

Post Office

For years, I've been asking people how much of their mail is advertising. The average answer ranges around 70 to 80%. When I ask how much of it they read the answer is close to 0. That means that 75% of what the Post Office delivers is total waste and pollution. Sure do wish they'd quit shitting in my mailbox. It's an ugly, disgusting way to fund the mail. If we immediately double the subsidized cost of bulk advertising, the volume of junk mail would likely decrease by half to two thirds with little decrease in revenue, taking a huge load off the post office.

When the post office delivers packages, it saves the shipper a few cents, but the person receiving it has to drive to the post office and wait in line. It's disgustingly inefficient.

The US Post Office is our last bastion of private discourse. It can't be hacked and it has a paper trail. This makes the mail-in ballot the most secure form of voting. It's no wonder that Trump and his corrupt cronies want to stop it. Last time around his crooked Postmaster General attempted to severely cripple the Post Office. It's a good thing he failed. I assume he'll try again in order to steal the next election.

For all its inefficiency, the post office is still a necessary part of our society. Restructuring it might raise the cost of a letter, but it needs to happen.