

Number of Stamped Cards and Postcards Sent via First-Class Mail Since 1926

(totals are unavailable for prior years)

Fiscal Year	Stamped Cards	Postcards	Presorted Postcards	Fiscal Year	Stamped Cards	Postcards	Presorted Postcards
1926	1,323,000,000	206,000,000		1970	798,483,000	1,569,263,000	
1927	1,422,000,000	184,000,000		1971	714,304,000	1,709,006,000	
1928	1,507,000,000	172,000,000		1972	572,192,000	1,646,070,000	
1929	1,417,000,000	283,000,000		1973	605,633,000	1,646,825,000	
1930	1,325,000,000	298,000,000		1974	565,994,000	1,728,145,000	
1931	1,322,000,000	278,000,000		1975	488,367,000	1,627,228,000	
1932	1,188,000,000	260,000,000		1976	495,346,000	1,645,133,000	
1933	1,200,000,000	253,000,000		1977	392,390,000	1,562,961,000	393,581,000
1934	1,328,000,000	309,000,000		1978	343,133,000	1,525,744,000	507,684,000
1935	1,495,000,000	295,000,000		1979	333,055,000	1,589,868,000	397,433,000
1936	1,622,000,000	367,000,000		1980	334,384,000	1,488,934,000	559,131,000
1937	1,736,000,000	448,000,000		1981	296,851,000	1,563,640,000	595,306,000
1938	1,877,000,000	468,000,000		1982	348,924,000	1,601,073,000	568,549,000
1939	1,887,000,000	464,000,000		1983	483,440,000	1,656,390,000	696,777,000
1940	1,953,000,000	525,000,000		1984	340,442,000	1,799,817,000	710,485,000
1941	2,107,000,000	633,000,000		1985	347,819,000	2,007,984,000	607,430,000
1942	2,083,000,000	595,000,000		1986	353,710,000	2,024,326,000	811,496,000
1943	--	--		1987	372,667,000	2,119,152,000	838,278,000
1944	1,895,000,000	614,000,000		1988	506,467,000	2,578,765,000	1,086,563,000
1945	2,093,000,000	612,000,000		1989	539,415,000	2,434,535,000	1,231,611,000
1946	2,304,000,000	685,000,000		1990	482,812,000	2,824,264,000	1,590,187,000
1947	2,620,000,000	713,000,000		1991	497,081,000	2,560,724,000	2,070,419,000
1948	2,828,000,000	773,000,000		1992	609,834,000	2,506,719,000	1,469,650,000
1949	3,187,000,000	866,000,000		1993	535,208,000	2,378,412,000	1,401,376,000
1950	3,438,000,000	976,000,000		1994	437,908,000	2,561,614,000	1,768,583,000
1951	3,434,000,000	1,073,000,000		1995	440,529,000	2,576,651,000	1,934,292,000
1952	2,898,000,000	1,148,000,000		1996	454,006,000	2,598,099,000	1,956,017,000
1953	2,206,000,000	1,176,000,000		1997	3,003,755,000		2,353,333,000
1954	2,077,000,000	1,177,000,000		1998	2,971,751,000		2,555,124,000
1955	2,120,000,000	1,163,000,000		1999	2,850,770,000		2,442,946,000
1956	2,049,000,000	1,229,000,000		2000	2,719,298,000		2,761,407,000
1957	2,080,000,000	1,195,000,000		2001	2,653,454,000		2,842,078,000
1958	2,101,000,000	1,135,000,000		2002	2,669,202,000		2,798,088,000
1959	1,746,000,000	1,145,000,000		2003	2,551,592,000		2,661,507,000
1960	1,502,000,000	1,140,000,000		2004	2,525,931,000		2,904,901,000
1961	1,356,000,000	1,114,000,000		2005	2,521,714,000		3,107,701,000
1962	1,324,000,000	1,172,000,000		2006	2,295,825,000		3,386,571,000
1963	1,307,000,000	1,225,000,000		2007	2,141,488,000		3,656,291,000
1964	1,226,000,000	1,382,000,000		2008	1,845,860,000		3,555,997,000
1965	1,095,000,000	1,284,000,000		2009	1,616,231,000		2,944,297,000
1966	1,058,000,000	1,225,000,000		2010	1,447,435,000		2,931,565,000
1967	1,078,184,000	1,500,514,000		2011	1,312,911,000		2,752,430,000
1968	867,491,000	1,494,144,000		2012	1,157,309,000		2,588,140,000
1969	801,730,000	1,589,858,000		2013	1,049,318,000		2,419,290,000
1970	798,483,000	1,569,263,000		2014	923,418,000		2,198,318,000
1971	714,304,000	1,709,006,000		2015	854,796,000		2,169,537,000
				2016	796,372,000		2,197,374,000
				2017	670,952,000		2,125,273,000

Note:

Postal Service-issued stamped cards were called "postal cards" prior to 1999; postcards are privately printed mailing cards. Presorted postcards mailed in bulk have been counted separately since 1977. Since 1997, stamped cards and postcards sent individually by mailers have been counted together as "single-piece cards." Numbers for some years were revised in later years; the most recent figures are shown.