Singapore and the plastic bottle

PET – which stands for polyethylene terephthalate, a form of polyester just like the clothing fabric – is used in plastic bottles and containers, and is the most widely recycled plastic in the world. Of the 1.76 billion plastic items Singaporeans used last year, more than a quarter were water bottles.

Last year, Singaporeans used 467 million PET bottles.

That's 15 bottles per second

When lined up side by side, a year's worth of plastic bottles can circle Singapore 17 times!

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