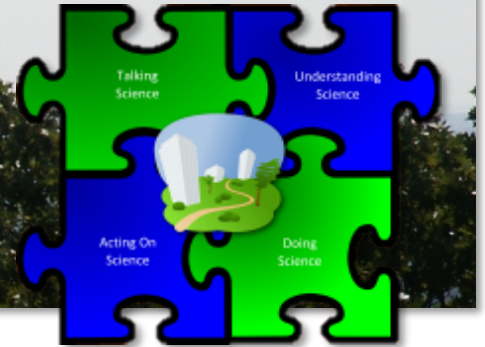


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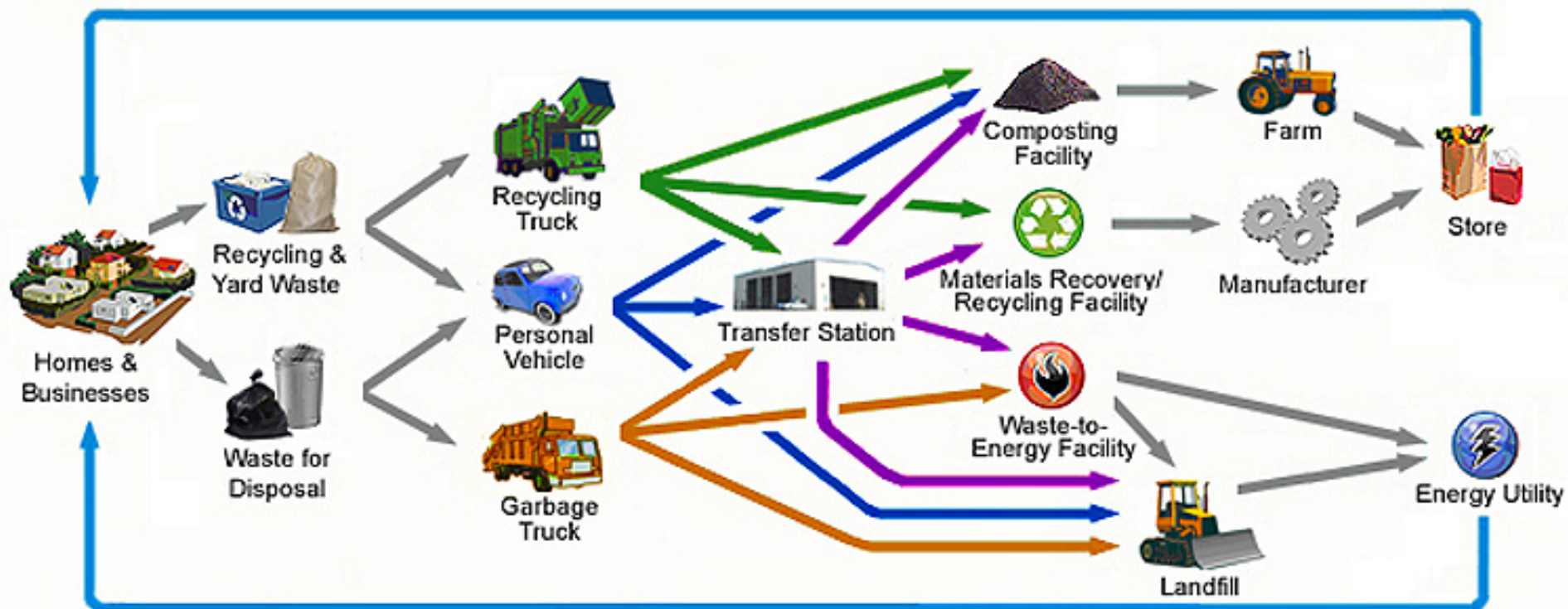


Where does Garbage Go in Massachusetts?

Module 4 Lesson 2



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<http://www.mass.gov/dep/recycle/reduce/wasteflow.htm>

Solid Waste Management in MA 2000-2009

Source	2000	2009	Change
Tons Generated	12,660,000	10,680,000	-16%
Tons Diverted (reused, recycled, used for biomass energy)	6,200,000	4,880,000	-21%
Percentage of Waste Diverted	49%	46%	-3%
Tons Disposed	6,460,000	5,800,000	-10%
Percentage of Waste Disposed	51%	54%	+3%

<http://www.mass.gov/dep/recycle/swgo.htm>

Where does the garbage go?

- There are
 - 23 Active Landfills
 - 716 Inactive (Closed) Landfills
 - 7 Active Incinerators

Solid Waste Disposal in MA 2000-2009

	2000	2009
Total Disposed	6,460,000	5,800,000
Landfilled in State	1,760,000	1,500,000
Combusted in State	3,070,000	3,180,000
Net Export out of State*	1,630,000	1,120,000

*States that received the largest amounts of MA waste: Maine, New Hampshire, New York, and South Carolina

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How can you limit the garbage
disposal issues in
Massachusetts?