

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

RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO INTERROGATORY OF DOUGLAS F. CARLSON
(DFC/USPS-11)
(May 19, 2005)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its institutional response to interrogatory DFC/USPS-11, filed on April 14, 2005.

The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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**RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO INTERROGATORIES OF DOUGLAS F. CARLSON**

DFC/USPS-11. Please provide all information concerning time to delivery and other aspects of delivery performance that is or may be available from an analysis of data collected from the scanning of bar-coded labels for Express Mail, Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Return Receipt for Merchandise, Delivery Confirmation, and Signature Confirmation.

RESPONSE:

Information concerning time to delivery and other aspects of delivery performance is available from barcoded label scans for Express Mail, and for Priority Mail and Package Services mail with Delivery Confirmation or Signature Confirmation, when the pieces receive both an acceptance scan and a delivery scan. The information for Priority Mail derives from incomplete data sets which are still under development. As a result, the data are not necessarily indicative of delivery performance for all Priority Mail pieces, or even for all Priority Mail pieces with Delivery Confirmation or Signature Confirmation. In particular, year-to-year comparisons are not considered to be reliable.

The Postal Service's responses to DFC/USPS-5 and DFC/USPS-6 provide information concerning delivery performance collected from barcoded label scans for Priority Mail (subject to the data limitations mentioned above) and Express Mail, respectively. In addition, the following information is available for Package Services and Priority Mail.

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Package Services*

	Service Standard	Avg. Days to Delivery, FY 2003	Avg. Days to Delivery, FY 2004
Parcel Select	1-day DDU	0.82	0.69
	2-day DBMC	1.70	1.60
All Other	1-day	1.44	1.89
	2-day	1.26	1.33
	3-day	2.24	2.51
	4-day	3.60	3.84
	5-day	4.25	4.70
	6-day	5.67	6.03
	7-day	6.27	6.61
	8-day	7.02	7.31
	9-day	7.56	8.03
	10-day	7.95	8.29

* Based on available information. Pieces that fail to meet the delivery standard for 7 days or beyond are treated as arriving on Day 8 or the day after the scheduled delivery date, whichever is greater, even though delivery may have taken additional days.

Priority Mail**

	% Delivered Within 1 Day	% Delivered Within 2 Days	% Delivered Within 3 Days	% Delivered Within 4 Days	% Delivered In 5 Or More Days
FY 2004	23.91%	75.14%	91.81%	96.39%	3.61%

**Based on incomplete data set. The results may not reflect delivery performance for all Priority Mail, or even for all Priority Mail with Delivery Confirmation or Signature Confirmation. Prior years are not included because data sets at the time were nascent.