

Question of the Month and Answers

**What was the first U.S. Coin to have a former president on it?**

1900 Lafayette half dollar Commemorative with Washington and Lafayette.

**Why is a dollar called a buck?**

The use of "buck" to mean "money" came about, as one might expect, from the days when a deerskin was a common medium of exchange.

**How many coinage denominations were authorized in 1792?**

10; ½ cent, 1 cent, ½ dime, dime, quarter, half dollar, dollar, quarter eagle, half eagle, eagle.

**What U.S. Coin with An American Revolution theme carries the name of a private firm?**

Ben Franklin Half Dollars, 1976 Bicentennial Eisenhower Dollar, and the 1926 Sesquicentennial of the American Independence Half Dollar displays on the liberty bell the name of the Foundry that worked on the bell, Pass and Stow.

**Buffalo Nickels were minted between 1913 and 1938. There were three years that they were not minted. Name those years.**

1922, 1932, 1933

**What was the first year a P was put on a Nickel?**

1942

**In what year did mint marks first appear on U.S. Coins and what where they?**

In 1838, with the establishment of the mints in New Orleans, LA; Charlotte, NC; and Dahlonega, GA.

**What was the first U.S. Coin minted at four different mints?**

1838 Gold Quarter Eagle.

**What was the first US. Coin minted with a real person's likeness or image on it?**

The 1892 Columbus half dollar commemorative coin.

**What is the only U.S. coin with the Eagle on the Obverse?**

The Flying Eagle Cent