



RICHARD CARTER-RAILROAD STEAM ENGINES

Since the successful invention of the Steam Locomotive in 1802, Railroads have had a major impact on all countries of the world. As a stamp collector and a Model Railroader my interest in stamps of steam locomotives is demonstrated in the issues shown here.

Early United States stamps showing steam locomotives began with Scott 114 and 295. Issues other than regular postage also showed locomotives on Parcel Post and embossed envelopes. Later issues such as Scott 193 and 1006 showed both Steam and diesel locomotives as technology improved.

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As railroads played such an important part of the development of industrial nations both for transportation and trade a variety of stamps can be seen from all around the world. In fact the American Topical Association lists 2840 issues worldwide for locomotives and 340 issues of steam Engines alone