolids program FTEs per million population: Enforcement: Inspections of biosolids facilities & field sites in 2018: Formal violations issued: Amount of state regulations beyond Part 503: Amount of state regulation of nutrient management & phosphorus: Accessibility of biosolids data to public: State encouragement of biosolids recycling to soils: Voluntary additional protections by land appliers known & reported by state coordinator:	The permits for land application are similar to a NPDES permit but is not an actual NPDES permit 0.6 0.6 30 3 High Moderate Low High None	
Trends New land application activity, 2018 - new permits & acreage, acres applied: acres applied in 2018: Local regulations & their impacts?: details Legislative & state regulatory actions in 2018 & their impacts?: details Biosolids beneficial use increasingin 2018?: in 2020?: details	Low no data Some Conditional use zoning requirements are placed on application sties in some counties None no activity in 2018 It's staying the same. Yes Small overall increase.	rankings by survey team based on information provided in survey (options: High, Moderate, Low, None) With quotes of survey responses by state expert(s) survey response by state expert survey response by state expert
Changes in Biosolids Use & Disposal Change* in solids reported used or disposed (in units used by state): Beneficial Use - percentage point increase or decrease (-): Landfill & surface disposal - % point increase or decrease (-): Incineration - percentage point increase or decrease (-): Class A - percentage point increase or decrease (-): Class B - percentage point increase or decrease (-): No class or not known - percentage point increase or decrease (-):	4,688 dry U.S. tons -19% 19% 0% -58% 39% 19%	*Change may be due to population increase/decrease and/or different systems of data tracking and reporting. calculated comparing these 2018 data to 2004 data compiled by the same survey team (NEBRA, 2007)