Postal operations and COVID-19 – a temporary or structural change?

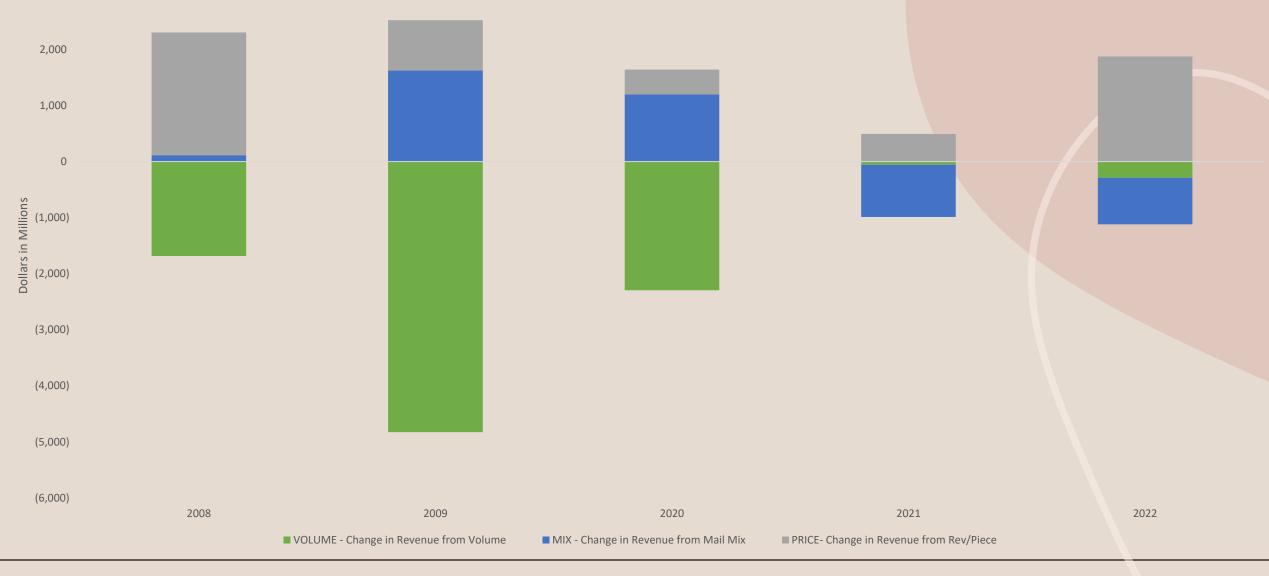
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Average Annual Percent Change in Mail Volume

				Pandemic Period
	2008-2009	2010-2019	2020	2020-2022
First Class Letters	-6.5%	-3.8%	-4.6%	-4.6%
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Packages	-8.3%	14.1%	22.9%	5.6%
Total Mail Volume	-9.1%	-2.2%	-9.9%	-3.8%

First Class Letter Revenue – Change from prior year



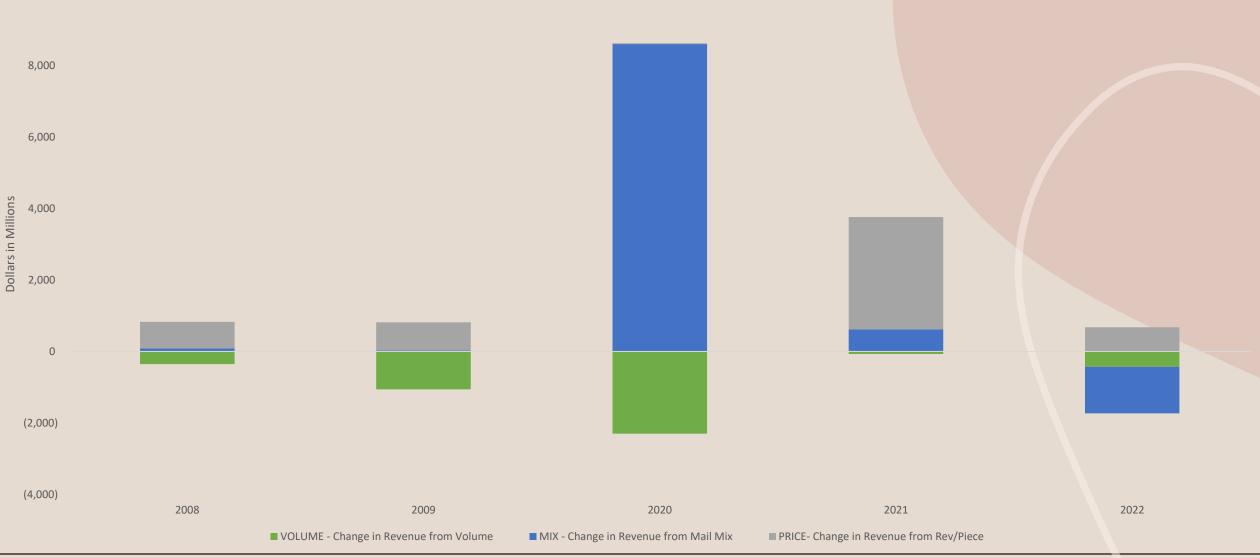


Marketing Mail Revenue – Change from prior year



Package Revenue – Change from prior year

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Average Annual Percent Change in Workhours

	Recession		COVID-19	Pandemic Period 2020-2022
Overtime	-39.3%	7.1%	8.9%	4.8%
Sick	-3.9%	-2.1%	6.8%	4.8%
Total Workhours	-6.2%	-0.7%	0.1%	0.2%

Influence of Macroeconomic factors on Volume

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Employment	-1.8%	1.3%	-4.1%	0.2%
Retail Sales	-4.7%	4.0%	2.1%	8.9%
E-commerce Sales	3.6%	13.7%	30.1%	20.5%

So...

Did COVID-19 cause temporary or structural change to the postal sector?



thank you

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