

POST, TELEPHONE
AND
TELEGRAPH STATISTICS.

REVENUE and EXPENDITURE of POST OFFICE.

REVENUE:—	£	£
Gross Receipts from Letters, Post Cards, Newspapers, Books and Parcels	32,962	
Commission on Money Orders and Postal Orders...	370	
Miscellaneous	4,517	
Total Postal Revenue ... ..	...	37,849
EXPENDITURE:—		
For salaries, wages and all expenses of Postal Service (including Money and Postal Order Business) within the Island	19,120	
For conveyance of Mails beyond the Island ...	12,178	
Total cost of Postal Service ... ..	...	31,298
	...	6,551

MAIL SERVICE.

Between Malta and	Line of Steamers	Contract		Number of Mails	Total Annual Subsidy	Govt. s share of Subsidy	Other Payments to Contractors
		Commencement	Termination				
Malta-Syracuse	Cassar Co. Ltd.	21. 2. 30	20. 2. 42	Six times weekly	£18,500	—	—
Tunis	Tirrenia	—	—	Once weekly	—	—	—
Tripoli	Do.	—	—	Twice weekly	—	—	—
Catania or Messina	"Adria" Coy.	21. 2. 30	—	Occasionally	—	£6 per trip	—
Marseilles	P.&O. S.N. Coy.	14. 6. 28	—	Fort-nightly	£3,000	—	—

Number of Post, Money Order, and Telegraph Offices

Post Offices	Money Order Offices	Telegraph Offices
5	5	The Eastern Telegraph Company, Limited

Statement of the Estimated Total Number of Ordinary Letters, etc., dealt with

Posted in Malta and Gozo.		Disposed of in Malta and Gozo.	
Letters	3,801,605	Letters	2,901,001
Post Cards	170,572	Post Cards	125,983
Other articles	1,170,208	Other articles	1,708,403
	<u>5,145,686</u>		<u>4,795,388</u>
Received from abroad.		Despatched abroad.	
Letters	1,440,030	Letters	2,341,640
Post Cards	96,055	Post Cards	140,894
Other articles	735,085	Other articles	136,890
	<u>2,271,170</u>		<u>2,621,424</u>
	<u>7,416,862</u>		<u>7,416,812</u>

Statement of the Actual Total Number of Registered and Insured Articles dealt with

Posted in Malta and Gozo.		Disposed of in Malta and Gozo.	
Registered	98,255	Registered	84,056
Insured	1,605	Insured	1,007
	<u>99,860</u>		<u>85,063</u>
Received from abroad.		Despatched abroad.	
Registered	75,131	Registered	89,330
Insured	1,007	Insured	1,605
	<u>76,138</u>		<u>90,935</u>
	<u>175,998</u>		<u>175,998</u>
INTERNAL.		EXTERNAL.	
Parcels	105	Received.	Despatched.
		50,089	9,501

Postal Orders dealt with

British Postal Orders issued	Number 81,285	value £31,656	0. 0
.. .. paid	.. 38,354	.. 14,966	0. 0

Statement of the Amount of Money Order Transactions between Malta and the United Kingdom, and between Malta and other Colonies or Foreign Countries.

	Issued in Colony	Advised for payment in Colony
	£	£
United Kingdom including Canada, United States of America etc. ...	18,786	15,204
Australia, Egypt, India, Gibraltar and Foreign countries ...	1,659	7,728
Total ...	<u>20,445</u>	<u>22,932</u>

Rates of Postage and Charges, In and From Malta.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN POSTAGE—LETTERS.

Post Office Act of 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notice No. 282 of 1930.

Letters to the United Kingdom, British Colonies, British Possessions, British Protectorates, H.M. Ships abroad and United States of America and Tangiers:—										
For the first 1 oz.	1d.
for every additional oz.	1d.
Single Postcards	2d.
Reply Postcards	2d.
Letters to all other places not mentioned above, { for the first 1 oz. ... 1d. for any additional 1 oz. ... 1d.										
Single postcard ... 1d.										
Reply postcard ... 1d. + 1d.										
Newspapers, books, Printed papers etc., for every 2 oz. or part thereof ... 1d.										
Commercial Papers, for the first 10 oz. ... 2d.										
for every additional 2 oz. ... 1d.										
Patterns and Samples, for the first 4 oz. ... 1d.										
for every additional 2 oz. ... 1d.										
For every 2 oz. with a minimum charge of 6d. ... 1d.										
Small Packets ... 1d.										

LOCAL POSTAGE—LETTERS.

Post Office Act 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notice No. 108 of 1924

Letters not exceeding 1 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
for every additional oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
Single postcard	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
Reply postcard	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d. + 1d.
Printed Matter, Book pockets, etc., for every 2 ozs.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
Newspapers—For every 2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
In the case of a local newspaper exceeding in weight 2 oz. the rate for each will not be more than 1d.										
Commercial Papers, for the first 4 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
for every additional 2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
Samples, for every 4 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.

AIR MAIL.

Government Notice No. 105 and No. 106 of the 18th May, 1934.

Rates of postage including air mail fee.

United Kingdom, Irish Free State:										
Letters first 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5d.
each additional 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
Postcards	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5d.
Printed matter, commercial papers and samples per 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
*** Via Tunis and Marseilles 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7 1/2d.
Via Marseilles 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3d.
France:										
Letters first 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6d.
each additional 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5d.
Postcards	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5d.
Printed matter, commercial papers and samples per 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
*** Via Tunis and Marseilles 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8d.
Italy:										
Letters first 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
each additional 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3d.
Postcards	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3d.
Printed matter, commercial papers and samples per 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2d.
Tunis (by air from Palermo):										
Letters first 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
each additional 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3d.
Postcards	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3d.
Printed matter, commercial papers and samples per 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2d.
Tunis (by air from Malta via Syracuse and Palermo):										
Letters first 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5 1/2d.
each additional 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4 1/2d.
Postcards	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4 1/2d.
Printed matter, commercial papers and samples per 1/2 oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3 1/2d.

N.B.—The minimum rate for commercial papers is 2d. and for samples 1d. over those above stated.

Air Mail fees exclusive of postage.

* Tripoli	...	...	per 1/2 oz.	2	† Alexandria	...	...	per 1/2 oz.	3
† Greece	...	...	"	2	† Cairo and Upper Egypt	...	...	"	4
† Palestine	...	...	"	3	† Sudan	...	...	"	8
† Iraq	...	...	"	4	† Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika	...	...	"	1 1/2
† Persia	...	...	"	6	† Belgian Congo	...	...	"	1 1/2
† India by air up to Karachi	...	...	"	6	† Rhodesia	...	...	"	1 3/4
† India	...	...	"	10	† South Africa	...	...	"	1 1/2
† Slam	...	...	"	1 4/5	† Netherlands India	...	...	"	1 1/2
† Straits Settlements and Malay States	...	...	"	1 5/8	† Australia and New Zealand	...	...	"	2 3/4
†† Nigeria (via Brindisi)	...	...	"	6	** Brazil: Letters and Postcards for every 5 grams or fraction thereof	...	...	"	2 4/5
El Obeid, El Fasher or Geneina	...	...	"	8	Other articles for every 25 grams or fraction thereof	...	...	"	2 4/5
Fort Lamy	...	...	"	10	** Argentine Republic, Bolivia, Chili, Paraguay and Uruguay: Letters and Postcards for every 5 grams or fraction thereof	...	...	"	2 9/10
*** Nigeria (via Egypt)	...	...	"	3	Other articles for every 25 grams or fraction thereof	...	...	"	2 9/10
El Obeid, El Fasher or Geneina	...	...	"	6					
Fort Lamy, Naidugari, Kano or Lagos	...	...	"	2 0					
††† Hong Kong	...	...	"	2 0					

* Govt. Notice No. 231 of 17.1.31.

† Govt. Notice No. 32 of 21.1.32.

†† Govt. Notice No. 90 of 17.3.30 & No. 446 of 3.10.36

††† Govt. Notice No. 518 of 15.1.33.

Govt. Notice No. 510 of 28.12.34.

Govt. Notice No. 185 of 27.5.30.

** Govt. Notice No. 106 of 2.6.33.

*** Govt. Notice No. 501 of 18.12.35.

RATES OF POSTAGE AND CHARGES, IN AND FROM MALTA—continued.

A. Local Parcels.

PARCEL POST.

The prepaid rates for Parcels exchanged within the limits of these Islands are as follows—
Post Office Act 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notice No. 198 of 1924.

For a parcel not exceeding 1 lb. in weight—

For a parcel not exceeding 1 lb. in weight—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" exceeding 1 lb. but not exceeding 3 lbs.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " 3 lbs. " " " " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " 6 " " " " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " 11 " " " " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

B. Foreign Parcels.

Post Office Act 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notices No. 450 of 14th, December 1931, and No. 111 of 29th, September, 1933.

To United Kingdom	Weight not exceeding				
	2 lbs.	3 lbs.	7 lbs.	11 lbs.	22 lbs.
Egypt	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
France via Tunis	...	1 9	3 0	3 10	6 1
Tunis	1 10	2 1	2 9	3 1	6 1
Gibraltar	1 8	...	...	2 11	5 5*
Italy and Tripoli	...	1 0	2 0	2 6	4 7 1
	1 5	...	...	2 6	4 7 1/2

C. Foreign Parcels.

On parcels between Malta and all other Foreign localities, exchanged through the medium of any of the abovementioned places with which a direct service exists, the full postage comprises, in addition to the rates chargeable from Malta to any of the aforesaid Countries, the outward postage from those Countries to the place of destination.

SHARE OF POSTAGE ON PARCEL MAILS INWARDS.

A share varying from 7d. to 1s. 11d. is apportioned to this Island for every parcel received.

FEES ON INSURED LETTERS.

Post Office Act 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notices Nos. 198 and 222 of 1924.

A fee of 4d. up to £5, 5d. up to £20 and of 1d. for every additional £20 up to £400 is levied on Insured Letters posted in Malta for delivery at any place in Malta.

A fee of 7d. is levied for the first £12 and of 4d. for every additional £12 of declared value on Insured Letters and Parcels and a fee of 1d. is payable to this Country on every £12 of declared value on Insured Parcels received at Malta.

SURCHARGED POSTAGE.

Post Office Act of 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notices Nos. 198 and 222 of 1924.

Surcharged postage denoted by means of Postage due Labels is collected on unpaid or insufficiently prepaid correspondence.

PRIVATE BOXES.

An annual fee of one guinea payable in advance is charged for the rent of a private Box and a fee of two pounds for a private posting box or bag.

MONEY ORDERS.

Post Office Act of 1924 (No. III of 1924) and Government Notices Nos. 222 and 223 of 1924.

Commission on Money Orders chargeable at Malta:—

Local.				Foreign.			
For sums not exceeding £1	...	...	0 2	For sums above £10 and not exceeding £20	...	...	0 6
" above £1 and not exceeding £3	...	...	0 3	" " 20 " " " 30	...	...	0 8
" " £3 " " " 10	...	...	0 4	" " 30 " " " 40	...	...	0 10
For sums not exceeding £1	...	...	0 4	For sums above £20 but not above £22	...	...	3 0
" above £1 but not above £2	...	...	0 6	" " 22 " " 24	...	...	3 3
" " 2 " " 4	...	...	0 9	" " 24 " " 26	...	...	3 6
" " 4 " " 6	...	...	1 0	" " 26 " " 28	...	...	3 9
" " 6 " " 8	...	...	1 3	" " 28 " " 30	...	...	4 0
" " 8 " " 10	...	...	1 6	" " 30 " " 32	...	...	4 3
" " 10 " " 12	...	...	1 9	" " 32 " " 34	...	...	4 6
" " 12 " " 14	...	...	2 0	" " 34 " " 36	...	...	4 9
" " 14 " " 16	...	...	2 3	" " 36 " " 38	...	...	5 0
" " 16 " " 18	...	...	2 6	" " 38 " " 40	...	...	5 3
" " 18 " " 20	...	...	2 9				

A supplementary fee of 1s. is payable for Telegraph Money Orders. This fee is retained by the issuing office. The Telegraphic Money Order Service is limited to the United Kingdom and to the Irish Free State.

No single money order can be issued for a sum exceeding £40.

Half per cent. of the value of money orders issued in Malta is payable to the Country of destination and half per cent. of the value of the money orders issued in Foreign Countries payable in Malta is paid to this Colony.

POSTAL ORDERS.

The Commission on Postal Orders is as follows:—

On values of 6d. to 2s. 6d. ...	...	1d.	On values of 2os. ...	...	2d.
On values of 3s. to 15s. ...	...	1 1/2d.			

* Govt. Notice No. 241 of 18.7.30.

† Govt. Notice No. 240 of 18.7.30.

‡ Govt. Notice 161 of 1.5.35.

TELEGRAPH COMMUNICATIONS.

The Eastern Telegraph Company, Associated with Cable and Wireless Limited, links Malta with the Telegraph System of Cables and Wireless Limited, which provides direct telegraphic communication with all parts of the world. The Company is not subsidized by the Malta Government.

MAIN OFFICE at St. George's.

BRANCH OFFICE at Strada Mezzodi, Valletta.

TARIFF FOR TELEGRAMS FROM MALTA.

		per word				per word	
		s.	d.			s.	d.
To	Algiers	...	3	To	Holland	...	5
..	Morocco	...	5	..	Hungary	...	4
..	Tangier	...	4	..	India	...	5
..	Tripoli	...	2	..	Irish Free State...	...	5
..	Tunis	...	4	..	Italy and Vatican City	...	2
..	Argentine Republic	...	6	..	Japan	...	9
..	Australia & New Zealand	...	6	..	Norway	...	6
..	Austria	...	3½	..	Palestine	...	1
..	Belgium and Bulgaria	...	4½	..	Portugal	...	4
..	Canada (various rates) from 1/3 to	2	8	..	Roumania	...	4½
..	Ceylon	...	5	..	Russia (U.S.S.R.)	...	7
..	Cyprus	...	1½	..	Spain	...	4½
..	Czecho-Slovakia	...	4½	..	Sweden	...	5
..	Denmark	...	5	..	Switzerland	...	3½
..	Egypt (1st Region)	...	0	..	Turkey	...	6
..	France	...	4	..	Union of South Africa	...	3
..	Great Britain	...	4	..	United States America	...	10
..	Greece { Mainland	...	6½	..	(various rates) from 1/3 to	2	10
..	Islands	...	7	..	Yugoslavia	...	3½
..	Germany	...	4½	..	Wireless telegrams to ships at	...	10
..	Gibraltar	...	3	..	sea via Malta Radio	...	10

* Urgent Telegrams at double ordinary rates.

* Deferred Telegrams at one half ordinary rates to Extra European Regime.

"CDE" Telegrams at 70% to European Regime and 60% of ordinary rates to the Extra European Regime.

Letter Telegrams (with minimum charge for 25 words) at one half ordinary rates for European Regime and one third ordinary rates to Extra European Regime are admitted to most countries.

* "De Luxe" telegrams accepted to certain countries at extra charge of -/6d per copy. The official instructions "LN" are charged as one word.

TELEPHONES.

The new system now includes the following places, namely:—

Valletta, Floriana, Pietà, Msida, Gzira, Sliema, St. Julian's, Hamrun, Birkirkara, Qormi, Marsa, Pawla, Zabbar, Senglea, Cospicua, Vittoriosa, Kalkara, Rinella, Zebbug, Siggiewi, Dingli, Rabat, Mdina, Attard, Lija, Balzan, Gharghur, Naxxar, Mosta, Marfa, Mellieha, Ghajn Tuffieha, Mgarr and St. Paul's Bay.

There are at present 1,776 Exchange lines with 2,080 Stations.

Besides the Malta Government Telephones there are two other telephone installations:

(i) The Dockyard Service maintained by the Admiralty and used by the Naval Establishments;

(ii) The Military Service maintained by the War Department and used by the Garrison and Air Force.

There is inter-communication through connection between the different Exchanges.

* Not applicable to Radio telegrams to ships at sea.