

# DID YOU KNOW?

## FAST FACTS ABOUT OUR PLANET



The number of miles the Earth will travel in its annual journey around the Sun:

**1,600,000**

The number of gallons of water the U.S. would save if all American households installed water-efficient appliances:

**3,000,000,000,000**

The number of trees cut down each minute in the Amazon:

**2,000**

The percentage of what Americans throw away that is recyclable:

**80**

The number of trees that could be saved each year if all newspapers printed in the U.S. on a typical Sunday were recycled:

**26,000,000**

The percentage of Americans that recycle:

**28**

The number of gallons of water the average person uses in a year:

**12,000**

The number of trees saved for every ton of paper recycled:

**17**

The number of pounds of trash that is dumped into oceans each year:

**14,000,000,000**

The number of aluminum cans used per year:

**5,000,000,000**

The number of years plastic takes to break down in a landfill:

**500**

The number of gallons of water used for a 10-minute shower:

**50-70**

The number of Americans who participated in the first Earth Day Celebration in 1970:

**20,000,000**

The number of countries that celebrate Earth Day:

**195**

The percentage of the Earth that is used to grow food:

**11**

The number of years the average garbage stays in a landfill:

**30**

The number of pounds of garbage the average person throws away each day:

**4**

The number of pounds of plastic the average American family throws away every year:

**88**

The Earth's age in years:

**4,500,000,000 to 4,600,000,000**