



## Your Economy Time Series (YTS) Microdata Moves (Establishment Relocation)

An establishment is considered to have moved if it is not a new establishment, it is still active, and its location code (county, CBSA, state, zip, census tract, or congressional district) has changed from one period to the next. YTS can track move-ins and move outs at each of these locations.<sup>1</sup>

### Physical Relocation of Establishments

Every 6 months as a new version of YTS is assembled, regions are examined at the zip code level to find and verify physical relocation (Moves) of establishments. There are a significant number of FIPS (county and state levels) Moves that turn out to be false after verification primarily due to one of the following 2 factors:

1. Zip codes that cross county (FIPS) boundaries - if an establishment has no address, the address is malformed, or the address exists in an unincorporated area, the FIPS code can indicate Moves until the address is verified.
2. Headquarters/branch relationships - in a relatively very small number of establishments, new branch establishments are indicated as Moves in which case BDRC will use existing data in YTS to verify and correct if necessary.

Starting in 2023, BDRC crosswalks Moves that meet the above criteria with Census data tables and if necessary, repairs any Moves thru-out the entire YTS time series.

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<sup>1</sup> Moves on [yourconomy.org](https://yourconomy.org) appear at the state, CBSA, and county levels.