

Food waste calculator

TYPE OF INTERVENTION

Prompts and tools for households, especially those who are in charge of purchasing and preparing meals

GOAL

To encourage Finnish households to reduce food waste by providing feedback on the amount of their food waste compared to other households. This feedback also included details about the economic and environmental impacts of food waste. Households received inspiration and tips on how to reduce their food waste.

IMPLEMENTATION AND EVALUATION

The calculator was developed using comprehensive data from the Foodspill research project conducted by the Natural Resource Institute Finland. It has allowed users to enhance their household economy skills by providing them with specific and clear feedback on the amounts and impacts of their food waste and information on how to reduce it. Additionally, the calculator offers inspiration for improved food purchase planning and storage, along with recipes for using leftover food, helping users reduce their food waste.

COUNTRY

Finland

IMPLEMENTED BY

Paulig Ltd and the Natural Resources Institute Finland

DURATION

30 March 2021 to ongoing

BUDGET

Total
EUR 100 000
of which:

used for agency work
EUR 25 000

for project management
EUR 20 000

for the development of the digital platform
EUR 30 000

RESULTS

76,000 calculator users

Quantitative / qualitative results:

While it is difficult to precisely measure the amount of food waste prevented, it is encouraging to note that the food waste calculator has already attracted 76.000 users, indicating a positive reception and potential impact.

