Change in postal service

necessary

In the Netherlands, we send less mail every year. If we need to get a message somewhere fast, we often send it digitally. Receiving mail continues to be important for consumers and companies alike, though. A card announcing the birth of a child, for example, or a voting card. Despite the massive decline in mail items, PostNL still walks every street five days a week. But this no longer fits the way we live.

That's why PostNL is calling for a change to the postal service.

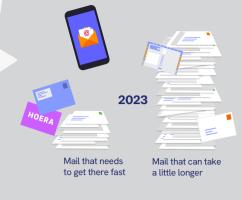
And thus to the Dutch Postal Act.

Mail has seen a role change

There's less demand for mail that must arrive the next day. After all, we have digital alternatives now. It's OK for lots of mail to take a little longer.



to get there fast



Consumer survey Recent survey of a representative sample of 1,027 Dutch people.*



have declined From 3 letters a day to 4 letters a week.

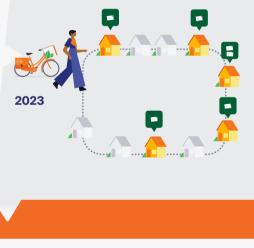
Mail volumes



PostNL still walks every street every day

But in bringing less mail, we're skipping more and more homes.





19.600 postboxes 500 sorting centres 2004

continued to adapt And has itself absorbed the decline in volumes all these years.

PostNL has



Manually

Post office

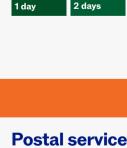
Delivered

3 days

the next working day. In many other countries

Previously

standard mail takes longer.







Ttoday

as we need it to step in to change the rules imposed by the Dutch Postal Act. Mail that really needs to get there the next day will be delivered the next day (at higher prices).



Our aim: a future-proof

postal sector

Accessible mail



For everyone in the Netherlands:









And for employees: