

Informal workers who collect and redeem other people's cans and bottles for money

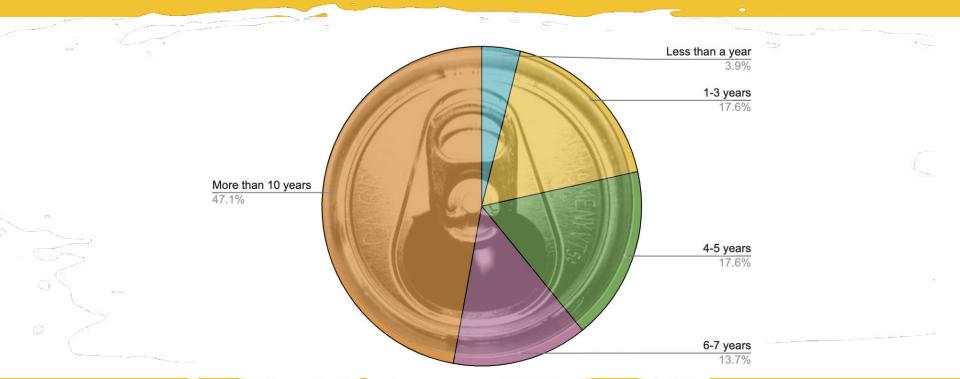
# As a Canner, what do you call your job?

Canning specialist, pirate, self-proprietor, self-employed, pocket money, penny in my pocket, depositable business, scavenger, collector, advocacy, honest hustle, can can, retired, service, hard labor, and free range bar back\*

## What do you like about your profession as a Canner?

"Freedom, flexibility, being one's own boss, meeting people and having human interactions, opportunity, productivity, routine, staying busy, finding things, the hunt for things, a low-barrier way of earning income, helping the environment and creating positive change..."

## How many years have you worked as a Canner?





\$4.96/hour



\*Data from from a 2021 survey of 50 canners who come to Ground Score's People's Depot in Portland's Central Eastside

Average distance that Canners in the Central Eastside travel to collect and return cans:

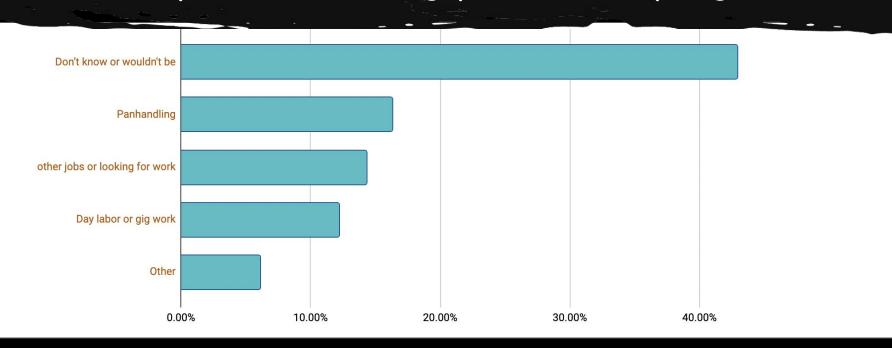
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### What are the biggest problems that Canners face while working?

- 1. Rude people, and social stigma
- 2. Hygiene, smell, or infection risk
- 3. Barriers to returning cans
- 4. Competition for materials or theft of materials
- 5. Weather

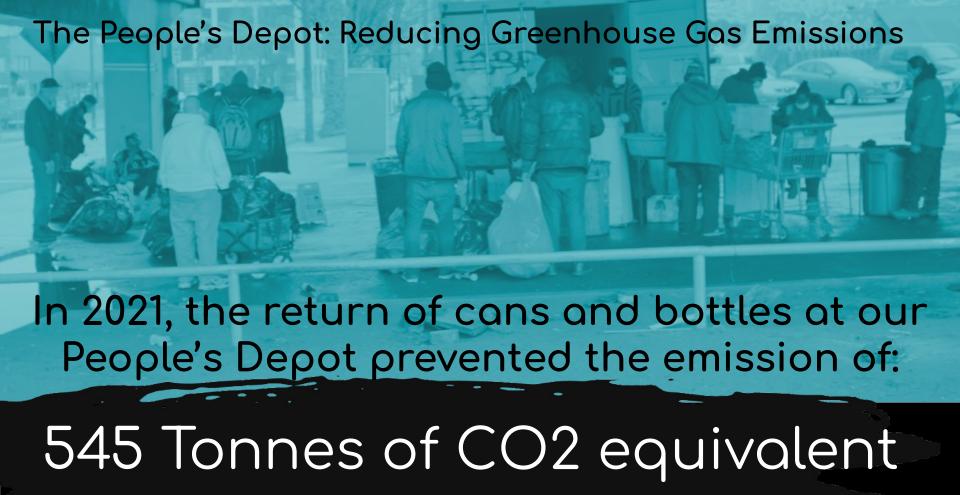
#### If it were not for canning

how would you be making your money right now?



### How would you make things better for Canners in Portland?

- 1. Greater ease of returning cans and bottles
- 2. Easier access to cans and bottles
- 3. Make the job cleaner
- 4. Less stigma, and greater awareness about our work
- 5. Less competition or theft from other canners





#### 585 Tonnes of CO2 equivalent