

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF SOLID WASTE IN THE LEFT SIDE OF MOSUL CITY

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Article history:	Abstract:
Article history: Received: 6 th February 2022 Accepted: 6 th March 2022 Published: 18 th April 2022	Abstract: The study included all areas of the left side of the city of Mosul, and in each area or residential neighborhood, two sites were randomly selected, where samples are collected on a daily basis after distributing the bags to the specified sites, for a period of six months. Where the results of the research conducted in the year 2021-2022 showed that the left side of the city of Mosul produces approximately (780) tons per day of municipal solid waste, Where the results of the study showed through the field survey process that the study area contains more than 397 landfills for waste within residential neighborhoods, which occupy an area of more than 28376m ² . As organic waste constitutes the largest proportion of the components, with a percentage (67.50%), plastic, nylon (7.66%), paper and cardboard (10.32%), glass (3.10%), metals (1.02%), textiles (2.99%), wood (1.65%), diapers (5.74%), so some of them must be recycled and others re-used and treated to produce other materials, thus reducing the volume of waste and producing other materials such as organic fertilizers and soil conditioners, and in the end we reduce the use of land as landfill sites, as well as providing an economic
	resource for the city and the country in general.

Keywords: Solid waste, Mosul city, Production rate, Random landfills

1. INTRODUCTION

In fact, solid waste constitutes the most important challenges facing developed and developing societies alike, through the process of collecting, transporting and final disposal of it, and it is linked to a direct relationship with a group of variables, including the economic level, population density, customs and traditions, scientific and cultural level, environmental awareness in dealing With solid waste, family size, number of people inside the housing unit, Solid waste can be defined as the materials that are disposed of at the sources that generate them, and they have little apparent value, but they can be of economic value in other locations and other circumstances [1]. Therefore, waste must be treated and disposed of in safe environmental ways at the lowest costs. The city of Mosul is one of the Iragi cities that suffer from the waste problem due to the lack of financial disciplines available to treat it, in addition to the shortcoming in the work of municipal cadres in some neighborhoods of the city, and the lack of environmental awareness among some residents.

Therefore, a balance must be achieved between the following elements, saving energy in consumption of natural resources, protecting the environment from pollution, and the cost required to dispose of waste. In order to achieve these goals, it is necessary to know the quantity and quality of waste produced, the method of waste collection in the places of production or outside, and the method of transportation to deliver it to intermediate stations, treatment places or places of disposal.

The problem of solid waste management in the city of Mosul faces several challenges, including the continuous increase in the population with the increase in economic activity, which leads to a difference in components and an increase in production, and the change in the lifestyles of different families leads to a difference in the proportions of waste components and the quantity produced. The growth of environmental awareness and the growing awareness of the negative effects of the presence and spread of solid waste plays an active role in dealing with waste. It is also not possible to neglect the view of local governments and municipal departments to waste as an economic resource and not just an environmental burden or waste. Therefore, integrated solid waste management must be activated, which means that it is a process that includes the whole process of dealing with solid waste, which includes production, preservation, treatment or treatment, and dealing with waste and disposing of it in a way that makes it harmless to humans, animals, ecology and the environment, and



this requires effective and timely management of waste in accordance with the principle Sustainable development, which requires meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs [2].

2. OBJECTIVE

Estimating the amount of solid waste produced by the individual, as well as estimating the number and area of landfills within residential neighborhoods and determining their location on the map, in addition to evaluating the mechanisms of solid waste management in the region, starting from the source of the waste to the landfill, and ways to treat it afterwards.

3. MATERIALS AND WORKING METHODS The study included an assessment of the environmental reality of solid waste in all areas of the left side of the city of Mosul, which are located within the service of five municipal sectors (Al-Hadba - Nargal - Al-Tahrir - Al-Zohour - Al-Salam) to know the quantity of waste produced, its components, methods of collection, transportation, treatment or disposal. Where the study samples were chosen randomly to include different people of different economic, social, cultural and other levels. He samples were chosen randomly, with two houses from each region, containing a different number of individuals in different age groups. Waste collection bags were distributed to the specified homes to be collected on the second day after 24 hours. The method adopted in this study is the method used by [3] And [4], A questionnaire was also distributed, to help obtain some information, including regarding the serviced areas or not, the amount of solid waste produced by each individual per day, the number of waste collection times per week, and identifying the areas that use the direct transport system, etc. The process of collection and sorting of waste continued for six months, starting from the beginning of October until the end of March. During this period, (360) samples were collected from different regions of the left side of the city of Mosul. And Figure No. (1) Represents the neighborhoods that were elected to conduct the study.

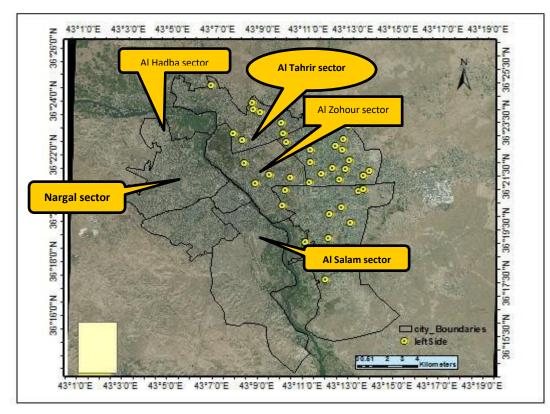


Figure No. (1) An aerial map showing the residential neighborhoods on which the study was conducted on the right side of the city of Mosul

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4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

After research and conducting a field survey, it was found that most of the neighborhoods on the left side of the city of Mosul suffer from weak or lack of proper solid waste management, as the spread of random libraries within residential neighborhoods, especially near schools, health centers and abandoned lands, and this indicates a weak environmental awareness of the citizen. Therefore, it is necessary to activate the integrated management of solid waste, with joint cooperation between citizens and municipal cadres, to get rid of its health, environmental, economic and social risks. In addition to activating the system of direct transport of waste from the source to get rid of the problem of the spread of landfills within residential neighborhoods, and among the neighborhoods that follow the direct transport system on the left side of the city of Mosul are (Al Dubbat - Al Muthanna- Al Baladiyat). As for the reasons for the lack or absence of mechanisms, capsules and containers in some neighborhoods of the city of Mosul, it is due to the lack of financial specialization, and that the containers and capsules that were distributed to neighborhoods are from international most cooperation organizations in with the Mosul municipality and not from the municipality itself. Also, in every meeting of the Mosul municipality, the issue of waste recycling is raised, but it is not implemented due to the lack of financial specialization.

Domestic solid waste generation rate

Table (1) shows the per capita production of solid waste in most or all areas of the left side of the city, and this represents the rate of residential productivity. As for the rest of the industrial, commercial, agricultural, medical and institutional activities, they represent twice the residential productivity in the city, as stated by the source [5] for countries He emphasized that the city's productivity of population waste in developing countries represents 50% of the total productivity.

The

production rate per capita of total household solid waste on the left side of the city of Mosul after analyzing 360 samples was (0.982) kg/person. This is consistent with what was found by [6] regarding developing countries. But if we compare this figure with local studies, we find it within the limits of [7] and [8], as the rate of production per capita of household solid waste in the city of Mosul, according to these two studies, was (0.35-0.70). Kg/person per day and (0.43-0.75) kg/person per day, respectively. The reason for the difference in the results of local studies is attributed to several factors, the most important of which are the factors of time and place, which clearly affect the results, in addition to the economic and cultural situation and others. Thus, the production of the left side of the city of Mosul is approximately (780) tons per day of municipal solid waste, and the city's population is 1471353 [9], where the right side represents about 54% of the city's population [10].

Waste components were sorted and diagnosed, and the weight percentages were calculated for each component of the samples taken. Where the organic waste represented the largest proportion of the components, at a rate of 67.50 %, paper and cardboard by 10.32%, plastic and nylon by 7.66%, metal 1.02%, glass 3.10%, fabric 2.99%, diapers 5.74%, wood and the rest of the components 1.65% and Figure No. (2) Shows the percentages of waste components solid household.



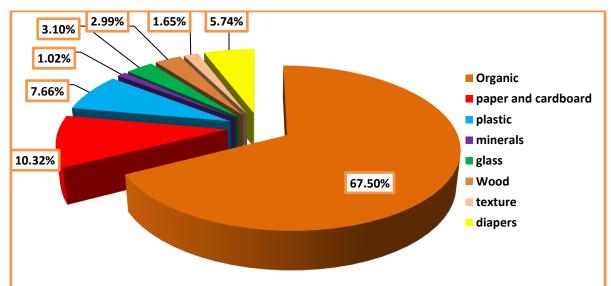


Figure No. (2) Percentages of household solid waste components on the left side of the city of Mosul Table No. (1) The rate of solid waste production on the left side of the city of Mosul (kg/person/day)

Study date	Octobe (kg/pe	er	Novem (kg/pe	ber	Decem (kg/pe	ber	Januar (kg/pe	у	Februa (kg/pe	iry	March (kg/pe			Total rate
studied areas	ay)		ay)		ay)		ay)		ay)		ay)		Residential production rate	production
	0.59	0.68	0.61	0.60	0.56	0.58	0.61	0.59	0.64	0.59	0.57	0.63	0.60	1.21
Al Andalus	3	5	7	6	7	3	7	3	2	3	5	8	9	8
	0.58	0.40	0.54	0.48	0.43	0.38	0.44	0.40	0.46	0.41	0.57	0.53	0.47	0.94
Al Shurta	5	2	8	6	5	/	8	8	3	7	3	8	4	8
Al	0.56	0.47	0.53	0.48	0.59 7	0.53	0.61	0.58	0.56	0.56	0.57	0.55	0.55	1.10 7
Mohandes een	3	2	3	3	/	6		2	7	8	7	4	4	/
AlBa'ath+	0.66	0.52	0.76	0.48	0.65	0.56	0.61	0.54	0.65	0.57	0.69	0.52	0.60	1.21
Al Dhabat	3	6	7	8		5	7	8	3	5	3	6	6	2
Al Nabi	0.37	0.40	0.35	0.37	0.35	0.38	0.39	0.40	0.41	0.41	0.40	0.39	0.39	0.78
Younis	8	3	5	7	6	9	1	6	1	8	5	8	1	1
Al Tamim	0.44	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.42	0.34	0.43	0.37	0.44	0.41	0.39	0.40	0.80
	2	3	1	9	7		1	2	9	5	5	4	1	1
Al Noor	0.48	0.42	0.45	0.40	0.42	0.37	0.43	0.44	0.47	0.46	0.50	0.40	0.44	0.88
	2	9	8	6	8	2	2	4	6	7	4	9	2	5
	0.49	0.53	0.57	0.59	0.50	0.65	0.49	0.71	0.53	0.64	0.61	0.61	0.58	1.16
Domiz	5	3	6	3	1	3	7	7	2	3	8	3	1	2
	0.37	0.38	0.37	0.41	0.40	0.44	0.41	0.43	0.42	0.46	0.39	0.42	0.41	0.82
Al Shema	8	2	8	4	4	4	6	2	5	8	9	8	4	8
6	0.45	0.35	0.45	0.36	0.36	0.44	0.40	0.41	0.39	0.43	0.49	0.40	0.41	0.83
Sumer	7	4	5	6	9	7	3	1	4	9	3	8	6	3
	0.33	0.33	0.30	0.31	0.29	0.37	0.30	0.36	0.32	0.39	0.32	0.33	0.33	0.66
Al Salam	7 0.35	9	0.20	<u>1</u> 0.33	8 0.31	0.21	1 0.31	<u>7</u> 0.35	1 0.33	6 0.38	7 0.32	9 0.32	4 0.33	8
Al Intisar	0.35 9	0.37 7	0.30 6	0.33	0.31 3	0.31 3	0.31 3	0.35	0.33	0.38	0.32	0.32	0.33	0.67 2

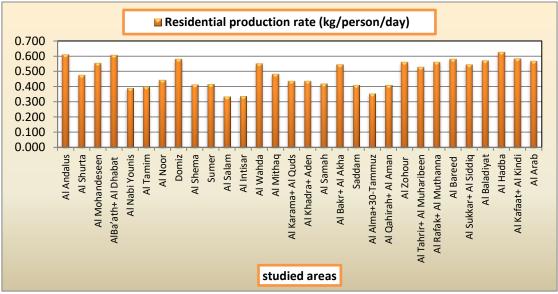


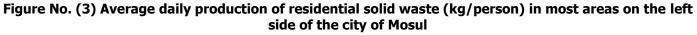
Al Wahda	0.50 8	0.47 8	0.62 2	0.50 2	0.58 2	0.49 8	0.62 6	0.50 3	0.64 8	0.48 5	0.62 2	0.52 5	0.55 0	1.10 0
Al Mithaq	0.49 3	0.51 3	0.42 7	0.47 5	0.41	0.53 3	0.43 5	0.55 8	0.44 6	0.54 3	0.39	0.54 3	0.48 1	0.96 2
Al Karama+	0.41 4	0.40	0.47	0.45 9	0.41 4	0.40 9	0.43	0.42	0.41 4	0.46	0.50	0.41	0.43	0.87
Al Quds Al	0.48	0.39	0.40	0.36	0.45	0.34	0.52	0.44	0.56	0.43	0.44	0.38	0.43	0.87
Khadra+ Aden	0.10	2	5	1	7	5	3	3	3	5	8	6	7	3
Al Samah	0.49 5	0.38 3	0.42 8	0.40 9	0.43 5	0.38 1	0.45 5	0.39 9	0.46 8	0.41 9	0.34 8	0.39 6	0.41 8	0.83 6
Al Bakr+ Al Akha	0.53 2	0.58 5	0.49 8	0.52 3	0.55 8	0.58 8	0.58 6	0.56 5	0.51 8	0.54 8	0.50 6	0.50 5	0.54 3	1.08 5
Saddam	0.41 3	0.45 3	0.34 2	0.36 8	0.37 8	0.50 3	0.37 3	0.49 7	0.39 7	0.44 3	0.34 7	0.41 5	0.41 1	0.82 2
Al Alma+30- Tammuz	0.35 9	0.42 5	0.35 9	0.35 4	0.34 1	0.35 3	0.35 9	0.37 2	0.33 2	0.33 8	0.31 7	0.32 8	0.35 3	0.70 6
Al Qahirah+ Al Aman	0.46 6	0.36 9	0.42 2	0.35 4	0.46 6	0.35 6	0.48 2	0.39 6	0.45 4	0.37 1	0.41 3	0.36 3	0.40 9	0.81 9
Al Zohour + Al Qadisiyah	0.65 5	0.54 1	0.59 8	0.45 3	0.57 2	0.45 5	0.59	0.51 9	0.63 8	0.55 1	0.63 8	0.53 4	0.56 2	1.12 4
Al Tahrir+ Al Muharibee n	0.44 7	0.58 3	0.44 9	0.63	0.39 7	0.67 7	0.42 3	0.64 3	0.43 1	0.61 3	0.42 3	0.61 7	0.52 8	1.05 6
Al Rafak+ Al Muthanna	0.52 6	0.57 7	0.55 8	0.57 7	0.50 4	0.51 2	0.55 2	0.55 8	0.56 4	0.54 7	0.60 6	0.63 3	0.56 0	1.11 9
Al Bareed	0.55 5	0.65 5	0.52 6	0.63	0.48 1	0.57 5	0.57 8	0.62 5	0.49 6	0.60 5	0.59 5	0.65 7	0.58 2	1.16 3
Al Sukkar+ Al Siddiq	0.48 3	0.64 3	0.46 9	0.59	0.41 4	0.58 3	0.50 7	0.65 3	0.47 1	0.59 7	0.47 3	0.66 3	0.54 6	1.09 1
Al Baladiyat	0.57 7	0.52 8	0.62 3	0.59 8	0.53 2	0.48 3	0.55 8	0.50 9	0.60 2	0.53 2	0.70 3	0.59 8	0.57 0	1.14 1
Al Hadba	0.60 6	0.64 8	0.69	0.60 8	0.58 8	0.57 7	0.62 2	0.59 2	0.63 8	0.61 3	0.66 8	0.65 8	0.62	1.25 3
Al Kafaat+ Al Kindi	0.65 3	0.49 6	0.62	0.51 1	0.59	0.57 4	0.61 3	0.52 3	0.63 7	0.53 1	0.65 3	0.58 3	0.58 2	1.16 4
Al Arab	0.61 3	0.54 8	0.55 8	0.48	0.48 7	0.62	0.51 4	0.66 8	0.54 4	0.62	0.59 2	0.55	0.56	1.13 5
						5							0.4 91	0.9 82

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The effect of the monthly variation in the rate of household solid waste production

As it is known, the weather and climate have an impact on the rate of waste production, and Figure (4) shows this change during the months of the study, as a discrepancy is noted in the rate of household solid waste production during the study period, Climate change affects the quality and quantity of solid

materials consumed by the individual. The obtained results show that the highest rate of household waste production is in the month of October, and then begins to decrease slightly, after which it begins to increase. This is due to the decrease in the consumption of vegetables and fruits compared to the summer. The reason for this is the consumption of dry food and others.

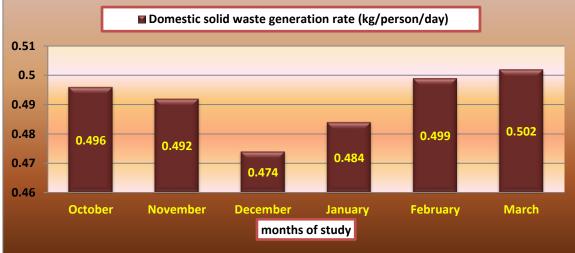


Figure No. (4) Monthly variation in the rate of residential solid waste production Table No. (2) Estimates of the rate of solid waste generation according to studies conducted on the city

of Mosul for the previous years									
Estimation of household	Residential production	Total production rate							
solid waste (according to)	rate (kg/person/day)	(kg/person/day)							
[11]	0.39	0.78							
[12]	0.32	0.60							
[3]	0.496	0.992							



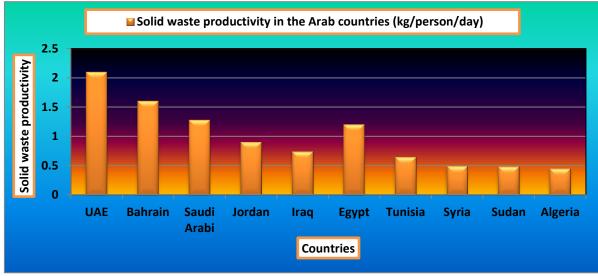


Figure No. (5) Productivity per capita of solid waste in the Arab countries. [13]

Table (3) shows the waste dumps scattered randomly within residential neighborhoods and their dangerous environmental and health impacts, the most important of which is the increase in global warming as a result of the rise of fumes and gases, whether from the anaerobic decomposition process or from the combustion process. As well as its impact on sewage blockage, which causes floods, especially in the winter season. And its impact on soil and groundwater pollution, in addition to its health effects by providing a suitable environment for the spread of rodents, insects and germs, and ultimately affecting the general appearance of the residential neighborhood.

Table No. (3) Landfill sites within the residential neighborhoods of the left side of the city of Mosul and
its area

	its area									
ID	Residential areas	The minimum number of landfills	The minimum area of landfills	Coordinates landfill sites	of some	Are there containers inside				
				Idnum sites						
		inside the	within the			the neighborhood				
		neighborhood	neighborhood in	Lat	Long					
			units (m²)							
1		5	155		43.12953	Yes				
	Al Andalus			36.381657	3					
2		6	73		43.13642	Yes				
	Al Shurta			36.377718	4					
3		8	276		43.13833	Yes				
	Al Mohandeseen			36.363585	6					
4		3	58		43.14696	Yes				
	Al Faisaliah			36.350844	2					
5		5	106		43.16699	Yes				
	Al Ba'ath			36.337313	6					
6	Al Dubbat	0	0	0	0	Yes				
7		6	694		43.18444	a small				
	Al Mazra'a			36.315027	1	percentage				
8		3	145		43.20280	Yes				
	Domiz			36.30931	6					
9		7	1240		43.19898	a small				
	Sumer			36.301659	4	percentage				
10		6	650		43.20678	Yes				
	Al Shema			36.307295	1					



11		8	886		43.18672	а	small
	Yaramjah	•		36.300819	1	ŭ	percentage
12	rarangan	21	2465	50.500015	43.20020	а	small
12	Al Salam	21	2703	36.291612	4	a	percentage
13		17	1293	50.251012	43.21570	а	small
15	Jdeideh Al Mufti	17	1295	36.311604	7	a	
14		20	2145	30.311004		-	percentage
14		20	2145	26 227402	43.21805	а	small
	Al Intisar	-		36.327483	7		percentage
15		9	571		43.20203	а	small
	Al Mithaq			36.332735	9		percentage
16		14	1096		43.20189		Yes
	Al Wahda			36.317622	7		
17		20	1521		43.22349	а	small
	Al Karama			36.347389	1		percentage
18		7	540		43.21048	а	small
	Al Walid			36.336675	8		percentage
19		8	1040		43.22721	а	small
	Al Quds	-		36.348532	9	-	percentage
20	/ " Quus	5	210	3013 10332	43.23101		No
20	Al Millions	5	210	36.36025	7		NO
21	AI MIIIIONS	15	802	30.30023		а	small
21		15	802	26 256706	43.22657	d	
	Al Khadra	•	260	36.356706	6		percentage
22		8	368	26.262766	43.21320		Yes
	Aden			36.360766	2		
23		6	135		43.20917		Yes
	Al Akha			36.354276	9		
24		11	750		43.21569	а	small
	Al Samah			36.366674	4		percentage
25		8	930		43.21094		No
	Al Alma			36.37307	6		
26		6	430			а	small
	30-Tammuz			36.379388	43.21152		percentage
27		16	2155		43.21468	а	small
	Saddam			36.388203	3	ŭ	percentage
28	oudum	9	1215	001000200	43.20402	а	small
20	Al Tahrir	5	1210	36.391101	9	ŭ	percentage
29		5	340	50.551101	43.18979		Yes
23	Al Qahirah	5	340	36.40104	7	1	165
30		4	210	50.70104		+	Vee
50		4	210	26 20 4250	43.19320	1	Yes
	Al Muharibeen	-		36.384359	1	-	
31		5	118		43.18734		Yes
	Al Aman			36.391607	6		
32		9	480		43.20353	1	Yes
	Al Bakr			36.36159	3		
33		5	175		43.20547		Yes
	Al Muroor			36.37537	2		
34	Al Zohour + Al	6	159		43.18344		Yes
	Masarerf			36.377725	8		
35	Al Qadisiyah + Al	4	290		43.18711		Yes
	Mishraq	•		36.372807	5	1	
36	Al Noor	5	248	36.364505	43.18686		Yes
37	Al-Alam	9	534	36.357764	43.19529	1	Yes
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38		6	162		43.18660	Yes
	Al Tamim			36.352472	8	
39		8	115		43.16880	Yes
	Al Rafak			36.377312	1	
40	Al Muthanna	6	97	36.370296	43.17107	Yes
41		9	560		43.16876	Yes
	Al Nabi Younis			36.347274	9	
42		6	372		43.17280	Yes
	Al Jaza'ir			36.355271	8	
43		10	337		43.15691	Yes
	Al Derkzaliya			36.356315	1	
44		3	110		43.18403	Yes
	Al Bareed			36.393548	6	
45		5	270		43.16472	Yes
	Al Sukkar			36.388829	7	
46		1	14		43.16664	Yes
	Al Baladiyat			36.382641	7	
47		4	210		43.15321	Yes
	Al Siddiq			36.387471	7	
48		4	318		43.16482	Yes
	7-Nissan			36.401525	3	
49		6	293		43.14911	Yes
	Al Hadba			36.395552	6	
50		3	185		43.14445	Yes
	Al Kafaat			36.3969	5	
51		8	221		43.14311	Yes
	Al Kindi			36.401374	1	
52	Al Arab	9	609	36.41172	43.11265	Yes
					2	
	Total	More than 379	More than			
		landfills	28376 m ²			

Where the (Al Salam) neighborhood contained the largest number of landfills and a wide spread of landfills, which occupy an area of about 2456 m²and with more than 21 landfills, followed by the neighborhoods of (Al-Intisar and Saddam), which occupy an area of more than 2000 m², with more than 15 landfills for each neighborhood These neighborhoods suffer from the lack of services and the lack of containers for waste. The rest of the neighborhoods contain dumpsites ranging in number

from 1 to more than 13 square meters for each neighborhood, which occupy an area ranging from 14 m to more than 900m² for each district., as for the neighborhoods of (Al-Dubbat - Al-Muthanna - Al-Baladiyat) they are characterized by the absence of random landfills inside them, as there is a container (barrel) in front of each house, and thus they use the direct transport system of waste from the house to the final or middle landfill, and the two figures (6)) and (7) show the area and numbers of random dumps.



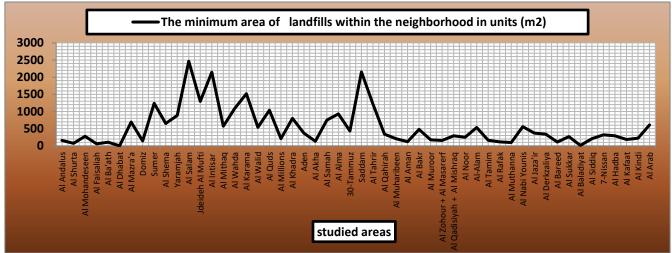


Figure No. (6) The area of random dumps inside residential neighborhoods on the left side of the city of Mosul

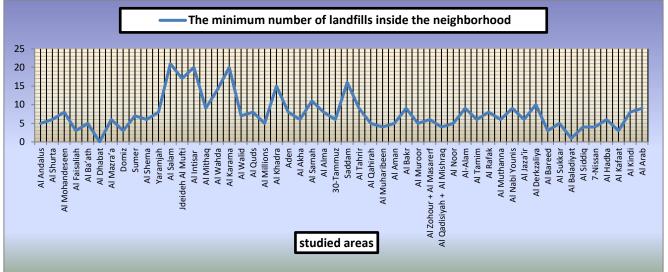


Figure No. (7) Number of random dumps inside residential neighborhoods on the right side of the city of Mosul

5. CONCLUSION

1- Most of the neighborhoods of the city of Mosul use iron drums with a capacity of (200 liters) instead of containers in storing household solid waste, and this does not meet the environmental and health requirements regarding waste storage containers, and it also increases the time required to complete the collection process. It is also exposed and does not have a cover, and this provides an environment for the reproduction of rodents and insects and the emission of gases and unpleasant odors. This in turn leads to the formation of sharp edges that may injure the collectors and others, in addition to eroding the base of the barrel and leaking liquids from it on the sidewalk. Also, the process of collecting solid waste is tiring and takes longer when using these drums due to the weight of the drums themselves 2- The lack of containers in most of the city's neighborhoods, whether stationary containers (SC) or transported containers (Hauled Containers (HC), which led to the accumulation of waste in the form of random dumps inside residential neighborhoods

3- The use of large containers (transported containers) inside residential neighborhoods leads to the accumulation of waste around the container, due to the lack of commitment by most citizens to throw waste inside the containers 4- The study estimated that the necessary number of compressor cars to



provide the service of collecting household solid waste only generated on the left side of the city of Mosul is (156) cars (large compactors with a capacity of 5 tons) or (312) large compactors with a capacity of (2.5 tons) And a work crew of (624 people), including (156 drivers and 468 collection workers) in the event of collection, once a day.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

1- It is preferable to use the Stationary Containers System (SCS) in residential neighborhoods because the dwellings are separate dwellings and thus the collection process is highly productive.

2- The horizontal expansion witnessed by the city leads to depriving some dwellings of the service of removing the waste generated when using the movable container system; Some citizens who are far from the container are forced to throw their waste in any location near their homes or dispose of the waste by burning it, which leads to environmental problems.

3- Activating the direct transport system of waste from the source to the landfill .

4- Work to raise the level of environmental awareness for both residents, workers and local bodies.5- Work to create a development plan for solid waste management that takes into account the future population increase that will occur in the population.

6- Increasing the number of solid waste management elements, including workers, containers, compactor trucks, and street sweepers.

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