



**United States Mint  
Non-Customer Product & Packaging  
Assessment Research**

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Note to reader: Bold lines in between questions signify page/screen breaks.

**INTERVIEWER: Please be sure that the rack is set up according to your interviewer guide. Enter your mall number and test version FROM THE INTERVIEWER GUIDE below.**

<b>MALL</b>	_____ (1-12)
<b>TEST VERSION</b>	<input type="radio"/> A <input type="radio"/> B

Please click the FORWARD button to begin.

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We would like to understand something about the types of products that are appealing to you.

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The display here contains a number of different types of products. Suppose that you had the opportunity to purchase something from among any of the items that are displayed (to keep for yourself).

(Note: This is just to understand your purchase interests. We are not asking you to actually make a purchase.)

Programming: Ask All

Q1-1 Which of these items would be your first choice to purchase (for yourself)?

**Enter the number of the item that would be your first choice.**

Q1-2 If you had the opportunity to purchase the item you just selected, how likely would you be to actually purchase it?

<b><u>Extremely unlikely</u></b> to actually purchase this item			<b><u>Extremely likely</u></b> to actually purchase this item		
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>

Programming: Ask All

Q1-3 Next, please think about a possible occasion where you might purchase a gift for someone else.

For which of the following occasions do you expect to purchase gifts in the next 12 months?

Occasion	Yes	No
1. Birthday	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. Wedding / Engagement / Bridal shower	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Year-end holiday (Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and the like)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. Other holiday (specify) _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. Graduation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. Mother's Day	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. Father's Day	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8. Anniversary	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9. Thank you gift	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10. Baby shower / Birth of a child / Christening	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11. Retirement	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12. New job / promotion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
13. Other (specify) _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Programming note:

- Randomize order; 7 should follow 6, and 4 should follow 3

Programming: Ask All who checked "yes" in at least one row of Q1-3.

Q1-4 Thinking about all these upcoming gift occasions, please again look at the selection of items in the display. Which of the items displayed would you be most likely to purchase as a gift for someone else?

Enter the number of the item that would be your first choice.

Q1-5 If you *had the opportunity to purchase* the item you just selected as a gift, how likely would you be to actually purchase it?

Extremely unlikely to actually purchase this item			Extremely likely to actually purchase this item		
1	2	3	4	5	6

Programming: Ask if Q1-5 is > 2. Only show rows “yes” in Q1-3.

Q1-6 For which specific type of gifting occasion would you be most likely to purchase the item you selected?

Occasion	Yes	No
1. Birthday	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. Wedding / Engagement / Bridal shower	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Year-end holiday (Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and the like)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. Other holiday (specify)_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. Graduation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. Mother’s Day	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. Father’s Day	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8. Anniversary	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9. Thank you gift	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10. Baby shower / Birth of a child / Christening	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11. Retirement	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12. New job / Promotion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
13. Other (specify)_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Programming note:

- Display in same order as Q1-3

Programming: Ask if Q1-5 is > 2. Skip if “anniversary”, “wedding”, “Mother’s Day,” or “Father’s Day“ is selected in Q1-5.

Q1-7 Is the recipient you envision for this gift item (for the occasion you selected)...

Male?	<input type="radio"/>
Female?	<input type="radio"/>
Not sure [only show for “baby shower/birth/Christening”]?	<input type="radio"/>

Programming: Ask if Q1-5 is > 2. Skip if “baby shower/birth of a child” is selected in Q1-5.

Q1-8 How old is the recipient you envision for this gift item (for the occasion you selected)?

Enter the age of the likely recipient.

Programming: Ask if Q1-5 is > 2. Skip if "Mother's Day" or "Father's Day" is selected in Q1-5.

Q1-9 Is the recipient you envision for this gift item (for the occasion you selected)...

...a relative?	<input type="radio"/>
...a friend?	<input type="radio"/>
...a business associate?	<input type="radio"/>
Other?	<input type="radio"/>

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Programming: Ask all

Q1-10 We'd like to ask a few additional questions about the item you just selected (Item Number [insert # from Q1-4]).

How would you rate this item on the following dimensions?

	Poor						Excellent
a. Overall appeal	1	2	3	4	5	6	
b. Appeal of product	1	2	3	4	5	6	
c. Appeal of packaging	1	2	3	4	5	6	
d. Quality of product	1	2	3	4	5	6	
e. Quality of packaging	1	2	3	4	5	6	
f. Price	1	2	3	4	5	6	

Programming:

- Randomize order; "a" always first

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Programming: Ask if Q1-5 > 2

Q1-11 What is it about this item (Item Number [insert # from Q1-4]) that makes you likely to purchase it as a gift?

Programming: Ask all

Q1-12 Now think back to the item you said you would be most likely to purchase for yourself (Item Number [insert # from Q1-1]).

How would you rate this item on the following dimensions?

	Poor					Excellent
a. Overall appeal	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. Appeal of product	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. Appeal of packaging	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. Quality of product	1	2	3	4	5	6
e. Quality of packaging	1	2	3	4	5	6
f. Price	1	2	3	4	5	6

Programming:

- Same order as Q1-10
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Programming: Ask if Q1-2 > 2

Q1-13 What is it about this item (Item Number [insert # from Q1-1]) that makes you likely to purchase it for yourself?

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Programming: Ask All

Q1-14 Which of these items would be your second choice to purchase (for yourself)?

*Enter the number of the item that would be your second choice.*

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Programming:

- Do not allow same choice as 1<sup>st</sup> choice (Q1-1)

Programming: Ask All

Q1-15 And which of these items would be your third choice to purchase (for yourself)?

*Enter the number of the item that would be your third choice.*

Programming:

- Do not allow same choice as 1<sup>st</sup> choice (Q1-1) or 2<sup>nd</sup> choice (Q1-14)
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Programming: Ask All

Q1-16 Which of these items would be your second choice to purchase (as a gift)?

*Enter the number of the item that would be your second choice.*

Programming:

- Do not allow same choice as 1<sup>st</sup> choice (Q1-4)
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Programming: Ask All

Q1-17 And which of these items would be your third choice to purchase (as a gift)?

*Enter the number of the item that would be your third choice.*

Programming:

- Do not allow same choice as 1<sup>st</sup> choice (Q1-4) or 2<sup>nd</sup> choice (Q1-16)

**Programming: Ask All.**

Repeat Q2-1 through Q2-2 for each U.S. Mint item and 2 competitor items (if 2+ competitor items are selected in Q1-14,Q1-15,Q1-16,Q1-17, then select in priority order – 2<sup>nd</sup> choices before 3<sup>rd</sup> choices. In the case where there is 1 “2<sup>nd</sup> choice” and 2 “3<sup>rd</sup> choice” competitor items, take the 2<sup>nd</sup> choice and randomize between the 2 3<sup>rd</sup> choices. If 1 competitor item selected in Q1-14,Q1-15,Q1-16,Q1-17, select that item, and then select randomly from 2 other competitor items TBD by U.S. Mint team. If 0 competitor items are selected, select 2 other competitor items TBD by U.S. Mint team).

Do not show Q2-2 for items that were rated in Q1-10 or Q1-12

Show (and autofill) prior rating from Q1-2 or Q1-5 in Q2-1 for items selected in Q1-1 or Q1-4

Skip for any item selected in both Q1-1 and Q1-4

Next we’d like to ask about some of the other items that were included in the display.

First please look at item [INSERT ITEM # FROM SELECTION ALGORITHM].

Q2-1 And again considering your likely purchase behaviors, if you had the opportunity to purchase this item, how likely would you be to actually purchase it?

	<b><u>Extremely unlikely</u> to actually purchase this item</b>				<b><u>Extremely likely</u> to actually purchase this item</b>	
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
For yourself	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
As a gift	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>

Q2-2 And how would you rate this item on the following dimensions?

	<b>Poor</b>					<b>Excellent</b>
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
a. Overall appeal	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
b. Appeal of product	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
c. Appeal of the packaging	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
d. Quality of product	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
e. Quality of packaging	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
f. Price	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>

**Programming**

Repeat Q2-1 through Q2-2 for each U.S. Mint item and 2 competitor items (if 2+ competitor items are selected in Q1-14,Q1-15,Q1-16,Q1-17, then select in priority order – 2<sup>nd</sup> choices before, 3<sup>rd</sup> choices. In the case where there is 1 “2<sup>nd</sup> choice” and 2 “3<sup>rd</sup> choice” competitor items, take the 2<sup>nd</sup> choice and randomize between the 2 3<sup>rd</sup> choices. If 1 competitor item selected in Q1-14,Q1-15,Q1-16,Q1-17, select that item, and then select randomly from 2 other competitor items TBD by U.S. Mint team. If 0 competitor items are selected, select 2 other competitor items TBD by U.S.> Mint team).

Do not show Q2-2 for items that were rated in Q1-10 or Q1-12

Show (and autofill) prior rating from Q1-2 or Q1-5 in Q2-1 for items selected in Q1-1 or Q1-4

Skip for any item selected in both Q1-1 and Q1-4



Programming: Ask if tie for top U.S. Mint product for likelihood to purchase for yourself.

Q2-3 If you had to purchase one of these items for yourself, which would be your top choice?

	Top Choice
Top-rated U.S. Mint Product #1 for yourself	<input type="radio"/>
Top-rated U.S. Mint Product #2 for yourself	<input type="radio"/>
Etc.	<input type="radio"/>

Programming

- Display all items that are tied for highest rating in Q2-1 row 1.
- If only 1 item has highest rating, skip question and force item as answer.

Programming: Ask if tie for top U.S. Mint product for likelihood to purchase as a gift

Q2-4 If you had to purchase one of these items as a gift, which would be your top choice?

	Top Choice
Top-rated U.S. Mint Product #1 as a gift	<input type="radio"/>
Top-rated U.S. Mint Product #2 as a gift	<input type="radio"/>
Etc.	<input type="radio"/>

Programming

- Display all items that are tied for highest rating in Q2-1 row 2.
- If only 1 item has highest rating, skip question and force as item answer.

Programming: Ask All

We have just a few final questions.

Q3-1 From which of the following organizations have you **ever purchased** any collectible coins or coin-related merchandise (e.g., coin-jewelry, etc.)? Please only answer if you are sure that you have purchased from the source.

*Do not say yes if you have only received a gift from the organization (but didn't make the purchase yourself).*

Sources/Organizations	Yes	No
a. The United States Mint	0	0
b. The Franklin Mint	0	0
c. Regional or local coin dealers	0	0
d. Local auction or estate sale	0	0
e. Home Shopping Network or QVC	0	0
f. eBay or other Internet auction sites	0	0
g. Antique dealers	0	0
h. Flea markets	0	0
i. Other companies or mints offering coins in direct mail/newspaper/magazine ads	0	0
j. Amazon.com	0	0
k. Bradford Exchange	0	0
l. Danbury Mint	0	0
m. Littleton Coin Company	0	0
n. World Monetary Exchange	0	0
o. GovMint.com	0	0

Programming: Ask all

Q3-2 To what degree has each of the following factors contributed to your not purchasing any collectible coins or coin-related products from the United States Mint?

	Not a Barrier			Has Been a Major Barrier		
	1	2	3	4	5	6
a. I know very little about collectible coins	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. I don't see any point to ever pay over "face value" for a coin	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. I wasn't aware I could purchase coins from the United States Mint	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. I do not know how to contact the United States Mint	1	2	3	4	5	6
e. I'm not familiar with the types of items the United States Mint offers for sale	1	2	3	4	5	6
f. I fear I might overpay for products or buy something that isn't worth much	1	2	3	4	5	6
g. Overall, I feel coin collecting is boring	1	2	3	4	5	6
h. I do not enjoy building collections of items (of any kind)	1	2	3	4	5	6
i. I am uninterested in the subject matter of collectible coins	1	2	3	4	5	6
j. I have no time for collecting coins	1	2	3	4	5	6
k. I need to see/handle an object in person before I buy it	1	2	3	4	5	6
l. Coin collecting is too expensive for me	1	2	3	4	5	6
m. I do not feel that coins make good gifts	1	2	3	4	5	6
n. I have no interest in coin collecting	1	2	3	4	5	6

Programming: Ask All

Q3-3 If you were to consider the purchasing of a coin or coin product, how important would each of the following considerations be in influencing your decision to buy or not buy?

	Not at all Important			Extremely Important		
a. The historical relevance of the coin	1	2	3	4	5	6
b. The place the coin was made (e.g., United States Mint, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5	6
c. The person, place, event, or object featured on the coin	1	2	3	4	5	6
d. The ability to sell the coin for profit in the future	1	2	3	4	5	6
e. The rarity of the coin	1	2	3	4	5	6
f. Whether or not the coin is a "Proof" coin	1	2	3	4	5	6
g. The source from which I am purchasing the coin (e.g., direct from the United States Mint, from a coin dealer, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5	6
h. The coin's brightness/polished appearance	1	2	3	4	5	6
i. The quality/appeal/beauty of the artwork on the coin	1	2	3	4	5	6
j. The coin's metal content (e.g., gold, silver, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5	6
k. The price of the coin	1	2	3	4	5	6

Programming: Ask All

We just have a few final questions for classification purposes.

Q.4-1 What is your age (in years)?

Q.4-2 What is your gender?

Female	<input type="radio"/>
Male	<input type="radio"/>

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Programming: Ask All

Q4-3 What is your marital status?

Single, never married	<input type="radio"/>
Married	<input type="radio"/>
Living with significant other	<input type="radio"/>
Separated, divorced, widowed	<input type="radio"/>

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Programming: Ask All

Q4-4 What is the highest level of education you have attained?

Grade school (8 <sup>th</sup> grade or less)	<input type="radio"/>
Some high school	<input type="radio"/>
High school graduate	<input type="radio"/>
Some college, no degree	<input type="radio"/>
Vocational training/2-year college	<input type="radio"/>
4-year college/bachelor's degree	<input type="radio"/>
Post-graduate training/degree	<input type="radio"/>

Programming: Ask All

Q4-5 How would you describe the area in which you live?

Urban	<input type="radio"/>
Suburban	<input type="radio"/>
Rural	<input type="radio"/>

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Programming: Ask All

Q4-6 Which of the following categories best describes your total household income before taxes in 2010? Your best estimate is fine.

Select one.

Less than \$20,000	<input type="radio"/>
\$20,000 to \$29,999	<input type="radio"/>
\$30,000 to \$39,999	<input type="radio"/>
\$40,000 to \$49,999	<input type="radio"/>
\$50,000 to \$74,999	<input type="radio"/>
\$75,000 to \$99,999	<input type="radio"/>
\$100,000 \$149,999	<input type="radio"/>
\$150,000 or more	<input type="radio"/>

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Programming: Ask All

Q4-7 Do you have a computer with access to the Internet in your home?

Yes	<input type="radio"/>
No	<input type="radio"/>

Programming: Ask All

Q.4-8 Are you Hispanic or Latino?

Yes	<input type="radio"/>
No	<input type="radio"/>

Programming: Ask All

Q.4-9 Do you consider yourself to be...

American Indian or Alaska Native?	<input type="radio"/>
Asian?	<input type="radio"/>
Black or African American?	<input type="radio"/>
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander?	<input type="radio"/>
White?	<input type="radio"/>
Other (Specify) _____	<input type="radio"/>

Programming: Ask All

Do not force "Other" to be specified

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Programming: Ask All

Q4-10 Which of the following best describes your current employment status?

Full time	<input type="radio"/>
Part time	<input type="radio"/>
Retired	<input type="radio"/>
Not employed/student	<input type="radio"/>

Programming

- If retired or not employed skip to 4-12
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Programming: Ask If Employed

Q4-11 Which of the following best describes your occupation?

Managerial or professional	<input type="radio"/>
Technical, sales, or administrative	<input type="radio"/>
Service occupations	<input type="radio"/>
Precision products, crafts or repairs	<input type="radio"/>
Operators, fabricators, or laborers	<input type="radio"/>
Farming, forestry, or fishing	<input type="radio"/>
Other	<input type="radio"/>

Programming

- Ask if Q5-4 is Row 1 or Row 2

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Programming: Ask All

Q4-12 Do you have any children under age 18 currently living in your household?

Yes	<input type="radio"/>
No	<input type="radio"/>

Programming

- If no, skip to 4-14

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Programming: Ask If Have Children

Q4-13 Are any of these children in the following age or school ranges?

*Select all that apply*

Newborn to three years	<input type="radio"/>
Preschool or kindergarten	<input type="radio"/>
Grade school (elementary/middle school)	<input type="radio"/>
High school	<input type="radio"/>

Programming

- Ask if Q4-12 is Row 1 "Yes"



Programming: Ask If Have Children

Q4-14 Do you have any grandchildren?

Yes	<input type="radio"/>
No	<input type="radio"/>

Programming

- Ask if have children
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Programming: Ask If Have Grandchildren

Q4-15 Are any of these grandchildren in the following age or school ranges?

*Select all that apply*

Newborn to three years	<input type="radio"/>
Preschool or kindergarten	<input type="radio"/>
Grade school (elementary/middle school)	<input type="radio"/>
High school	<input type="radio"/>
18 years of age or older	<input type="radio"/>

Programming

- Ask if Q4-14 is Row 1 "Yes"
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**THAT CONCLUDES OUR SURVEY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH!**