



Great British Beach Clean Results 2015

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Biodiversity



Pollution



Fisheries



Fact

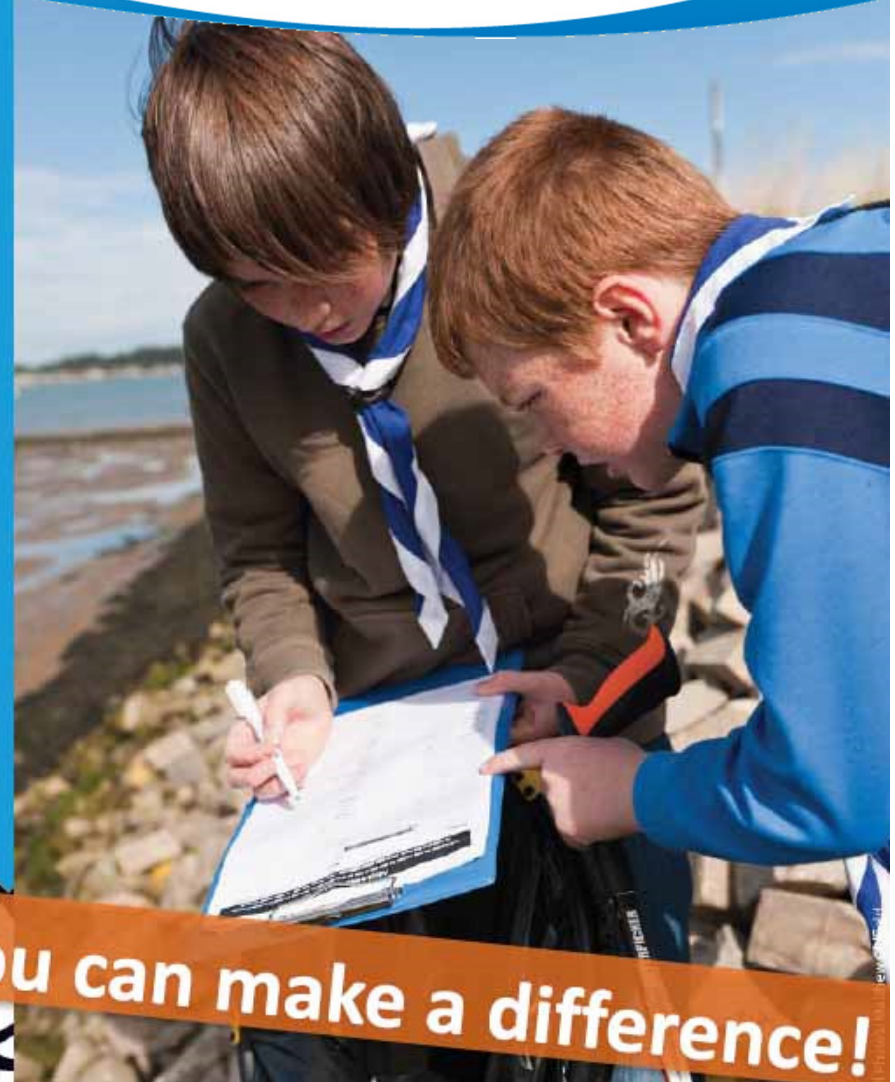
Some sea areas are thought to contain as many as 46,000 pieces of litter per square mile.

// The UK has a network of about 20,000 sewer overflow pipes, which release dilute sewage into rivers and the sea following heavy rainfall. //

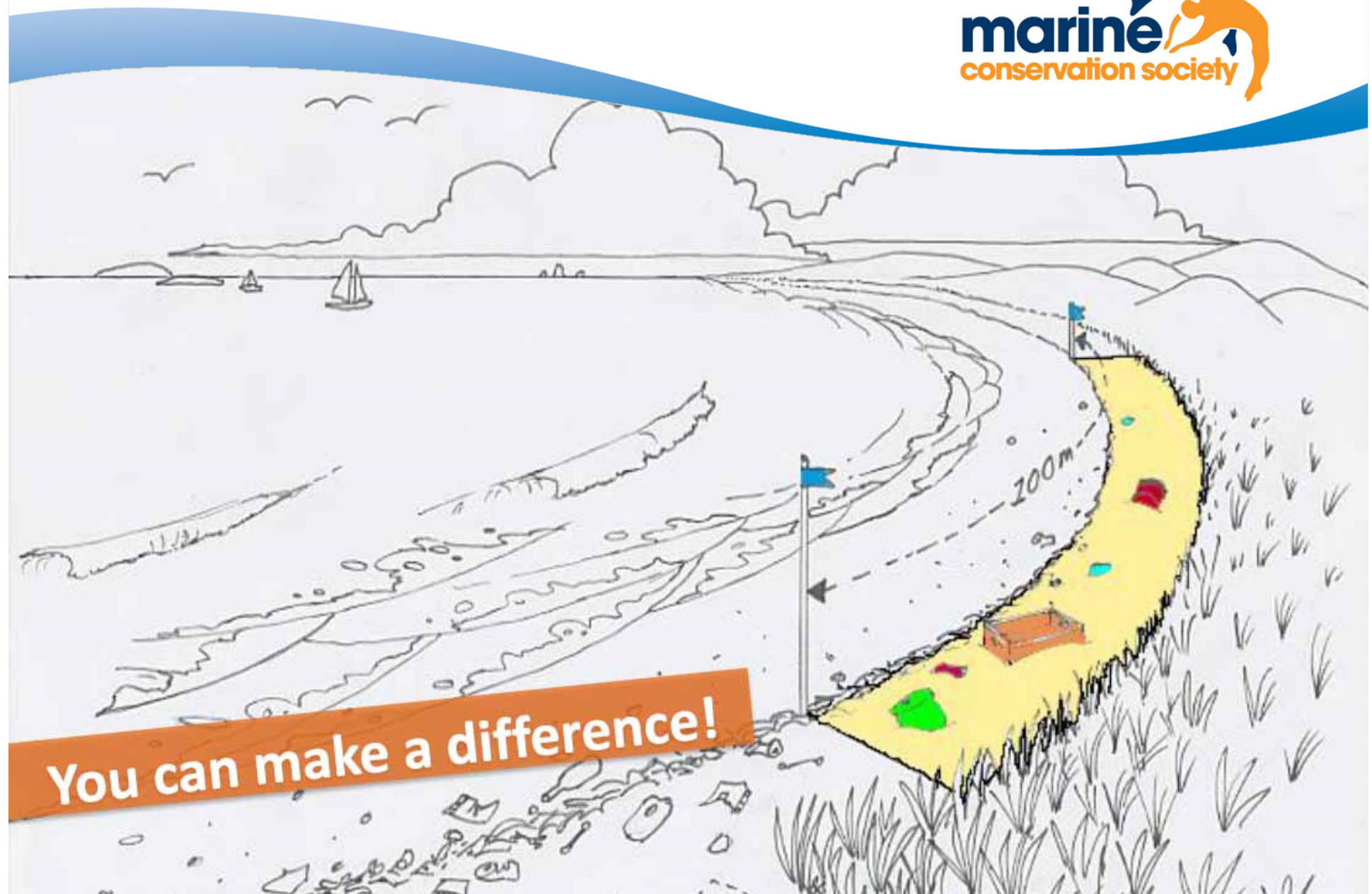


Beachwatch

**The biggest volunteer
beach clean-up and litter
survey in the UK!**



You can make a difference!

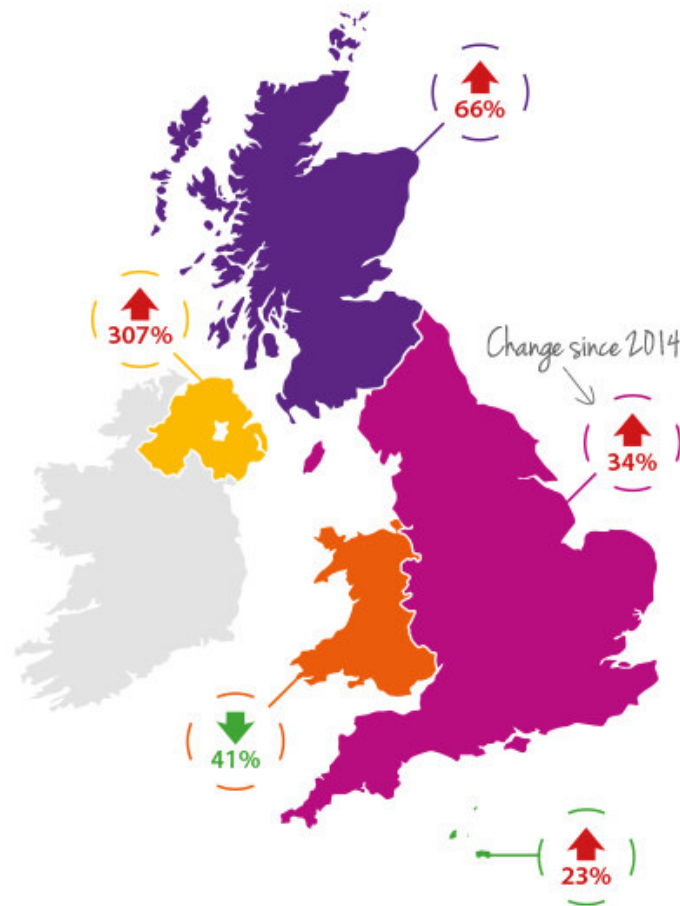


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Great British Beach Clean

**Third weekend in
September**



1 Plastic / Polystyrene pieces (0-50 cm)

960.8/km ⇄

2 Other glass pieces

208.0/km ↑2

3 Packets (crisp, sweet, lolly, sandwich)

197.7/km ↓1

4 Caps & lids

187.1/km ↓1

5 String / cord / rope (thickness 0-1 cm)

150.9/km ⇄

6 Cotton bud sticks

119.2/km ↑4

7 Fishing nets and net pieces

106.2/km ↑1

8 Drinks bottles

98.9/km ↑1

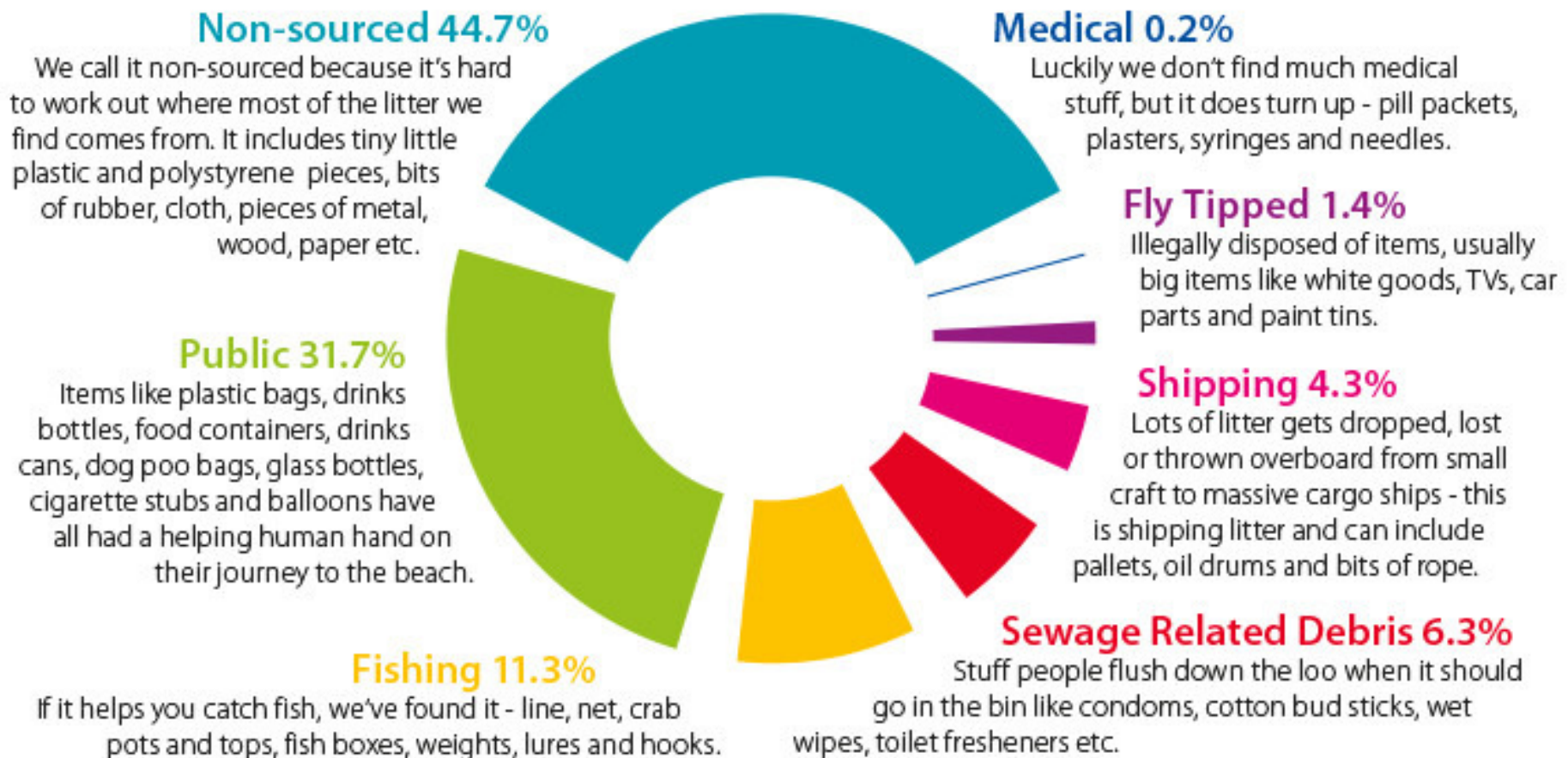
9 Cigarette stubs

86.6/km ↓3

10 Cutlery / trays / straws

80.9/km ↑2

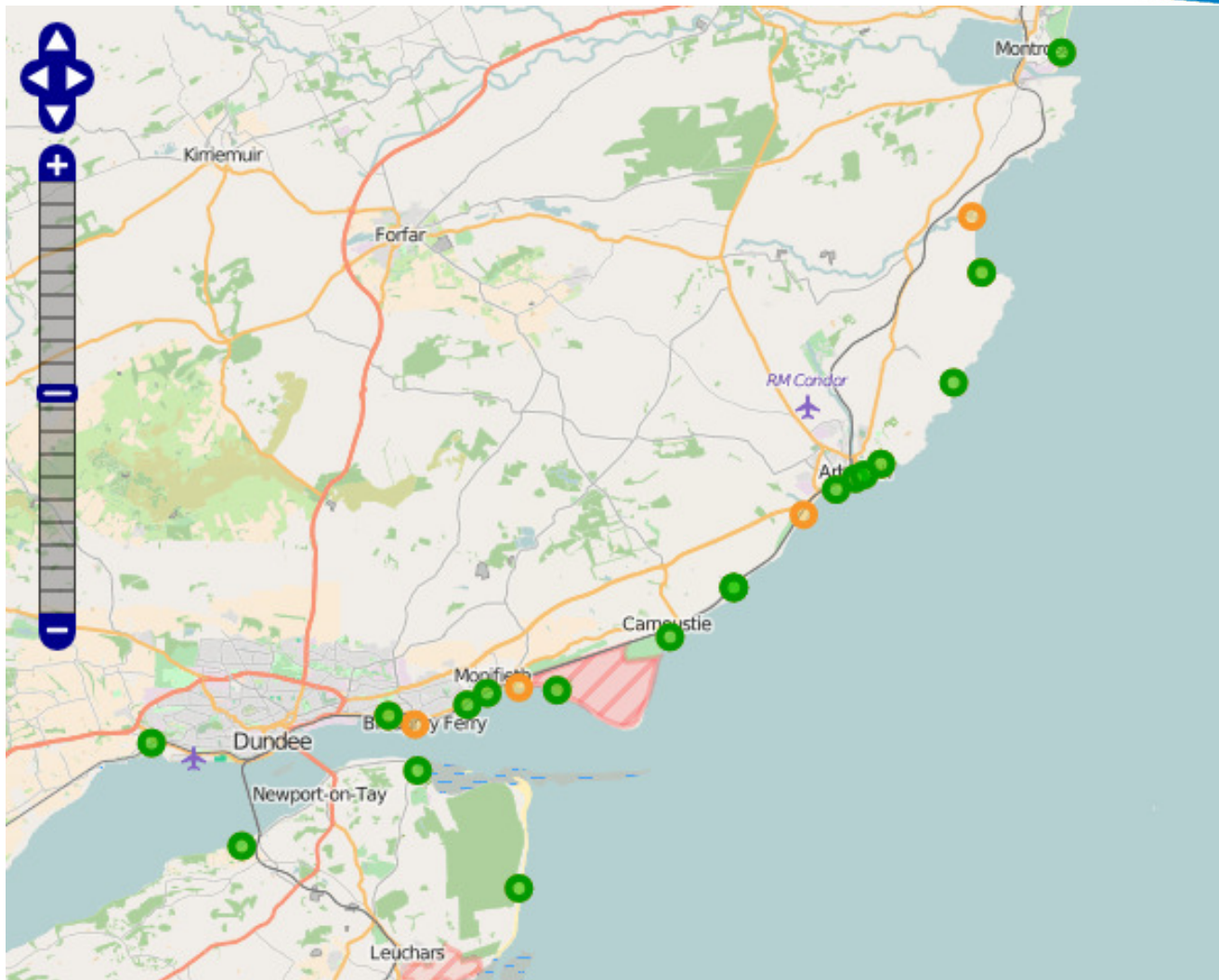






A record breaking
year for Scotland!





Tayside

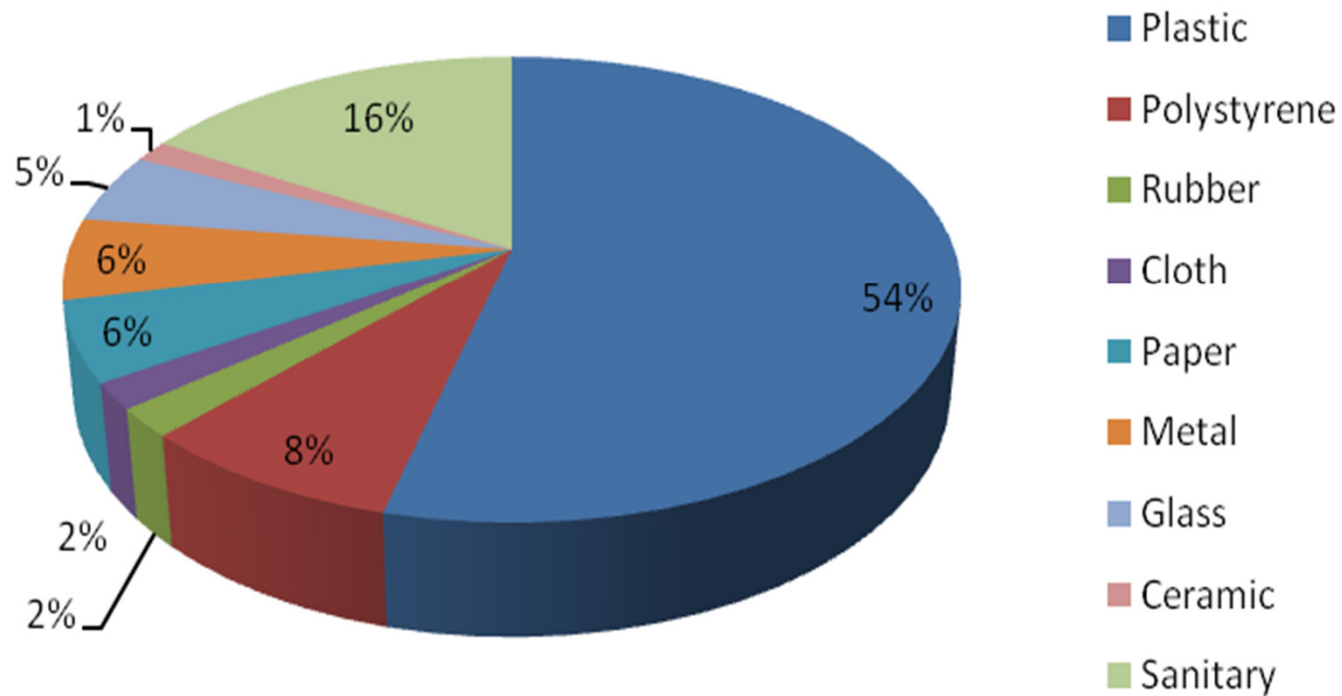
20 Adopted beaches

13 events during GBBC
2015

94 Volunteers

572kg of rubbish

Overview of top 9 categories



Tayside Top 10

1. Crisp Packet
2. Small plastic
3. Cotton buds
4. Wetwipes
5. Large Plastic
6. Drink bottles
7. Plastic String
8. Glass
9. Polystyrene
10. Plastic caps

439 drinks containers found in Tayside during GBBC 2015



Have
You
Got
The
Bottle?



79.9 bottles/km in Scotland = 21% increase on last
year...

Litter campaigns



Hang on to your tackle!



Don't Let Go!



Beat the microbead!



**Thank you for listening.
Any questions?**