



The USPS® Pricing Difference Is Clear

Don't let unexpected surcharges affect your bottom line



Know what you pay before you ship, and eliminate unnecessary surcharges and fees charged after-the-fact. The United States Postal Service (USPS) helps your business protect your bottom line with clear, up-front pricing. Reach out to your USPS Sales Representative to receive a complimentary shipping analysis.

| Domestic surcharges comparison ¹ | | | |
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| Fuel and area surcharges | USPS | UPS ² | FedEx ³ |
| Fuel Surcharges—Air ⁴ | N/A | 19.00% | 19.00% |
| Fuel Surcharges—Ground ⁴ | N/A | 20.50% | 20.50% |
| Delivery Area Surcharge—Commercial Air | N/A | \$4.20 | \$4.20 |
| Delivery Area Surcharge—Commercial Ground | N/A | \$4.20 | \$4.20 |
| Delivery Area Surcharge—Residential Air | N/A | \$6.15 | \$6.20 |
| Delivery Area Surcharge—Residential Home Delivery and Ground Delivery | N/A | \$6.15 | \$6.20 |
| Area Surcharge Extended—Residential Air/Ground/Home Delivery | N/A | \$8.30 | \$8.30 |
| Area Surcharge Extended—Commercial Ground | N/A | \$5.35 | \$5.25 |
| Delivery Area Surcharge Extended—Commercial Air | N/A | \$5.35 | \$5.25 |
| Residential Delivery Surcharge | N/A | \$6.10 (ground)/\$6.55 (air) | \$5.95 (ground)/\$6.55 (air) |
| Remote Area Surcharge—Alaska | N/A | \$43.25 | \$43.00 |
| Remote Area Surcharge—Hawaii | N/A | \$15.35 | \$14.50 |
| Additional surcharges | | | |
| Additional/Special Handling | \$1.50 to \$30 (by length) | \$43.50 to \$52.75 (by weight) | \$43.50 to \$55.00 (by weight) |
| Address Corrections | \$0 ⁵ | \$23.50 | \$24.00 |
| Delivery Confirmation Response—Signature Required (Indirect/Direct) | \$3.70 (elec.)/\$4.55 (retail) | \$7.20 | \$7.15 |
| Delivery Confirmation Response—Adult Signature Required | \$8.40 | \$8.70 | \$8.65 |
| Dimensional (DIM) Weight Factor ⁶ | 166 | 139 | 139 |
| Missing/Invalid Account Number Charge | N/A | \$23.50 | \$24.00 |
| Package Intercept | \$18.35 | \$21.00 (web)/\$27.00 (phone) | \$24.00 |
| Third-Party Billing Surcharge | N/A | 5% | 5% |

- This is not a comprehensive list of all surcharges and other charges imposed on shippers. Please visit usps.com for more information on USPS shipping charges and visit the other carriers' websites for more information on their charges.
- Revised rates effective as of December 23, 2024: https://www.ups.com/assets/resources/webcontent/en_US/Accessorials_Preview.pdf, https://www.ups.com/assets/resources/webcontent/en_US/Daily_US48_Preview.pdf. See the applicable 2025 UPS Rate and Service Guide for up-to-date rates. Fuel charges are updated weekly. For the latest: <https://www.ups.com/us/en/support/shipping-support/shipping-costs-rates/fuel-surcharges.page>.
- Revised rates effective as of January 6, 2025: https://www.fedex.com/content/dam/fedex/us-united-states/services/surcharge_and_fee_changes_2025.pdf. For the most up-to-date rates, please visit: <https://www.fedex.com/en-us/service-guide.html>. Fuel charges are updated weekly. For the latest: <https://www.fedex.com/en-us/shipping/fuel-surcharge.html> or https://www.fedex.com/content/dam/fedex/us-united-states/services/Service_Guide_2025.pdf.
- Variable on a weekly basis.
- USPS does not charge for on-piece address correction to deliver a package. USPS offers a number of address correction and address hygiene services, with costs typically ranging from \$0.16 to \$0.90.
- Applies to packages greater than 1 cubic foot (1,728 cubic inches).