

TYPE 8 SURCHARGE

Issued: 1883

No. Surcharged: unknown

Until the last few years it was believed the Black Two Reales surcharge was applied only to the first issue of the 2 4/8c Ultramarine postage stamp (1882). The stamps shown in this exhibit were instrumental in proving the surcharge was also genuinely applied to both the first retouch (1883) and the second retouch (1886) of the same stamp. With the discovery and subsequent expertizing of those stamps, both were listed in the Scott Catalogue (Sc 94a, 94b) in 1999.

TWO REALES SURCHARGE ON FIRST RETOUCH



Black Two Reales on
2 4/8c Ultramarine Postage



Inverted Surcharge



Double Surcharge



Block of Six
(APS Cert.)



Double Surcharge
Left Stamp



Omitted Surcharge
Right Stamp *APS Cert.*

TWO REALES SURCHARGE ON SECOND RETOUCH



Black Two Reales on
2 4/8c Ultramarine Postage



Telegraph Cancel
(PF Cert.)



Double Surcharge

Six Examples Recorded

(F.L. Palmer (1912) listed the stamp, noting 25,000 were issued on September 10, 1885. The conclusion was unlikely given that the second retouch stamp was not issued until January 1, 1886. Galvez (1962/63) also listed the stamp.)