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MTAC Load Leveling Workgroup 157

This is the update given at the August 28, 2013 MTAC Focus Group



- MTAC Workgroup 157 consists of:
 - First Class, Standard and Periodical Mailers
 - Mail Providers, Mail Owners
 - Software vendors
- Charter
 - Review the current processes and procedures for the load leveling of volumes across days of the week.
 - Strategize on future initiatives that would meet the objective of load leveling volumes across days of week.
 - Analyze future possible initiatives in a cost/benefit format to provide viable recommendations to the Postal Service.



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Desired Results from WG 157

- Develop strategies that will facilitate the load leveling of volume across days of the week.
- Model the impact of each strategy on the mail owners, software vendors, logistics and transportation providers, USPS operations and mail entry.
- Evaluate strategies for potential adoption and implementation.
- Recommend and/or establish guidelines for the consistent and predictable collection and dissemination of information, including updates for stakeholders.
- Gain a clearer understanding of stakeholders' expectations
- Identify/define potential technical or process changes that are needed by the mailing industry to accommodate the potential impact of load leveling.



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Today's Environment

SCF Standard Drops - Current

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Color code for Wednesday until 1600	Color code for Thursday until 1600	Color code for Friday until 1600	Color code for Saturday until 1600	All Day is color coded for Monday	Color code for Monday until 1600	Color code for Tuesday until 1600
1600 - Thurs Violet	1600 - Fri Yellow	1600 - Sat Pink	1600 - Monday		1600 - Tues Orange	1600 - Wed Green

NDC Standard Drops - Current

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Color code for Friday until 1600	Color code for Saturday until 1600	All Day we color code for Monday	Color code for Monday until 1600	Color code for Tuesday until 1600	Color code for Wednesday until 1600	Color code for Thursday until 1600
1600 - Sat Pink	1600 - Monday Blue		1600 - Tues Orange	1600 - Wed green	1600 - Thurs Violet	1600 - Fri Yellow

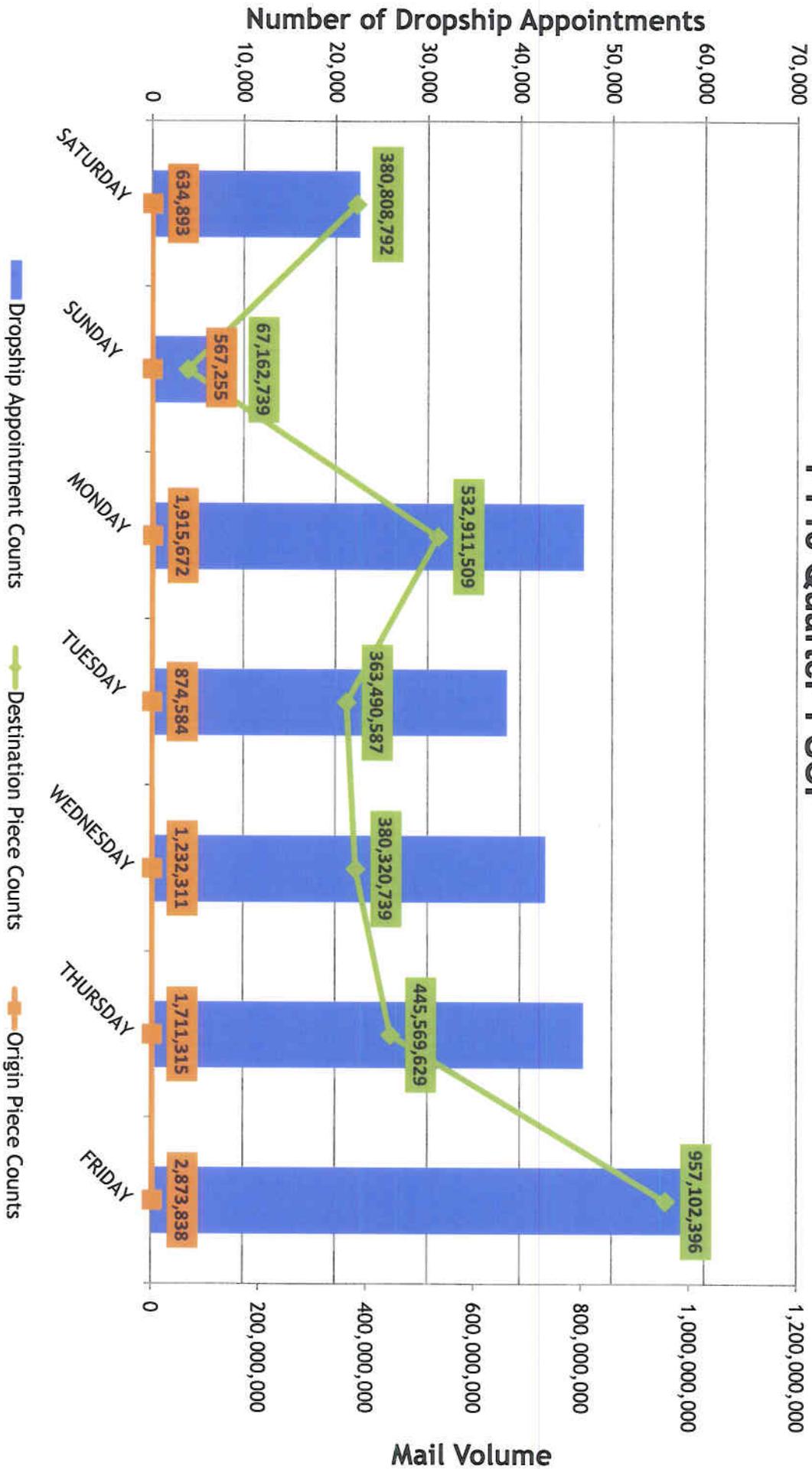
Most of the mail whether dropped at the SCF or NDC is earmarked for delivery on Monday



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DROP SHIP APPOINTMENTS AT SCF PQ 1

Dropship Appointments/Mail Volume By DOW FY13 Quarter 1 SCF

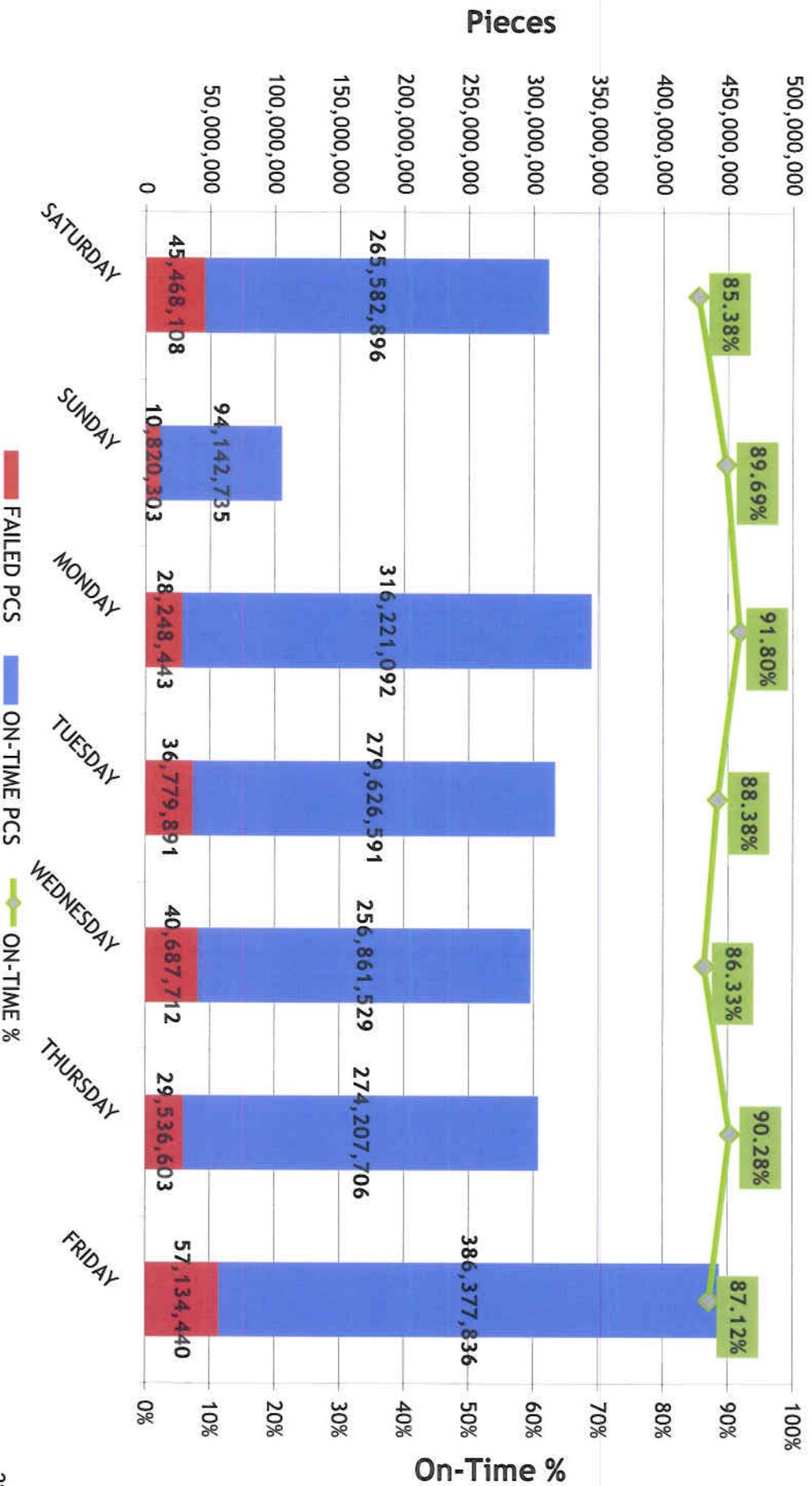




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Service - Standard Letters - SCF

NATIONAL STC BY DAY OF THE WEEK ANALYSIS QTR 1 2013

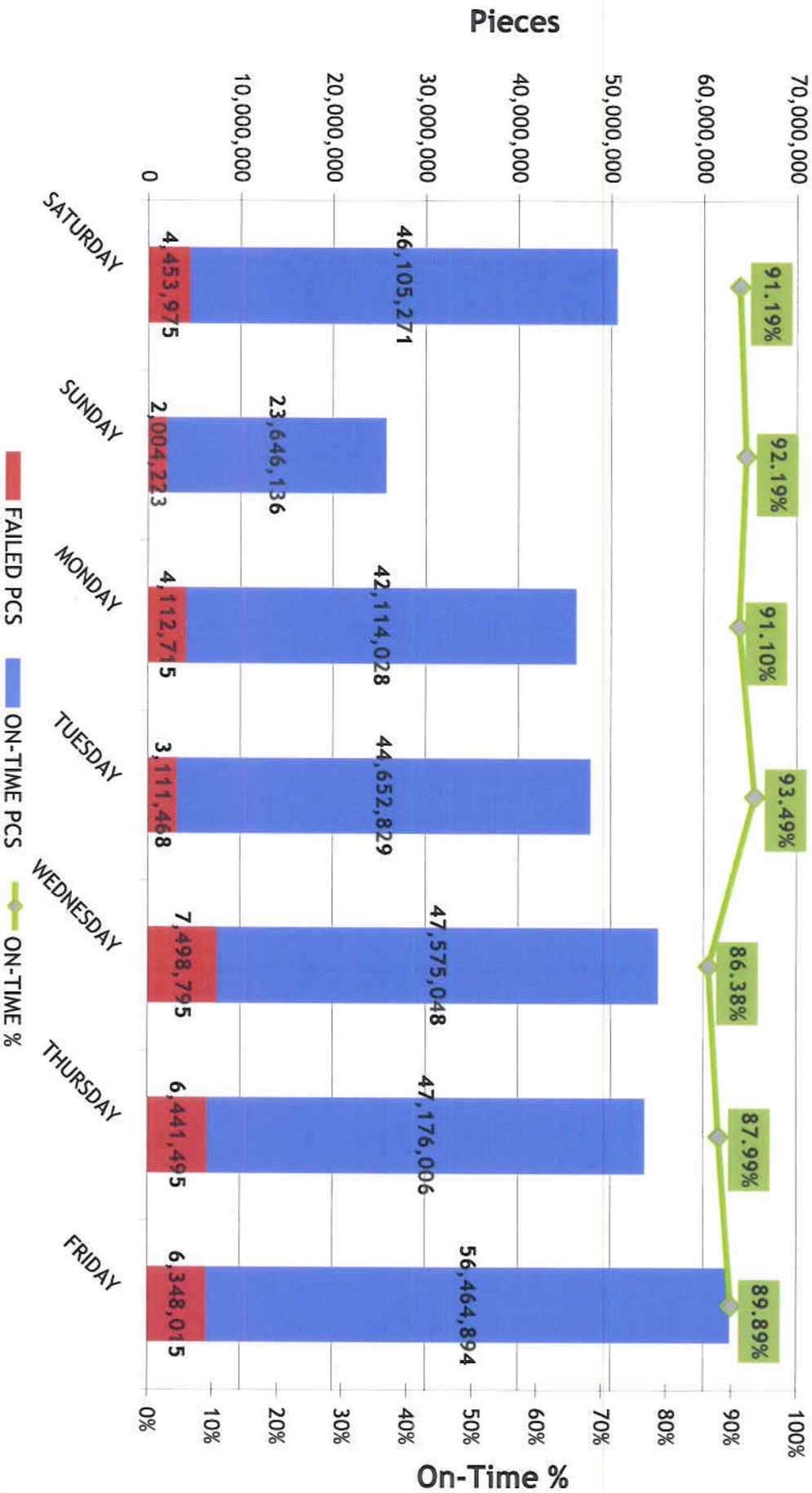




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Standard Letters - NDC

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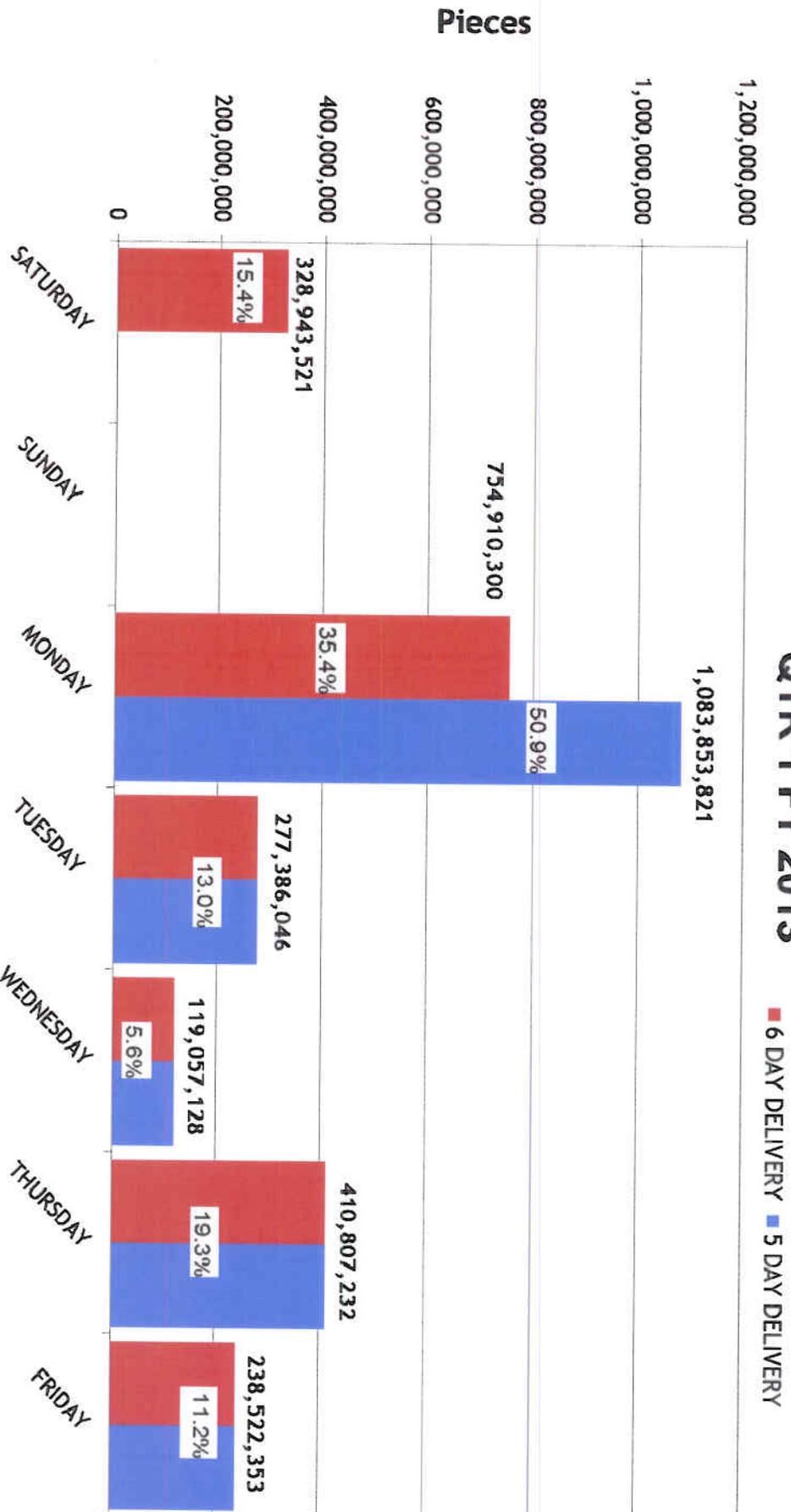




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Destination Entry STD Letters Delivery Day Volumes Analysis

Standard Letters Delivery Day Volumes QTR 1 FY 2013

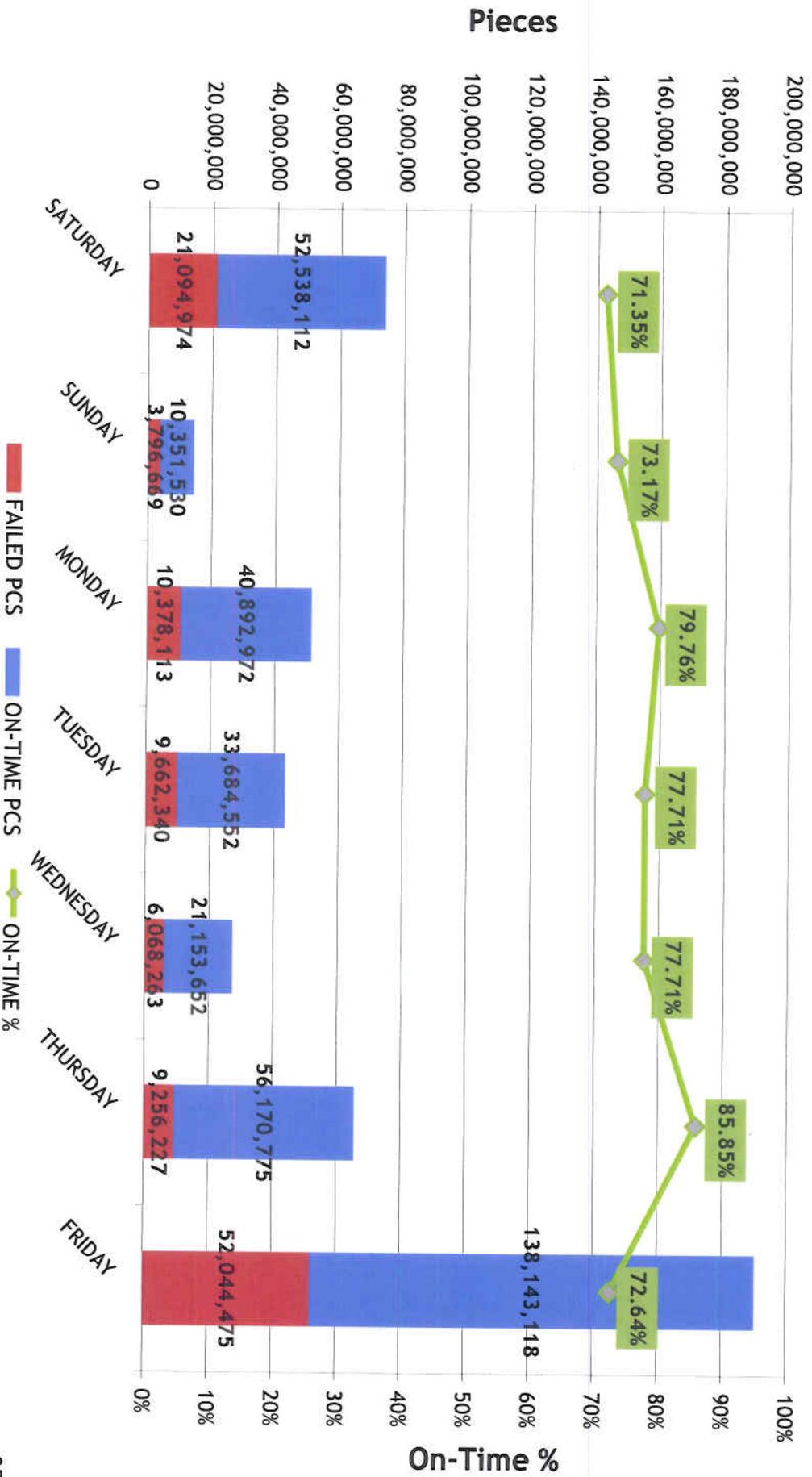




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Standard Flats - SCF

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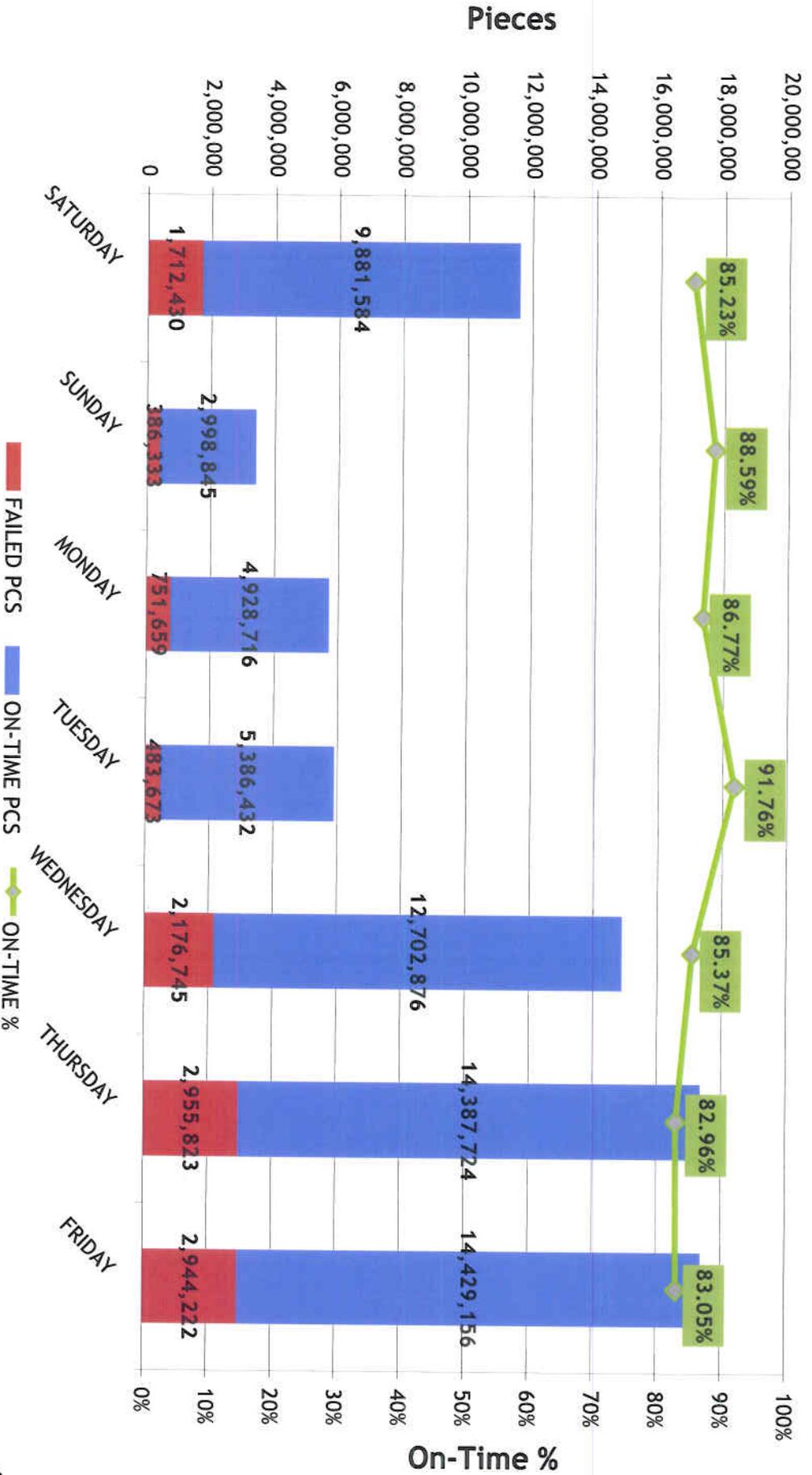




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Standard Flats - NDC

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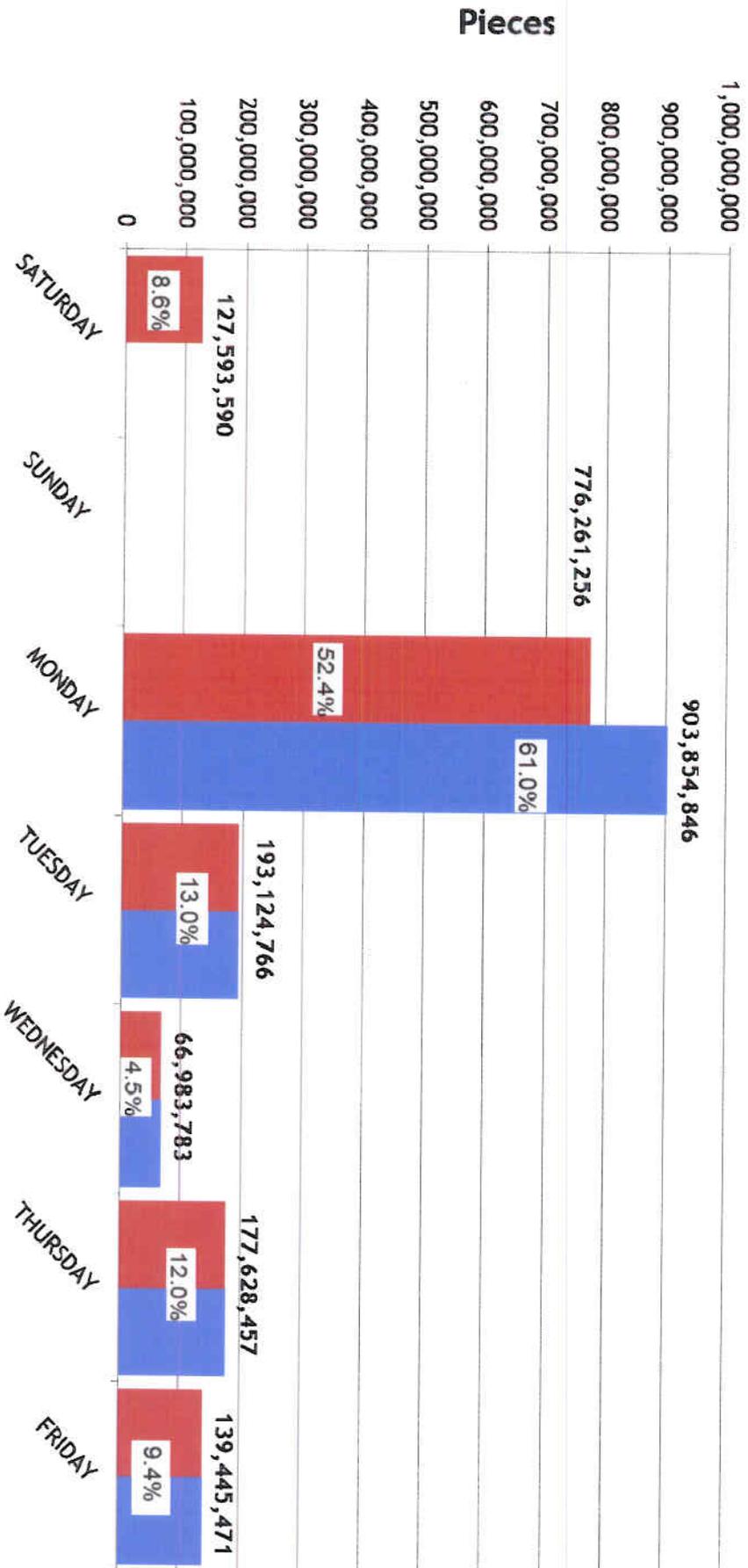


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Destination Entry STD Flats Delivery Day Volumes Analysis

Standard Flats Delivery Day Volumes QTR 1 FY 2013

■ 6 DAY DELIVERY ■ 5 DAY DELIVERY

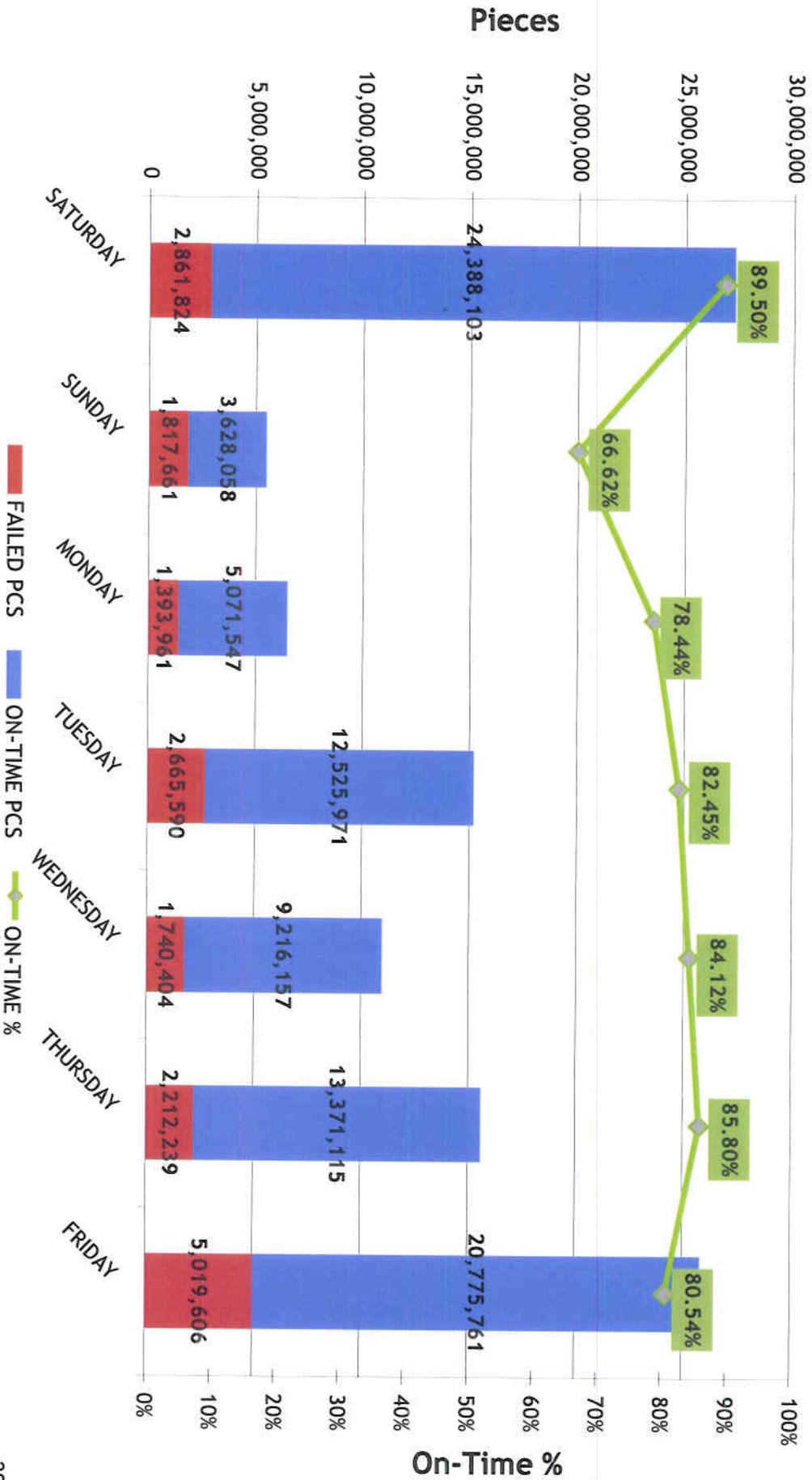




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Periodicals Flats - SCF

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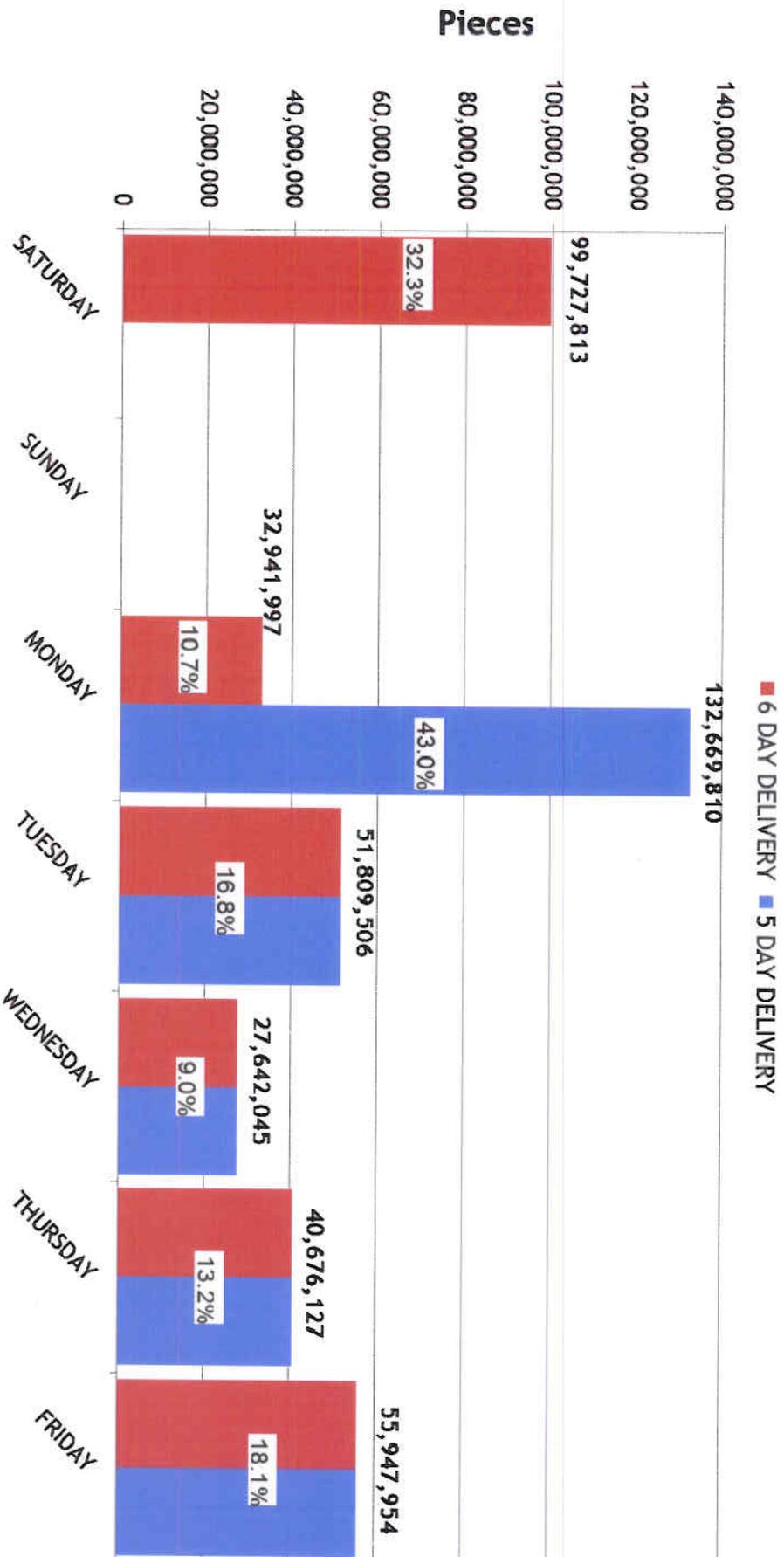




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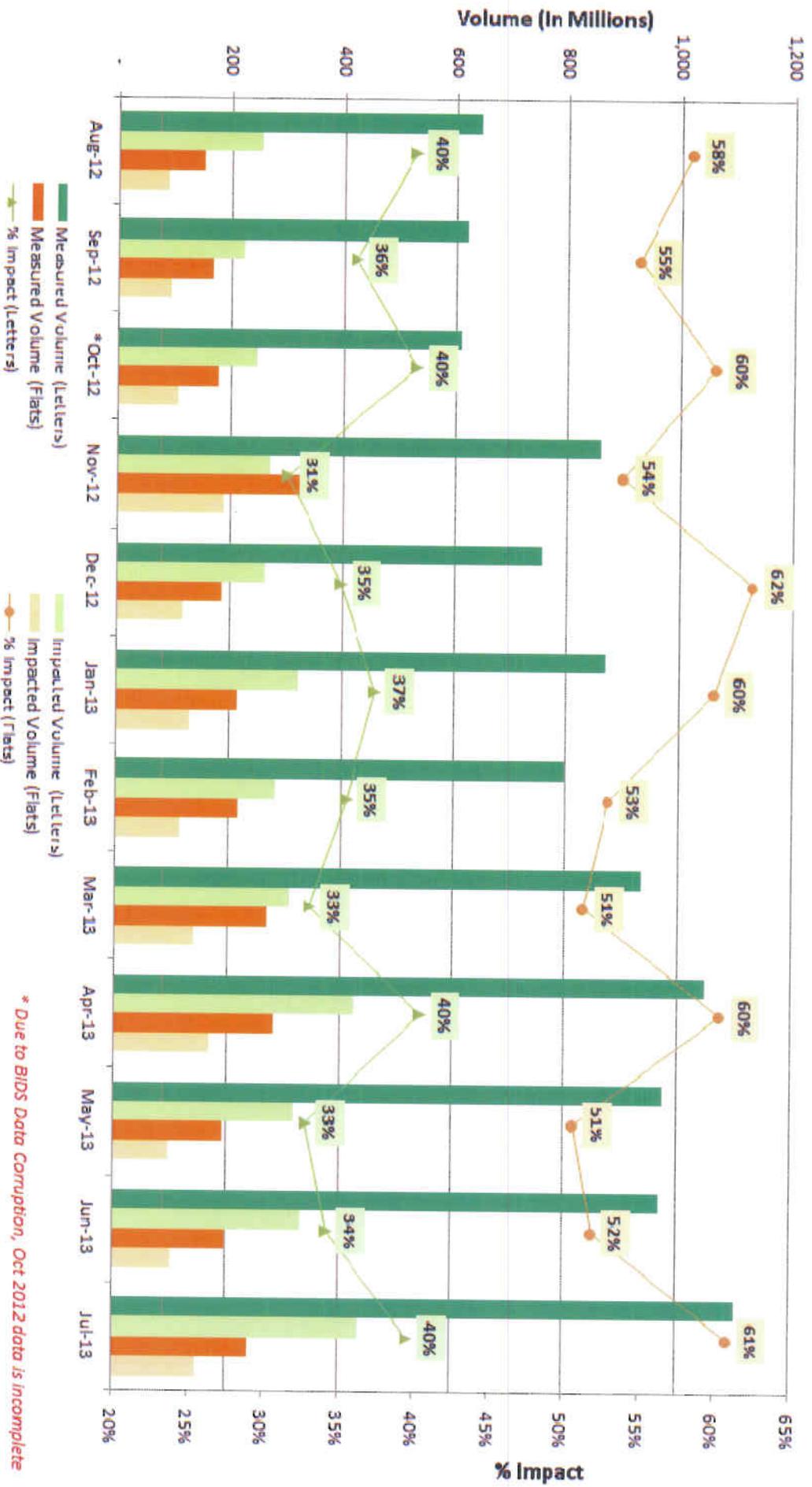
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SCF Periodicals Flats QTR 1 FY 2013

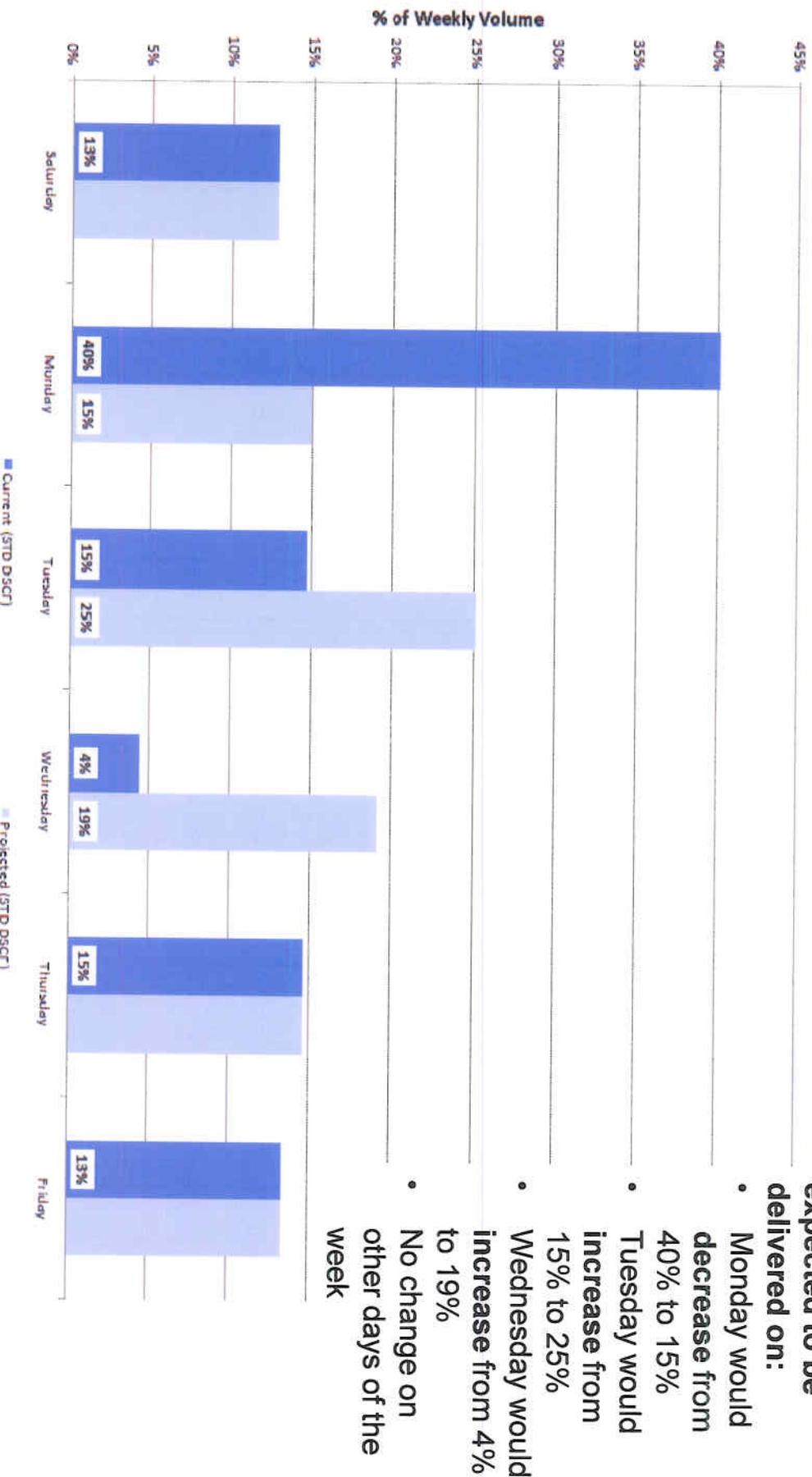


Based on historical data, ~40% of Standard DSCF Mail is projected to be impacted if Sunday was a non-processing day.

- Letters impacted ~36%; Flats impacted ~56%



If Sunday was a non-processing day, the variation in Standard DSCF mail volume by expected day of delivery is projected to decrease from a standard deviation of 12% to 5%

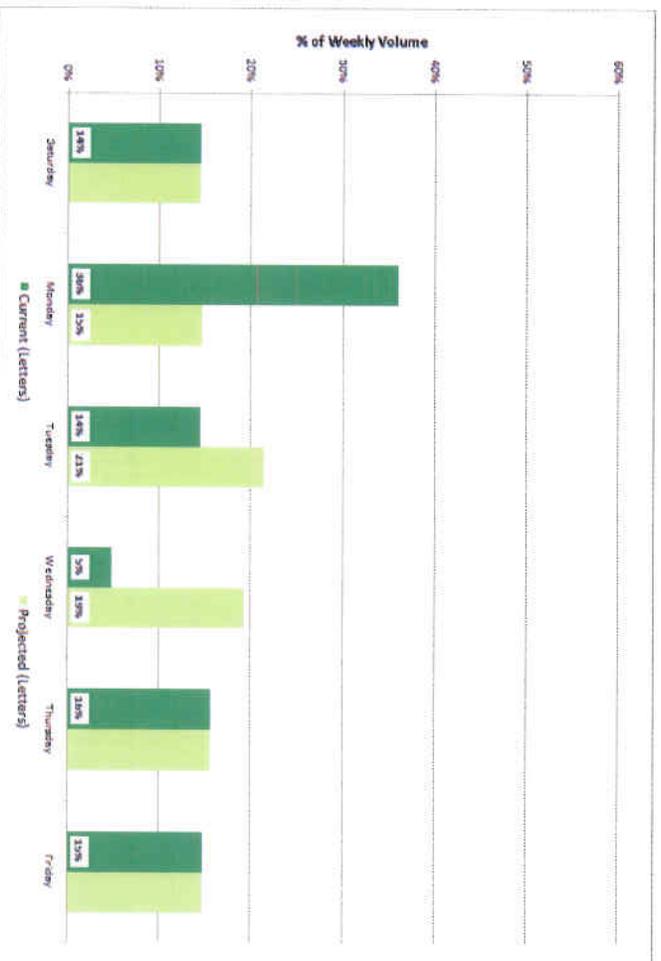


- % of week's volume expected to be delivered on:
- Monday would decrease from 40% to 15%
- Tuesday would increase from 15% to 25%
- Wednesday would increase from 4% to 19%
- No change on other days of the week

Standard deviation for daily Standard DSCF Letters mail volume is projected to decrease from 10% to 3%; For Flats, it is projected to decrease from 20% to 12%

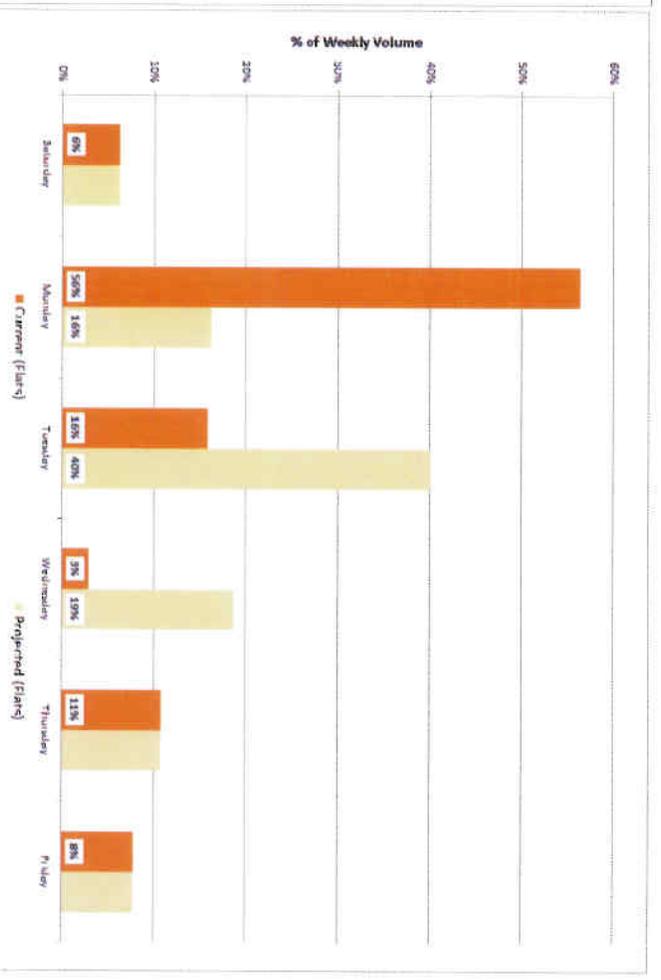
Standard DSCF Letters

- % of week's volume expected to be delivered on:**
- Monday would decrease from 36% to 15%
 - Tuesday would increase from 14% to 21%
 - Wednesday would increase from 5% to 19%



Standard DSCF Flats

- % of week's volume expected to be delivered on:**
- Monday would decrease from 56% to 16%
 - Tuesday would increase from 16% to 40%
 - Wednesday would increase from 3% to 19%





Proposed change

SCF Standard Drops - Current

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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SCF Standard Drops - Future

South Jersey Test

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Color code for Wednesday until 1600	Color code for Thursday until 1600	Color code for Friday until 1600	Color code for Saturday until 1600	Color code for Monday until 1600	Color code for Tuesday until 1600	All day is color coded for Wednesday
1600 - Thurs Purple	1600 - Fri Yellow	1600 - Sat Pink	1600 - Monday Blue	1600 - Tues Orange	1600 - Wed Green	

Taking out Sunday as a transit day will smooth the mail volumes across days of the week



- Two weekends in September 9/14 and 9/21
- South Jersey will be the test site
- Standard mail only – Letters and Flats
- Change color code according to new layout
- Analyze the results
 - Impact to the industry
 - Hours saved
 - Volume to carriers across Monday and Tuesday
 - Impact in five day environment