



LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS 2012

Santa Claus received letters for Christmas 2012 from:

Italy	110 000 letters
United Kingdom	100 000
Poland	55 000
China	50 000 (& Taiwan 3/4, Hong Kong, Macao)
Finland	26 000
Russian speaking countries	21 000 (Russia, Ukraine, Belarus)
Japan	20 000
Romania	12 000
South Korea	10 000
Germany	9 000
France	9 000
Estonia-Latvia-Lithuania	9 000
Bulgaria	8 000
Spanish speaking countries	8 000 (Spain, Argentina, etc.)
Benelux	5 000
Portugal + Brazil	3 000
Other countries	95 000
Total:	550 000 letters from all around the World

Since 1985 Santa Claus has received nearly 16 million letters from 198 countries. At Christmas 2012 many letters included a sincere wish for having more time with friends and families. Children were also amazed by the huge amount of letters Santa Claus receives each year.

In their greetings to Santa Claus children tell stories about their everyday life, their country and their wishes. They also ask lots of questions about Santa Claus himself, elves and reindeer. Children send drawings, photographs, gifts, cookies and sweets to Santa Claus. For reindeer babies they send hundreds of old dummies and even carrots!

Every spring after his Christmas hurries, Santa Claus replies more than 40 000 letters in 12 different languages: English, Italian, Polish, Finnish, French, German, Japanese, Spanish, Swedish, Portuguese, Korean and Chinese.