



MAJOR LEAGUE SPORTS TEAM RELOCATION HISTORY (1950-2017)

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Major League Baseball

Year	Franchise Moved	Relocated To:
1953	Boston Braves	Milwaukee Braves
1954	St. Louis Browns	Baltimore Orioles
1955	Philadelphia Athletics	Kansas City Athletics
1958	Brooklyn Dodgers	Los Angeles Dodgers
1958	New York Giants	San Francisco Giants
1961	Washington Senators	Minnesota Twins
1966	Milwaukee Braves	Atlanta Braves
1966	Los Angeles Angels	Anaheim Angels
1968	Kansas City Athletics	Oakland Athletics
1970	Seattle Pilots	Milwaukee Brewers
1972	Washington Senators II	Texas Rangers
2004	Montreal Expos	Washington Nationals

National Basketball Association

Year	Franchise Moved	Relocated To:
1951	Tri Cities Hawks	Milwaukee Hawks
1955	Milwaukee Hawks	St. Louis Hawks
1957	Fort Wayne Pistons	Detroit Pistons
1957	Rochester Royals	Cincinnati Royals
1960	Minneapolis Lakers	Los Angeles Lakers
1962	Philadelphia Warriors	San Francisco Warriors
1963	Chicago Zephyrs	Baltimore Bullets
1963	Syracuse Nationals	Philadelphia 76ers
1968	St. Louis Hawks	Atlanta Hawks
1971	San Diego Rockets	Houston Rockets
1971	San Francisco Warriors	Golden State Warriors
1972	Cincinnati Royals	Kansas City Kings
1973	Baltimore Bullets	Washington Wizards
1973	Dallas Chaparrals	San Antonio Spurs
1978	Buffalo Braves	San Diego Clippers
1979	New Orleans Jazz	Utah Jazz
1984	San Diego Clippers	Los Angeles Clippers
1984/5	Kansas City Kings	Sacramento Kings
2001	Vancouver Grizzlies	Memphis Grizzlies
2002	Charlotte Hornets	New Orleans Hornets (changed to Pelicans in 2013)
2008	Seattle Superonics	Oklahoma City Thunder

National Football League

Year	Franchise Moved	Relocated To:
1961	Los Angeles Clippers	San Diego Chargers
1963	Dallas Texans	Kansas City Chiefs
1983	Oakland Raiders	Los Angeles Raiders
1984	Baltimore Colts	Indianapolis Colts
1988	St. Louis Cardinals	Phoenix Cardinals (changed to Arizona in 1994)
1995	Los Angeles Raiders	Oakland Raiders
1995	Los Angeles Rams	St. Louis Rams
1996	Cleveland Browns	Baltimore Ravens
1997	Houston Oilers	Tennessee Oilers (changed to Titans in 1999)
2016	St. Louis Rams	Los Angeles
2017	San Diego Chargers	Los Angeles

National Hockey League

Year	Franchise Moved	Relocated To:
1976	California Golden Seals (Oakland)	Cleveland Barons
1976	Kansas City Scouts	Colorado Rockies
1978	Cleveland Barons	Minnesota North Stars
1980	Atlanta Flames	Calgary Flames
1982	Colorado Rockies	New Jersey Devils
1993	Minnesota North Stars	Dallas Stars
1995	Quebec Nordiques	Colorado Avalanche
1996	Winnipeg Jets	Phoenix Coyotes (changed to Arizona in 2014)
1997	Hartford Whalers	Carolina Hurricanes
2011	Atlanta Thrashers	Winnipeg Jets