



# Green, Red and Blue Stamp Colors

Used for both domestic and foreign mailings of post/postal cards and letters.

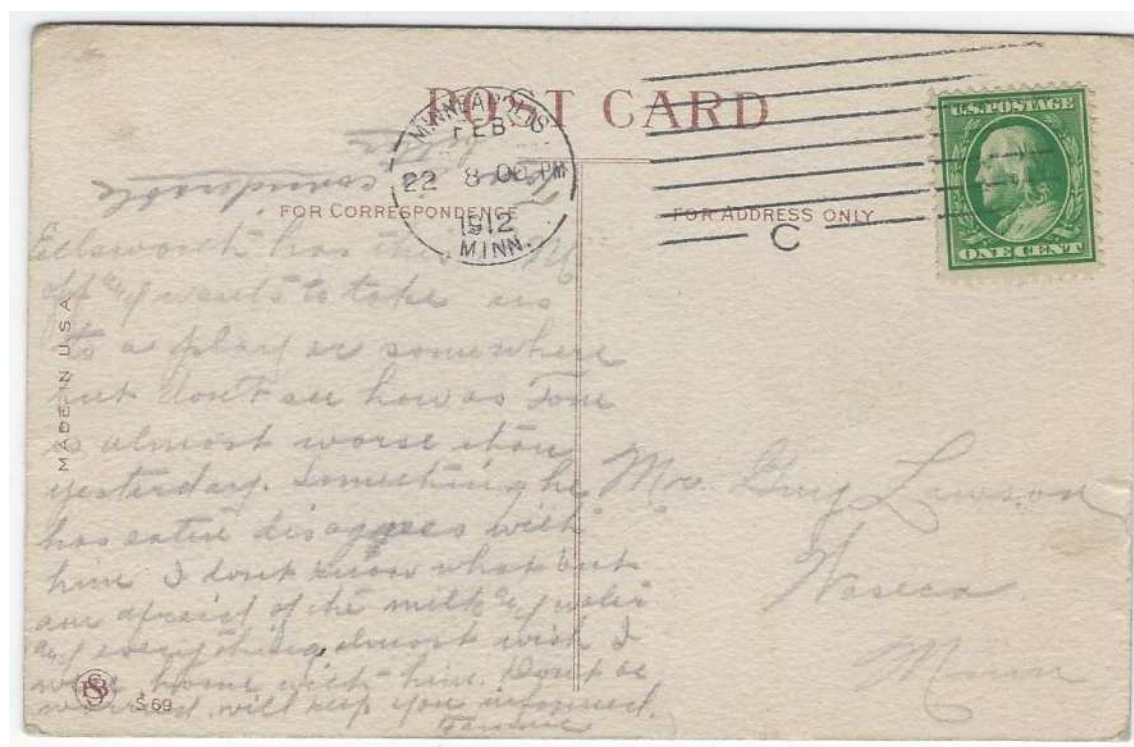
## Through this time period the U.P.U. recommended colors for postage stamps for easier sorting by mail clerks

- ▶ Green colored stamps (Valued at one cent)
  - ▶ In the USA these stamps were used for post/postal cards.
  - ▶ Other foreign countries within the UPU followed suit with their monetary units similar in value.
- ▶ Red colored stamps (Valued at two cents)
  - ▶ Used for both domestic letters and foreign countries for post/postal cards.
- ▶ Blue colored stamps (Valued at five cents)
  - ▶ Used for letters to UPU countries to handle surface mail as opposed to air mail as air mail became used more and more during and after WW2.

## Domestic post/postal card rate - one cent

In use from July 1, 1898 to December 31, 1952

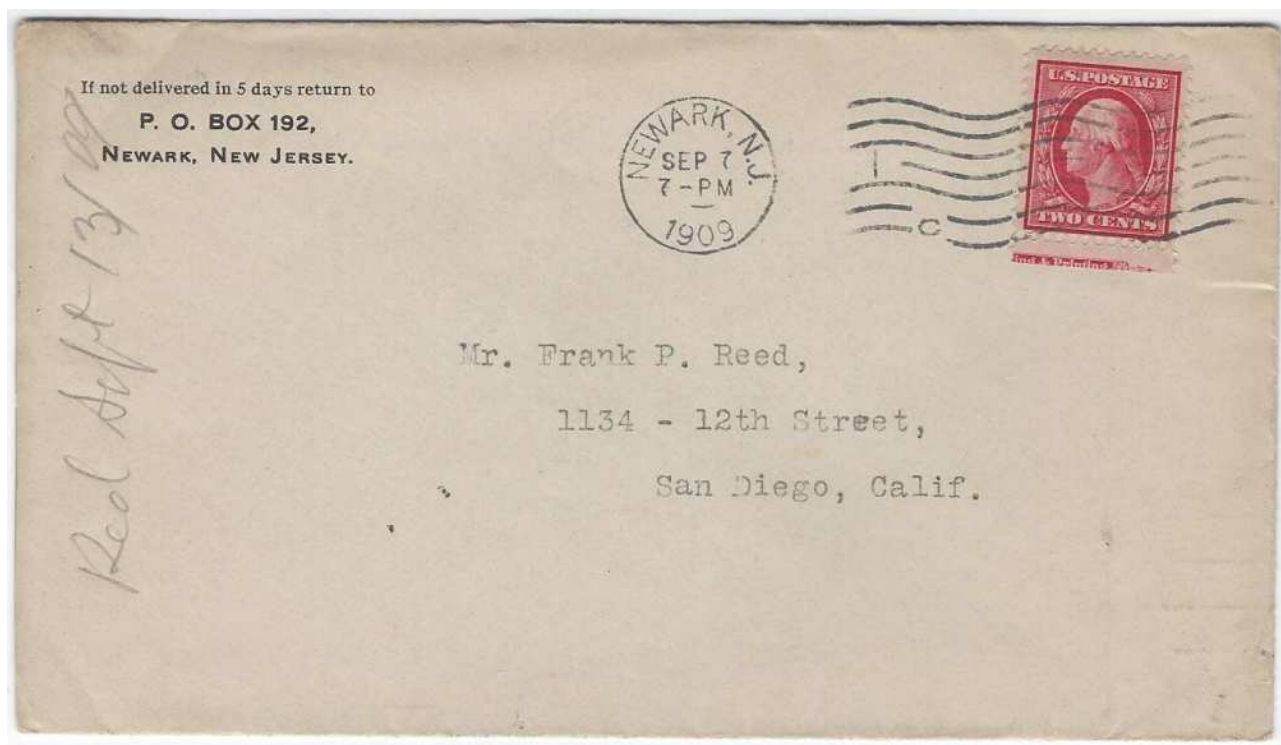
Except Nov. 11, 1917 - June 30, 1919 & April 15, 1925 - June 30, 1928



## Domestic first-class letter rate - 2 cents

July 1, 1885 - December 31, 1952

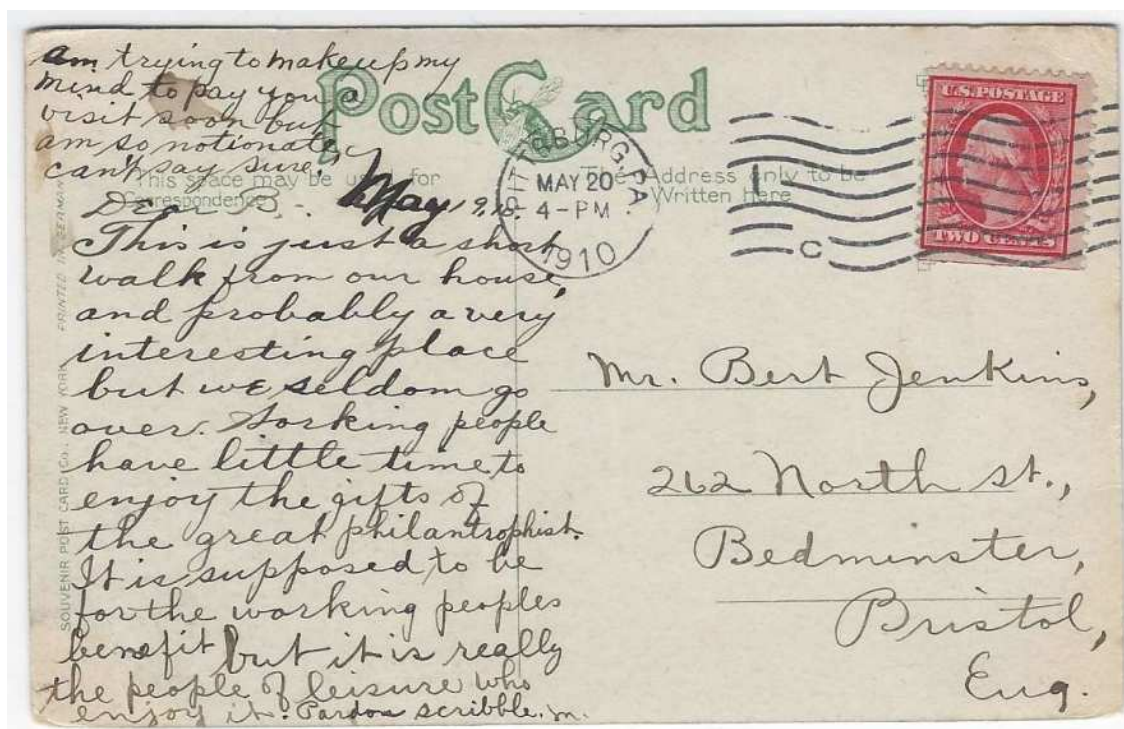
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# Surface post/postal card to U.P.U. countries

two cents

Used from July 1, 1875 to September 30, 1925



## Surface letter rate to U.P.U. countries

Five cents

Used from July 1, 1875 to September 30, 1953

