

Major 2014 1c Lincoln DDO Found

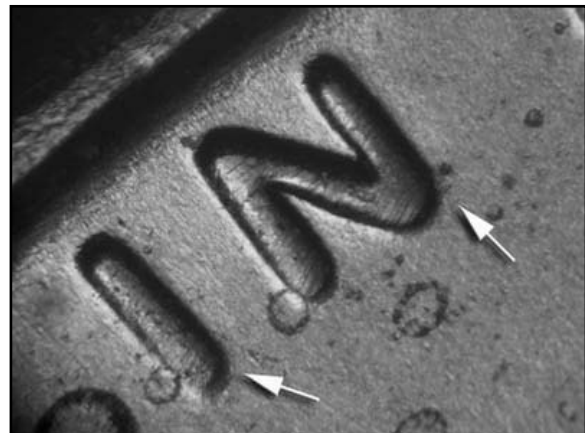
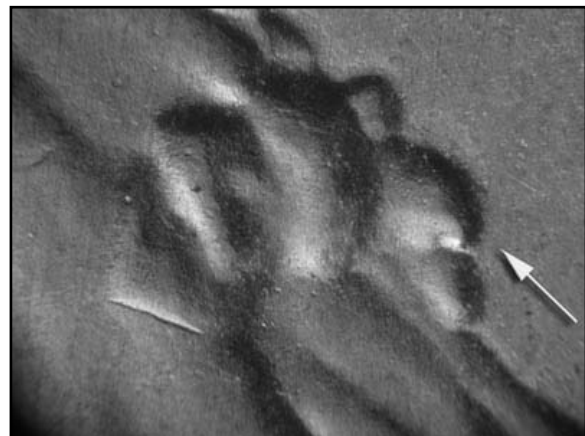
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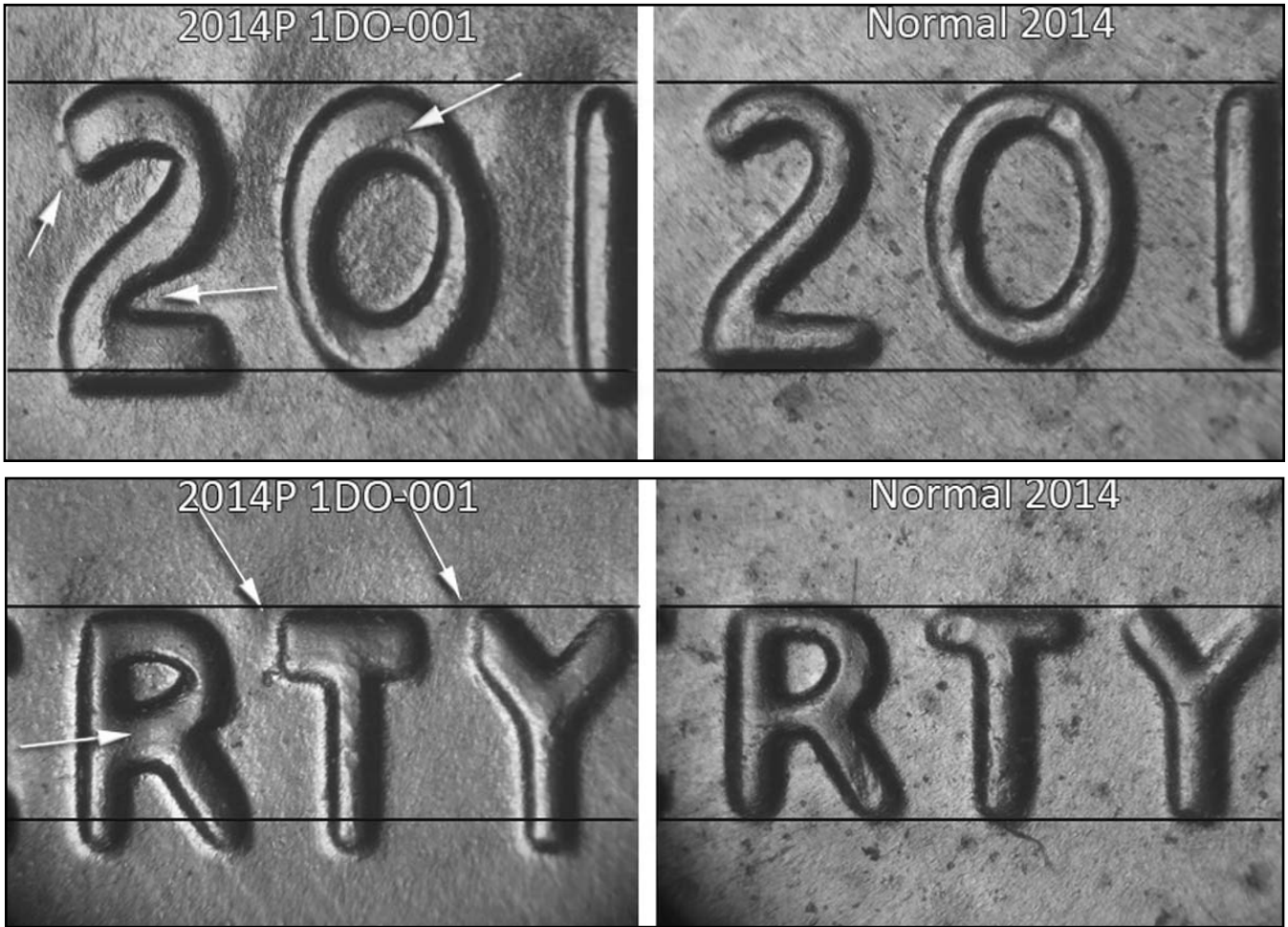
Recently a roll searcher on the *Lincoln Cent Resource* forums named **Jim Fines** found and posted what appeared to be a strong new 2014 doubled die obverse.

Since the Mint changed to a single squeeze method of die making, it has not stopped hub doubling, but it has changed the results. What we see with the doubling tends to be centrally located unless the strength of doubling is great enough, then it begins to affect the outside devices. Most contemporary doubled dies show a directional distortion along with notching. Sometimes we see separation lines, but often we do not. Once in while there is separation between the doubled devices. We saw this with frequency during the explosion of doubled die reverse in 2009. Typically the doubling is connected and exhibits extra thickness and is distorted.

After having asked to see the 2014 that was posted I was expecting something in the mid range in terms of doubling. I was incorrect. It was immediately obvious upon first glance through my scope this was a significant doubled die.

This particular doubled die obverse shows a strong spread almost directly south. Doubling, seen as strong distorted extra thickness with slight notching, is strongest in LIBERTY and the date. IN and TRUST show slight extra thickness and distortion. The facial details, in particular the mouth and chin, also have a slight spread. The bow tie and some coat details, similarly to the date, have a strong southerly spread. The space between the neck and coat collar is drastically reduced.





Comparing it to a normal 2014, one can see the distorted extra thickness in the date and letters ERTY of LIBERTY.



It has the presence and overall similarity to 2011P 1DO-004 (DDO-001) as well as 2006P 1DO-017 (DDO-003). This 2014 is probably stronger in the date than either and comparable in LIBERTY with a smaller spread in the motto.

This particular doubled die is now assigned as 2014P 1DO-001 on *Coppercoins.com* and will also be added to the Wexler files and CONECA files soon. ■