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Numismatic Theatre Presentation

Washington Quarter
Reverse Design Varieties

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RDV-001

1932

Quarter

1964



Description: Low relief.

First issued in 1932 and last known issued in 1964.

Primary characteristic for this design is a very weak to missing leaf above the A of DOLLAR.

This design is very common on all circulation strikes from 1932 through 1964.

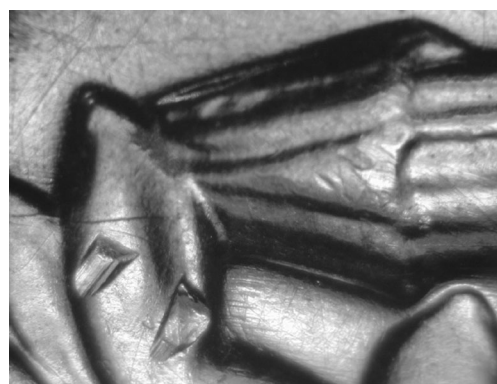
This design was used for the 1936 proof coinage.

RDV-002

1937

Quarter

1964



Description: High relief.

First issued in 1937 for proof coinage and last known issued in 1964 for proof coinage.

The primary characteristic for this design is a very strong and connected leaf above the A of DOLLAR.

This design is very common on all proof coinage from 1937 through 1964.

This design is uncommon on circulation strike coinage dated 1957 through 1964 from Philadelphia.

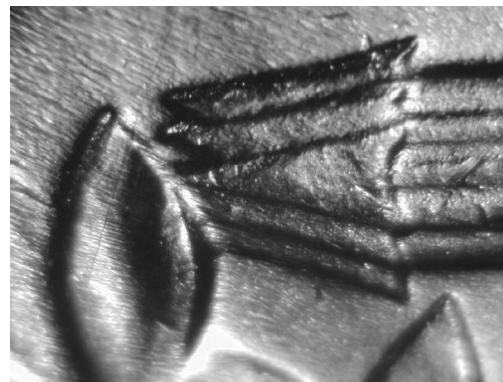
This design is scarce on circulation strike coinage dated 1956 from Philadelphia.

RDV-003

1964-D

Quarter

1967



Description: Medium relief.

First issued in the 1964 coinage from Denver and last known issued in 1967.

The primary characteristic of this design is its overall medium relief which shows up as strengthened design elements, particularly the eagle's Left (viewer's Right) wing.

It is rare for the 1964-D coinage with only 1 die confirmed.

It is very scarce for the 1965-1967 coinage with only the 1965 and 1967 circulation strikes confirmed.

I still need to confirm its occurrence for the following: 1965 SMS, 1966, 1966 SMS, 1967 SMS.

RDV-004

1965

Quarter

1969-D



Description: Medium relief.

First issued in 1965 and last known issued in 1969-D.

The primary characteristic of this design is the medium strength of the eagle's Left (viewer's Right) wing and the straight leg on the N of UNUM.

It is readily available for 1965-1968 circulation strikes from both mints and the SMS issues.

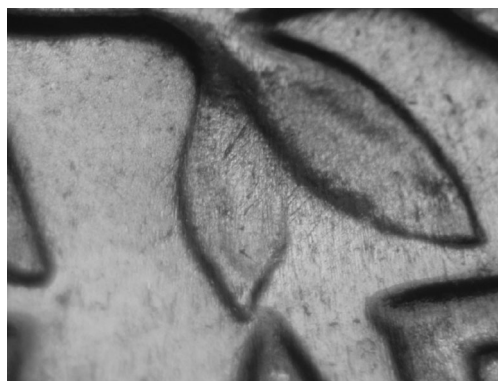
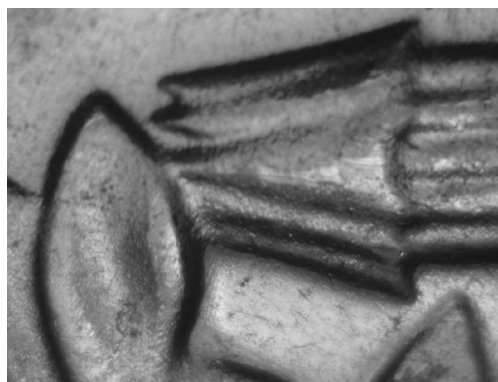
It is very scarce for the 1969-D coinage.

RDV-005

1965

Quarter

1968-S



Description: Medium relief.

It was first issued in 1965 and the last known issue is 1968-S.

The primary characteristic for this design is the incuse outline of the eagle's Left (viewer's Right) wing.

This design is readily available for the 1965-1968 circulation strikes from both mints and the SMS issues.

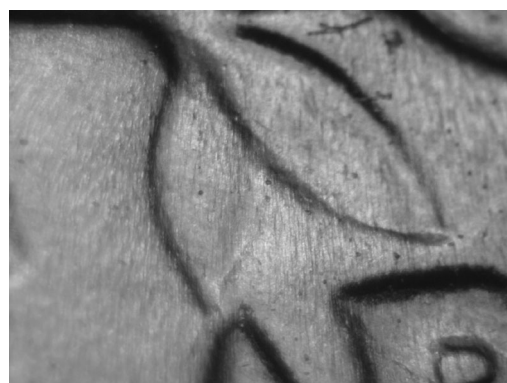
It is rare for the 1968-S proof coinage.

RDV-006

1967

Quarter

1972-D



Description: Medium relief.

It was first issued in 1967 and the last known issue is 1972-D.

The primary characteristic for this design is the pointed leaf in front of the arrow points combined with master die doubling on the lower Left leaves and QUARTER.

It is readily available for the 1968, 1968-D, 1969, 1970, 1970-D, 1971, 1971-D, 1972, and 1972-D issues.

It is rare for the 1967 issue.

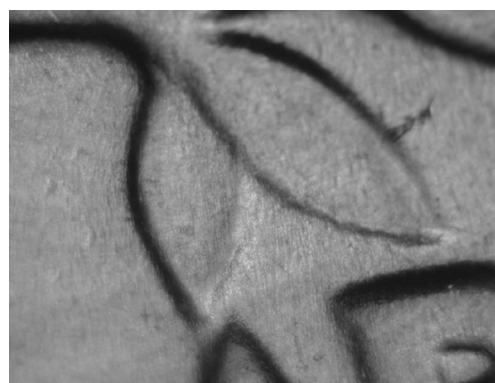
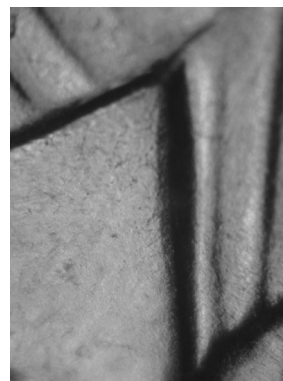
It is unconfirmed for the 1967 SMS, 1968-S, and 1969-D

RDV-007

1968-S

Quarter

1970-D



Description: Medium relief.

It was first issued in 1968-S and the last known issue is 1970-D.

The primary characteristic for this design is the rounded leaf in front of the arrow points.

This design is readily available for the 1968-S and 1970-D issues.

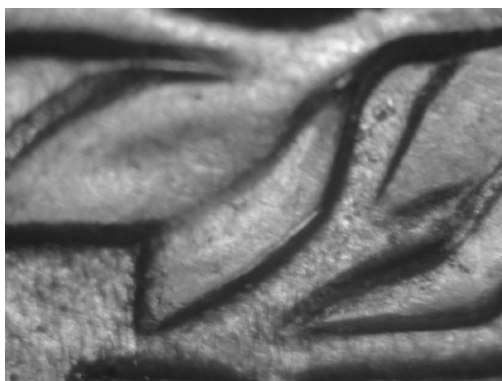
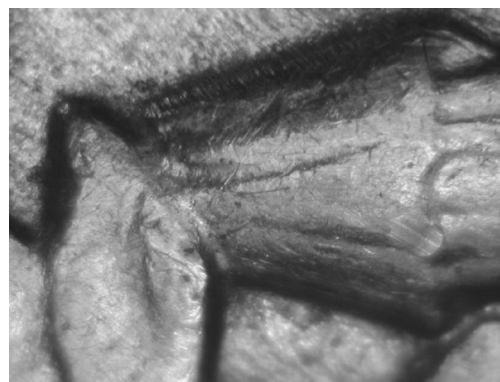
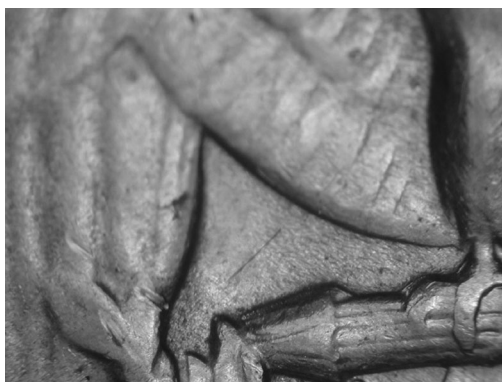
It is scarce for the 1969-D and rare for the 1970 Philadelphia coinage.

RDV-008

1968-S

Quarter

1972-S



Description: Strong relief.

It was first issued in 1968-S and the last known issue is 1972-S.

The primary characteristic for this design is the strong relief normally reserved for proof coinage.

This design is readily available for the 1968-1972-S proof issues.

It is rare for the 1969-D, 1971-D and 1972-D circulation strikes.

It is unconfirmed for the 1970-D circulation strikes.

Summary

Date	RDV-002	RDV-003	RDV-004	RDV-005	RDV-006	RDV-007	RDV-008
1956 BS	**						
1957 BS	*						
1958 BS	*						
1959 BS	*						
1960 BS	*						
1961 BS	*						
1962 BS	*						
1963 BS	*						
1964 BS	*						
1964-D		***					
1965		**	U	X			
1965 SMS		U	X	X			
1966		U	X	X			
1966 SMS		U	X	X			
1967		****	X	X	****		
1967 SMS		U	X	X	U		
1968			X	X	X		
1968-D			X	X	X		
1968-S				****	U	X	X
1969					X	X	
1969-D			***		U	**	****
1969-S							X
1970					X	****	
1970-D					X	X	****
1970-S							X
1971					X		
1971-D					X		****
1971-S							X
1972					X		
1972-D					X		****
1972-S							X

Legend:

X = common
 * = uncommon
 ** = scarce
 *** = very scarce
 **** = rare
 U = suspected to exist but unconfirmed

If you find an unconfirmed or rare RDV please contact me at:

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