

**Table 1127. U.S. Postal Service—Summary: 1990 to 2010**

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

Item	1990	1995	2000	2005	2008	2009	2010
<b>Offices, stations, and branches</b> . . . . .	<b>40,067</b>	<b>39,149</b>	<b>38,060</b>	<b>37,142</b>	<b>36,723</b>	<b>36,496</b>	<b>36,222</b>
Number of post offices . . . . .	28,959	28,392	27,876	27,385	27,232	27,161	27,077
Number of stations and branches . . . . .	11,108	10,757	10,184	9,757	9,491	9,335	9,145
Delivery Points (mil.) . . . . .	(NA)	(NA)	135.9	144.3	149.0	150.1	150.9
Residential . . . . .	(NA)	(NA)	123.9	131.3	135.7	136.6	137.5
City . . . . .	(NA)	(NA)	76.1	78.5	79.8	80.2	80.5
P.O. Box . . . . .	(NA)	(NA)	15.9	15.6	15.6	15.6	15.7
Rural/highway contract . . . . .	(NA)	(NA)	31.9	37.2	40.2	40.8	41.2
Business . . . . .	(NA)	(NA)	12.1	13.0	13.5	13.5	13.3
<b>Pieces of mail handled (mil.)</b> . . . . .	<b>166,301</b>	<b>180,734</b>	<b>207,882</b>	<b>211,743</b>	<b>202,703</b>	<b>176,744</b>	<b>170,574</b>
Domestic . . . . .	165,503	179,933	206,782	210,891	201,128	175,363	169,154
First class mail <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	89,270	96,296	103,526	98,071	91,697	83,776	78,203
Priority mail <sup>2,6</sup> . . . . .	518	869	1,223	888	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )
Express mail <sup>2,7</sup> . . . . .	59	57	71	56	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )
Periodicals (formerly 2d class) . . . . .	10,680	10,194	10,365	9,070	8,605	7,901	7,269
Standard Mail (formerly Standard A) . . . . .	63,725	71,112	90,057	100,942	99,084	82,448	82,525
Package Services (formerly Standard B) . . . . .	663	936	1,128	1,166	846	731	658
U.S. Postal Service . . . . .	538	412	363	621	824	455	431
Free for the blind . . . . .	35	52	47	76	72	62	68
Shipping Services Volume <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	1,575	1,381	1,420
International economy mail (surface) <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	166	106	79	23	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )
International airmail <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	632	696	1,021	829	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Employees, total (1,000)</b> . . . . .	<b>843</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>901</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>712</b>	<b>672</b>
Career . . . . .	761	753	788	705	663	623	584
Headquarters . . . . .	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
Headquarters support . . . . .	6	4	6	4	4	4	5
Inspection Service . . . . .	4	4	4	3	3	3	2
Inspector General . . . . .	(X)	(X)	1	1	1	1	1
Field Career . . . . .	749	743	775	693	652	612	573
Postmasters . . . . .	27	27	26	25	25	24	23
Supervisors/managers . . . . .	43	35	39	33	32	29	28
Professional, administrative, and technical . . . . .	10	11	10	9	8	6	6
Clerks . . . . .	290	274	282	222	195	178	157
Mail handlers . . . . .	51	57	61	56	56	53	49
City carriers . . . . .	236	240	241	228	212	201	192
Motor vehicle operators . . . . .	7	8	9	9	9	8	7
Rural carriers . . . . .	42	46	57	64	69	68	67
Special delivery messengers . . . . .	2	2	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Building and equipment maintenance . . . . .	33	38	42	40	40	40	37
Vehicle maintenance . . . . .	5	5	6	5	5	5	5
Other <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	1	2	2	2	1	1	1
Noncareer . . . . .	83	122	114	98	102	89	88
Casuals . . . . .	27	26	30	19	12	4	7
Transitional . . . . .	(X)	32	13	8	18	17	16
Rural substitutes . . . . .	43	50	58	57	58	55	52
Relief/Leave replacements . . . . .	12	13	12	12	12	11	11
Nonbargaining temporary . . . . .	(Z)		1	1	1	2	2
Compensation and employee benefits (mil. dol.) . . . . .	34,214	41,931	49,532	53,932	60,992	56,544	60,348
Avg. salary per employee (dol.) <sup>4</sup> . . . . .	37,570	45,001	50,103	62,635	67,076	70,140	72,099
Pieces of mail per employee, (1,000) . . . . .	197	207	231	264	265	248	254
<b>Total revenue (mil. dol.)</b> <sup>5</sup> . . . . .	<b>40,074</b>	<b>54,509</b>	<b>64,540</b>	<b>69,993</b>	<b>74,968</b>	<b>68,116</b>	<b>67,077</b>
Operating postal revenue . . . . .	39,201	54,176	64,476	69,798	74,829	68,043	66,963
Mail revenue . . . . .	37,892	52,490	62,284	66,649	71,261	65,064	63,285
First class mail . . . . .	24,023	31,955	35,516	36,062	38,179	35,883	34,026
Priority mail <sup>2,6</sup> . . . . .	1,555	3,075	4,837	4,634	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )
Express mail <sup>2,7</sup> . . . . .	630	711	996	872	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )
Periodicals (formerly 2d class) . . . . .	1,509	1,972	2,171	2,161	2,295	2,038	1,879
Standard Mail (formerly Standard A) . . . . .	8,082	11,792	15,193	18,954	20,586	17,345	17,331
Package Services (formerly Standard B) . . . . .	919	1,525	1,912	2,201	1,846	1,684	1,516
Shipping Services <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	8,355	8,112	8,533
International economy mail (surface) <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	222	205	180	134	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )
International airmail <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	941	1,254	1,477	1,631	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )
Service revenue . . . . .	1,310	1,687	2,191	3,150	3,671	3,028	3,767
Registry <sup>8</sup> . . . . .	174	118	98	77	57	50	48
Certified <sup>8</sup> . . . . .	310	560	385	601	718	731	752
Insurance <sup>8</sup> . . . . .	47	52	109	132	145	129	126
Collect-on-delivery . . . . .	26	21	22	9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Money orders . . . . .	155	196	235	208	205	190	182
Other <sup>8</sup> . . . . .	592	737	1,342	2,122	2,547	1,928	2,659
Operating expenses (million dollars) <sup>9</sup> . . . . .	40,490	50,730	62,992	68,283	77,738	71,830	75,426

NA Not available. X Not applicable. Z Fewer than 500. <sup>1</sup> Items mailed at 1st class rates and weighing 11 ounces or less.<sup>2</sup> "Volume" and "Mailing & Shipping Revenue" restructured for the "Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act (PAEA) of 2006."<sup>3</sup> Includes discontinued operations, area offices, and nurses. <sup>4</sup> For career bargaining unit employees. Includes fringe benefits.<sup>5</sup> 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. <sup>6</sup> Provides 2 to 3 day delivery service. <sup>7</sup> Overnight delivery of packages weighing up to 70 pounds. <sup>8</sup> Beginning 2000, return receipt revenue broken out from registry, certified, and insurance and included in "other." <sup>9</sup> 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.