## RECYCLING



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## The Lifecycle of the Aluminum Can



Can makers turn coils of can sheet into new aluminum cans in as few as 60 days.



Empty cans are collected at home, schools, parks, and elsewhere and sent to recycling centers and scrap dealers.



Used beverage cans (UBCs) are then crushed and flattened into bales.



Ingots are then hot and cold rolled into coils of can sheet.



Bales get crushed into potato chip size pieces at the crusher.



The pieces are then melted and cast into ingots.



Paint and coatings are removed at the delacquering furnaces.