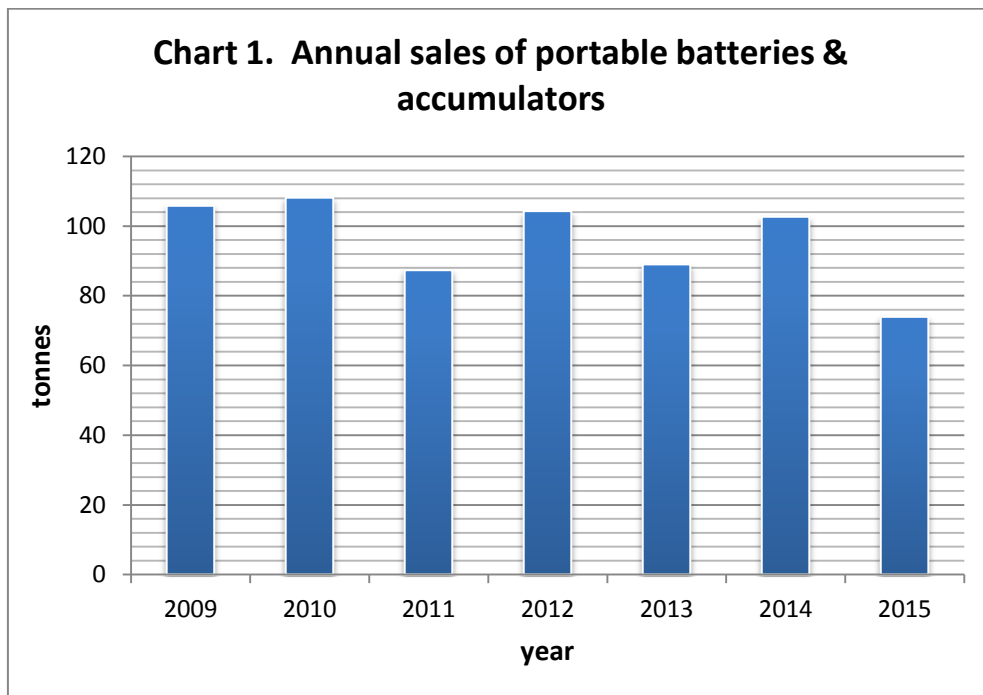
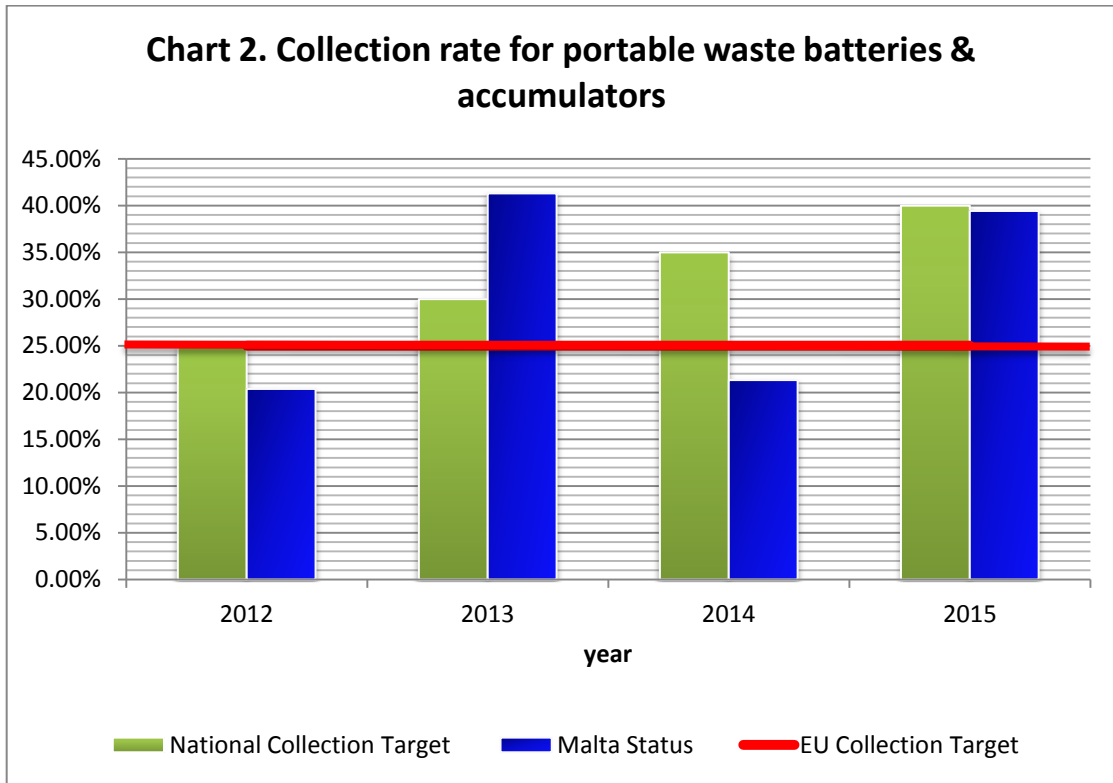


**BATTERIES & ACCUMULATORS
AND
WASTE BATTERIES & ACCUMULATORS IN 2015**

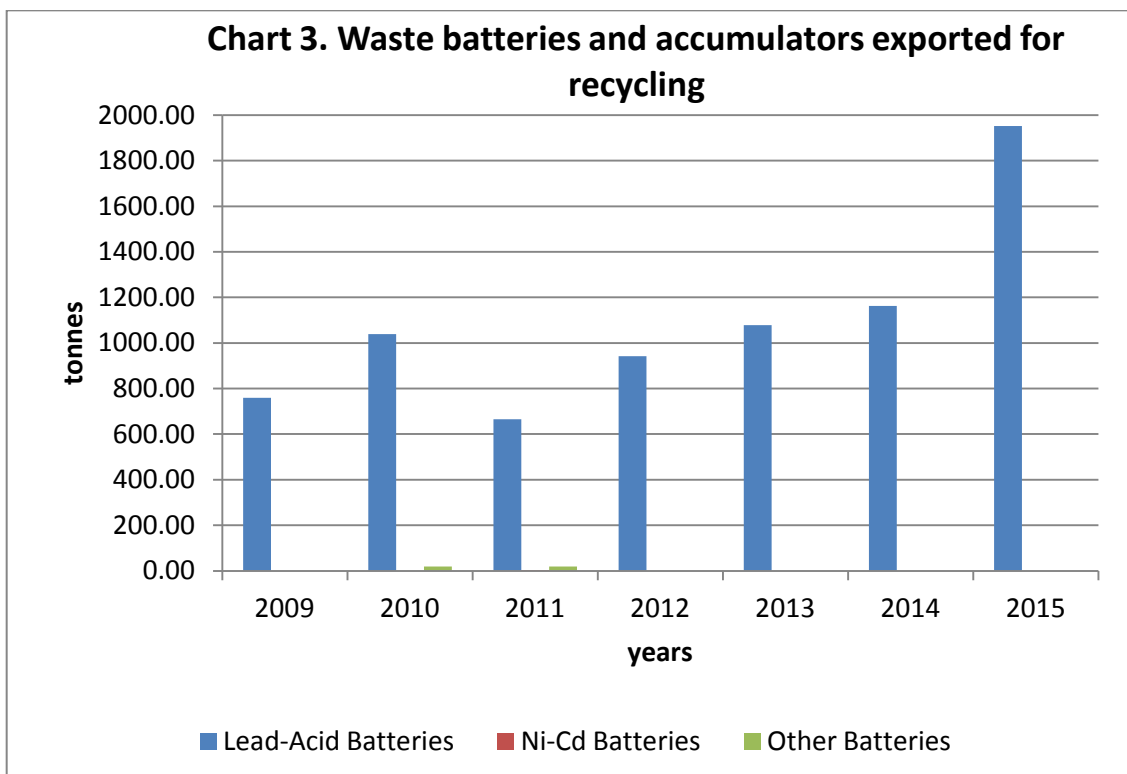
In 2015, the annual sales of portable batteries and accumulators amounted to 73.93 tonnes, down by 28% over 2014 (Chart 1).



In 2015, when compared to 2014, there has been an increase in the amount of waste batteries and accumulators collected. The collection rate in 2015 amounted to 39.43%, a percentage increase of almost 50% over 2014 (Chart 2). Not only has Malta achieved the 25% EU target, but is also on track vis-a-vis its national targets aiming towards the 2016 EU target, since the 40% national target has almost been achieved.



In 2015, all waste batteries and accumulators were exported abroad for treatment. The lead-acid waste batteries and accumulators exported for further treatment amounted to 1952.87 tonnes, an increase of approximately 68% when compared to 2014 (Chart 3). For 2015, the achieved Recycling Efficiency was 78.85%, with a rate of recycling content for Pb of 90.91%.



Source(s) of Data:

- The data from registration for eco-contribution through the VAT Department, which records include the total amount of batteries and accumulators declared by importers according to the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (HS Codes);
- The data collected through the register of producers as per Article 17 of Directive 2006/66/EC, which has been submitted by producers of batteries and accumulators;
- Official reports submitted to ERA by the authorised Waste Batteries and Accumulators Compliance Scheme;
- Official reports submitted to ERA by authorised waste management facilities as well as official data reported by waste brokers;
- ERA's database on Annex VII notifications pursuant to the Waste Shipments Regulation 1013/2006/EC relating to exports, to European Union Member States or outside of the Community;
- Recycling Efficiency declaration forms pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 493/2012 which lays down, pursuant to Directive 2006/66/EC, detailed rules regarding the calculation of recycling efficiencies of the recycling processes of waste batteries and accumulators.