

FEDEX 2027 GENERAL RATE INCREASE KEY TAKEAWAYS

# FedEx announced a 5.9% average increase.

## Rates across both services and surcharges are seeing hikes up to 9.0%.

We ran the numbers across 8,400+ published rate lines in the 2027 GRI. The increase isn't flat — some rate lines are getting hit more than twice as hard as others. Know where before you negotiate.

6.53%

Priority Overnight — the highest average of the domestic services shown here

6.9%

Priority Overnight's Zone 2 peak — well above its own 6.53% average

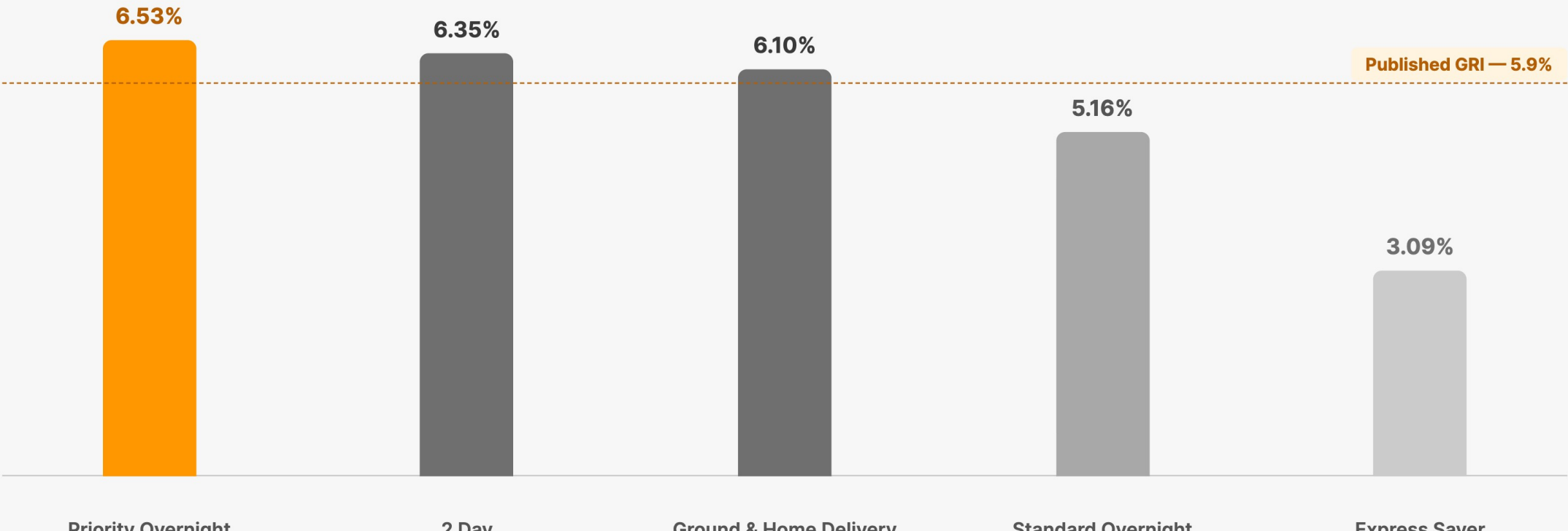
ACCESSORIAL

9.09%

Highest accessorial increase — DAS Extended, Resi

### Average increase by service

Ranked highest to lowest against FedEx's own published 5.9% blended GRI — the further above the line, the more it's worth flagging.



Source: FedEx 2027 published domestic rate tables (current-year vs. new-year list rates), 8,407 zone/weight combinations across 9 service levels. Averages are unweighted across published lines, not weighted by actual shipment volume. Dashed line is FedEx's own announced blended GRI (5.9%), shown for reference against our per-service breakdown.

Priority Overnight cools while 2 Day holds steady

Priority Overnight has softened year over year, down from roughly 6.8% in 2026 to 6.53% in 2027. 2 Day, meanwhile, has barely moved: 6.20% in 2026 to 6.35% in 2027.

Express Saver may be the GRI's ballast

Don't be alarmed by Express Saver's low 3.09% — it's likely one of the levers FedEx uses to land near its published 5.9% "overall" average while other services run hotter. It ran a similarly muted 3.8% in 2026, and this year it's even lower.

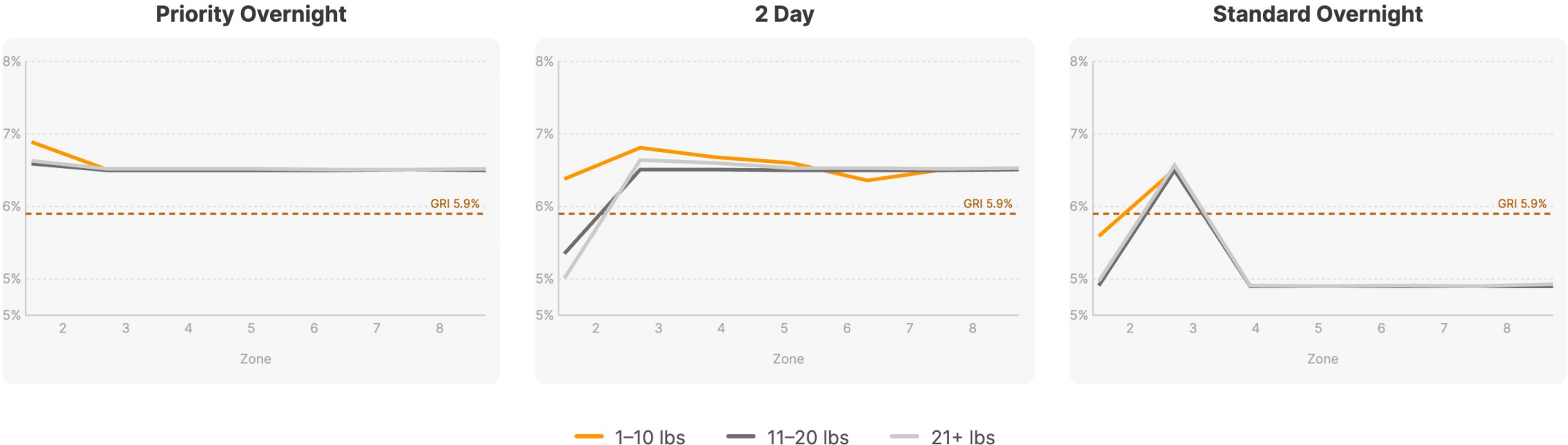
Ground: steady, not standout

Ground & Home Delivery sits near the middle at 6.10% — but that average hides a real story underneath. Its true driver is weight, not size (see below).

EXPRESS INCREASES: ZONE VS. WEIGHT

### For Express, zone and service drive the story — not weight

Each line is a weight tier, tracked across zones 2–8, all three panels on the same 4.5%–8% scale. When the lines in a panel move together, weight barely matters there; where they split, it does.



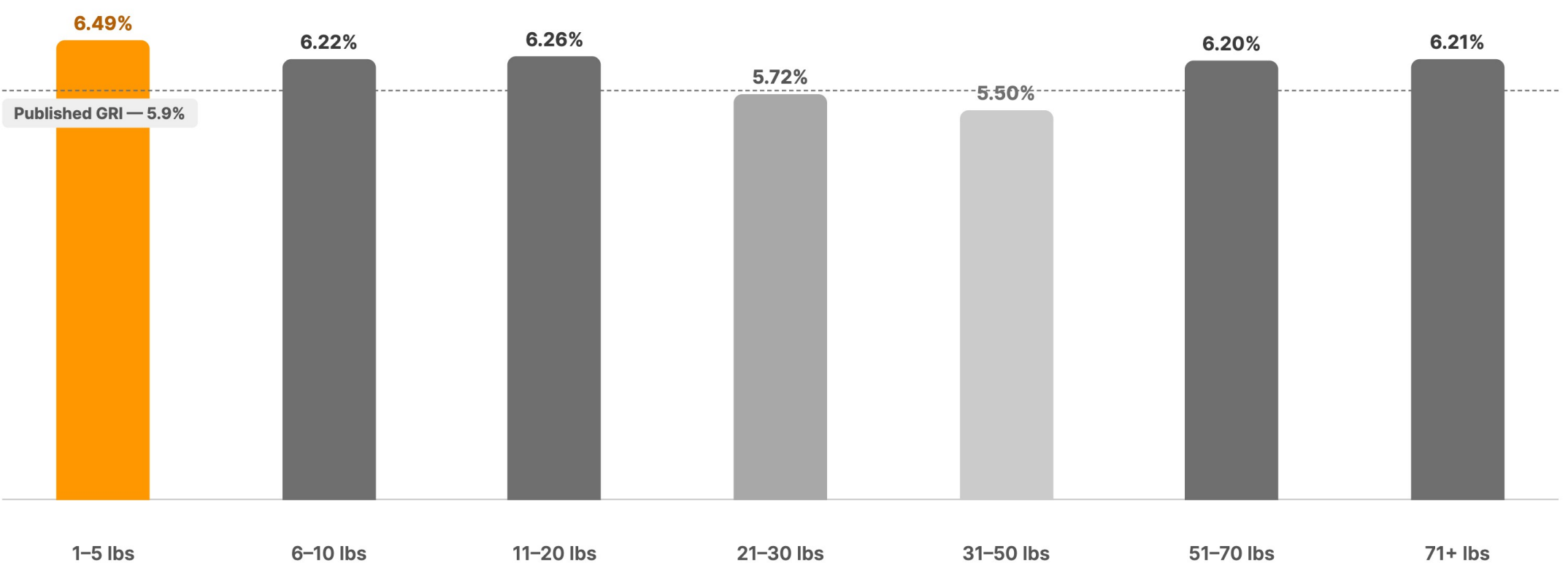
Three different shapes, one takeaway — **weight tiers barely separate for Express**, but zones do. **Priority Overnight** stays nearly flat everywhere except Zone 2, where the lightest tier (1–10 lbs) spikes to 6.89% — its single highest point. **2 Day** shows a wide split in Zone 2 (tiers fan from 6.38% down to 5.01%) before converging into a tight band from Zone 3 on. **Standard Overnight** is the flattest of the three almost everywhere (~4.9%) — except Zone 3, which jumps to roughly 6.5–6.6% across all weight tiers alike, the one zone where it actually runs hotter than the published 5.9% GRI.

Source: FedEx 2027 rate lines for Priority Overnight, 2 Day and Standard Overnight, broken out by zone (2–8) and weight tier (1–10 lbs, 11–20 lbs, 21+ lbs).

GROUND — A CLOSER LOOK

### Ground rates by weight — it's not a straight line

Broken out by weight tier, Ground tells a different story than the headline average suggests — it's the **lightest** parcels taking the steepest hit, not the heaviest.



Source: FedEx 2027 Ground rate lines, grouped by weight tier (average % increase per tier). Dashed line is FedEx's published market-wide GRI (5.9%), shown for reference.

Small parcels aren't getting a pass on Ground

It's tempting to assume the increase scales with box size — it doesn't. The 1–5 lb tier takes the steepest average hit (6.49%), ahead of even the 71+ lb tier (6.21%), while the 21–50 lb middle range is where FedEx is comparatively gentle (as low as 5.50%). See the full breakdown above.

Standard Overnight's Zone 3 doesn't match its own average

Standard Overnight runs a mild ~4.9–5.0% almost everywhere — except Zone 3, which jumps to 6.6%. If a customer ships meaningful Zone 3 Standard Overnight volume, their real exposure is well above the headline 5.2% service average.

ACCESSORIAL CHARGES

### Accessorials are rising faster than the base rates

31 accessorial line items averaged **+6.79%**. Highest-to-lowest, the ten steepest individual charges:



AHS and DAS are the categories to watch

Additional Handling (AHS) surcharges average **+7.4%** across all 12 dimension/weight/package tiers — the single hottest category in the file. Delivery Area (DAS) isn't far behind at **+7.0%**, and its "extended" zones (9.1%, 8.1%) are rising nearly 50% faster than its standard zones (6.1%, 5.6%).

Residential surcharges are climbing too

The Ground residential surcharge rises from \$6.45 to \$6.90 — **+6.98%** — while the Express version goes from \$6.95 to \$7.35, **+5.76%**. Both land in the middle of the accessorial pack, but they hit nearly every residential delivery, so the dollars add up fast.

Source: FedEx 2027 published accessorial rate tables, 31 charge types (current-year vs. new-year list rates).