



# 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display Environmental Report



Models MJLQ2, MJLT2  
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## Apple and the Environment


Apple believes that improving the environmental performance of our business starts with our products. The careful environmental management of our products throughout their life cycles includes controlling the quantity and types of materials used in their manufacture, improving their energy efficiency, and designing them for better recyclability. The information below details the environmental performance of the 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display as it relates to climate change, energy efficiency, material efficiency, and restricted substances.<sup>1</sup>

## Environmental Status Report

The 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display is designed with the following features to reduce environmental impact:

- Arsenic-free display glass
- Mercury-free LED-backlit display
- Brominated flame retardant-free
- PVC-free<sup>2</sup>
- Beryllium-free
- Recyclable aluminum enclosure

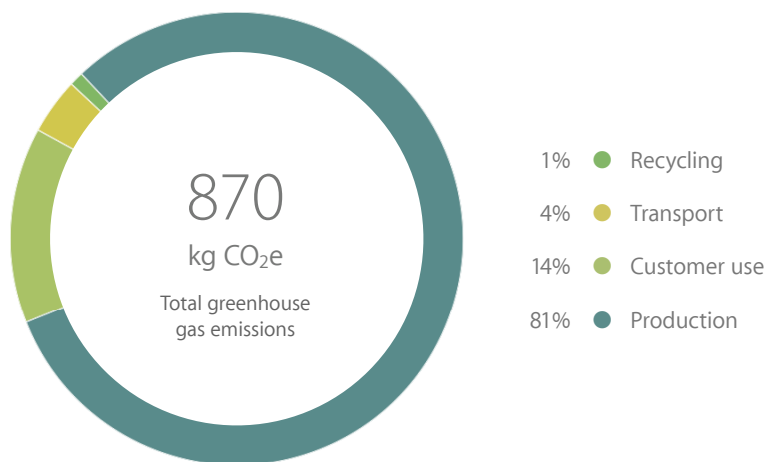
 Meets ENERGY STAR® Version 6.1 requirements

 Achieves a Gold rating from EPEAT<sup>3</sup>

## Climate Change

Greenhouse gas emissions have an impact on the planet's balance of land, ocean, and air temperatures. Most of Apple's corporate greenhouse gas emissions come from the production, transport, use, and recycling of its products. Apple seeks to minimize greenhouse gas emissions by setting stringent design-related goals for material and energy efficiency. The chart below provides the estimated greenhouse gas emissions for the 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display over its life cycle.

### Greenhouse Gas Emissions for 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display





**Battery chemistry**

- Lithium-ion polymer, 99.5 Whr
- Free of lead, cadmium, and mercury

**Battery design**

The 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display features advanced battery chemistry that greatly extends the battery's lifespan. The built-in battery is designed to deliver up to 1000 full charge and discharge cycles before it reaches 80 percent of its original capacity. In addition, Adaptive Charging reduces the wear and tear on the battery, giving it a lifespan of up to five years.

## Energy Efficiency

Because one of the largest portions of product-related greenhouse gas emissions results from actual use, energy efficiency is a key part of each product's design. Apple products use power-efficient components and software that can intelligently power them down during periods of inactivity. The result is that MacBook Pro is energy efficient right out of the box.

The 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display outperforms the stringent requirements of the ENERGY STAR Program Requirements for Computers Version 6.1. It has been designed to be energy efficient, consuming 19 percent less energy than the original 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display. The following table details the power consumed in different use modes.

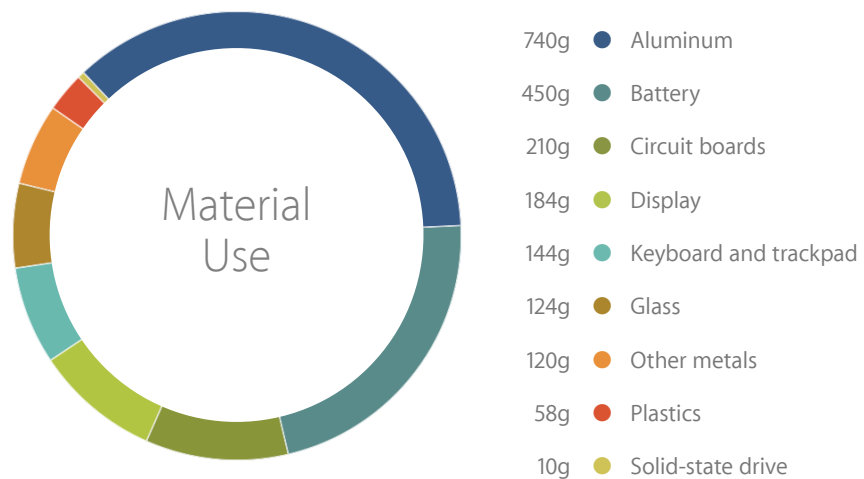
Power Consumption for 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display

Mode	100V	115V	230V
Off	0.29W	0.30W	0.33W
Sleep	1.06W	1.07W	1.1W
Idle—Display on	12.8W	12.7W	13.3W
Power adapter, no-load	0.004W	0.005W	0.020W
Power adapter efficiency	89.7%	89.7%	90.0%

## Material Efficiency

Apple's ultracompact product and packaging designs lead the industry in material efficiency. Reducing the material footprint of a product helps maximize shipping efficiency. It also helps reduce the energy consumed during production, and material waste generated at the end of the product's life. Waste is further minimized through the use of batteries that last up to three times longer than typical notebook batteries. The 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display is made of aluminum and other materials highly desired by recyclers. The chart below details the materials used in this model.

Material Use for 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display





The retail and shipping box contains an average of 60 percent recycled content by weight.

## Packaging

The packaging for the 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display uses corrugated cardboard made from a minimum of 30 percent recycled content, and molded fiber made entirely from recycled content. The following table details the materials used in its packaging.

### Packaging Breakdown for 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display (U.S. Configurations)

Material	Retail box	Retail and shipping box
Paper (corrugate, paperboard)	385g	789g
Molded fiber	—	296g
High-impact polystyrene	241g	241g
Other plastics	21g	21g

## Restricted Substances

Apple has long taken a leadership role in restricting harmful substances from its products and packaging. As part of this strategy, all Apple products comply with the strict European Directive on the Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment, also known as the RoHS Directive. Examples of materials restricted by RoHS include lead, mercury, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, and the brominated flame retardants (BFRs) PBB and PBDE. The 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display goes even further than the requirements of the RoHS Directive by incorporating the following more aggressive restrictions:

- Arsenic-free display glass
- Mercury-free LED-backlit display
- BFR-free
- Beryllium-free
- PVC-free internal cables and power adapter DC cable
- PVC-free AC power cord available in all regions except India and South Korea



## Recycling

Through ultra-efficient design and the use of highly recyclable materials, Apple has minimized material waste at the product's end of life. We've also set up recycling programs in 99 percent of the countries where we sell our products. All products are processed in the country or region in which they are collected. For more information on how to take advantage of these programs, visit [www.apple.com/recycling](http://www.apple.com/recycling).

# Definitions

**Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool (EPEAT):** A program that ranks computers and displays based on environmental attributes in accordance with IEEE 1680.1-2009. For more information, visit [www.epeat.net](http://www.epeat.net).

**Greenhouse gas emissions:** Estimated emissions are calculated in accordance with guidelines and requirements as specified by ISO 14040 and ISO 14044. Calculation includes emissions from the following life-cycle phases contributing to Global Warming Potential (GWP 100 years) in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalency factors (CO<sub>2</sub>e):

- **Production:** Includes the extraction, production, and transportation of raw materials, as well as the manufacture, transport, and assembly of all parts and product packaging.
- **Transport:** Includes air and sea transportation of the finished product and its associated packaging from the manufacturing site to regional distribution hubs. Transport of products from distribution hubs to the end customer is modeled using average distances based on regional geography.
- **Use:** User power consumption assumes a four-year period. Consumption patterns are modeled according to European Commission and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency computer eco-design studies. Geographic differences in the power grid mix have been accounted for at a continental level.
- **Recycling:** Includes transportation from collection hubs to recycling centers as well as the energy used in mechanical separation and shredding of parts.

**Energy efficiency terms:** The energy values in this report are based on the ENERGY STAR Program Requirements for Computers Version 6.1. For more information, visit [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov).

- **Off:** Lowest power mode of the system when the battery is fully charged and the system is shut down. Also referred to as Standby.
- **Sleep:** Low-power state that is entered automatically after 10 minutes of inactivity (default), or by selecting Sleep from the Apple menu. Wake for network access enabled.
- **Idle—Display on:** System is on and has completed loading OS X; the display is set to its full brightness.
- **Power adapter, no-load:** Condition in which the power adapter is connected to AC power, but not connected to the system.
- **Power adapter efficiency:** Average of the power adapter's measured efficiency when tested at 100 percent, 75 percent, 50 percent, and 25 percent of the power adapter's rated current.

**Restricted substances:** Apple defines a material as BFR-free and PVC-free if it contains less than 900 parts per million (ppm) of bromine and of chlorine. Apple defines a material as beryllium-free if it contains less than 1000 parts per million (ppm) of beryllium.

1. Product evaluations based on U.S. configurations of model MJLT2.

2. PVC-free AC power cord available in all regions except India and South Korea.

3. 15-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display achieved a Gold rating from EPEAT in the United States and Canada.

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