Communauto: a growing carsharing service

Discover the figures, vehicles, and areas covered by Communauto for 2024

Vehicles for all needs

- In 2023, Communauto added 900 cars (550 stationed and 350 FLEX) to its fleet in Montreal, bringing the total number to 3700 vehicles.
- To meet demand, 1100 new cars will be added in 2024, including 900 stationed and 200 FLEX.
 While we aim to deploy all cars by summer, their reception will extend throughout 2024. To accommodate long vacation needs, Communauto will prioritize adding stationed cars before the summer period, while FLEX vehicles will be added in the fall.
- Among the new vehicles, 85 will be electric (NIRO EV) and 70 will be minivans (KIA Carnival), offering more choice and comfort. Communauto will thus provide users with 300 100% electric cars.
- 400 vehicles will retire in the fall/winter and be replaced by newer models.

Figures that speak

- 14% of households in the city of Montreal (+22% in 2023, +35% in 2022, +28% in 2021) use Communauto's service.
- 83% do not own a car. 79% have sold (38%) or given up on buying (41%) a vehicle. On average, Communauto users reduce their annual kilometers traveled by 34% after joining.

Borough	% of households
Ahuntsic-Cartierville	7%
Anjou	2%
Côte-des-Neiges-Notre-Dame-de-Grâce	14%
Lachine	3%
LaSalle	3%
Le Plateau-Mont-Royal	38%
Le Sud-Ouest	19%
L'Île-Bizard-Sainte-Geneviève	1%
Mercier-Hochelaga-Maisonneuve	13%
Montréal-Nord	1%
Outremont	23%
Pierrefonds-Roxboro	1%
Rivière-des-Prairies-Pointe-aux-Trembles	1%
Rosemont-La Petite-Patrie	21%
Saint-Laurent	3%
Saint-Léonard	1%
Verdun	14%
Ville-Marie	33%
Villeray-Saint-Michel-Parc-Extension	14%
Total	14%

Table 1 - Percentages of households using Communauto services by Borough

Expansion of the FLEX service to Lachine and beyond

- In 2024, in addition to strengthening existing networks, new areas will be served by the FLEX or reservation component.
- Following a favorable vote from the Borough Council, the FLEX service will be available in Lachine. A first FLEX zone will be set up in the coming weeks. Lachine becomes the 17th Borough to offer the FLEX service.
- Communauto also plans to expand its FLEX service in boroughs where it was already partially present, such as Rivière-des-Prairies-Pointe-aux-Trembles and the Bois-Franc sector in Saint-Laurent.
- Several stations will be established in 2024, notably in Dorval, Cartierville, Montréal-Nord, Rivière-des-Prairies, and Bois-Franc..

Map of Communauto network development for 2024



Map of the new FLEX zone in Lachine



Continuation of the station-zone project

- In collaboration with the City of Montreal, 500 cars will be associated with a station-zone before summer, allowing for better availability.
- The station-zone project was a success in 2023, integrating smoothly with parking regulations.
- Unlike a regular station, which is located in a fixed location, a "station-zone" corresponds to an area on the map, visible in the Communauto mobile application. Developed in collaboration with the City of Montreal, this initiative was part of a pilot project that verified the feasibility of this new station type.

Borough	Number of station-zones
Ahuntsic	7
Villeray SMPE	13
Rosemont LPP	17
Plateau MR	23
Outremont	2
Hochelaga	8
Ville-Marie	9
Sud-Ouest	11
Verdun	4
CDN-NDG	9
Total estimé	103

Table 2 - Preliminary distribution of station zones