



MSW and C&D Landfill Tipping Fees

2008 Solid Waste Management Update

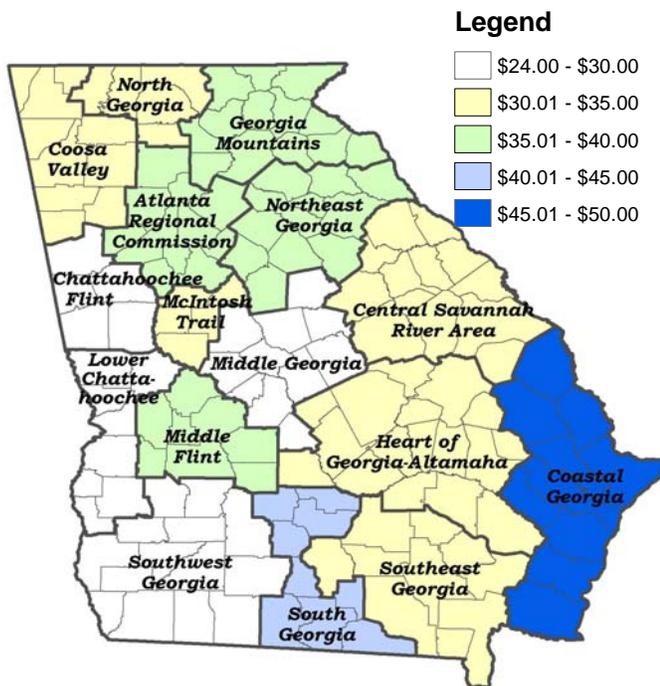
Landfill tipping fees across Georgia remain competitive with other Southeastern states. Posted gate rate tipping fees have steadily risen in recent years, but the increasing amount of waste sent to Georgia for disposal indicates the actual contract prices per ton remain attractive to waste hauling companies, compared with our neighboring states.

Annually during the month of July, DCA conducts a phone survey of the landfills in the state to identify their posted "gate rate" tipping fee to calculate regional and statewide average disposal fees. Based upon these surveys, the average tipping fee for Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) in the state fell slightly from \$35.08 in 2007 to \$34.92 in 2008. It should be noted that the fees reported represent an average of the posted gate rates charged by landfills throughout the state; actual prices paid are frequently lower, sometimes by more than half, depending on volume discounts offered to waste haulers, businesses, and local governments. Also, several large Atlanta landfills post high gate rates in an effort to dissuade customers with small loads.

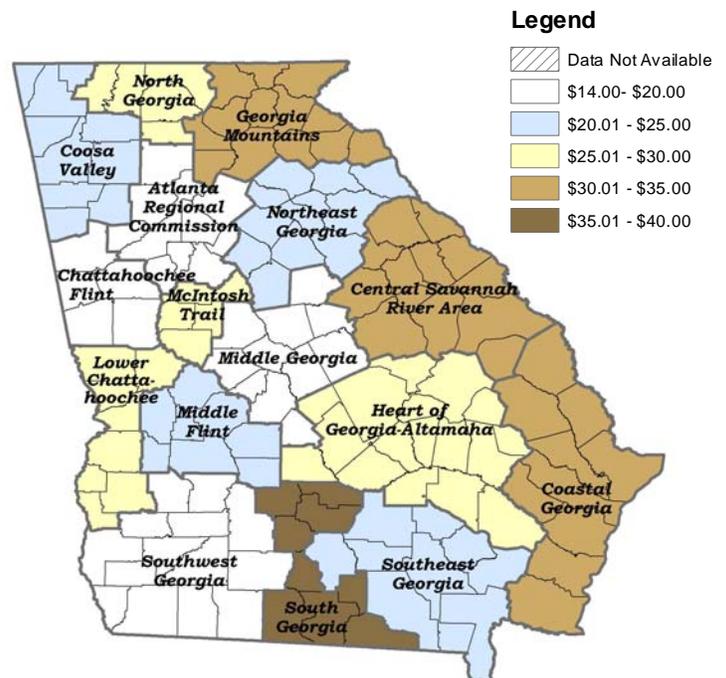
DCA also tracks tipping fees for Construction and Demolition (C&D) waste. C&D tipping fees rose from a statewide weighted average of \$21.11 in 2007 to \$23.72.

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Region	2008 Average MSW Tipping Fee	2007 Average MSW Tipping Fee	2006 Average MSW Tipping Fee
Coosa Valley	\$32.50	\$32.57	\$32.70
Georgia Mountains	\$37.51	\$37.20	\$37.26
Atlanta Regional Commission	\$36.80	\$38.26	\$38.40
Chattahoochee Flint	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$31.90
Northeast Georgia	\$36.76	\$36.69	\$36.92
Middle Georgia	\$29.64	\$27.88	\$26.01
Central Savannah River Area	\$33.44	\$33.50	\$33.55
Lower Chattahoochee	\$27.50	\$27.50	\$27.50
Heart of Georgia-Altamaha	\$30.22	\$30.16	\$30.19
Southwest Georgia	\$25.62	\$24.99	\$24.86
South Georgia	\$41.89	\$39.04	\$38.94
Coastal Georgia	\$47.28	\$47.13	\$47.13
McIntosh Trail	\$32.01	\$32.17	\$32.11
Middle Flint	\$35.83	\$37.58	\$35.91
North Georgia	\$31.57	\$31.65	\$31.65
Southeast Georgia	\$30.51	\$30.49	\$30.46
State of Georgia	\$34.92	\$35.08	\$35.51

Region	2008 Average C&D Tipping Fee	2007 Average C&D Tipping Fee	2006 Average C&D Tipping Fee
Coosa Valley	\$20.93	\$19.23	\$18.73
Georgia Mountains	\$32.29	\$27.28	\$31.20
Atlanta Regional Commission	\$18.07	\$22.42	\$21.96
Chattahoochee Flint	\$15.84	\$37.11	\$29.29
Northeast Georgia	\$24.74	\$23.37	\$23.31
Middle Georgia	\$16.26	\$15.50	\$16.26
Central Savannah River Area	\$30.56	\$30.54	\$30.65
Lower Chattahoochee	\$25.50	\$25.50	\$24.38
Heart of Georgia-Altamaha	\$26.50	\$25.36	\$25.45
Southwest Georgia	\$19.73	n/a	\$16.50
South Georgia	\$39.50	n/a	\$34.38
Coastal Georgia	\$30.38	\$21.63	\$14.65
McIntosh Trail	\$29.58	\$26.55	\$26.55
Middle Flint	\$22.50	\$22.50	22.50
North Georgia*	\$25.75	n/a	n/a
Southeast Georgia	\$22.00	\$22.00	25.67
State of Georgia	\$23.72	21.11	22.09

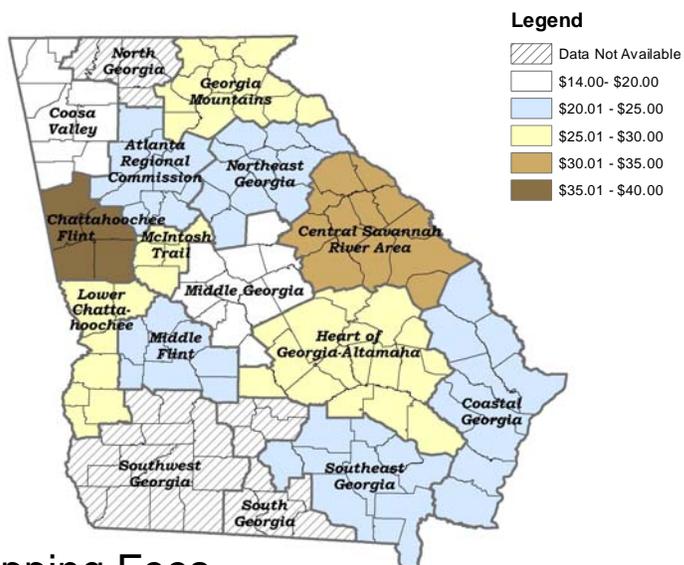
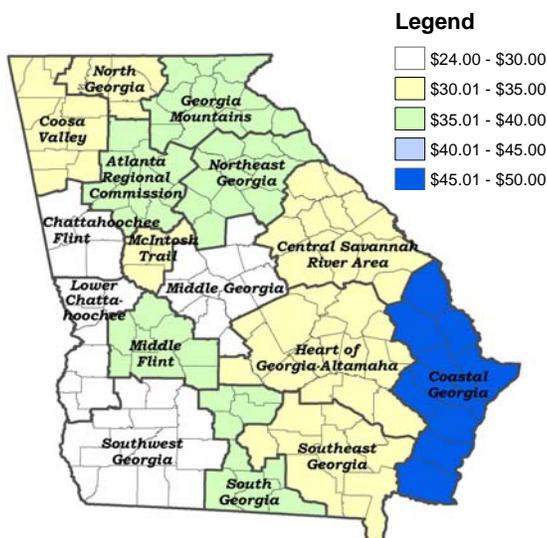


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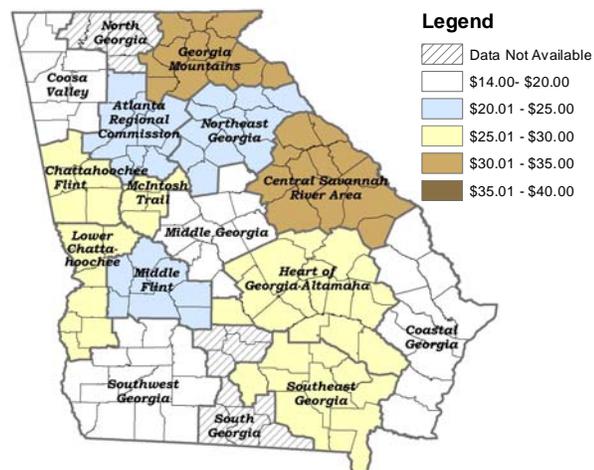
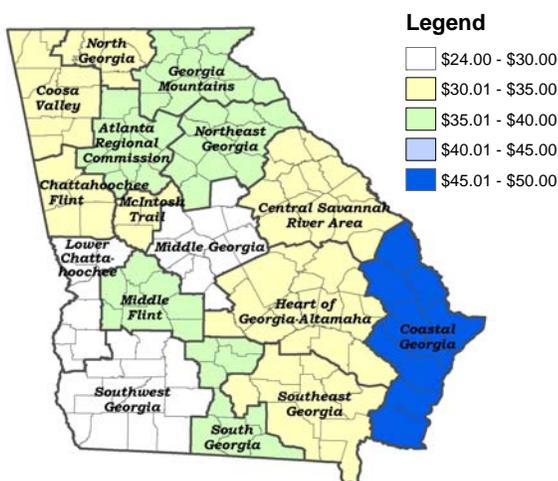
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2006 Landfill Tipping Fees

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Calculating Weighted Average Tipping Fees

To account for tonnage disparities between large and small landfills, a weighted average tipping fee was used. If out-of-county residents or businesses were charged a higher rate than in-county customers, the higher rate was used. Tipping fees charged for MSW at transfer stations were excluded. When tipping fee rates were reported by volume rather than weight, a ratio of four cubic yards to one ton (4 CY: 1 ton) was used to approximate weight-based rates. Weighted averages were calculated for the area served by each RDC and for the state by multiplying the Average Daily Tons received at each facility (ADT) by the per-ton gate fee, divided by the total ADT for all landfill facilities within each region and within the state. The process was repeated for C&D landfills. To avoid double counting, Average Daily Tonnage was assigned to the MSW column for those facilities charging the same rate for MSW and C&D waste. Most facilities charge the same rate for C&D and MSW received, but a significant number do not. In these cases, the landfills were asked to provide an approximate ratio of MSW to C&D waste received. Weighted averages were calculated using the method described above, with the Average Daily Tons reported split accordingly between MSW and C&D. For facilities that reported receiving no C&D waste, their fees were not used in calculating average C&D fees.