Steel Food Can Facts

Did You Know?

- **34%** Food that is canned is food that isn’t wasted.
  - Helping to offset the 34 million tons of food waste in the United States.

- Recycling 1 ton of steel cans:
  - Conserves 2,500 lbs of iron ore.
  - 1,400 lbs of coal.
  - 120 lbs of limestone.

- Canned food is picked at the peak of ripeness & immediately canned, locking in its flavor & nutrition.

- Number of hours to power a 60 watt bulb from recycling 7 steel cans: 26 hours.

- The recycling rate of steel cans: 71%.

- Steel cans are 100% recyclable over & over again, forever.

- 1810: Year the steel can was invented to feed Napoleon’s army.

- 80%-90% of all steel ever produced is still in use today.

- Looking trim, cans today weigh 33% less than 25 years ago.

- Annual cost to Americans from foodborne illness: $7.77 billion.

- Cans make food safer with 100% contamination protection.

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