



Did You **KNOW?**

500,000,000
plastic straws are used every day in the US.¹

8,300,000,000
straws pollute the world's beaches.²



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¹ (Cress FAQs and Links: Milo's Be Straw Free Campaign
<http://www.ecocycle.org/bestrawfree/faqs>)

² (Geyer et al. Production, use, and fate of all plastics ever made
<https://advances.sciencemag.org/content/3/7/e1700782.full>)



Plastic straws are used for minutes, but last for centuries, piling up daily.

Straws and other plastics in the ocean harm sealife, including fish, turtles, sea birds, and corals.

It's easy to reduce the pollution: (1) Drink without a straw; (2) bring a glass, steel, or bamboo reusable straw; or (3) use a paper straw.

Some people have conditions that require them to use a plastic straw. Don't judge -- but if you don't need it, do your part to lessen the impact.

**Approximately 2,000 straws
are found during just three
hours of the annual
International Coastal
Cleanup along Delaware's
coastlines each September.**

Figure cited from House Concurrent Resolution No. 17

Consider skipping the straw.



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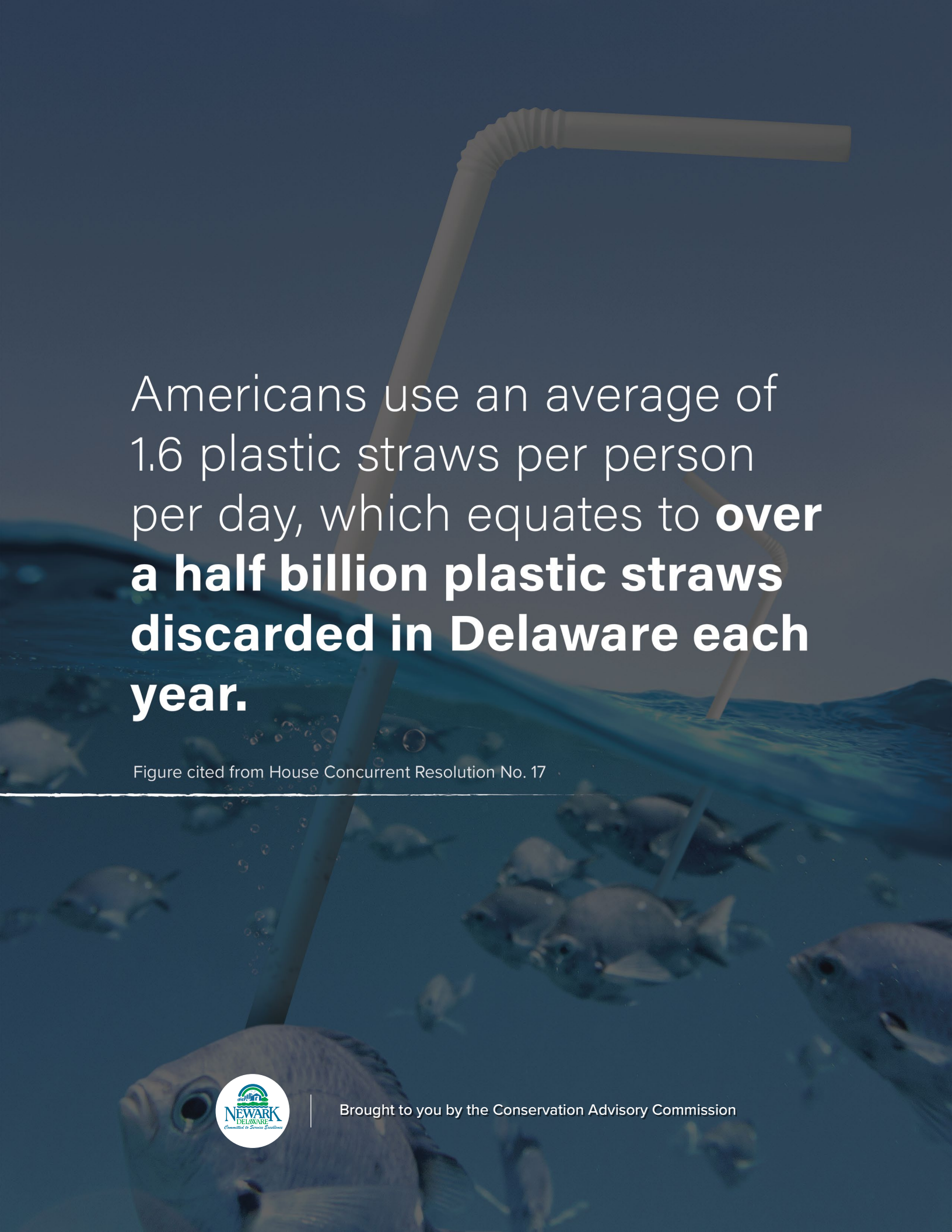


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Americans use an average of 1.6 plastic straws per person per day, which equates to **over a half billion plastic straws discarded in Delaware each year.**

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