

The Snow Removal Cost Factors Decoded for Chicago Homeowners

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Chicago, Dec 31, 2020 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Winters are usually characterized by shorter days, temperature drops, and relentless snowfall in most states, including Ontario. While snow is beautiful to look at when falling, clearing it off our driveway and walkway is a chore most people dread. Although a dreaded task, snow removal is crucial because life must go on despite the snowfall. People will need to get to work, and students have to go to school. Similarly, businesses will have to clear their parking lot so it wouldn't stall their operation. Fortunately, snow removal services are always available to ensure people's driveway, walkways, and roads are free of snow so they can go about their daily engagements.

The Average Cost of Snow Removal

Removal of a six-inches of snow usually costs around \$75 to \$95. Most contractors charge a reduced fee for removing smaller snow sizes, for instance, around two inches. However, when the snow depth exceeds six inches, the rule of thumb is that for every additional half-foot, charge an extra \$30. Thus, six inches of snow removal may cost \$85, while 18 inches might be about \$145.

Cost Factors of Snow Removal

When making a budget for hiring a snow removal service, there are various cost factors to consider. The

following are some of the factors that will determine the cost of a snow removal service:

Driveway Size

Your driveway's size will influence the cost of snow removal for your home. People with a four-stall garage and long driveways will have increased costs because it implies more snow-covered areas and more time spent in snow plowing. Similarly, people with curvy cuts or steep slopes driveways will also have higher prices.

Amount of Snowfall

Another critical factor is the snowfall amount. The more snow that falls within an area, the longer its removal, and the higher the removal price.

Location

People living in areas with heavy snowfall like in the midwest or northeast will usually have higher prices. The snow that's more than six inches quickly build up in the plow, requiring the contractor to remove it in smaller pieces, and costing extra fuel, time, and possibly equipment damage.

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