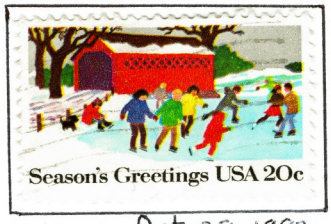
United States Covered Bridges

The first covered bridge in the U.S., built in 1805 by Timothy Palmer, crossed the Schuylkill River in Philadelphia, PA. In the next 100 years at least 1500 were built in Pennsylvania and hundreds more in several other states. In 2000, 200+ were still standing in PA, and approximately 850 in the entire country.



Oct. 28, 1982

1982 Christmas issue, 1 of 4 depicting kids' winter activities.

May 26, 2006

Wonders of America issue - sheet of 40: Tallest, Longest, Driest +37 more.

The Cornish-Windsor covered bridge links New Hampshire and Vermont over the Connecticut R. At 460'/140 m., it's the longest covered bridge in the U.S.

Oct. 25, 2002

1 of a sheet of 50 Greetings from America stamps. An earlier sheet issued Apr. 4/02 at the 34¢ rate, was replaced when the postal rate increased. Indiana had 13 c.b.s in 1990.

This stamp, iss. Sept. 6, 1952, commemorates the centennial of the founding in 1852 of the American Society of Civil Engineers. Shown are a covered bridge of the 1850s and the George Washington bridge.

The Bunker Hill bridge, 1 of 5 in North Carolina, was repaired and re-opened to the public in 1955. It has since closed and is now situated in a local park. It was 85'/26 m. long.