

SAVE TREES

RECYCLE YOUR MOVING BOXES

The life cycle of a moving box:

-  Trees are cut into logs.
-  Logs become wood chips.
-  Wood chips are boiled to a pulp and mixed with recycled material.
-  The pulp is dried.
-  Dried pulp gets rolled into paper.
-  Paper is glued together, made into cardboard, and formed into boxes.
-  Used or new boxes are packed up.
-  Packed boxes are moved to new home.
-  Boxes are recycled or thrown away.

If recycled

the boxes along with other recycled material are boiled into a pulp AGAIN.



The pulp is turned into new boxes, tissue, printer paper and MORE!

Can't recycle your boxes?

Use them around your home:

- Reuse cardboard boxes for shipping or storage.
- Throw cardboard in your compost pile.
- Line garden beds with cardboard and use it as mulch for weed control.



AN AVERAGE MOVE REQUIRES



60
BOXES

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MORE THAN
1/2 OF A ONE
TON
PINE TREE



42 MILLION
MOVES
PER YEAR



CONSUME:

| | | |
|-----------------------|---|---------------|
| 28,560,000 |  | Trees |
| 132,720,000 |  | Gal. of oil |
| 11,760,000,000 |  | Gal. of water |
| 70,560,000,000 |  | KW of energy |

CREATE:

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|------------------|---|-----------------------|
| 1,680,060 |  | Gal. of air pollution |
| 5,040,000 |  | Cu. yards of landfill |

YOU ARE LIKELY TO MAKE



11 moves in your lifetime

IF YOU RECYCLE ALL 660 MOVING BOXES YOU CAN SAVE



7

Trees



18,480

KW of energy



35

Gal. of oil



26

Gal. of air pollution



3,080

Gal. of water



1

Cu. yards of landfill

RECYCLING CARDBOARD



REQUIRES ONLY

75%

of the energy used to
make new cardboard.



It also lessens the emission of sulfur dioxide produced when making pulp from trees.

Recycling Tips & Tricks

- Find your local recycling center at: earth911.com
- Prepare cardboard for recycling by removing any other materials such as plastic wrap, polystyrene peanuts and other packing materials.
- Break down cardboard boxes to save storage space.
- Try to keep cardboard dry and free from food waste. Cardboard can get wet and still be recycled, but it's more difficult to carry due to the added water weight.
- Use moving box alternatives like: zippgo.com/packages.html

Sources:

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