



## **ECNS 594 - Current Issues in Economics**

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### **The Truth About Recycling**

1. Are we running out of landfill space?
2. Is our trash poisoning us?
3. Does packaging waste resources?
4. Must firms be mandated to decrease packaging?
5. Are we are running out of resources?
6. Does recycling save resources? (e.g., recycling paper saves trees)
7. Is recycling always beneficial for the environment?
8. Do recycling mandates enhance efficiency of resource use? (e.g., is curbside recycling pick up a low cost method to recycle?)

# Resource or Rubbish?

	REUSE OR RECYCLE?	VALUE (+ OR -)	RESOURCES OR RUBBISH
ALUMINUM CANS			
EXCEPTIONS			
RE-SEALABLE PLASTIC BAGS			
EXCEPTIONS			
FACIAL TISSUE			