

City Operations
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Christmas Tree Collection

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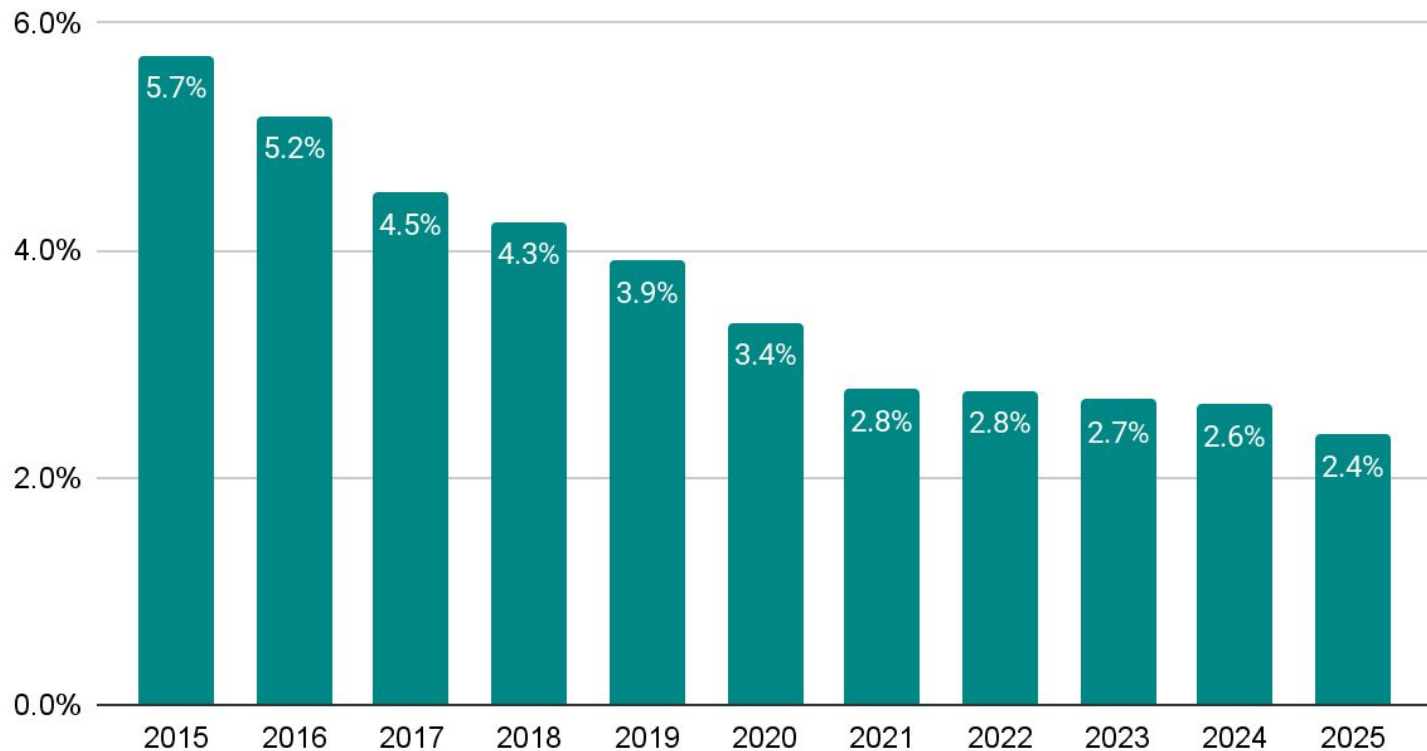
Christmas Tree Collection

- Available to residents with curbside collection only.
- Not a core service and budgeted as planned overtime.
- Drop-off at Recycling Depots and Eco Stations available immediately after Christmas.



Fewer Edmontonians are setting out Christmas trees, and Administration supports ending Christmas tree collection in favour of a drop-off depot model.

% of Homes Setting Out Trees for Curbside Collection



2025 Christmas Tree Collection

6,408

trees
collected

2.4

trees per
100 homes

8,974

kilometres
driven



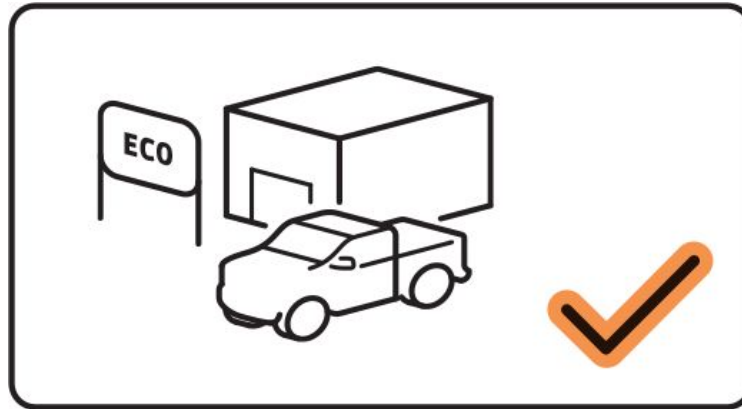
Christmas Tree Disposal Options

- Edmontonians will be encouraged to drop off trees at Community Recycling Depots or Eco Stations. This service change will start being communicated by the end of 2025.
- Trees can be cut up and disposed of through multiple methods:
 - Small twigs (no wider than 2.5 cm diameter) can go in food scraps cart
 - Larger branches and tree trunks should be taken to an Eco Station
 - Use as mulch, home composting material or around the yard



Key Takeaways

- Moving to a depot drop-off model for Christmas trees:
 - Supports equity between collection services
 - Reduces extra labour costs and fuel consumption
 - Does not impact majority of residents with curbside collection



Thank you. Questions?

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