

Table 1094. U.S. Postal Service—Summary: 1980 to 2006

[106,311 represents 106,311,000,000. For years ending September 30. Includes Puerto Rico and all outlying areas. See text, this section]

Item	1980	1990	1995	2000	2004	2005	2006
Offices, stations, and branches	39,486	40,067	39,149	38,060	37,159	37,142	36,826
Number of post offices	30,326	28,959	28,392	27,876	27,505	27,385	27,318
Number of stations and branches	9,160	11,108	10,757	10,184	9,654	9,757	9,508
Delivery points (mil.)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	135.9	142.3	144.3	146.2
Residential	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	123.9	129.6	131.3	133.0
City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	76.1	78.0	78.5	78.9
P.O. Box	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	15.9	15.6	15.6	15.6
Rural/highway contract	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	31.9	36.0	37.2	38.4
Business	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	12.1	12.7	13.0	13.2
Pieces of mail handled (mil.)	106,311	166,301	180,734	207,882	206,106	211,743	213,138
Domestic ¹	105,348	165,503	179,933	206,782	205,262	210,891	212,345
First class mail ²	60,276	89,270	96,296	103,526	97,926	98,071	97,618
Express Mail	17	59	57	71	54	56	56
Priority Mail	248	518	869	1,223	849	888	924
Periodicals (formerly 2d class)	10,220	10,680	10,194	10,365	9,135	9,070	9,023
Standard Mail (formerly Standard A)	30,381	63,725	71,112	90,057	95,564	100,942	102,460
Package Services (formerly Standard B)	633	663	936	1,128	1,132	1,166	1,175
Mailgram	39	14	5	4	2	2	-
U.S. Postal Service	2,992	538	412	363	529	621	1,016
Free for the blind	28	35	52	47	71	76	75
International economy mail (surface)	450	166	106	79	26	23	19
International airmail	513	632	696	1,021	818	829	774
Employees, total (1,000)	667	843	875	901	808	803	796
Career	643	761	753	788	707	705	696
Headquarters	3	2	2	2	3	3	3
Headquarters support	(NA)	6	4	6	3	4	4
Inspection Service	5	4	4	4	4	3	3
Inspector General	(X)	(X)	(X)	1	1	1	1
Field Career	634	749	743	775	697	693	685
Postmasters	29	27	27	26	26	25	25
Supervisors/managers	36	43	35	39	34	33	33
Professional, administrative, and technical	5	10	11	10	9	9	9
Clerks	263	290	274	282	226	222	214
Mail handlers	37	51	57	61	55	56	57
City carriers	187	236	240	241	228	228	224
Motor vehicle operators	6	7	8	9	9	9	9
Rural carriers	33	42	46	57	63	64	66
Special delivery messengers	2	2	2	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Building and equipment maintenance	27	33	38	42	40	40	40
Vehicle maintenance	5	5	5	6	6	5	6
Other ³	4	1	2	2	2	2	2
Noncareer	25	83	122	114	100	98	100
Casuals	5	27	26	30	21	19	23
Transitional	(X)	(X)	32	13	10	8	5
Rural substitutes	20	43	50	58	56	57	59
Relief/Leave replacements	(X)	12	13	12	12	12	12
Nonbargaining temporary	(X)	(Z)	1	1	1	1	1
Compensation and employee benefits (mil. dol.)	16,541	34,214	41,931	49,532	52,134	53,932	56,281
Avg. salary per employee (dol.) ⁴	24,799	37,570	45,001	50,103	60,261	62,635	62,348
Pieces of mail per employee, (1,000)	159	197	207	231	255	264	268
Total revenue (mil. dol.) ⁵	19,253	40,074	54,509	64,540	69,029	69,993	72,817
Operating postal revenue	17,143	39,201	54,176	64,476	68,960	69,798	72,551
Mail revenue ⁶	16,377	37,892	52,490	62,284	65,869	66,649	69,144
First class mail	10,146	24,023	31,955	35,516	36,377	36,062	37,309
Priority Mail	612	1,555	3,075	4,837	4,421	4,634	5,043
Express Mail ⁸	184	630	711	996	853	872	918
Mailgram	15	8	2	2	1	1	(X)
Periodicals (formerly 2d class)	863	1,509	1,972	2,171	2,192	2,161	2,215
Standard Mail (formerly Standard A)	2,412	8,082	11,792	15,193	18,123	18,954	19,877
Package Services (formerly Standard B)	805	919	1,525	1,912	2,207	2,201	2,259
International economy mail (surface)	154	222	205	180	145	134	128
International airmail	442	941	1,254	1,477	1,551	1,631	1,666
Service revenue	765	1,310	1,687	2,191	3,091	3,150	3,407
Registry ⁹	157	174	118	98	75	77	73
Certified ⁹	120	310	560	385	630	601	632
Insurance ⁹	55	47	52	109	128	132	137
Collect-on-delivery	21	26	21	22	11	9	10
Money orders	95	155	196	235	231	208	193
Other ⁹	244	592	737	1,342	2,017	2,122	2,363
Operating expenses (mil. dol.) ¹⁰	19,413	40,490	50,730	62,992	65,851	68,283	71,684

- Represents or rounds to zero. NA Not available. X Not applicable. Z Fewer than 500. ¹ Data for 1980 includes penalty and franked mail, not shown separately. ² Items mailed at 1st class rates and weighing 11 ounces or less. ³ Includes discontinued operations, area offices, and nurses. ⁴ For career bargaining unit employees. Includes fringe benefits. ⁵ Net revenues after refunds of postage. Includes operating reimbursements, stamped envelope purchases, indemnity claims, and miscellaneous revenue and expenditure offsets. Shown in year which gave rise to the earnings. ⁶ For 1980, includes penalty and franked mail, not shown separately. Later years have that mail distributed into the appropriate class. ⁷ Provides 2 to 3 day delivery service. ⁸ Overnight delivery of packages weighing up to 70 pounds. ⁹ Beginning 2000, return receipt revenue broken out from registry, certified, and insurance and included in "other." ¹⁰ Shown in year in which obligation was incurred.

Source: U.S. Postal Service, *Annual Report of the Postmaster General and Comprehensive Statement on Postal Operations*, annual; and unpublished data.