

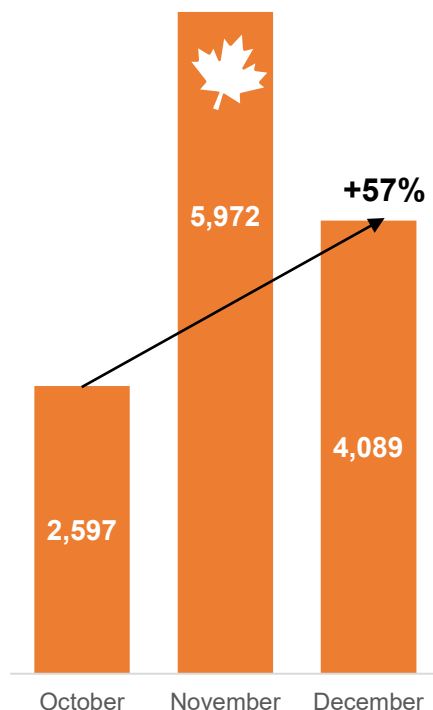


Queens organics: first fall season is a MAJOR SUCCESS!

- The Queens curbside organics program has diverted **12.7 million pounds** of material in its successful first season!
- Queens districts are wildly out-performing the legacy opt-in districts:
 - During the Fall 2022 season, 8 of 14 Queens districts outperformed the best performing opt-in district – Brooklyn District 6 (Park Slope, Carroll Gardens, Cobble Hill) – which has participated in organics collection for nearly a decade.
 - Queens District 12 (QE12), covering Jamaica, Hollis, St. Albans, and Springfield Gardens, had never participated in organics collection before and, over the course of the fall season, diverted more yard and food waste than the *entire seven-district legacy opt-in program combined*.
- Fall season results validate DSNY’s leaf and yard waste-first approach, developed based on detailed analysis of organics programs around the world. During the peak leaf collection season in mid-November, Queens diverted nearly 3.5 million pounds of organics *in just two weeks*.
- All of this is achieved at less than *one third the cost per district* of the previous curbside program.

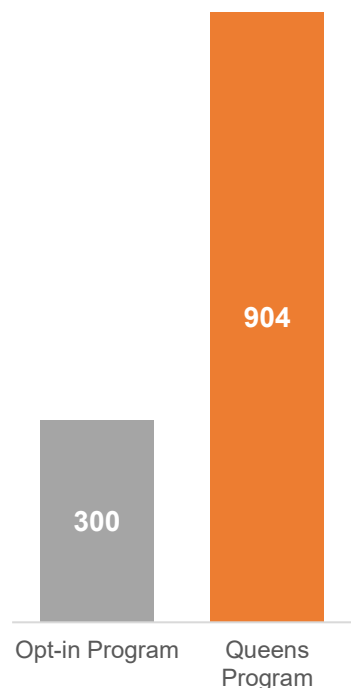
Participation in the Queens program grew 57% from October to December, with an added jump during November leaf season.

Organics collected in Queens, by month (total pounds, in thousands)



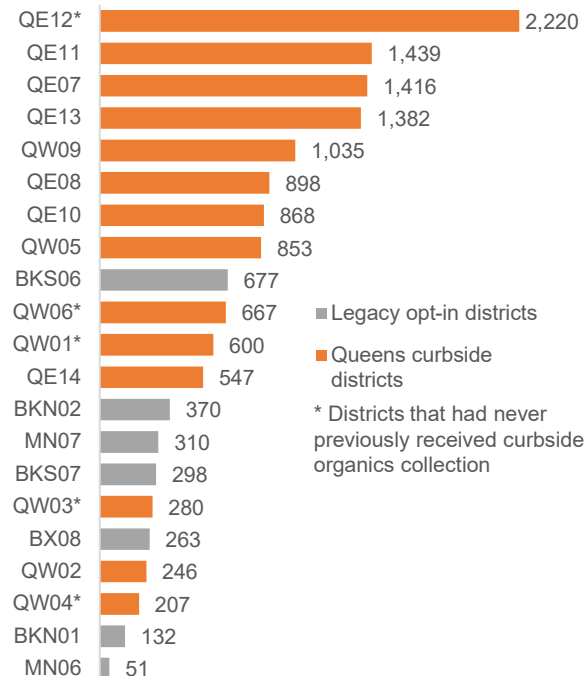
The Queens program collected >3x the tonnage per district of the legacy opt-in program.

Organics collected since Oct. 3 (avg. pounds per district, in thousands)



Queens districts are wildly outperforming opt-in districts, some of which have participated in organics collection for a decade.

Organics collected by district since Oct. 3 (total pounds, in thousands)



The Queens curbside program achieves this success at less than one third the cost per district of the previous curbside program.

Annualized program cost per district (\$ in thousands)

