

DOMESTIC LETTER RATES

NOTE: On May 14, 2007, shape-based postage pricing was introduced with different prices for letters, flats (letters larger than 11½" x 6⅞" x ¼" thick), and first class packages (see separate schedule).

Effective Date	Surface, First Ounce	Surface, Additional Ounce	Notes
March 3, 1863	0.03		Surface rate is for ½ ounce; 2¢ drop letter rate introduced
May 1, 1873	"		Surface rate is for ½ ounce
July 1, 1885	0.02	0.02	All surface rates are for one ounce
November 2, 1917	0.03	0.03	Rate increased due to World War I
July 1, 1919	0.02	0.02	Rate returned to pre-war Level
July 1, 1932	0.03	0.03	
August 1, 1958	0.04	0.04	
January 7, 1963	0.05	0.05	
January 7, 1968	0.06	0.06	
May 16, 1971	0.08	0.08	
March 2, 1974	0.10	0.10	
September 14, 1975	"	0.09	Last surface mail rate

Effective Date	Airmail, First Ounce	Airmail, Additional Ounce	Notes
February 1, 1927	0.10	0.10	Rate is for ½ ounce
August 1, 1928	0.05	0.10	All rates are for one ounce
July 1, 1932	0.08	0.13	
July 1, 1934	0.06	0.06	
March 26, 1944	0.08	0.08	
October 1, 1946	0.05	0.05	
January 1, 1949	0.06	0.06	
August 1, 1958	0.07	0.07	
January 7, 1963	0.08	0.08	
January 7, 1968	0.10	0.10	
May 16, 1971	0.11	0.11	
March 2, 1974	0.13	0.13	
December 28, 1975	0.17	0.15	Last separate airmail rate

Effective Date	First Ounce	Additional Ounce	Notes
December 31, 1975	0.13	0.11	All long distance letters by airmail
May 29, 1978	0.15	0.13	A stamp introduced
March 22, 1981	0.18	0.17	B stamp introduced
November 1, 1981	0.20	"	C stamp introduced
February 17, 1985	0.22	"	D stamp introduced
April 3, 1988	0.25	0.20	E stamp introduced
February 3, 1991	0.29	0.23	F stamp and 4¢ F makeup rate stamp introduced
January 1, 1995	0.32	"	G stamp and 3¢ G makeup rate stamp introduced
January 10, 1999	0.33	0.22	H stamp and 1¢ H makeup rate stamp introduced
January 7, 2001	0.34	0.21	Nondenominated stamps introduced

Effective Date	First Ounce	Additional Ounce	Notes
July 1, 2001	0.34	0.23	
June 30, 2002	0.37	"	Flag and Antique Toy stamps introduced
January 8, 2006	0.39	0.24	Lady Liberty Flag stamp introduced
May 14, 2007	0.41	0.17	<i>See note at top of first page.</i>
May 12, 2008	0.42	0.17	
April 17, 2011	"	0.20	
January 22, 2012	0.45	"	
January 27, 2013	0.46	"	
January 26, 2014	0.49	0.21	
May 31, 2015	"	0.22	
April 10, 2016	0.47	0.21	
January 22, 2017	0.49	"	
January 21, 2018	0.50	"	
January 27, 2019	0.55	0.15	
January 24, 2021	"	0.20	
August 29, 2021	0.58	0.20	
July 10, 2022	0.39	0.24	
January 22, 2023	0.63	0.24	
July 9, 2023	0.66	0.24	
January 21, 2024	0.68	0.24	
July 14, 2024	0.73	0.28	

Effective Date	Non- Machineable Surcharge	Flats, One Ounce	Notes
December 28, 1975			Earlier information to come
December 31, 1975	0.11		
May 29, 1978	0.13		
March 22, 1981	0.17		
November 1, 1981	0.17		
February 17, 1985	0.17		
April 3, 1988	0.20		
February 3, 1991	0.23		
January 1, 1995	0.23		
January 10, 1999	0.22		
January 7, 2001	0.21		
July 1, 2001	0.23		
June 30, 2002	0.23		
January 8, 2006	0.24		
May 14, 2007	0.20	0.82	<i>See note at top of first page.</i>
May 12, 2008	0.20	0.84	
April 17, 2011	0.20	0.88	
January 22, 2012	0.20	0.90	
January 27, 2013	0.20	0.92	
January 26, 2014	0.20	0.98	
May 31, 2015	0.21	0.98	

Effective Date	Non-Machineable Surcharge	Flats, One Ounce	Notes
January 27, 2016	0.21	0.98	
April 10, 2016	0.21	0.94	
January 22, 2017	0.21	0.98	
January 21, 2018	0.21	1.00	
January 27, 2019	0.21	1.10	
January 26, 2020	0.15	1.00	
January 24, 2021	0.20	1.00	
August 29, 2021	0.30	1.16	
July 10, 2022	0.39	1.20	
January 22, 2023	0.40	1.26	
July 9, 2023	0.40	1.35	
January 21, 2024	0.40	1.39	
July 14, 2024	0.40	1.50	

NOTE: In 2010, forever stamps were introduced.