

## Facts By The Yard

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- The cylinder mower was invented in 1830 by an English engineer.
- 50,000 mowers a year were being produced in the U.S. by 1885.
- The first gas engine mower hit the greens in 1902.
- 2.7 million Canadians mow their lawn every summer weekend.
- It takes approximately 40 million gallons of gasoline each year to do so.
- There are more than 3 million two-stroke gas mowers/trimmers being used today, which produces the same amount of smog in one hour as driving a new car 550 K.
- Four-stroke gas engines are 70 percent more emission efficient.
- Electric mowers reduce pollution by 90 percent.
- Garden equipment accounts for 3-5 percent of Canada's air pollution.



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