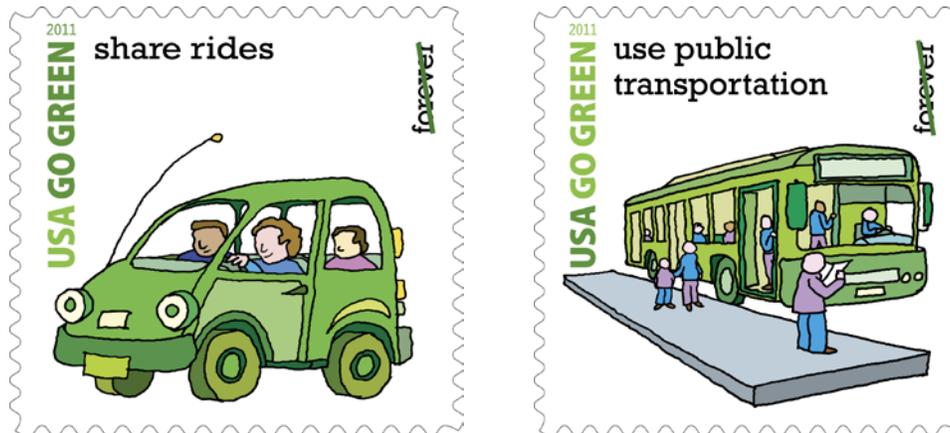


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U.S. Postal Service Encourages Ride Sharing *Postage Stamps Remind America to Go Green*



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WASHINGTON — As Americans focus on autumn activities and to-do lists, the Postal Service's *Go Green Forever* stamps remind everyone to consider using ride sharing and public transportation as easy ways to save fuel and reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

"The Postal Service became a lot greener last year," said Chief Sustainability Officer Thomas G. Day. "From fiscal years 2008 to 2011, we reduced our total greenhouse gas emissions by more than 7 percent, the equivalent of removing more than 200,000 passenger vehicles off the road for an entire year."

The Postal Service is committed to sustainable business practices and employee green initiatives. The agency tracks employee commuting as an important source of Scope 3 indirect GHG emissions. To help save fuel and reduce GHG emissions, the Postal Service encourages employees to share rides and use public transportation whenever possible.

"Postal employees take pride in conserving fuel, energy and other resources," Day added. "More than 850 Lean Green teams work to implement low- and no-cost ways to conserve natural resources and reduce costs, and they helped USPS recycle more than 215,000 tons of material, generating more than \$24 million in fiscal year 2011 alone. Leaner, greener, smarter and faster is our sustainability call to action. It's environmentally responsible and a good business decision."

Details of the Postal Service's energy savings results can be found in its [2011 Annual Sustainability Report](#) and on Slideshare at:
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The Postal Service has won numerous environmental honors, including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) WasteWise Partner of the Year award in 2010 and 2011, the EPA's National Partnership for Environmental Priorities award in 2011 and The Climate Registry Gold award in 2011.

USPS participates in the [International Post Corporation's Environmental Measurement and Monitoring System](#), the global postal industry's program to reduce its carbon footprint 20 percent by 2020 based on an FY 2008 baseline.

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