

National Compost Prices

The prices listed below are intended to indicate the value of mature compost products sold by compost producers and retailers in noted regions. Prices listed are based on surveys and publicly posted prices. Your input on published prices is encouraged. Contact Ken McEntee, editor, at (440) 238-6603. Fax: (440) 238-6712. EMail: ken@compostingnews.com.

Address: 9815 Hazelwood Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44149. Notes on listings.

• Each listing includes a high price obtained, a low price obtained and an average of all prices obtained within a particular market.

• Market areas: Thirteen market areas have been targeted to provide a cross section of compost product markets in the U.S. Where regions are not identified by a specific city, "Chesapeake" refers to the region stretching between Norfolk, Va. to Baltimore, Md. "Texas" incorporates several major cities in the state. "Northwest" represents the Seattle and Portland, Ore areas. "SF-Bay" refers to the San Francisco Bay area. SoCal is Southern California, including the Los Angeles and San Diego areas. Denver includes Colorado, Wyoming and Montana. • "Food waste" compost: This category refers to compost products that include food waste, regional

specialities and other feedstocks not specifically covered in other categories.

• Manures: Chicken manures may include other poultry manures, such as turkey and duck manure. Cow manures may include manures marketed as steer and dairy manure. Horse manure is included in this category as well. • Absence of a regional listing within a given category indicates not enough information for a valid listing. Additional data will be added as more information is obtained. • Bulk retail prices do not include municipal operations that give compost away for free.

Bulk Retail (yard)

| Yard waste compost | Average | High | Low |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 32.55 | \$ 77.00 | \$ 17.50 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 24.50 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 17.00 |
| SE | \$ 21.88 | \$ 29.95 | \$ 16.00 |
| Florida | \$ 16.42 | \$ 26.00 | \$ 10.50 |
| Cleveland | \$ 19.90 | \$ 28.00 | \$ 12.50 |
| Iowa | \$ 21.57 | \$ 53.00 | \$ 7.50 |
| Minneapolis | \$ 17.09 | \$ 28.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| Texas | \$ 29.71 | \$ 40.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| Denver | \$ 20.31 | \$ 31.00 | \$ 12.00 |
| Northwest | \$ 24.05 | \$ 55.00 | \$ 10.00 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 21.92 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 10.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 14.75 | \$ 24.00 | \$ 8.00 |

| Food waste compost | Average | High | Low |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 39.12 | \$ 64.00 | \$ 17.50 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 23.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| SE | \$ 28.11 | \$ 35.00 | \$ 24.00 |
| Florida | \$ 17.50 | \$ 22.00 | \$ 13.00 |
| Iowa | \$ 25.00 | \$ 65.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| Minneapolis | \$ 12.33 | \$ 16.00 | \$ 9.00 |
| Texas | \$ 30.21 | \$ 48.95 | \$ 15.00 |
| Denver | \$ 15.00 | \$ 15.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| Northwest | \$ 20.55 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 23.61 | \$ 38.00 | \$ 14.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 30.50 | \$ 45.00 | \$ 16.00 |

| Leaf humus | Average | High | Low |
|------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 24.98 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 19.95 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 27.49 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 23.95 |
| Cleveland | \$ 19.27 | \$ 26.00 | \$ 8.00 |

| Composted biosolids | Average | High | Low |
|---------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 30.00 | \$ 40.00 | \$ 20.00 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 24.98 | \$ 35.00 | \$ 12.00 |
| SE | \$ 12.14 | \$ 28.00 | \$ 4.00 |
| Florida | \$ 13.14 | \$ 22.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| Cleveland | \$ 24.77 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 19.50 |
| Iowa | \$ 12.67 | \$ 21.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| Texas | \$ 21.28 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 10.00 |
| Denver | \$ 9.00 | \$ 10.00 | \$ 7.00 |
| Northwest | \$ 17.91 | \$ 26.00 | \$ 7.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 13.36 | \$ 22.00 | \$ 3.50 |

| Composted chicken manure | Average | High | Low |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 45.00 | \$ 50.00 | \$ 40.00 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 25.00 | \$ 25.00 | \$ 25.00 |
| SE | \$ 42.00 | \$ 42.00 | \$ 42.00 |
| Minneapolis | \$ 17.00 | \$ 17.00 | \$ 17.00 |
| Texas | \$ 37.23 | \$ 47.50 | \$ 26.95 |
| Denver | \$ 25.65 | \$ 28.00 | \$ 24.00 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 16.00 | \$ 16.00 | \$ 16.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 44.00 | \$ 75.00 | \$ 27.00 |

| Composted cow manure | Average | High | Low |
|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 45.50 | \$ 46.00 | \$ 45.00 |
| SE | \$ 31.33 | \$ 45.00 | \$ 12.00 |
| Cleveland | \$ 24.00 | \$ 24.00 | \$ 24.00 |
| Iowa | \$ 42.00 | \$ 60.00 | \$ 16.00 |
| Minneapolis | \$ 29.33 | \$ 32.00 | \$ 26.00 |
| Texas | \$ 29.33 | \$ 47.50 | \$ 15.00 |
| Denver | \$ 21.71 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 12.00 |
| Phoenix | \$ 20.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ 20.00 |
| Northwest | \$ 23.85 | \$ 33.75 | \$ 17.45 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 26.00 | \$ 26.00 | \$ 26.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 17.25 | \$ 24.00 | \$ 12.00 |

| Wood waste mulch | Average | High | Low |
|------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 21.35 | \$ 38.00 | \$ 12.50 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 21.13 | \$ 28.00 | \$ 12.00 |
| SE | \$ 18.78 | \$ 34.95 | \$ 12.00 |
| Florida | \$ 17.50 | \$ 18.00 | \$ 17.00 |
| Cleveland | \$ 25.56 | \$ 36.25 | \$ 14.00 |
| Iowa | \$ 32.50 | \$ 40.00 | \$ 25.00 |
| Minneapolis | \$ 26.00 | \$ 35.00 | \$ 20.00 |
| Texas | \$ 16.19 | \$ 27.00 | \$ 9.00 |
| Denver | \$ 18.74 | \$ 25.00 | \$ 12.48 |
| Phoenix | \$ 17.61 | \$ 22.95 | \$ 10.00 |
| Northwest | \$ 19.00 | \$ 35.00 | \$ 7.50 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 18.14 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 20.50 | \$ 50.00 | \$ 6.00 |

| Colored wood mulch | Average | High | Low |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 28.00 | \$ 28.00 | \$ 28.00 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 28.67 | \$ 33.00 | \$ 25.00 |
| SE | \$ 27.13 | \$ 42.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| Florida | \$ 20.33 | \$ 22.00 | \$ 19.00 |
| Cleveland | \$ 24.87 | \$ 28.99 | \$ 21.95 |
| Iowa | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 |
| Minneapolis | \$ 36.80 | \$ 49.00 | \$ 30.00 |
| Texas | \$ 26.08 | \$ 32.50 | \$ 18.00 |
| Denver | \$ 33.28 | \$ 33.28 | \$ 33.28 |
| Northwest | \$ 35.00 | \$ 35.00 | \$ 35.00 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 34.00 | \$ 36.00 | \$ 28.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 32.50 | \$ 35.00 | \$ 30.00 |

Bulk wholesale (yard)

| Yard waste compost | Average | High | Low |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 21.50 | \$ 48.00 | \$ 11.00 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 13.39 | \$ 16.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| SE | \$ 16.66 | \$ 25.00 | \$ 8.65 |
| Florida | \$ 9.75 | \$ 13.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| Cleveland | \$ 12.50 | \$ 15.00 | \$ 10.00 |
| Iowa | \$ 14.00 | \$ 19.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| Minneapolis | \$ 12.00 | \$ 17.00 | \$ 7.00 |
| Texas | \$ 17.25 | \$ 24.00 | \$ 9.00 |
| Denver | \$ 13.05 | \$ 14.10 | \$ 12.00 |
| Northwest | \$ 14.79 | \$ 35.00 | \$ 7.50 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 13.71 | \$ 22.00 | \$ 7.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 7.33 | \$ 10.00 | \$ 6.00 |

| Food waste compost | Average | High | Low |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 25.79 | \$ 48.00 | \$ 11.00 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 10.50 | \$ 15.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| SE | \$ 20.65 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| Florida | \$ 10.50 | \$ 13.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| Iowa | \$ 13.40 | \$ 20.00 | \$ 10.00 |
| Minneapolis | \$ 12.00 | \$ 12.00 | \$ 12.00 |
| Texas | \$ 17.50 | \$ 24.00 | \$ 8.50 |
| Denver | \$ 11.33 | \$ 15.00 | \$ 7.00 |
| Northwest | \$ 17.25 | \$ 20.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 12.67 | \$ 26.00 | \$ 5.00 |

| Composted biosolids | Average | High | Low |
|---------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 15.33 | \$ 20.00 | \$ 10.00 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 9.31 | \$ 15.00 | \$ 5.00 |
| SE | \$ 10.93 | \$ 15.00 | \$ 5.00 |
| Florida | \$ 10.50 | \$ 13.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| Texas | \$ 15.99 | \$ 20.00 | \$ 9.00 |
| Denver | \$ 13.00 | \$ 13.00 | \$ 13.00 |
| Northwest | \$ 16.75 | \$ 21.00 | \$ 12.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 10.50 | \$ 17.00 | \$ 3.00 |

| Composted cow manure | Average | High | Low |
|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 36.00 | \$ 36.00 | \$ 36.00 |
| SE | \$ 21.38 | \$ 31.50 | \$ 7.00 |
| Iowa | \$ 35.00 | \$ 35.00 | \$ 35.00 |
| Texas | \$ 25.00 | \$ 25.00 | \$ 25.00 |
| Denver | \$ 12.05 | \$ 14.10 | \$ 10.00 |
| Northwest | \$ 22.00 | \$ 22.00 | \$ 22.00 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 34.25 | \$ 34.50 | \$ 34.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 5.00 | \$ 6.00 | \$ 4.00 |

| Wood waste mulch | Average | High | Low |
|------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 15.75 | \$ 33.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 15.80 | \$ 17.00 | \$ 13.00 |
| SE | \$ 14.60 | \$ 24.95 | \$ 5.00 |
| Florida | \$ 14.00 | \$ 15.00 | \$ 13.00 |
| Iowa | \$ 30.00 | \$ 40.00 | \$ 20.00 |
| Minneapolis | \$ 18.50 | \$ 20.00 | \$ 17.00 |
| Texas | \$ 10.83 | \$ 14.00 | \$ 8.00 |
| Denver | \$ 7.66 | \$ 8.32 | \$ 7.00 |
| Northwest | \$ 15.00 | \$ 15.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 12.33 | \$ 14.00 | \$ 9.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 9.25 | \$ 15.00 | \$ 5.00 |

| Colored wood mulch | Average | High | Low |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| NE | \$ 22.00 | \$ 22.00 | \$ 22.00 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 20.50 | \$ 22.00 | \$ 19.00 |
| SE | \$ 19.00 | \$ 25.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| Florida | \$ 16.00 | \$ 16.00 | \$ 16.00 |
| Iowa | \$ 25.00 | \$ 25.00 | \$ 25.00 |
| Minneapolis | \$ 27.00 | \$ 35.00 | \$ 19.00 |
| Texas | \$ 20.67 | \$ 24.00 | \$ 18.00 |
| Denver | \$ 17.66 | \$ 21.32 | \$ 14.00 |
| Northwest | \$ 22.00 | \$ 22.00 | \$ 22.00 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 21.00 | \$ 22.00 | \$ 19.00 |
| SoCal | \$ 22.50 | \$ 25.00 | \$ 20.00 |

Bag Retail

| Compost (40# bag) | Average | High | Low |
|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| NE | \$ 6.87 | \$ 8.00 | \$ 4.50 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 3.73 | \$ 5.49 | \$ 2.15 |
| SE | \$ 4.00 | \$ 4.00 | \$ 4.00 |
| Iowa | \$ 1.99 | \$ 1.99 | \$ 1.99 |
| Cleveland | \$ 2.45 | \$ 2.99 | \$ 2.10 |
| Iowa | \$ 3.12 | \$ 7.99 | \$ 1.50 |
| Texas | \$ 4.25 | \$ 6.99 | \$ 1.99 |
| Denver | \$ 3.59 | \$ 4.75 | \$ 1.73 |
| Phoenix | \$ 4.71 | \$ 5.99 | \$ 2.77 |
| Northwest | \$ 4.29 | \$ 5.99 | \$ 2.99 |
| SoCal | \$ 5.39 | \$ 6.25 | \$ 3.90 |

| Composted cow manure (40# bag) | Average | High | Low |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| NE | \$ 6.53 | \$ 9.87 | \$ 3.85 |
| Chesapeake | \$ 5.97 | \$ 7.95 | \$ 3.99 |
| SE | \$ 5.16 | \$ 6.97 | \$ 3.34 |
| Florida | \$ 1.98 | \$ 1.99 | \$ 1.97 |
| Cleveland | \$ 3.27 | \$ 3.99 | \$ 2.49 |
| Iowa | \$ 2.18 | \$ 2.49 | \$ 1.75 |
| Minneapolis | \$ 3.70 | \$ 7.00 | \$ 1.99 |
| Texas | \$ 4.59 | \$ 6.99 | \$ 1.99 |
| Phoenix | \$ 2.99 | \$ 3.99 | \$ 2.49 |
| Northwest | \$ 3.99 | \$ 3.99 | \$ 3.99 |
| SF-Bay | \$ 7.00 | \$ 7.00 | \$ 7.00 |