

10 FACTS ABOUT PLASTIC POLLUTION



ABOUT
8.3 BILLION TONNES
OF PLASTIC HAVE
BEEN PRODUCED
SINCE THE 1950S.

MICROPLASTICS
HAVE BEEN FOUND IN
SEA SPRAY, SEA SALT,
AND EVEN IN FRUITS
AND VEGETABLES.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT
OCEAN PLASTICS
ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATHS OF
HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS
OF SEA CREATURES EACH YEAR.

THE MAJORITY OF THE
PLASTIC
THAT ENTERS THE OCEAN
ENDS UP ON THE SEAFLOOR.

UP TO
9 IN 10 SEABIRDS
AND MORE THAN HALF OF
WHALE AND DOLPHIN SPECIES
HAVE INGESTED PLASTIC.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT
THERE ARE AT LEAST
5 TRILLION
PLASTIC PARTICLES
IN OUR OCEANS.

OVER
90% OF THE
PLASTICS
EVER PRODUCED
HAVE **NOT** BEEN
RECYCLED.

NOT ONLY DOES
PLASTIC
CONTRIBUTE TO
CLIMATE CHANGE
IN ITS PRODUCTION,
IT DOES SO DURING
DEGRADATION AS WELL.

PLASTICS
HAVE BEEN FOUND
ON THE SEAFLOOR
ALL OVER THE WORLD,
EVEN IN THE **DEEPEST**
OCEAN TRENCHES.

PLASTIC
PACKAGING
IS THE LARGEST SOURCE
OF **PLASTIC WASTE**
IN THE ENVIRONMENT.