

# ENTERPRISE ANALYTICS MTAC Periodicals







# CASS / MASS Cycle 'O' Highlights



## **Extended DPV® Code**

Extended DPV Codes	Description
Y	Address was DPV confirmed for both primary and (if present) secondary numbers
D	Address was DPV confirmed for the primary number only, and the secondary number information was missing but required
S	Address was DPV confirmed for the primary number only, and the secondary number information was present but invalid (valid secondary information required)
Р	Address was DPV confirmed for the primary number only, and the secondary number information was present but not required
R	Address confirmed but USPS delivery not provided
т	Address was DPV confirmed for the primary number only by dropping the trailing alpha
Ν	Address failed to DPV confirm, primary number missing or invalid
Blank	Address not presented to DPV

Industry feedback expressed concerns with modifying the Original DPV codes. The Original DPV code will remain the same and a new Extended DPV Code will be created.





## **Significant Milestones**

CASS Cycle "O" Pre-Meeting	January 23	2018	
Partnership In Tomorrow (PIT) Meeting	May 31	2018	
Review & Comments Deadline	June 29	2018	
Official Rules Release	July 31	2018	
Send Static Data	February	2019	0
Stage I Release	March	2019	
Stage II Release	Мау	2019	
MASS Test Decks Available	August	2019	
CASS Developers Certification Completed	December	2019	
MASS Manufacturers Certification Completed	January	2020	
Software Released to End-users NLT	March	2020	
Expiration of CASS™ Cycle N	July 31	2020	
Implementation of CASS Cycle O	August 1	2020	





# Change-of-Address Security



## Background

COA Support group in Memphis TN established in 2004

 Responds to and investigates COA-related questions from customers, Post Offices, and the US Postal Inspection Service<sup>®</sup>. Requests range from "Where's my mail" to reports of suspicious COA.

In FY 2017:

- 36.8 million changes-of-address processed (<u>https://facts.usps.com/table-facts/</u>)
- 46.2 thousand COA-related contacts handled by COA Support
  - 92.3% resolved as valid after discussion with the customer
  - Remainder treated as "unauthorized COA" and directed to US Postal Inspection Service

Only 0.010% (one one-hundredth of 1 percent), or 0.0001 of all Changesof-Address filed in FY17, were reported by customers as not being valid



## **Enhancements in Security Initiatives**

USPS<sup>®</sup> cross-functional workgroups enhancing existing security, COA validation procedures, and fraud prevention methods.

Additional precautions implemented:

- Further pattern analytics
- Business Partner addresses added to the COA Watch List
  - USPS Business Alliance alerted if COA detected for local review
- Improved College/University address list to prevent COA entry by students

Activities in progress:

- Demographic analysis, mail volume fluctuations, etc.
- Improvements in the timeliness of COA entry
- Revised MVL production and mail entry timeliness





## **Enhancements in Security Initiatives, Cont.**

Additional security measures being considered include:

- Requirement for all Business COA to use Mover's Guide Online
  - Establish Minimum Lead Time (Example: 30 days prior to move effective date)
- Enhanced identity validation
  - In-person proofing of hardcopy COAs
  - Leverage external identify validation services





## **Deep Dive of Production Print Process**

- Analyzed transportation modes for Move Validation Letters (MVL)
  - 19 destinations were updated from surface to air (Aug 11, 2018)
  - Service performance improved by 6% for these destinations
- Include additional 12 hours of MVLs per day. Additional adjustments being reviewed.
- Monitored dispatch integrity and provided feedback (Immediate abatement)
  - Outbound dispatches departing earlier than scheduled
- Multiple pallets shrink-wrapped together; not clearly placarded
- Reviewed end-to-end process with Printer to identify opportunities for improvement
  - Prioritizing the MVL print process
  - Adjusting print schedule to include Sundays





## **Business Change of Address/Hold Mail**

## MTAC WG Issue Statement:

- Workgroup to focus on two USPS<sup>®</sup> features/initiatives that may impact business customers; review needs, features, capabilities; provide recommended improvements for:
  - Change-of-Address (COA) for business customers
  - Hold Mail for business customers
- Change-of-Address for business customers:
  - Review current process and potential risks for business COA.
  - Brainstorm ideas for business customer authentication and support for COA.
  - Collaborate and develop improvements.
  - Establish automated processes for improvements.
  - Develop improved communication to share with employees about COA.
  - Share results and recommendations with business customers.
  - Collaborate with Informed Delivery<sup>®</sup> business customer authentication.





# Change-of-Address Updates



## **COA Address Improvements**

Continue to improve the quality of addresses provided by our moving customers.

- Rapid Key technology added to ICOA.
- Customers sent email to advise them of invalid address information. Customer is directed to <u>https://managemymove.usps.com</u> to make corrections.

Electronic Uncoded Address Resolution Service (eUARS)								
	Q4 FY 2017		Q4 FY 2018			SPLY		
COA Volume	eUARS Records	ICOA Records	COA Volume	eUARS Records	ICOA Records	Total % Change	ICOA % Change	
10,333,759	46,104	17,756	10,331,811	29,292	8,973	-36.47%	-49.46%	



## **Current ICOA Initiatives**

	Total COA Volume	Hardcopy 3575	% Hardcopy	Internet COA	% ICOA
FY17	36,860,444	20,716,074	56.2%	16,144,370	43.8%
FY18	36,747,642	20,399,319	55.5%	16,348,323	44.5%





Adhesive posters placed in 5,000 post offices during peak move season (May-July)

### Change-of-Address Retail Kiosk

"Relocation Station"

\*expected pilot QTR II FY19





## **Customers Are Encouraged to Notify Mailers Directly**

### Mover's Guide FAQs:

# What else do I need to do to get my mail?

Notify mailers directly of your new address. Many companies (financial, health, insurance, etc.) will not change your address unless you contact them directly. Failure to notify these companies directly may result in a loss of important services.

### MoversGuide.usps.com

**Remember**: You can ensure a smooth, change of address transition if you do some legwork up front, and notify anyone who sends you mail of your new address and your move date.

### Customer Notification Letters & Welcome Kits:

### Notify Correspondents Who Send You Mail

Mail forwarding may be available for up to 12 months and covers only certain classes of mail. To ensure delivery of all your mail and to avoid forwarding delays, you should notify everyone who sends you mail.







# Undeliverable-As-Addressed



## **Good As Addressed Subgroup**

- Kicked off 8/14/2018
- Collaboration with mailing industry to analyze ACS<sup>™</sup> and Package Scan data to gain better understanding of UAA Mail
- Increase mailer understanding of UAA causes
- Identify opportunities for improvement for USPS<sup>®</sup> and mailing industry



## **UAA Validation Processes**

Controls used to identify issues with mail sent in as UAA.

In FY18:

- USPS<sup>®</sup> returned 7.8M pieces back to the delivery unit for review
  - No record
  - Current Resident
  - COA not effective
  - Temp expired
- USPS converted 22.5M Nixie transactions to COA transactions
  - Attempted Not Known
  - Unable to Forward





# ACS<sup>™</sup> Billing



## Where We Are Today?

## Industry Alert published September 27<sup>th</sup>

https://postalpro.usps.com/node/3419

### United States Postal Service **INDUSTRYALERT**

September 27, 2018

# USPS to Resume Billing for ACS and Shipper Paid Forwarding Services

As stated in the industry Alert published August 10<sup>th</sup> the USPS will issue invoices the week of September 24<sup>th</sup> for the ACS notifications and forwarding services provided during the period March 25th through July 24th. Invoices that were sent to ACS customers for the July 25th to August 24th period contained charges for ACS records that were flagged as "Unassociated". The term Unassociated indicates the IMb used on the mail piece

that produced the ACS record could not be found in any electronic documentation submitted to the Postal Service within the past 5 months. The Federal Register stated that one of the requirements to be eligible for

Due to industry concerns related to the validity of the charges for these Unassociated records the Postal

Service will exclude all Unassociated records from consideration when recasting the March through August involces to give both the mailing industry and the Postal Service the opportunity to review these records and

understand their root causes before making any decision regarding the future assessment of these charges. ACS notifications provisioned daily through the Electronic Product Fulfillment process provides a product code

that can be used to identify records that are Unassociated with the information contained in eDoc. Additional information on ACS product codes can be found in the ACS<sup>TM</sup> File Format Technical Guide and the Appendix C: ACS™ Product Code Information and Details posted at https://postalpro.usps.com/address-quality/ACS. ACS customers are strongly encouraged to review and understand this documentation.

ACS customers who have already paid invoices will have their accounts adjusted to remove any charges assessed for Unassociated records for the period March 25<sup>th</sup> through August 24<sup>th</sup>. Separate notifications will be sent to each ACS customer's email account to advise them of the March 25th through August 24th monthly invoice amounts that are payable. ACS customers with any questions or concerns about the invoice charges they receive may contact the ACS Support department to request a review.

For additional information or assistance please contact the ACS Support department at 877-640-0724 (Option

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# PS 3579 Hardcopy Notices



## **PS Form 3579**

"Full-Service Periodicals mailings using a Full-Service ACS STID are not required to pay for or receive manual address correction notices, unless they are requested by the mailer."

- PS Form 3579 notices are required and charged when:
  - Not entered as Full-Service Periodical mailing
  - IMb<sup>™</sup> contains a Manual Corrections Service Type ID (STID)
  - Contains an invalid IMb or no IMb
  - IMb contains a Traditional ACS<sup>™</sup> STID but:
    - Missing or Invalid Participant ID &/or Keyline\*
    - Unreadable Participant ID &/or Keyline\*\*

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\* A keyline is required to receive ACS Nixie notices

\*\* DMM 507.4.2.5b "non-narrow variant of Helvetica or Arial sans serif font in the range of 10 to 12 points."



## **PS Form 3579 Suppression**

- Implemented processes to suppress printing of PS Form 3579 for qualifying Full-Service mailers.
  - PARS changes deployed Aug 27<sup>th</sup>
  - CFS changes deployed nationally Sept 18<sup>th</sup>

PARS 3579 Suppression Process							
		PRINT	ED	NOT P	RINTED		
Total 3579 - Last Weekly Reporting *CFS & PARS	% Generated by PARS	% Manual Correction Requested	% Other Printed	% PARS Supressed	% Converted to ACS		
181,278	35.6%	68.3%	5.0%	16.4%	10.3%		



## **Opportunities for Improved Suppression**



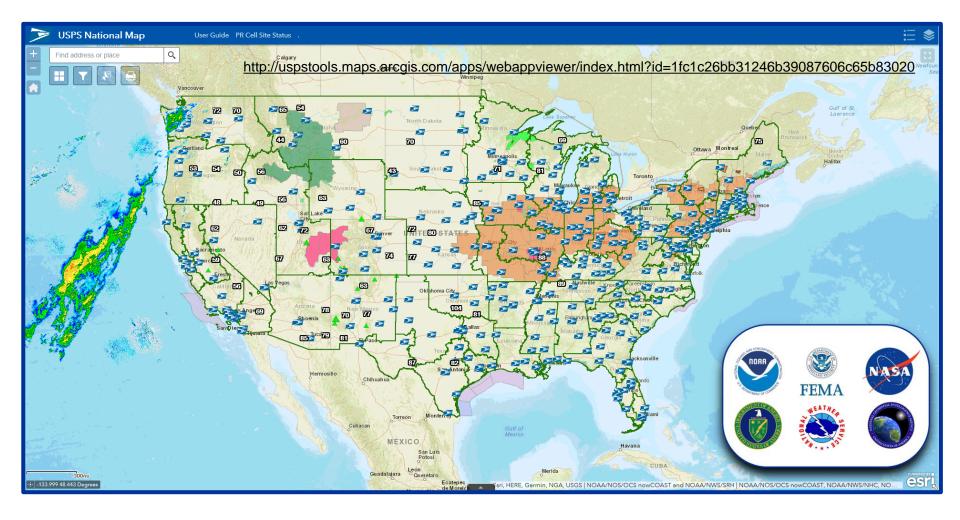
- Registration of valid Title/Mailer ID information with USPS<sup>®</sup> ACS<sup>™</sup> Department
- Enhancements to handle one MID to many magazine titles
- Mailers are required to use Full-Service STIDs to be eligible for PS Form 3579 suppression

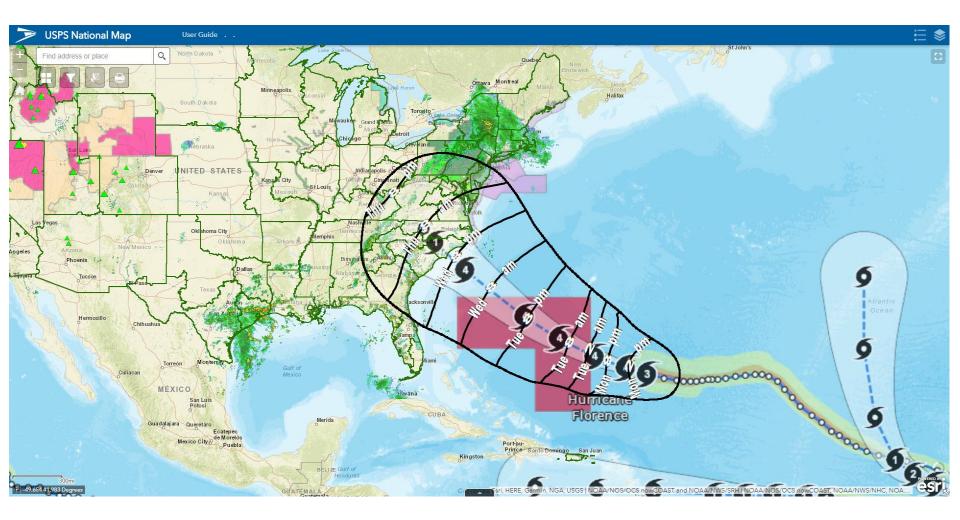




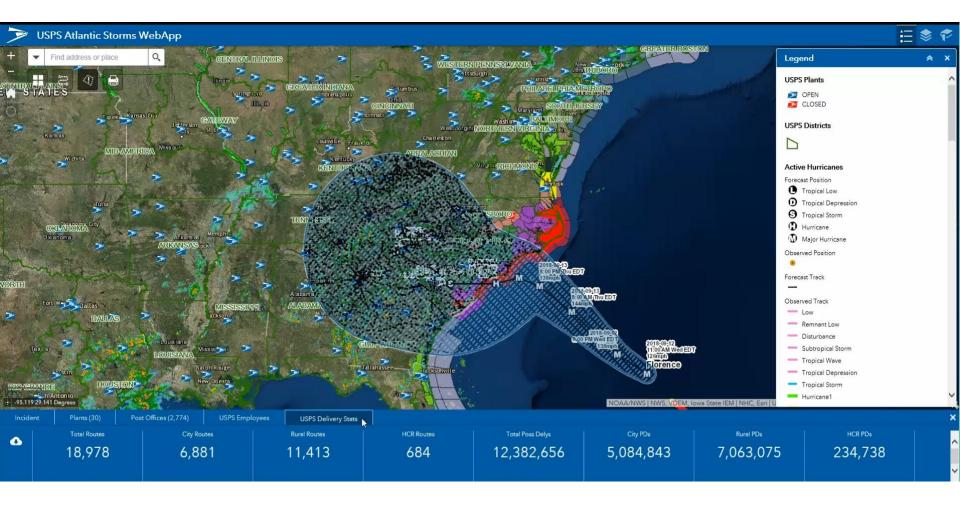
# Geospatial Technology Analytics













# Corporate Reporting **Periodicals**



Last Mile impact for Periodicals was -5 points Q4 TD compared with -7.5 for First-Class Flats

Larger difference for End-to-End Periodicals where LMI was -3.2

Largest contributing factors to differences:

- More e2e Periodicals were processed early; with time to spare for delays in last mile
- Conversely, more e2e Periodicals were already late after processing
- More Periodicals had no delays in last mile

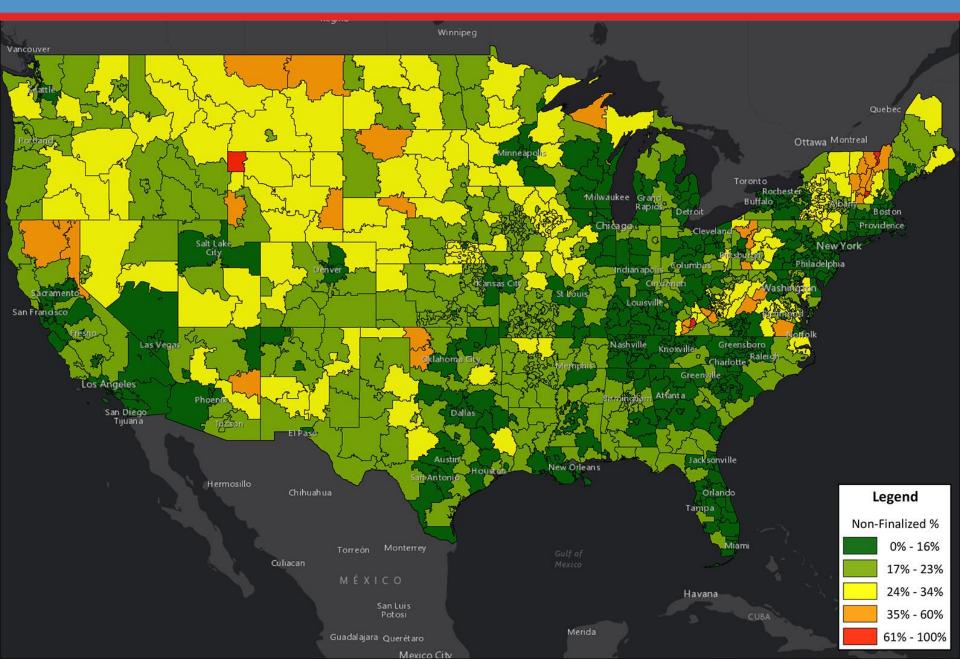
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Q4 FY18 Comparison of Key Factors

E2E Periodicals First-Class Flats



## **Non-Finalized Volume Percent**





Full Service mailpiece data is used to perform the analysis for Finalized vs Non-Finalized Mail. Mail pieces are categorized as Finalized if the mailpiece met one of the below criteria:

- The last processing scan on the mailpiece occurred on a Destination Sequenced Carrier Sortation.
- The mailpiece was destined to a Non-DPS ZIP code and last piece scan occurred on Destination Secondary Processing.

The mailpiece was nested in a Carrier Route bundle and the last scan was the Bundle Visibility Operation Code 870.

Machine Type	<b>Operation Code</b>	Equipment Description	Mail Phase
DBCS	896	DBCS/DIOSS BCS INCOMING SECONDARY	Phase 3a - Destination Secondary Processing
FSS	538	FSS DPS	Phase 3c - Destination Sequenced Carrier Sortation
DBCS	898	DBCS/DIOSS BCS SEC/SEG, 1ST PASS	Phase 3c - Destination Sequenced Carrier Sortation
DBCS	899	DBCS/DIOSS BCS SEC/SEG, 2ND PASS	Phase 3c - Destination Sequenced Carrier Sortation
ALPS	916	DBCS/ALPS BCS DPS, 1ST PASS	Phase 3c - Destination Sequenced Carrier Sortation
ALPS	917	DBCS/ALPS BCS DPS, 2ND PASS	Phase 3c - Destination Sequenced Carrier Sortation
DBCS	918	DBCS/DIOSS BCS DPS, 1ST PASS	Phase 3c - Destination Sequenced Carrier Sortation
DBCS	919	DBCS/DIOSS BCS DPS, 2ND PASS	Phase 3c - Destination Sequenced Carrier Sortation
IMDAS	870	99M / 99P Container Distributed at DU (IMDAS)	Phase 4c - Delivery

If the mailpiece did not meet the above requirements or did not receive a scan, it was categorized as Non-Finalized.



## **Bundle Irregularity data distribution through IV**

 Currently working with Idealliance to review business rules for Bundle Irregularity. Upon confirmation of the business rules, bundle irregularity data will be made available in IV-MTR. The release date will be communicated to the mailers via UG4.





# Periodicals Service Diagnostics



### Last Mile Diagnostics

## Last Mile Diagnostics Periodicals

## For scans Quarter-to-date 07/02/2018 to 09/11/2018 472,454 selected out of 17,414,659 included piece count







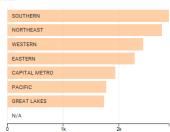




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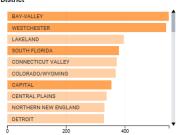
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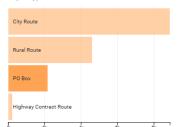
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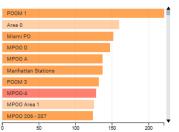
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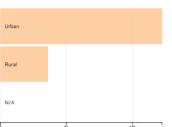
### Sample Type



### MPOO



#### Urban/Rural



### Mail Class 🕤



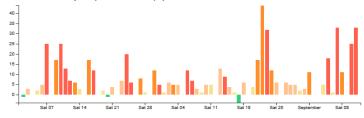
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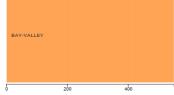


## Last Mile Diagnostics Periodicals

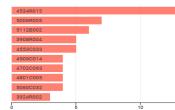




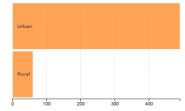




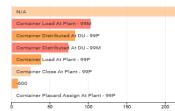
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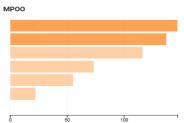


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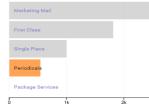


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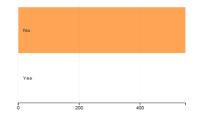




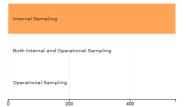
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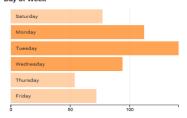
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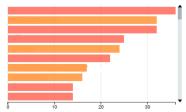




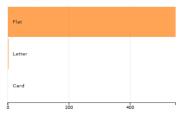
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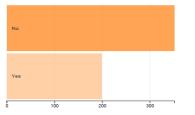
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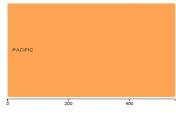
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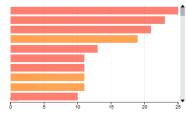
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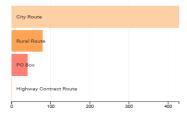




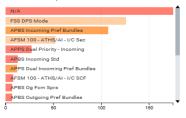
Destination ZIP Code



Sample Type



MPE Last Proc Op





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Mail Shape	Total Select	ed Processing Failed	Overall Failed	Total	Processing Score	Last Mile Impact		
Service Standard		5,876,324	9,243,196	78,510,882	92.52%	-4.29%		
Lane Threshold Pieces	Segment							
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# Mail In Measurement Approach to Increasing Mail in Measurement



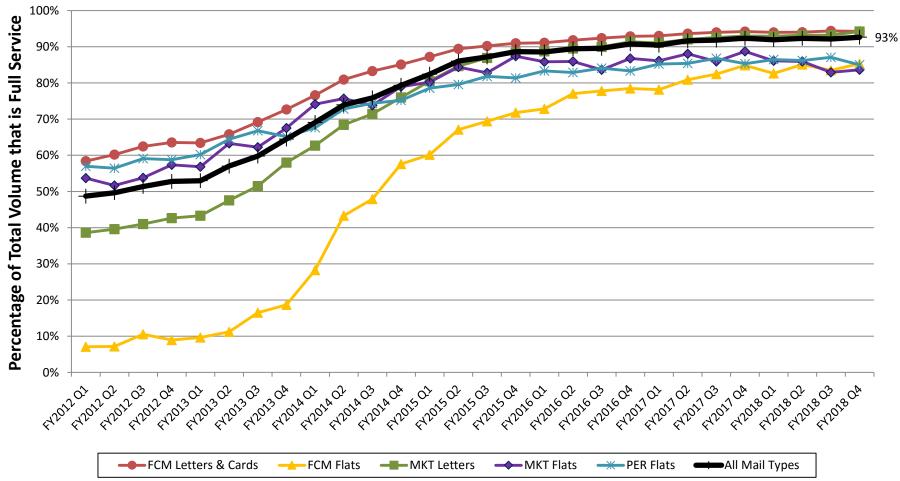
## Visibility in mail falling out of measurement

- IV-MTR will provide the piece level information when mail is not included in service measurement
- Data will be provided based on the following
  - Develop an API for mailers to call and retrieve piece level data based on MID/CRID for whom they have delegation
  - Data feed option will be available for those who do not utilize API
  - There will be latency in the provisioning of the data. Within internal systems, we can take as much as 14 days after last operation scan to update the include/exclude of mail pieces
  - Exclusion reason will be included with data
  - Follows order of precedence for reason code
  - Will provide a data dictionary on reason code
  - The provisioning of the data and precedence of reasons will be shared with User Group 4 members



## In July 2018, 93% of Commercial mail eligible for Full-Service was Full-Service

Note: Below graph depicts FS Adoption % as an avg. for the quarter; Slide title depicts the % for the latest month.



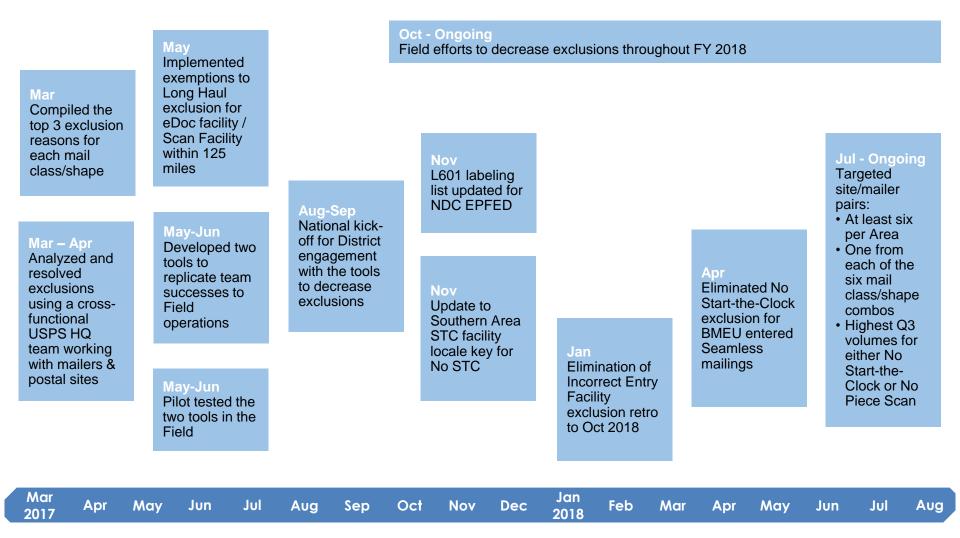


## In FY18 Q4TD, about 77% of Full-Service mail was in Measurement

Mail Class	Mail Shape	Commercial	Full-Service Eligible	Full-Service	In Measurement	% of Full-Service In Measurement
First Class Presort	Letter/Card	3,074,627,134	2,956,730,039	2,855,136,761	1,983,250,586	69.46%
First Class Presort	Flat	46,322,936	41,993,957	36,516,264	23,011,459	63.02%
USPS Marketing	Letter	4,281,075,105	4,200,812,858	3,984,707,646	3,334,066,294	83.67%
USPS Marketing	Flat	1,508,279,792	1,016,562,182	850,109,494	636,768,923	74.90%
Periodicals	Flat	320,200,803	308,579,253	289,639,685	187,709,659	64.81%
Total		9,230,505,770	8,524,678,289	8,016,109,850	6,164,806,921	76.91%

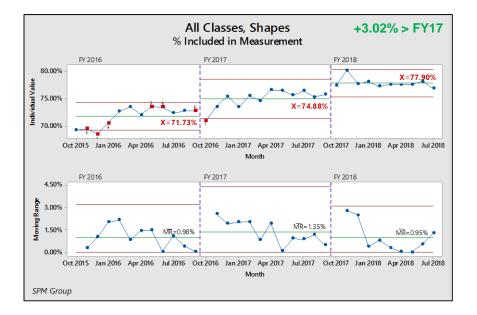


### Mail in Measurement by FY: FY16 = 71.73%, FY17 = 74.88%, FY18 YTD = 77.90%



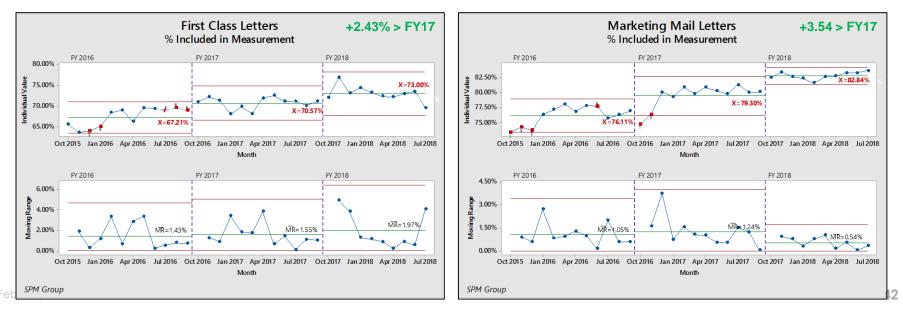


## Increase Mail In Measurement % Included FY 2018 YTD Jul



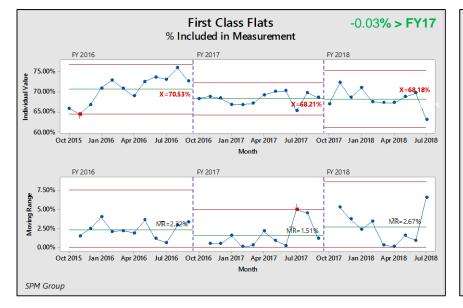
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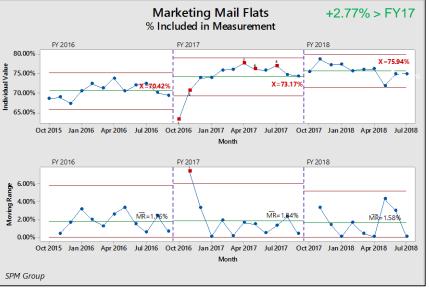
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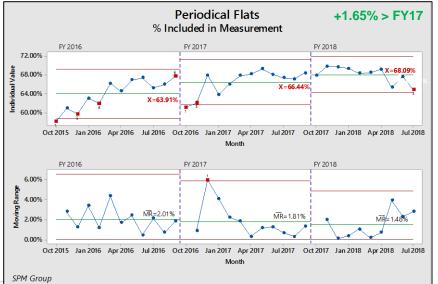


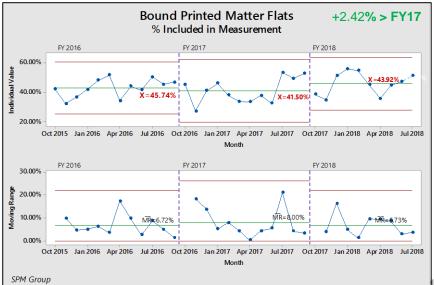


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# Thank You!