## Ask the USPS: Live Q&A

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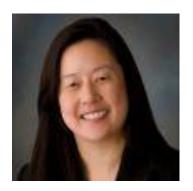
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### **Today's Speaker**



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# Why should we consider Direct Mail as part of an overall marketing mix?



### It's popular.

98% of consumers bring their mail in the day it is delivered, with 72% bringing it in at the first opportunity

It's effective. 76% of consumers look at or read their Direct Mail, and 55% read catalogs they receive in the mail.



Consumers receiving a catalog are twice as likely to make a purchase at a retailer's website





### It's focused.

Delivers a targeted message to a selected audience, so you can focus on the people who are most likely to respond

## Can Direct Mail really get the message delivered to "the" target audience?



# Maximizing results. Tips for generating the best ROI.







Be Selective

Know Your Audience

Personalize

# How is direct mail holding up in the digital age?

While marketing channels have evolved over the decades so has **DIRECT MAIL**.

1984

#### AMERICA'S HIGHEST MILEAGE 6-PASSENGER CARS.



#### FRONT-WHEEL-DRIVE AND HIGH MILEAGE.

The Plymouth Reliant has the highest mileage rating of any six-passenger car in America. 41° estimated highway (25) EPA estimated MPG. Pymouth's advanced front-wheel-drive technology provides more effective engine power, and reduces weight by eliminating heavy drive shaft parts.

"Relant Wagon: 40 est thay: DEEPA est MPG, Use EPA est, MPG for companion. Your miseage may vary depending on speed, weather conditions and the length. Actual highway releage will probably be less California schemas show."

#### FRONT-WHEEL-DRIVE AND SIX-PASSENGER

Reliant's engine and transmission are mounted sideways over the front wheels along with the rest of the powertrain. This leaves room for a passenger compartment that comfortably seats six. It also gives Reliant far better traction than that of conventional cars because all of the engine and transaxle weight is over the drive wheels.

#### FRONT-WHEEL-DRIVE AND QUALITY.

Reliant is built in America's most advanced assembly

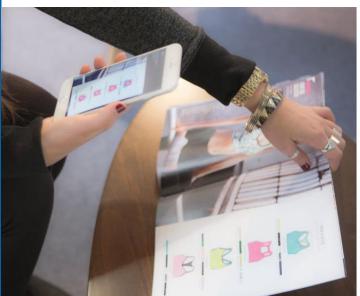
### Today



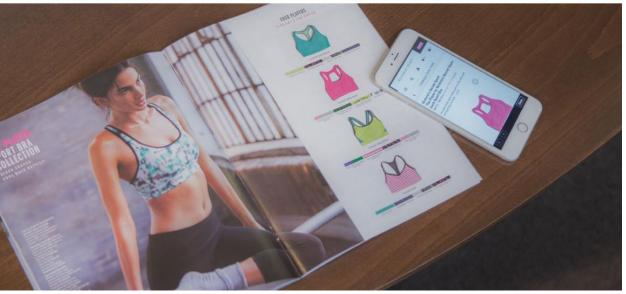


Augmented reality can dramatically enhance users' ability to interact with print mail they receive.

Here, the user can shop in a customized, fun, and interactive way from the comfort of her couch.







## Google

### Google Shares the Power of Adwords

With an interactive learning tool that spans the physical and digital realms – delivered in the form of a mailed box.

### 95%

experienced Adwords and opened the box.

### 51%

Went online and took the survey. 10x the normal response rate.

## ROI of **9000%**

90x the investment in the campaign.





Using an innovative augmented reality app, users can scan an Ikea print catalogs to get a little help visualizing new furniture in the room of their choice.

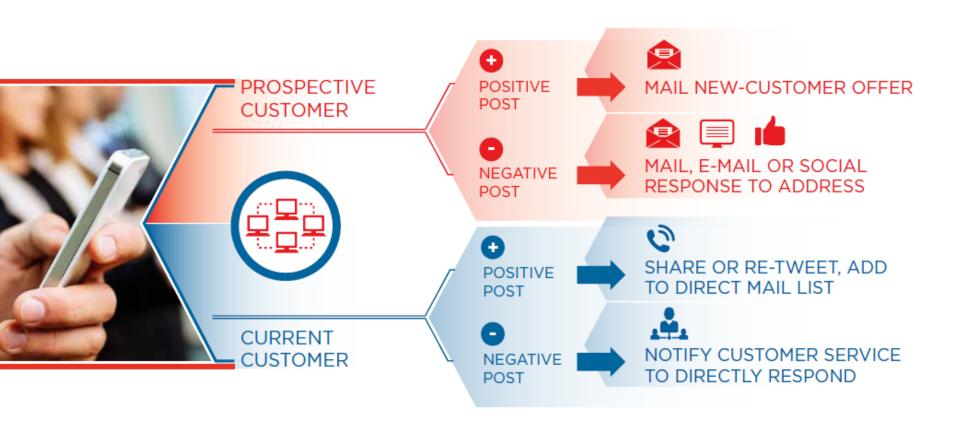
It's the ultimate personalized shopping tool, showing customers exactly how Ikea can enhance their homes.

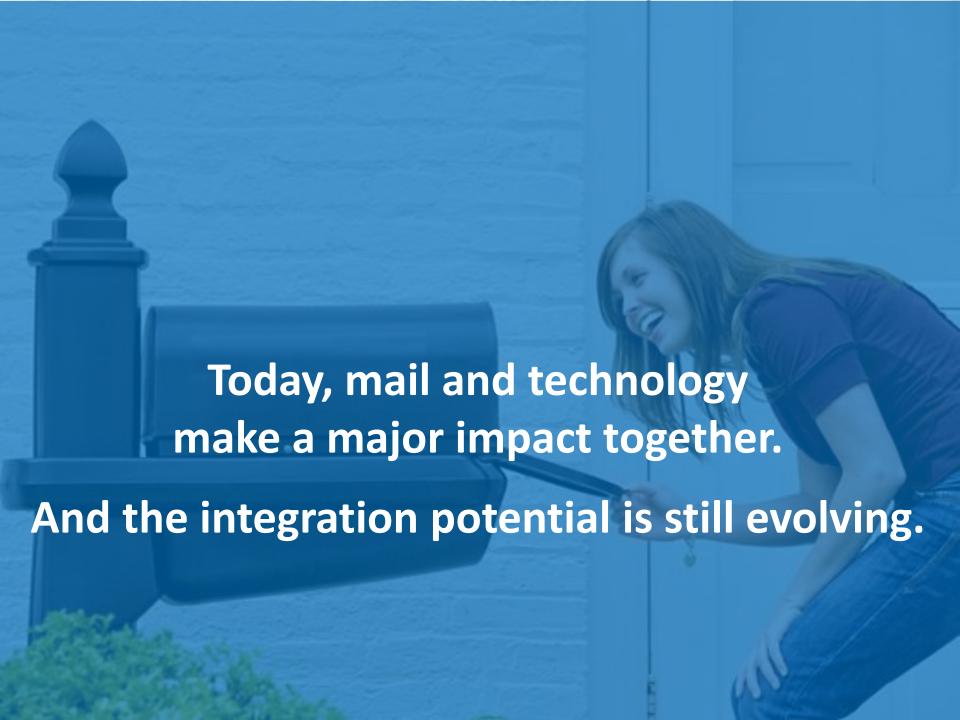




### Using Social Media Technology

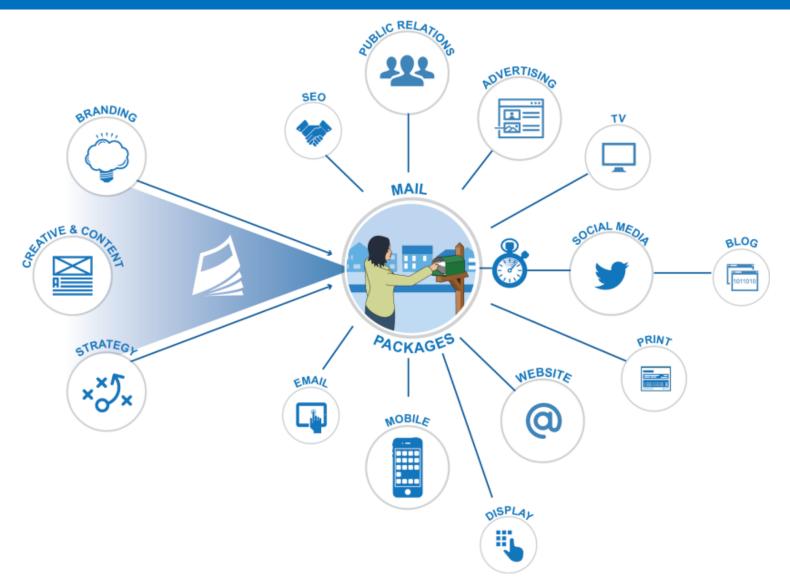
to trigger either a digital or Direct Mail response to customers





# How do you see direct mail fitting into integrated marketing campaigns?

## Direct Mail can be the lynchpin for integrated marketing campaigns

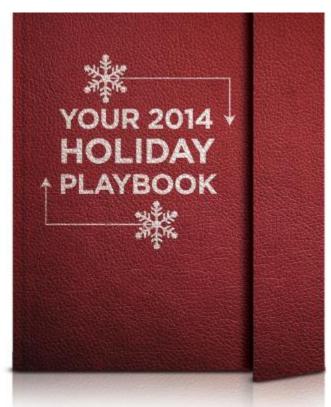


### **USPS** practices what it preaches

Mailed its Holiday Playbook to approximately 129 million households as part of its integrated 2014 holiday campaign









### **USPS Holiday DM Results**

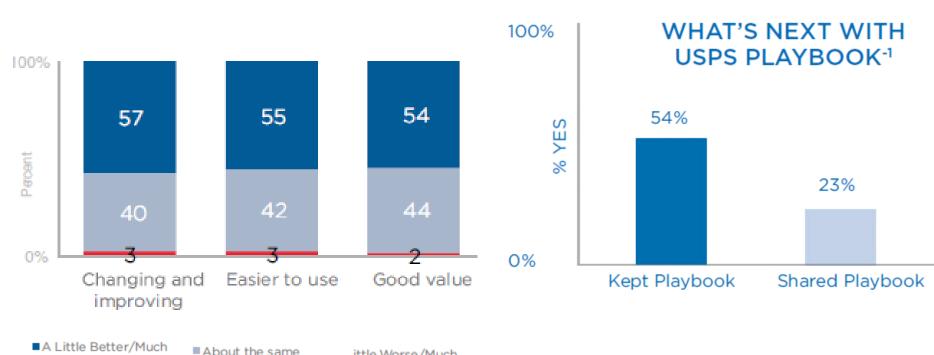
15% of the population surveyed, recall receiving the Playbook. Average response rate according to DMA is 3.4%.

#### Positive effect on USPS brand

(Middle)

Better (Top 2 box)

#### Used as a resource guide



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rse (Bottom 2 Box)

### **USPS Holiday Microsites**

Mobile Optimized landing pages for digital interaction with USPS Holiday Playbook

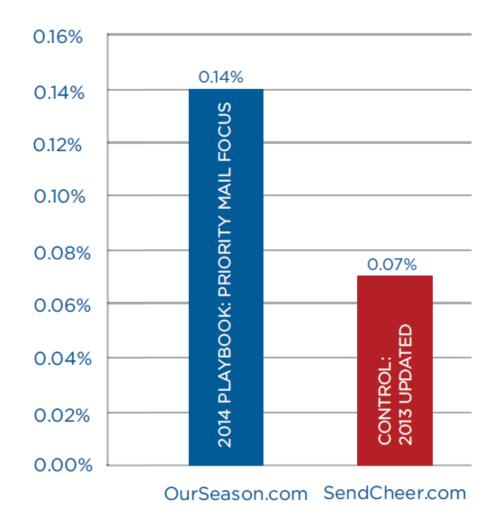


### **USPS Holiday DM Results**

Holiday microsite visits; Outperformed control by nearly double

DM HOLIDAY URL VISITORS: 181,162

% Number of visitors / DMs Dropped



### **Utilized Augmented Reality**

Trigger from Direct Mail and iconic blue boxes



### **USPS Holiday DM Results**

#### Augmented reality drove digital interaction

	Recall	Used the Feature	
Scheduling a free pickup of packages for shipping	64	20	
Buying Rudolph Holiday Stamps	64	21	
Ordering free Priority Mail boxes for shipping needs	61	18	
Tracking packages	62	37	One-third used the USPS AR <u>app</u>
Shipping items through Priority Mail Express	61	30	



### It has reinvigorated Direct Mail.

of consumers react to direct mail immediately 78% visit a brand's website when receiving mail 44% **Nearly** of consumers have a retailer's catalog handy when making an online purchase 1 in 3 of online shoppers browse catalogs for ideas 58% of companies have incorporated quick **52%** response (QR) codes in catalogs or direct mail

### Mail is driving online traffic.

QR codes, augmented reality, PURLS, and intelligent print imaging have closed the gap between the physical and digital space.

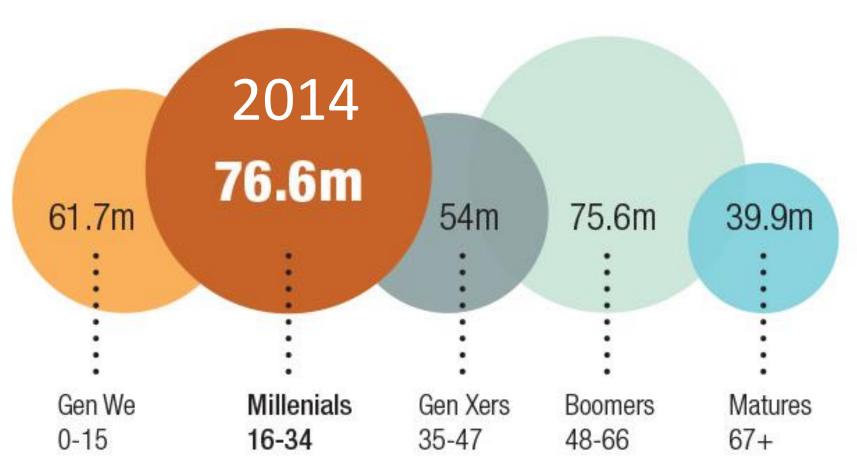




# What consumer group will be a "sweet spot" for direct mail in the future?

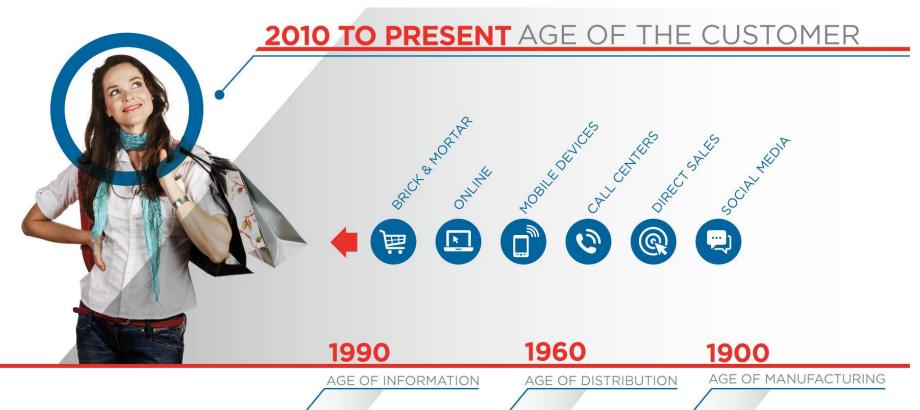
### **Millennials**

#### By 2030 will outnumber BOOMERS by 22 Million



### **Millennials**

#### Age of the Connected Customer









## Growing up in the digital age, do millenials care about mail?

### **Millennials**

75% find mail they receive as valuable



#### **Millennials**

**92%** influenced by direct mail to make purchase decisions, only 78% by email



#### **Millennials**

Preference for receiving sales promotions:

90% prefer by postal delivery

70% prefer via email/other digital delivery



# What Is Every Door Direct Mail?

#### ★ COULD IT DELIVER A NEW CLIENT? ★



It can if you know where to look. Every Door Direct Mail-Retail\* service from USPS® is an efficient and affordable way to reach the potential clients who matter most. For as low as 17.5° per piece. Our free online mapping tool helps you select mailing routes, plus lets you narrow the selection by household age range, income and average household size.\* It even displays the total postage cost per route, so you can be sure your marketing dollars work harder. That adds up.

To learn more and get your

#### FREE EVERY DOOR DIRECT MAIL-RETAIL\* ADVERTISING KIT.

fill out the reply card or go to usps.com/everydoor.



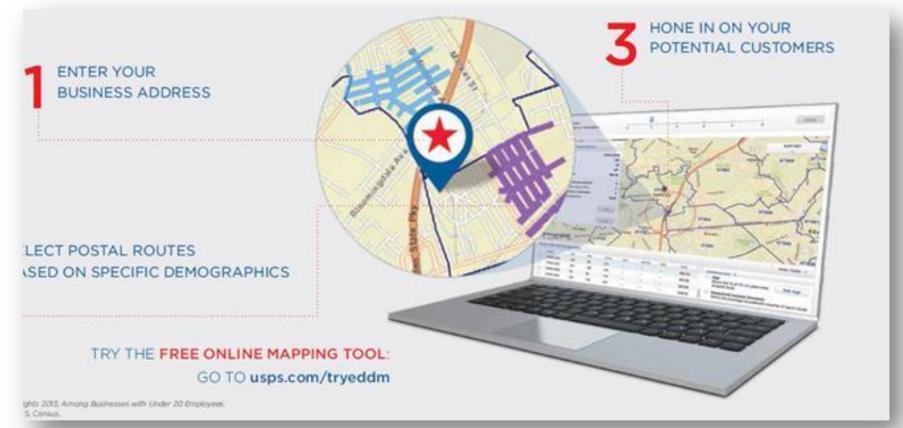


## **Every Door** Direct Mail®

is an efficient and affordable way to pinpoint and reach the potential clients for as low as 17.5¢ per piece.

### **EDDM: Free online mapping tool**

- helps you select mailing routes
- filter by household, age range, income
- Displays postage cost per route



# **Every Door Direct Mail.**

No fuss. No lists, names, or permits required. Full area saturation.



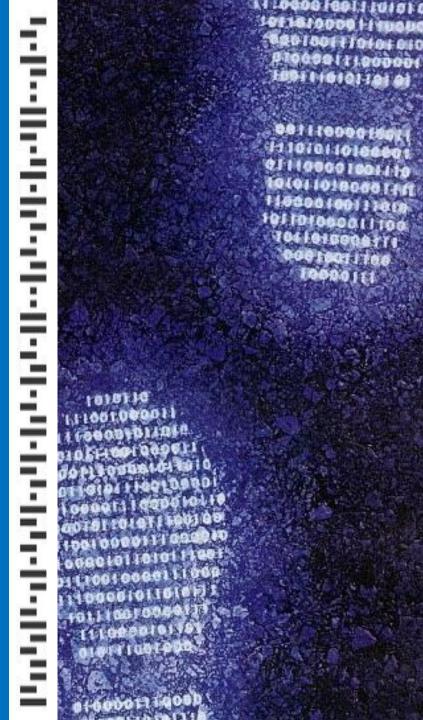
Can you expand on the whole idea of the Intelligent Mail Barcode (I.M.B.) and the value it can bring to a marketer?



IMb is driving innovation at USPS. Opening up new possibilities. Utilizing data to personalize an end-to-end customer experience.

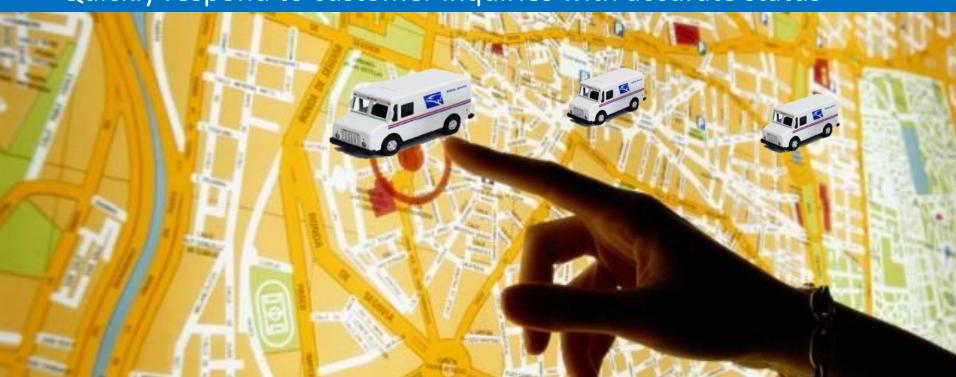
# Full Service IMb saves money, drives better ROI

- Access to lowest possible rates and mailing incentives
- Track when payments are sent
- Eliminates permit fees; Use of One Permit Across All Mailing Locations ("Mail Anywhere")
- Improved ROI on Mailings



# Full Service IMb strengthens mail as a marketing channel

- Coordinate cross-channel marketing, know exact in-home dates
- End-to-end tracking and visibility
- Improved response rates and performance measurement
- Quickly respond to customer inquiries with accurate status



# OTHER QUESTIONS?

#### **Question & Answer Session**

If you haven't done so already, please take this time to submit questions to our speakers using the "Ask a Question" box on your console.

#### **Thank You**

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