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Moving Tips Library Series

Did You Know?

Interesting Facts About Moving

- One-sixth of all Americans, an estimated **43 million people** or 17 percent of the total U.S. population, **move each year** – that's more than four times the number of people who visit the famous mouse at a California amusement park each year. (U.S. Census Bureau)
- The **average size** of a Mayflower interstate shipment is **6,900 pounds**, equivalent to 345 average-sized watermelons. (Mayflower Transit)
- The **average distance of a Mayflower move** is approximately the distance from New York City to Des Moines, Iowa, or **1,100 miles**, which is roughly same distance as 38,720,000 beach balls laid side-to-side.
- The **typical moving customer** is a married couple between the ages 25 and 44, with one or two children between the ages of 2 and 11. (Mayflower Transit)
- Approximately **46 percent of all moves are job-related**, 32 percent are due to retirement and 22 percent are because of other personal reasons. (Mayflower Transit)
- The reason people (about 31 percent) are most likely to **choose their new neighborhood** is convenience to their job. (U.S. Census Bureau)
- **Five years after college graduation, 30 percent** of graduates no longer live in the state where they attended college, and **35 percent** no longer live in the state where they went to high school. (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)
- An estimated **13 million children up to age 19 move each year**. The number of students enrolled in elementary and high school matches the record set in 1979 when "baby boom" children were attending school. (U.S. Census Bureau)
- Moving is the **third most stressful event in life**, following death and divorce. (Employee Relocation Council)
- Individuals move **11.7 times** in their lifetime. (U.S. Census Bureau)

If you would like additional moving tips about everything from using the Internet to help with your move to tips for an environmentally friendly move, or for more information about Mayflower Transit and its services, visit Mayflower's Web site at www.mayflower.com.

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