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Information to 2.4 Solid waste:

Destroyed and silted up furniture and household appliances: On the flood night in July, as much bulky waste has accumulated in the Ahrweiler district as it would otherwise in 30 years. The district administration spoke on Thursday of around 240,000 tons of flood bulky waste so far. In the future, around 10,000 tons a day would also be transported away from interim storage facilities in the Ahr Valley.

The waste management company of the Ahrweiler district (AWB) reckons with at least another 50,000 to 100,000 tons of bulky waste from the disaster area.