

Using MSP

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M.S.P. (Managed Service Points)

MSP is a tool designed to monitor consistency of delivery time and enhance street management through the use of the MDCD (Mobile Data Collection Device).

In addition to scanning Delivery and Signature Confirmation mail pieces and other items requiring a scan, employees are instructed to use the MDCD to scan bar codes placed at service points reflecting key elements of the employee workday. This information is referenced on PS Form 1564-A.

At the end of the day, this data is uploaded and compared to base street data for the route. Using this tool, local managers are able to review carrier street performance on a daily basis as they evaluate the consistency of arrival at these strategic points.

Before MSP, there was no system to provide reports on street performance. With MSP, delivery consistency can be monitored and a better understanding of the route occurs.

What's the Point?

Proper MSP locations and accurate schedules are the key to the success of the MSP Program. The program will provide the time of arrival at pivotal locations along a route's line of travel. It will also provide a comparison of the expected interval established by inspection data, management records, and/or observation verses actual performance. Also loading and travel time can be compared to management records.



MSP BASICS

To set up a route, a minimum of seven (7) and a maximum of twelve (12) basic MSP points are required. They are:

- 1. Hot Case
- 2. Depart to Route
- 3. 1st Delivery on Route
- 4. Scan point —
- 5. Scan point
- 6. Last Delivery on Route
- 7. Return to Office

Base scheduled scan times calculations:

 Hot Case 	Base Leave Time from Route Base Schedule
Depart to Route	Hot Case time + Load time from most recent Full or DOI 3999
3. 1 st Delivery	Depart to Route time + Travel To time from most recent Full or
	DOI 3999
4-6 Scan point	Calculation based on sum of all prior sector segment(s) delivery time in Pivot Plan + pro-rated delivery time of this scan point in
	current sector segment.
Return to Office	Base Return Time from Route Base Schedule

Up to 5 additional scan points

may be added

These scan points provide the following actual information daily:

- Load Time = Interval between Hot Case & Depart to Route
- Travel To = Interval between Depart to Route & 1st Delivery
- Segment Delivery Time = Interval between any 2 street scan points
- Travel From = Interval between Last Delivery & Return to Office
- Total Street Time = Interval between Hot Case & Return to Office

This will provide basic street delivery information, however there may be additional data needed. Management has the option, with District approval, of using up to an additional 5 scan points per carrier route.

MSP Reports

Overview Report -

- Can be run by service day or by service week
- Displays name of primary carrier.
- Displays percent of scans on-time and total street time
- Indicates when route has multiple carriers or keyed entry of MSP records.
- Displays Actual and Scheduled:
 - Load Time = Interval between Hot Case & Depart to Route
 - Travel To = Interval between Depart to Route & First Delivery
 - Travel From = Interval between Last Delivery & Return to Office
 - Total Street Time = Interval between Hot Case & Return to Office
 - % On Time = On time Street Scans / Total Street Scans (Scans are considered "on time" if they are made within (+/-) 1 hour of schedule.)
- Displays variance to scheduled interval for load, travel to route, travel from route and total street time.

Route Report -

- Can be run by service day or by service week
- Lists all scheduled scan points with scheduled arrival time.
- Displays actual time of scan and variance to schedule.
- Displays name of carrier scheduled to perform scan at each scan point and carrier who actually performed scan (if different).

Carrier Report -

- Daily report only
- Lists all scans scheduled to be performed and actually performed by carrier.
- Displays scheduled arrival time, adjusted schedule based on <u>that day's</u> projected leave time, actual arrival time and variance to scheduled arrival time for all scans made by carrier.
- Displays adjusted scheduled interval between scan points, actual interval between scan
 points and variance to adjusted scheduled interval for all scan points.

Missed Scan Report –

- Can be run by service day or by service week
- Displays number of possible and missed office and street scans on each route.
- Displays scan percentage in office and on street.

Invalid Route Report -

- Displays MDCD route number
- Displays DOIS assigned routes number
- Displays hot case scanned route number

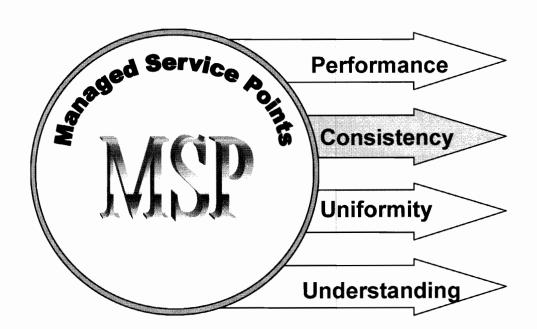
Invalid Scan Report -

- Displays the route number and street address where invalid scan was made
- Displays time invalid scan was made

Location Report -

- Displays the address and physical location of all scheduled scan points on a route
- Displays the scheduled scan time of each scan point
- Displays the scheduled interval between scan point

Report Analysis Techniques



How Do I Start?

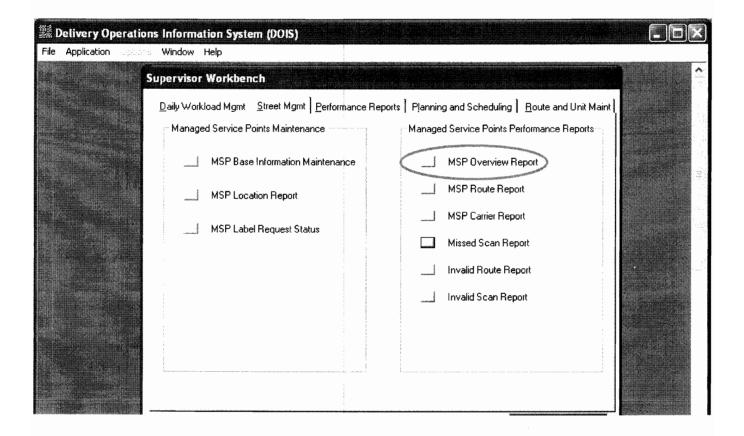
Today, the USPS Letter Carrier leaves for the street after he/she has prepared the mail for delivery and returns after the mail is delivered. Prior to MSP, there was no daily report of street activities.

MSP compares actual performance to base.

If the carrier takes longer to deliver one segment than is planned, the manager will be able to see this in the MSP reports and take the appropriate actions to determine the cause.

MSP provides data on segment times, loading and travel times.

How do you start? Start by reviewing the MSP OVERVIEW and the MISSED SCAN reports:



How Do I Read The MSP Overview Report?

Daily MSP Overview Report

RESTRICTED INFORMATION

Dieliveiry Unit: Service Date: Service Week:

Route	Carrier	Act On-Time	On-Time Loa			Load Time Travel To Tim		me	Travel From Time			Total	li me	Keyeo	
	Scan %		Sched	Act	Var	Sched	Sched Act Var So		Sched	Sched Act Var		Sched	Sched Act Var		
32001	OSBORNE, JM	100%	0:10	0:04	-0:05	0:01	0:36	0:35	0:36	0:04	-0:32	6:40	6:15	-0:25	
32002	PETITPAS, B F	38%	0:08	0:05	-0:03	0:10	1:15	1:05	0:06	0:16	0:10	5:40	6:38	D:58	
32003	FERRICK, S J	44%	0:04	0:11	0:08	0:19	0:06	-0:13	0:38	0:07	-0:31	6:28	6:00	-0:28	
32004	DANIELS, G E	33%	0:09	0:23	0:14	0:05	0:00	-0:05	-0:14	0:42	0:56	6:14	6:02	-0:12	
32005	BARRY, F W	33%	0:16	0:09	-0:07	0:05	0:12	0:07	-0:03	0:20	0:23	6:07	5:58	-0:09	
32006	MCGOWAN, S L	33%	0:09	0:24	0:15	0:10	0:00	-0:10	0:35	2:55	2:20	6:53	6:29	-0:25	
42001	BRAHM, LE	44%	0:14	0:08	-0:06	D:18	0:31	D:13	0:53	1:23	0:29	5:45	7:19	1:34	
42002	DONOVAN, W P	60%	0:12	0:23	0:11	0:11	0:59	0:48	0:56	-3:20	-4:16	6:05	2:31	-3:34	
Totals		47%	1:22	1:48	0:26	1:19	3:40	2:20	3:28	2:27	-1:01	49:53	47:12	-2:41	

The **MSP OVERVIEW** report lists every route in the delivery unit. For each route the following information is displayed:

Route DOIS Route Number
Carrier DOIS Assigned carrier

Actual On-Time

Scan % Percentage of street scans made within +/- 1 hour of scheduled scan time

Load Time Scheduled, Actual and Variance based on the Hot Case and Depart Route scans

Travel To Scheduled, Actual and Variance based on Depart to Route and First Delivery scans

Travel From Scheduled, Actual and Variance based on Last Delivery and Return to Office scans

Total Street Scheduled, Actual and Variance based on Hot Case and Return to Office scans

Keyed Entry Indicates carrier manual input of scan ID

The most effective way to analyze the **MSP OVERVIEW** report is to review the "**Variance**" columns. Significant differences between "Scheduled" and "Actual" times require further investigation.

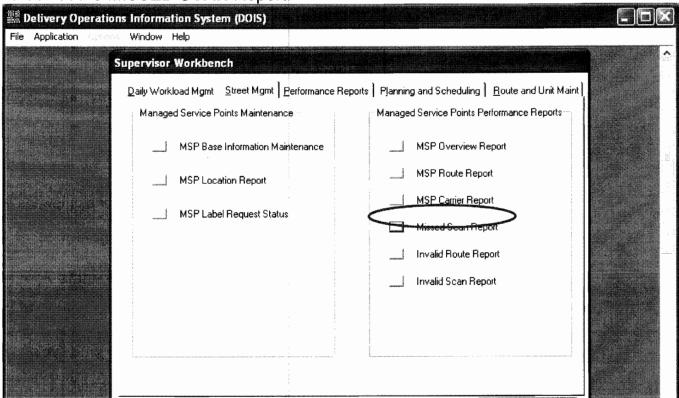
Analyzing the MSP OVERVIEW Report:

Ask yourself these questions:

- Does any route/carrier show excessive "Load Time"?
- Does any route/carrier show excessive "Travel To" or "Travel From" time?
- Does any route/carrier show excessive "Total Street Time"?
- Does any carrier show low "Actual On-Time Scan %"?
- Is there any missing data?
- Are there any "Keyed" entries?
- Are there any negative <u>scheduled</u> times?
 (Indicates problem with MSP base data. You must recreate the pivot plan to correct)

If the answer to any of these questions is "YES", then your task is to find out why. The reasons in some cases may be legitimate and readily apparent but in other cases you will need to investigate further. To investigate your findings further, review the **MSP Route and MSP Carrier** reports.

Next look at the MISSED SCAN Report:



Missed Scan Report

Daily Missed Scan Report

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Service Date: Service Week:

Route	Assigned Carrier		Office Scans	:	Street Scans			
		Possible Scans	Missed Scans	Scan Percentage	Possible Scans	Missed Scans	Scan Percentage	
32001	OSBORNE, J M	3	0	100	9	0	100	
32002	PETITPAS, B F	3	0	100	8	0	100	
32003	GOVE, SK	3	0	100	9	0	100	
32004	MULTIPLE	3	2	33	9	0	100	
32005	CUBETUS, J J	3	0	100	9	0	100	
32006	MCGOWAN, S L	3	0	100	9	0	100	
42001	BRAHM, LE	3	0	100	9	1	89	
42002	DONOVAN, W P	3	0	100	5	0	100	
TOTALS		24	2	92	67	1	98	

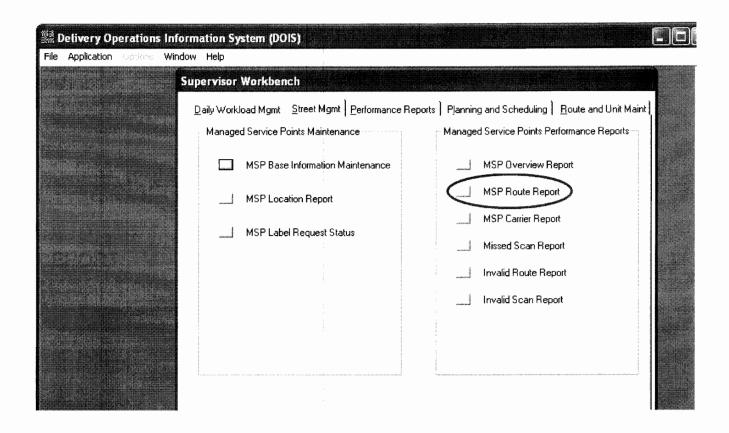
Missed Scan Report:

- Displays POSSIBLE and MISSED scans in OFFICE and STREET by route and assigned carrier(s)
- Displays percent of scheduled scans performed.

Analysis:

- Identify carriers/routes with greatest number/consistency of missed scans.
- Investigate further using MSP Carrier and MSP Route reports.

Investigate your findings further by accessing the MSP ROUTE REPORT:



The MSP Route Report

Daily MSP Route Report

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Delivery Unit Service Date: Service Week:

					Keyed		
Route	Туре	Address	lress Carrier		Act	Var	Entry
32001	Hot Case		OSBORNE, J M	9:45	11:34	1:49	
	Depart to Route		OSBORNE, J M	9:55	12:00	2:05	
	First Delivery	141 MAIN ST	OSBORNE, J M	9:55	12:10	2:15	
	Address	32 HOLT RD	OSBORNE, J M	10:35	12:54	2:19	
_	Address	200 MAIN ST	OSBORNE, J M	11:13	13:22	2:08	
	Address	241 MAIN ST	OSBORNE, J M	12:36	15:00	2:24	
	Address	4 EVERETT RD	OSBORNE, J M	12:37	15:20	2:43	
	Address	175 MAIN ST	OSBORNE, J M	13:41	12:01	-1:40	
	Address	23 MAIN ST	OSBORNE, J M	14:19	15:58	1:39	
	Address	22 JEFFERSON SHORES RD	OSBORNE, J M	14:35	16:10	1:35	
	Last Delivery	6B MAIN ST	OSBORNE, J M	15:49	16:53	1:04	
	Return to Office	-	OSBORNE, J M	16:25	16:57	0:32	

The MSP ROUTE Report deals with a specific route. **Use the MSP ROUTE Report to further clarify your findings from the MSP OVERVIEW** and **MSP MISSED SCAN** reports. It provides the following information:

Label Type
 Office and Street label descriptions

MSP Address
 Specific scan points assigned to that route

• Carrier Assigned carrier and carrier who actually performed scan (if different)

Scheduled Arrival Scheduled scan time

Scan Time Actual scan time

Var. Difference between Scheduled and Actual scan times

Keyed Entry Indication of manual entry of barcode ID into scanner



Analyzing the MSP Route Report:

- If route is pivoted, are relief carriers scanning appropriate scan points?
- Does the same carrier miss the same scans repeatedly?
- Are carriers delivering route in the authorized sequence of delivery?
- Is there a significant variance between scheduled and actual scan time?
- Is the scan point's time representative of the time recorded on Form 3999?
- Are relief carriers assigned to the segment(s) of the route that they are actually delivering?
- · Are carriers using correct MSP ID?

EXAMPLE #1 – UNKNOWN MSP ID

Daily MSP Route Report

RESTRICTED INFO

Dielivery Unit Service Date: Service Week:

					Scan Time		Key≘
Route	Туре	Address	Carrier	Sched	Act	Var	Entr
27009	Hot Case		SIMMONS, EW	9:52			
			UNKNOWN		10:44	0:52	
	Depart to Route		SIMMONS, EW	10:04			
			UNKNOWN		10:49	0:46	
	First Delivery	5614 ALLCROFT RD	SIMMONS, EW	10:10			
200			UNKNOWN		11:54	1:44	
1000000	Address	5834 CHELWYND RD	SIMMONS, EW	11:43			
		No. of the last of	UNKNOWN		13:31	1:49	
	Address	981 ELM RD	SIMMONS, EW	12:13			
-		***************************************	UNKNOWN		13:40	1:26	
	Last Delivery	1243 OAKLAND TERRACE RD	SIMMONS, EW	15:50			
i		***************************************	UNKNOWN		16:59	1:10	
	Return to Office		SIMMONS, EW	15:55			
			UNKNOWN		17:29	1:34	

The assigned carrier (Simmons) in this example made all scans using an MSP ID different from the one assigned in DOIS.

A review of the **MSP Missed Scan** and **MSP Carrier** reports erroneously list missed scans for this carrier due to this error. (See example #3, pg. 19)

EXAMPLE #2 - INCORRECT SCHEDULED ASSIGNMENT

Daily MSP Route Report

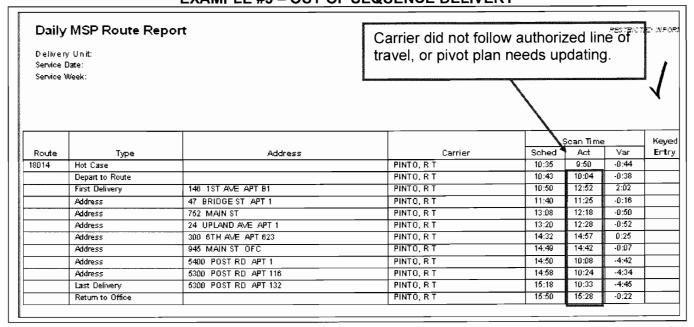
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Dielivery Unit Service Date: Service Week:

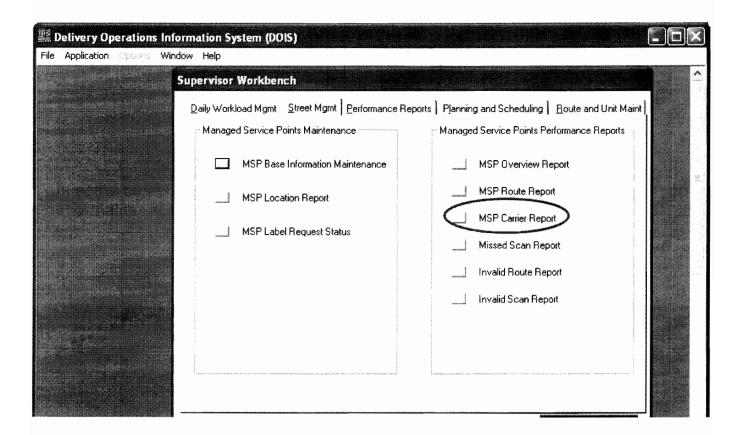
				Scan Time				
Route	Type	Address	Carrier	Sched	Act	Var	Ent	
86029	Hot Case		ARMENTI, A J	9:35	9:36	0:01		
	Depart to Route		ARMENTI, A J	9:44	9:36	-0:08		
	First Delivery	400 BALD HILL RD STE 500	GUNCHEON, C E	9:56				
			ARMENTI, A J		10:07	0:11		
	Address	5 GREBLE ST	GUNCHEON, C E	11:24				
			ARMENTI, AJ		10:22	-1:02		
	Address	32 CENTRAL ST	GUNCHEON, C E	11:57				
			ARMENTI, A J		10:31	-1:26		
	Address	35 REED \$T	GUNCHEON, C E	12:28				
			ARMENTI, A J		10:23	-2:05		
	Address	174 KING ST	GUNCHEON, C E	13:10				
			ARMENTI, A J		10:37	-2:34		
	Address	51 KING ST	GUNCHEON, C E	13:29				
			ARMENTI, AJ		10:32	-2:58		
	Address	215 WELLSPRING DR	GUNCHEON, C E	14:23				
			ARMENTI, A J		10:35	-3:48		
	Last Delivery	389 GREENWICH AVE	ARMENTI, A J	14:44	9:51	-4:53		
	Return to Office		ARMENTI, A J	15:20	11:16	-4:04		

In this example, the supervisor scheduled C E Guncheon for all delivery segments except the delivery segment that includes the last scheduled MSP scan point. A J Armenti actually carried those segments and scanned the associated MSP points. A review of the **MSP Carrier Report** for C E Guncheon erroneously lists 7 missed scans due to the scheduling error.

EXAMPLE #3 – OUT OF SEQUENCE DELIVERY



In some cases, you will need to view the **MSP CARRIER REPORT** to gather more information about your findings.



The MSP Carrier Report

MSP Carrier Report

Delivery Unit: Service Date: Service Week: REDIRECTED INFORMATION

					Scan Time				Interval	<u> </u>	Keyed
Carrier	Route	Route Type Address		Adj Sched	Sched	Act	Varto Sched	Adj Sched	Ad	Varto Adj Sched	Entr
DANIELS, G E	32004	Hot Case		10:24	10:11	10:52	0:41				
	32004	Depart to Route		10:33	10:20	11:02	0:43	0:09	0:11	0:02	
	32004	First Delivery	50 WATERHOUSE RD	10:38	10:25	11:10	0:44	0:05	0:07	0:02	
	32004	Address	170 CLAY POND RD UNIT C	12:07	11:54	12:22	0:28	1:29	1:13	-0:16	
	32004	Address	2 WESTERLY DR	12:41	12:29	12:27	-0:02	0:35	0:05	-0:30	
	32004	Address	71 THOM AVE	12:51	13:08	12:59	-0:10	0:10	0:32	0:22	
	32004	Address	53 HOWARD AVE	13:41	13:58	13:44	-0:14	0:50	0:45	-0:05	
	32004	Address	90 VALLEY BARS RD	14:13	14:31	14:23	-0:08	0:32	0:39	0:07	
	32004	Address	21 ELDRIDGE ST	14:32	14:49	14:43	-0:06	0:19	0:20	0:02	
	32004	Address	81 WATERHOUSE RD APT B	16:20	16:38	17:23	0:46	1:49	2:40	0:52	
	32004	Last Delivery	174B CLAY POND RD	16:22	16:39	17:00	0:21	0:01	-0:23	-0:25	
	32004	Return to Office		17:08	16:25	17:41	1:16	0:46	0:41	-0:05	

The CARRIER report is a detailed accounting based on route scans for a specific carrier. It will provide the following information:

Route number. Possibly more than one (Pivots)

Type Label description

Address
 Office and Street label locations

SCAN TIME

Adj. Sched
 Adjusted scheduled scan time based on the day's PROJECTED

leaving time

Sched. Base scheduled scan time

Act Actual time of scan

Var. to Sched.
 Variance based on Actual vs. Scheduled time (not Adjusted)

INTERVAL

Adj. Sched
 Time intervals between Adjusted Scheduled scan times

Act. Time intervals between Actual scan times

Var. to Adj. Sched.
 Variance based on Actual vs. <u>Adjusted</u> Scheduled interval

Keyed Entry
 Indicates manual entry of barcode ID into scanner

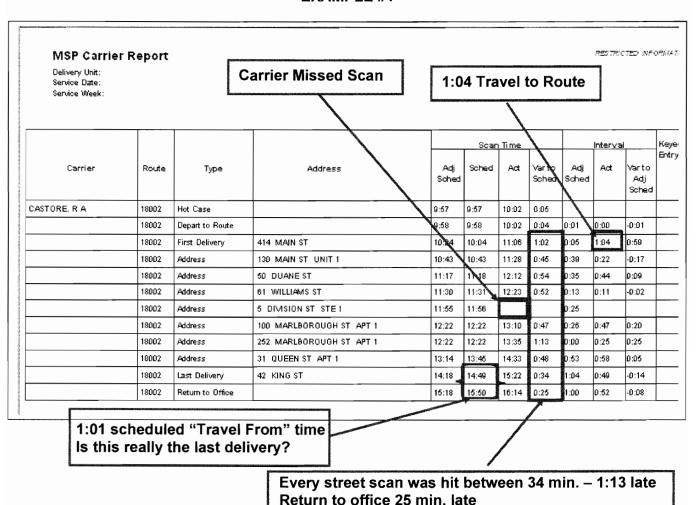
Analyzing the Carrier Report:

The **Carrier Report** displays a carrier's scan activities for the day selected. You can compare scheduled times against actual times and scheduled intervals against actual time taken. It is important to remember that you are looking at results. Your function now is to determine the cause for these results and act based on your findings.

- Are there any excessive time intervals between scans?
- Is carrier delivering the route in order?
- · Are any scans missed?
- Is base data incorrect?

YOU NEED TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE!

EXAMPLE #1



Example #2 - Out of Sequence Delivery RESTRICTED INFORMATIO **MSP Carrier Report** Delivery Unit: Carrier did not follow authorized line of travel Service Date: Service Week: keyed <u>interval</u> Scan Time Entry Varto Adi Act Varto Adj Route Carrier Туре Address Sched Sched Adi Sched Sched PINTO, R T 18014 9:53 10:35 9:50 Hot Case 10:04 18014 10:01 0:14 0:06 10:43 -0:38 0:08 Depart to Route 2:47 146 1ST AVE APT B1 0:01 2:48 18014 First Delivery 10:02 10:50 12:52 2:02 47 BRIDGE ST APT 1 11:40 11:25 0:50 -1:28 -2:17 18014 Address 10:52 -0:16 18014 752 MAIN ST 11:49 13:08 12:18 -0:50 0:58 0:53 -0:04 24 UPLAND AVE APT 1 -0:02 18014 12:01 13:20 12:28 0:12 0:10 Address -0:52 18014 Address 300 6TH AVE APT 623 13:14 14:32 14:57 0:25 1:13 2:29 1:17 18014 Address 946 MAIN ST OFC 13:31 14:49 14:42 -0:07 0:17 -0:15 -0:32 -4:34 -4:35 18014 Address 5400 POST RD APT 1 13:31 14:50 10:08 -4:42 0:01 18014 5300 POST RD APT 116 13:39 14:58 10:24 -4:34 0:08 0:16 0:08 Address 5300 POST RD APT 132 18014 Last Delivery 13:59 15:18 10:33 -4:45 0:20 0:09 -0:11 Return to Office

This route was delivered out of authorized sequence.

Example #3 - Missed Scans

Delivery Unit: Service Date: Service Week:											
					Scan	Time			Interval		Keye
Carrier	Route Type	Address	Adj Sched	Sched	Act	Varto Sched	Adj Sched	Act	Varto Adj Sched	Entry	
SIMMONS, EW	27009	Hot Case		10:02	9:52						
	27009	Depart to Route		10:14	10:04			0:11			
	27009	First Delivery	5614 ALLCROFT RD	10:19	10:10			0:05			
-	27009	Address	5634 CHELWYND RD	11:52	11:43			1:34			
	27009	Address	961 ELM RD	12:22	12:13			0:30			
	27009	Last Delivery	1243 OAKLAND TERRACE RD	15:29	15:50			3:07			
	27008	Last Delivery	1329 POPLAR AVE	15:59	15:58			0:31			
	27009	Return to Office		16:05	15:55			0:06			

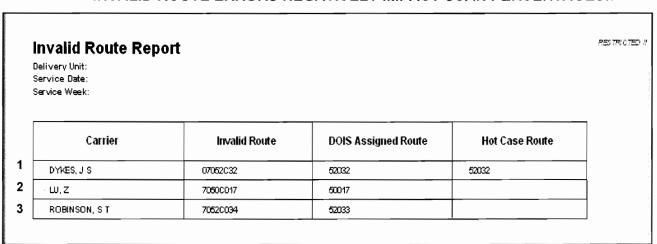
All scans missed

In this example, carrier actually made scans but used unknown MSP ID. (See MSP Route Report, ex. #1, pg. 14)

View the Invalid Route Report

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	Managed Service Points Maintenance	Managed Service Points Performance Reports
	MSP Base Information Maintenance	MSP Overview Report
A STATE OF THE STA	MSP Location Report	MSP Route Report
	MSP Label Request Status	MSP Carrier Report
		Missed Scan Report
		Invalid Route Report
		Invalid Scan Report
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INVALID ROUTE ERRORS NEGATIVELY IMPACT SCAN PERCENTAGES!!



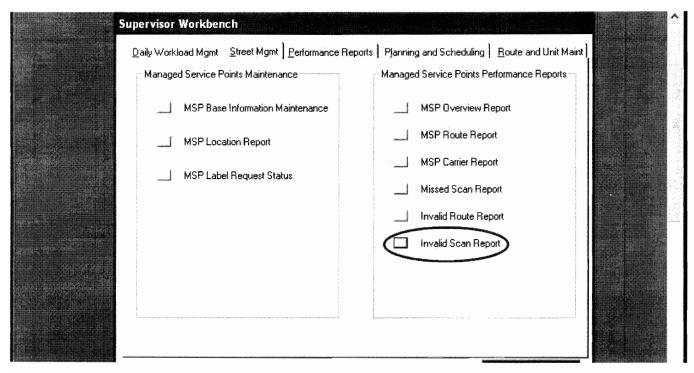
- 1. Wrong route format in scanner
 - Format should be: last 4 digits of zip + 3 digit route number
- 2. Carrier delivered in 2 zones and neglected to change zip in scanner (zipcode must be changed when crossing zones)

OR

Carrier scanned HOT CASE on 2 routes

- 3. Incorrect route number set up in scanner
 - Carrier worked on route 33 but set up scanner for route 34

Run Invalid Scan Report



Invalid Scan Errors Negatively Impact Scan Percentage

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Route	Carrier	Street Scans	
- NOGEC	ourner	Address	Actual Scan Time
06070	UNENOVVN	1035 18TH AVE	12:41
	UNENOVAN	553 SANFORD AVE	12:07
	UNENOWN	612 SANFORD AVE STE I	1134
	UNENOVAN	1070 ISTH AVE	1196
	UNENGOVN	81 MEAD ST	10:46
	UNENGVAN	7 COMMONWEALTH AVE APT 1	9:47
	UNENOWN	9 LENOX ST APT 1L	923
	UNKNOWN	7 COMMONWEALTH AVE APT I	923
	UNENGVAN	75 UNDERWOOD ST APT I	
	UNENOWN	9 LENOX ST APT 1L	8:52
06077	UNENOVAN	96 RICHELIEU TER APT I	10:16
	_		13:14

DOIS prints new encryption every time a label is ordered. Labels cannot be stockpiled. Remove old labels and do not send new labels out with carriers to affix.

Check.....Investigate.....Act

Never assume. Investigation of data is required before coming to any conclusion. A little research will provide the facts and paint a true picture.

Check the reports
Investigate your discoveries
Act accordingly

Be fair.

Analyze the reports, develop a plan, ask questions, and manage.

When analyzing the reports determine what warrants further investigation, then conduct the appropriate follow-up. Once you've found out what happened, if action is warranted, ACT appropriately.

Persistence in identifying street issues can lead to self-correction.

Remember, there are three components that measure your SUCCESS WITH MSP:

- 1. Scan Rate
- 2. Percent on Time
- 3. Changes in Carrier Behavior