

# U.S. POSTAL RATES

– current rates as of May 11, 2009 –

Rates for mailing within the U.S.			
WEIGHT UP TO:	LETTER <sup>1</sup>	LARGE <sup>2</sup> ENVELOPE	PACKAGE <sup>3</sup>
postcard	\$0.28	–	–
1 oz.	\$0.44	\$0.88	\$1.22
2 oz.	\$0.61	\$1.05	\$1.39
3 oz.	\$0.78	\$1.22	\$1.56
3.5 oz.	\$0.95 <sup>4</sup>	–	–
4 oz.	–	\$1.39	\$1.73
5 oz.	–	\$1.56	\$1.90
6 oz.	–	\$1.73	\$2.07
7 oz.	–	\$1.90	\$2.24
8 oz.	–	\$2.07	\$2.41
9 oz.	–	\$2.24	\$2.58
10 oz.	–	\$2.41	\$2.75
11 oz.	–	\$2.58	\$2.92
12 oz.	–	\$2.75	\$3.09
13 oz.	–	\$2.92	\$3.26
1 lb. <sup>6</sup>	–	\$4.95 <sup>5</sup>	\$4.95 <sup>5</sup>

Rates for mailing to Canada <sup>7</sup>			
WEIGHT UP TO:	LETTER <sup>1</sup>	LARGE <sup>2</sup> ENVELOPE	PACKAGE <sup>3</sup>
postcard	\$0.75	–	–
1 oz.	\$0.75	\$1.03	\$1.23
2 oz.	\$1.00	\$1.29	\$1.49
3 oz.	\$1.25	\$1.55	\$1.75
3.5 oz.	\$1.50 <sup>4</sup>	–	–
4 oz.	–	\$1.81	\$2.01
5 oz.	–	\$2.07	\$2.27
6 oz.	–	\$2.33	\$2.53
7 oz.	–	\$2.59	\$2.79
8 oz. <sup>8</sup>	–	\$2.85	\$3.05

## NOTES:

- Letter Rate applies to envelopes that are between 3-1/2" high x 5" long and 6-1/8" high x 11-1/2" long and that are no more than 1/4" thick. Letters considered as nonmachinable are subject to a 20¢ surcharge. (US or International)
- Large Envelope Rate applies to envelopes (aka "flats") that are between 6-1/8" high x 11-1/2" long and 12" high x 15" long and between 1/4" and 3/4" thick, or envelopes too heavy for Letter Rate. Flats exceed at least one of the above minimum dimensions. Items that are rigid, nonrectangular, or not uniformly thick must be sent using Package Rates. (US or International)
- Package Rate applies to all items not meeting the Letter or Large Envelope requirements. (US or International)
- Letters weighing more than 3.5 oz. use Large Envelope rates. (US or International)
- For First Class delivery, packages above 13 oz. must be sent by Priority Mail. Rates above 1 lb. vary by location. USPS has a Priority Flat Rate Envelope and a small Flat Rate Box; each costs \$4.95 to any US destination regardless of weight, so pack it full.
- For packages weighing 1 lb. or more, other options include Media Mail and Parcel Post. Media Mail costs \$2.38 for 1 lb, plus 39¢ for each additional lb. Media Mail takes 2-9 days, on average, for continental delivery. Parcel Post varies by zone and weight. **NOTE: As of Sept. 2008, Bound Printed Matter is no longer available for mailings without a permit.** See the **Zinester's Guide to U.S. Mail** for details.
- All rates shown for outside the US are for First Class International. USPS divides the rest of the world into "groups." Canada is Group 1; Mexico is Group 2. Groups 3-5 include Europe, Australia, Japan, Russia, China, and South Korea. Groups 6-9 include Central & South America, New Zealand, Africa, and the rest of Asia. See <http://pe.usps.com/text/dmm300/Notice123.htm> for more information. Economy Mail (aka, Surface Mail) is no longer available.
- Above 8 oz., rates increase in 4 oz. increments (ie, 10 oz. is the same rate as 12 oz.). For Canada, add 98¢ for each additional 4 oz. For Mexico, add \$1.55 for each 4 oz. For Groups 3-5, add \$1.72 for each 4 oz. For Groups 6-9, add \$1.67 for each 4 oz. For large envelopes over 1 lb., it may be cheaper to use a Priority Mail Flat Rate envelope. Package rate goes up to 4 lbs.; after that, Priority Mail is the cheapest option.

Rates for mailing to Mexico <sup>7</sup>			
WEIGHT UP TO:	LETTER <sup>1</sup>	LARGE <sup>2</sup> ENVELOPE	PACKAGE <sup>3</sup>
postcard	\$0.79	–	–
1 oz.	\$0.79	\$1.03	\$1.23
2 oz.	\$1.34	\$1.59	\$1.79
3 oz.	\$1.89	\$2.15	\$2.35
3.5 oz.	\$2.44 <sup>4</sup>	–	–
4 oz.	–	\$2.71	\$2.91
5 oz.	–	\$3.27	\$3.47
6 oz.	–	\$3.83	\$4.03
7 oz.	–	\$4.39	\$4.59
8 oz. <sup>8</sup>	–	\$4.95	\$5.15

Rates for mailing to Groups 3-5 <sup>7</sup>			
WEIGHT UP TO:	LETTER <sup>1</sup>	LARGE <sup>2</sup> ENVELOPE	PACKAGE <sup>3</sup>
postcard	\$0.98	–	–
1 oz.	\$0.98	\$1.24	\$1.44
2 oz.	\$1.82	\$2.08	\$2.28
3 oz.	\$2.66	\$2.92	\$3.12
3.5 oz.	\$3.50 <sup>4</sup>	–	–
4 oz.	–	\$3.76	\$3.96
5 oz.	–	\$4.60	\$4.80
6 oz.	–	\$5.44	\$5.64
7 oz.	–	\$6.28	\$6.48
8 oz. <sup>8</sup>	–	\$7.12	\$7.32

Rates for mailing to Groups 6-9 <sup>7</sup>			
WEIGHT UP TO:	LETTER <sup>1</sup>	LARGE <sup>2</sup> ENVELOPE	PACKAGE <sup>3</sup>
postcard	\$0.98	–	–
1 oz.	\$0.98	\$1.24	\$1.44
2 oz.	\$1.76	\$2.03	\$2.23
3 oz.	\$2.54	\$2.82	\$3.02
3.5 oz.	\$3.32 <sup>4</sup>	–	–
4 oz.	–	\$3.61	\$3.81
5 oz.	–	\$4.40	\$4.60
6 oz.	–	\$5.19	\$5.39
7 oz.	–	\$5.98	\$6.18
8 oz. <sup>8</sup>	–	\$6.77	\$6.97

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