

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES
PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 108-18

Docket No. R2005-1

RESPONSES OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO INTERROGATORIES
OF DAVID POPKIN (DBP/USPS-1, -3)
(April 25, 2005)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its responses to the following interrogatories of David Popkin, filed on April 8, 2005: DBP/USPS-1, 3.

Although the Postal Service filed objections regarding each of these questions on April 18, 2005, it indicated that, without waiving its objections, some responsive information would be provided. Each interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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DBP/USPS-1 [a] Please provide a listing for each of the last three fiscal years showing the total number of collection boxes installed. [b] Please provide a breakdown, either by percentage or total number of boxes, in each of the following categories: Service Class, Type of Box, Location Type. [c] Please provide a breakdown of the percentage of boxes that have one or more collection times on a [1] Weekday, [2] Saturday, [3] Sunday, and [4] Holiday. [d] Please provide a listing for each of the last three fiscal years showing the total number of collection boxes that were added during that fiscal year. [e] Please provide a listing for each of the last three fiscal years showing the total number of collection boxes that were removed during that fiscal year.

RESPONSE:

a.-b. The following information was retrieved from the Collection Box Management Database (CBMS):

Box Type	AP 13 FY01	AP 13 FY 02	AP 12, FY03	AP 13 FY 04
DNSTY SNKL	1217	1428	1357	1383
Express Snorkel	2363	2215	2123	1976
EXPRESS	13039	11296	10251	9198
HIGH DNSTY	1518	1488	1390	1411
JUMBO SNKL	3461	3541	3621	3721
JUMBO STD	1312	1386	1377	1396
LOB DRP	2	2	2	4
MAIL CHUTE	11458	10371	9392	8814
PO LOB DRP	25362	26767	27566	30634
POST	3206	2540	2249	2067
PRIORITY	114	88	81	77
PRTY SNKL	43	42	36	35
RACK	673	629	604	597
RCVNG BOX	1596	1525	1480	1380
SNORKEL	49288	47652	46845	45942
STANDARD	196279	180652	173504	165987
WALL	14039	13227	12933	9216
	324970	304849	294811	283838

c. At the end of FY04:

Weekday: 100% Saturday: 89.1% Sunday: 0.05% Holiday: 0.54%

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d.-e. The available information relates to the number of boxes at given points in time. Between any two points, the later number reflects the net effect of box additions and box removals, relative to the earlier number. Information is not available to identify additions and removals separately.

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DBP/USPS-3 [a] Please provide a listing for each of the last three fiscal years showing a breakdown of the final collection time for the day for each of the collection boxes on a weekday for each of the time periods [if percentages are provided, please round off to the nearest integer for percents greater than 3% and to the nearest 1/10 of a percent for percents less than 3%]:

- [1] 12:01 AM to 8 AM
- [2] 8:01 AM to 9 AM
- [3] 9:01 AM to 11 AM
- [4] 11:01 AM to Noon
- [5] 12:01 PM to 2 PM
- [6] 2:01 PM to 3 PM
- [7] 3:01 PM to 4 PM
- [8] 4:01 PM to 4:59 PM
- [9] 5 PM
- [10] 5:01 PM to 5:59 PM
- [11] 6 PM to 6:30 PM
- [12] 6:31 PM to 8 PM
- [13] 8:01 PM to 10 PM
- [14] 10:01 PM to Midnight

[b] Please provide a similar listing for the final collection of the day for Saturday broken down to the following time periods:

- [1] 12:01 AM to 8 AM
- [2] 8:01 AM to 10 AM
- [3] 10:01 AM to Noon
- [4] 12:01 PM to 1 PM
- [5] 1:01 PM to 3 PM
- [6] 3:01 PM to 4 PM
- [7] 4:01 PM to 4:59 PM
- [8] 5 PM
- [9] 5:01 PM to 6 PM
- [10] 6 PM to 8 PM
- [11] 8:01 PM to 10 PM
- [12] 10:01 PM to Midnight

RESPONSE:

a. Because of a change in the platform software, information for FY02 is not available. Using the same time intervals as shown in response to OCA/USPS-292 in Docket No. R2001-1 (Tr. 10-C/3545), the percentage proportions for FY03 and FY04, based on CBMS data, are shown below:

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	WEEKDAY						
	<2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-6	6-7	>7
FY03	28%	6%	10%	26%	27%	2.0%	0.7%
FY04	29%	7%	11%	26%	25%	1.8%	0.6%

b. A Saturday last pickup distribution from the CBMS database has only been worked up for FY04. For comparison purposes to earlier years using the same time intervals, please refer to the response to OCA/USPS-292 in Docket No. R2001-1 (Tr. 10-C/3545).

	SATURDAY									
	<10	10-11	11-12	12-1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-6	>6
FY04	9%	13%	11%	13%	16%	11%	11%	9%	5%	1.3%

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document in accordance with Section 12 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure.

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