

Table 1085. U.S. Postal Service—Summary: 1990 to 2007

[166,301 represents 166,301,000,000. For years ending September 30. Includes Puerto Rico and all outlying areas. See text, this section]

Item	1990	1995	2000	2004	2005	2006	2007
Offices, stations, and branches	40,067	39,149	38,060	37,159	37,142	36,826	36,721
Number of post offices	28,959	28,392	27,876	27,505	27,385	27,318	27,276
Number of stations and branches	11,108	10,757	10,184	9,654	9,757	9,508	9,445
Delivery Points (mil.)	(NA)	(NA)	135.9	142.3	144.3	146.2	148.0
Residential	(NA)	(NA)	123.9	129.6	131.3	133.0	134.6
City	(NA)	(NA)	76.1	78.0	78.5	78.9	79.5
P.O. Box	(NA)	(NA)	15.9	15.6	15.6	15.6	15.6
Rural/highway contract	(NA)	(NA)	31.9	36.0	37.2	38.4	39.5
Business	(NA)	(NA)	12.1	12.7	13.0	13.2	13.3
Pieces of mail handled (mil.)	166,301	180,734	207,882	206,106	211,743	213,138	212,234
Domestic ¹	165,503	179,933	206,782	205,262	210,891	212,345	211,401
First class mail ²	89,270	96,296	103,526	97,926	98,071	97,618	95,988
Express Mail	59	57	71	54	56	56	55
Priority Mail	518	869	1,223	849	888	924	897
Periodicals (formerly 2d class)	10,680	10,194	10,365	9,135	9,070	9,023	8,796
Standard Mail (formerly Standard A)	63,725	71,112	90,057	95,564	100,942	102,460	103,516
Package Services (formerly Standard B)	663	936	1,128	1,132	1,166	1,175	1,163
Mailgram	14	5	4	2	2	—	—
U.S. Postal Service	538	412	363	529	621	1,016	1,008
Free for the blind	35	52	47	71	76	75	69
International economy mail (surface)	166	106	79	26	23	155	189
International airmail	632	696	1,021	818	829	638	644
Employees, total (1,000)	843	875	901	808	803	796	786
Career	761	753	788	707	705	696	685
Headquarters	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
Headquarters support	6	4	6	3	4	4	5
Inspection Service	4	4	4	4	3	3	3
Inspector General	(X)	(X)	1	1	1	1	1
Field Career	749	743	775	697	693	685	673
Postmasters	27	27	26	26	25	25	25
Supervisors/managers	43	35	39	34	33	33	33
Professional, administrative, and technical	10	11	10	9	9	9	8
Clerks	290	274	282	226	222	214	204
Mail handlers	51	57	61	55	56	57	58
City carriers	236	240	241	228	228	224	222
Motor vehicle operators	7	8	9	9	9	9	9
Rural carriers	42	46	57	63	64	66	68
Special delivery messengers	2	2	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Building and equipment maintenance	33	38	42	40	40	40	40
Vehicle maintenance	5	5	6	6	5	6	5
Other ³	1	2	2	2	2	2	1
Noncareer	83	122	114	100	98	100	101
Casuals	27	26	30	21	19	23	22
Transitional (X)	(X)	32	13	10	8	5	5
Rural substitutes	43	50	58	56	57	59	60
Relief/Leave replacements	12	13	12	12	12	12	12
Nonbargaining temporary	(Z)	1	1	1	1	1	1
Compensation and employee benefits (mil. dol.)	34,214	41,931	49,532	52,134	53,932	56,302	64,270
Average salary per employee (dol.) ⁴	37,570	45,001	50,103	60,261	62,635	64,992	65,905
Pieces of mail per employee, (1,000)	197	207	231	255	264	268	270
Total revenue (mil. dol.) ⁵	40,074	54,509	64,540	69,029	69,993	72,817	74,973
Operating postal revenue	39,201	54,176	64,476	68,960	69,798	72,551	74,715
Mail revenue ⁶	37,892	52,490	62,284	65,869	66,649	69,144	71,057
First class mail	24,023	31,955	35,516	36,377	36,062	37,039	37,564
Priority Mail ⁷	1,555	3,075	4,837	4,421	4,634	5,043	5,233
Express Mail ⁸	630	711	996	853	872	918	951
Mailgram	8	2	2	1	1	(X)	(X)
Periodicals (formerly 2d class)	1,509	1,972	2,171	2,192	2,161	2,215	2,188
Standard Mail (formerly Standard A)	8,082	11,792	15,193	18,123	18,954	19,877	20,779
Package Services (formerly Standard B)	919	1,525	1,912	2,207	2,201	2,259	2,306
International economy mail (surface)	222	205	180	145	134	118	147
International airmail	941	1,254	1,477	1,551	1,631	1,678	1,889
Service revenue	1,310	1,687	2,191	3,091	3,150	3,407	3,658
Registry ⁹	174	118	98	75	77	73	68
Certified ⁹	310	560	385	630	601	632	698
Insurance ⁹	47	52	109	128	132	137	164
Collect-on-delivery	26	21	22	11	9	10	10
Money orders	155	196	235	231	208	193	212
Other ⁹	592	737	1,342	2,017	2,122	2,363	2,506
Operating expenses (mil. dol.) ¹⁰	40,490	50,730	62,992	65,851	68,283	71,681	80,105

— 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.