

FLOORING BOX CHART

Fourteen areas against five box coverages, because the only number that changes between two brands of the same plank is how much is in the box.

Flooring is priced per square foot and sold per box, and the box coverage is different for almost every product. A box of laminate might hold 18.5 square feet, a wide plank vinyl 24, an engineered hardwood 30. The coverage is printed on the end of the carton, and it is the only input this table needs besides the room.

Every column already includes a 10 percent waste allowance, which is the normal figure for a straight lay in a rectangular room.

Boxes by floor area and box coverage

Area	18.5 sq ft/box	20 sq ft/box	22.5 sq ft/box	24 sq ft/box	30 sq ft/box
100 sq ft	6	6	5	5	4
150 sq ft	9	9	8	7	6
200 sq ft	12	11	10	10	8
250 sq ft	15	14	13	12	10
300 sq ft	18	17	15	14	11
400 sq ft	24	22	20	19	15
500 sq ft	30	28	25	23	19
600 sq ft	36	33	30	28	22
750 sq ft	45	42	37	35	28
900 sq ft	54	50	44	42	33
1,000 sq ft	60	55	49	46	37
1,200 sq ft	72	66	59	55	44
1,500 sq ft	90	83	74	69	55
2,000 sq ft	119	110	98	92	74

Boxes to order, 10 percent waste included. Add another 5 percent for a diagonal or herringbone lay, and more again for a room with a lot of jogs and closets.

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