

Waymo self-driving trucks to start hauling cargo this week

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Waymo has clocked up millions of self-driving miles since starting Google's autonomous vehicle project in 2009, celebrating five million of them by recently releasing a 360-degree video to demonstrate how its cars see the world around them. Now the company is shifting gear by moving into cargo hauling.



Waymo's self-driving trucks are ready to haul cargo to Google's data centers in Atlanta, Georgia (Credit: Waymo)

After road-testing its self-driving trucks in California and Arizona over the past 12 months, Waymo's fleet of autonomous big rigs is due to start hauling cargo to Google's data centres in Atlanta, Georgia, from next week.

Partnering with Google's logistics team, the pilot trucks will make use of the same kind of custom sensors used in Waymo's autonomous Pacifica minivan, and leverage the same software.

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