

## Prices of recyclables in the in the informal sector market in Egypt

(Selling prices of garbage collector to middle traders)

no	Item	Price just before crisis Per ton in Egyptian currency (LE)	Current Price Per ton in Egyptian currency (LE)	Notes
1	Carton	350	150	
2	Paper	500 - 600	150- 250	Price varies according to quality
3	Mixed Plastics -(mostly PELD)	3500	2000	
4	Plastic bags -PELD	3000	1800	
5	Plastic bags- PEHD	1000	500	
6	Plastics - PET	2000	200	
7	Tin cans	1500	350	
8	Aluminum	7500	4150	
9	Copper (yellow)	9000	5000	
10	Copper (red)	28000	15000	
11	Cloth (mixed)	100- 250	50-150	Price varies according to quality
12	Plastic- PVC	2750	1800	
13	Iron	2000	700	

**1 \$ = LE 5.5**

### Notes:

The prices went down not only because of the global economic crisis, but also because the Egyptian government added charges, reached to LE 1500 per ton, to the exported recycled material. This impacted negatively on the prices of recyclables in generally, and some specific items, in specific, such as tin and PET, which used to be exported to China and other countries.