

## FACT SHEET

### Six-Day Package, Five-Day Mail Delivery

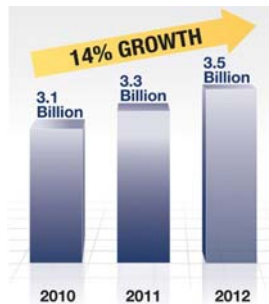
*Achieves annual savings of approximately \$2 billion*

#### Providing cost-effective mail delivery

The Postal Service will implement a five-day delivery schedule for mail sent to street addresses in August of this year. Mail addressed to street addresses will be delivered Monday through Friday. Post Offices open on Saturdays will remain open and mail addressed to PO Boxes will be available for pickup on Saturdays.

#### Maintaining six days of shipping and package delivery

The Postal Service continues to grow its shipping and package business as e-commerce retail sales continue to rise. With a 14-percent growth in volume the last two years, the Postal Service will maintain six days of package delivery. By maintaining a six-day package delivery schedule, the primary concerns related to switching to a five-day mail delivery schedule have been addressed, such as the delivery of pharmaceutical drugs.

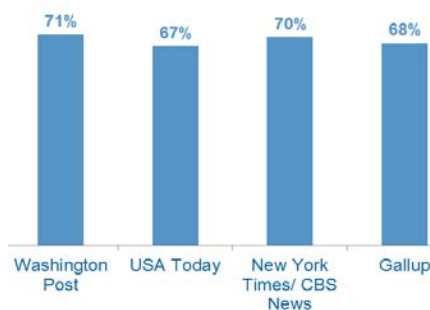


#### Achieves approximately \$2 billion in annual savings

By implementing a six-day package, five-day mail delivery schedule, the Postal Service expects to save approximately \$2 billion annually when fully implemented. By restructuring its delivery operations, the Postal Service can take significant steps toward returning the organization to financial stability.

#### American public supports switch to five-day mail delivery

According to research conducted by the Postal Service and independent research by major news outlets, nearly seven out of ten Americans supported the Postal Service switching to a five-day mail delivery schedule as a way to reduce costs — even before the Postal Service decided to continue package delivery on Saturday. Support is likely higher given that the Postal Service will maintain six-day delivery for packages.



Source: Gallup Poll, March 26, 2010 • New York Times/CBS News, June 27, 2012 • USA Today, March 17, 2010 • Wash. Post, March 30, 2010

#### Providing a smooth transition for customers and employees

The Postal Service intends to communicate with customers and employees about these changes in great detail. We will work closely with our unions, employees and customers to ensure a smooth transition to the new delivery schedule. The Postal Service has a proven track record of working with employees throughout operational changes.

#### Unprecedented financial crisis requires immediate action

In its last fiscal year, the Postal Service recorded a \$15.9 billion loss, defaulted on its \$11.1 billion retiree health benefit prefunding payments, and at one point exhausted its borrowing authority with the U.S. Treasury. With a worsening financial situation, the Postal Service can no longer sustain losses and must act quickly to stabilize its finances.

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#### Package Delivery

- Delivery six days/week
- Supports strong growth and rising e-commerce



#### Post Offices

- Remain open on Saturdays
- Mail delivered to PO Boxes on Saturday



#### Mail Delivery

- Monday – Friday
- No delivery on Saturdays