

## *U-Haul Migration Trends: Where People are Moving*

### **LORTON: No. 4 U.S. Growth City of 2024**

**PHOENIX, Ariz. (Jan. 3, 2024)** — Lorton is the No. 4 U.S. Growth City of 2024, according to the U-Haul Growth Index analyzing one-way customer moves over the past year.

Of all the U-Haul traffic to come and go from Lorton last year, 55.1% was incoming and 44.9% outgoing.

Looking at year-over-year variations, arrivals were up 48% in 2024 (compared to 2023) while departures were up 19% as overall moving traffic spiked.

In addition to its annual top 25 growth cities list, U-Haul recognized its top 25 growth metropolitan areas for the first time. The top growth cities (city proper) are from markets outside the leading metros, allowing more communities to be recognized for their ability to attract and retain do-it-yourself movers.

**2024 Growth Metros:** <https://myuhaulstory.com/2025/01/03/u-haul-growth-index-dallas-leading-metro-ocala-top-u-s-city-for-in-migration-in-2024/>

**2024 Growth States:** <https://myuhaulstory.com/2025/01/01/u-haul-growth-index-south-carolina-named-top-growth-state-of-2024/>

“Lorton is a town that is really close to D.C., Arlington and Fairfax,” said Jeannie Anderson, U-Haul Company of Northern Virginia president. “Those places tend to also be more expensive, so families choose to live in Lorton and commute to D.C. and the surrounding areas. There is a large Army base, Fort Belvoir, that is just minutes from the city. They tend to have a waitlist for housing on the base, and that leads to people moving to Lorton because they need a place to live. Our U-Haul center on Terminal Road in Lorton has been there to address this growth and the needs of new residents.”

The **U-Haul Growth Index** is compiled from well over 2.5 million one-way truck, trailer and U-Box® portable moving container transactions that occur annually in the U.S. and Canada.

Florida boasts five of the leading 25 growth cities. Tennessee, Washington and Alabama each have three. Virginia has two of the top four cities, both located within 50 miles of Washington, D.C.

**2024 Top 25 U-Haul Growth Cities (city proper outside the top metros)**

1.	Ocala, FL
2.	Fredericksburg, VA
3.	Kissimmee, FL
4.	Lorton, VA
5.	Myrtle Beach, SC
6.	College Station, TX
7.	Knoxville, TN
8.	Tukwila, WA
9.	Johnson City, TN
10.	Foley, AL
11.	Spartanburg, SC
12.	Auburn, AL
13.	Cookeville, TN
14.	Huntsville, AL
15.	Clermont, FL
16.	Iowa City, IA
17.	Tacoma, WA
18.	Port St. Lucie, FL
19.	Vancouver, WA
20.	Missoula, MT
21.	Panama City, FL
22.	Madison, WI
23.	Corvallis, OR
24.	Concord, NH
25.	Kingman, AZ

While U-Haul rankings may not correlate directly to population or economic growth, the U-Haul Growth Index is an effective gauge of how well states, metros and cities are attracting and retaining residents.

U-Haul is the authority on migration trends thanks to its expansive network that blankets all 50 states and 10 Canadian provinces. The geographical coverage from 23,000-plus U-Haul rental locations provides a broad overview of where people are moving like no one else in the industry.

U-Haul continues to benefit the environment through its shared-use business model. Truck and trailer sharing empowers communities to share moving equipment so that families and individuals don't need to own large-capacity vehicles to transfer belongings. [Sustainability initiatives](#) like U-Haul Adaptive Reuse (the preserving and repurposing of existing buildings for new stores), truck modifications to improve fuel economy, and plastic Ready-To-Go Boxes® that are shared hundreds of times before being recycled are among the ways U-Haul promotes green business. U-Box Load Share, the Company's latest sustainability program, continues to earn awards for providing ecofriendly solutions to today's gig economy.

## **About U-HAUL**

*Founded in 1945, U-Haul is the No. 1 choice of do-it-yourself movers with more than 23,000 rental locations across all 50 states and 10 Canadian provinces. The U-Haul app makes it easy for customers to use U-Haul Truck Share 24/7 to access trucks anytime through the self-dispatch and -return options on their smartphones with our patented Live Verify technology. Our customers' patronage has enabled the U-Haul fleet to grow to 192,000 trucks, 138,700 trailers and 39,500 towing devices. U-Haul is the third largest self-storage operator in North America with 1,024,000 rentable units and 88.5 million square feet of self-storage space at Company-owned and -managed facilities. U-Haul is the top retailer of propane in the U.S. and the largest installer of permanent trailer hitches in the automotive aftermarket industry. Get the U-Haul app from the [App Store](#) or [Google Play](#).*

## **Contact:**

Jeff Lockridge

E-mail: [publicrelations@uhaul.com](mailto:publicrelations@uhaul.com)

Phone: 602-760-4941

Website: [uhaul.com](http://uhaul.com)