



Hidden Moving Costs



When you consider making a move, the moving cost you most probably expect will be of the moving companies.

You expect to pay for labor costs, packing supplies and even for transportation charges when you make a move. However in addition to all these, there are some additional, unforeseen charges to add to your moving cost.

The most elementary chore you tend to forget, but which you have to pay for during your move is the cleaning of your house. You will have to, and want to clean your old place before moving, and even to clean your new place before reaching there. This chore costs money, which will be added to moving costs. You have the option of doing all the cleaning yourself, wherein you need not pay for labor but only for the cost of supplies. However this can be tiring and tedious to you; instead, you could consider hiring a cleaning company, where the cleaning is more thorough and clean but its charges will add to moving costs.

You pay more by not hiring moving companies

If you plan to cut down on moving costs by not hiring moving companies for your move, you have to realize that you seldom succeed at this. This is because you will have to buy your own boxes, which may or not suit your packing needs, hire trucks to transport your belongings and may need someone's help to pack and load your belongings.

While renting trucks, you not only have to pay for the rent, but also for a full tank of petrol, refreshments for the truck drivers during the drive and if you have a long journey to go, you also have to pay for their overnight stay. In addition to this, the trucks may not have insurance to provide coverage to your possessions during the move.

You have to either take the chance on the rented trucks, or buy some insurance, which in turn adds to moving costs. In addition to this, when you pack, you may not pack your fragile items properly, which may lead to its damage while in transit. You thus have to replace these items, to add to moving costs, or lose something of sentimental value, which cannot be replaced.

So in a nutshell, if you try to save on moving costs by doing the move yourself and not hiring moving companies, you usually end up paying more or the same amount in moving costs if you hire moving companies.

Don't forget property taxes

If you are planning to sell your home, there are some things you have to take care of before you do it, which adds to moving costs. When you sell your property, you will have to pay for property taxes and all the registration costs, etc that take place when a property is sold. All this adds to your moving costs.

If you are renting the new place, you not only have the rent to consider in your moving costs. There are some hidden fees like security and damage deposits and broker fees that you have to bear along with this.



Sometimes, you will also have to bear additional moving costs like payment for parking and other similar utilities.

Hidden flying costs

If you plan on flying to your new destination, you will definitely include the air fare in your moving costs. However the taxi fares to and from the airport, fees for extra luggage and even the cost of flying your pet is something you will not remember, but constitute a few drops in your moving costs' vast ocean.

Then of course, the costs of making your house a home by buying new drapes, sometimes new furniture and if required, a fresh coat of paint are all part of your moving costs. In your new locale, you will also have to pay for fresh utility and phone connections, which are all part of your moving costs.

Some appliances that you had left behind because they were old or needed a change have to be bought, signaling additional expenditure. Don't forget buying all those foodstuffs you have to buy to stock your kitchen; though the amount will not be large immediately, it can lead to a substantial amount immediately after your move.

Then of course, there are the other household items you have to buy when you move in like soaps, cleaning supplies, bulbs, etc which though may cost only £100, but add to your moving costs.

So it can be seen that moving costs not only involves the cost of hiring moving companies. Your move involves much more minute, but essential and influential expenses.