

Questionnaire for Coin Sorters

We Need Your Input.

Welcome to the United States Mint's survey designed to help us improve our products and services. The United States Mint has contracted with Concurrent Technologies Corporation (CTC) to conduct a study of Alternative Metals for Circulating coinage in support of Public Law 111-302. This survey is part of that study. **Your participation in this survey is ENTIRELY VOLUNTARY and should take approximately 15 minutes of your time.**

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A stakeholder group of importance to the U.S. Mint in this assessment is those who own and operate devices with coin sorters. As a result, we are seeking your quantitative input to help define the impact to your industry.

Please complete this brief confidential survey by October 15, 2011.

Click on the link below to participate. You can only complete the survey once and you will not be able to view other participants answers.

This survey is being conducted by Concurrent Technologies Corporation, a contractor to the U.S. Mint.

Questions may be forwarded to Michael L. Tims at 814-269-2515 or via e-mail to US_Mint_Survey-Sorters@ctc.com.

1. What is the approximate total number of coin sorters at your facility/facilities? [radio button selection]
 - a. 1 to 5
 - b. 6 to 20
 - c. 21 to 50
 - d. 51 or more
2. If available, please indicate the manufacturer, model and total number of each coin sorter in your inventory.
 - a. _____
3. What is the total number of sites where your coin sorting machines reside?
 - a. _____
4. Approximately, how frequently are your coin sorters serviced by a representative of the equipment manufacturer? [radio button selection]
 - a. 3 or more times per year
 - b. 2 times per year
 - c. 1 time per year
 - d. Once every two years
 - e. Once every three years
 - f. Other

5. How many coin sorters do you replace each year?
 - a. _____
6. What is the approximate total number of coins sorted by your equipment per week?
 - a. _____
7. How many labor-hours per week does your business require to sort coins?
 - a. _____
8. Does your equipment also collect and sort tokens?
 - a. Yes
 - i. How many tokens are sorted per week?
 1. _____
 - ii. How many token designs are currently in use at your facility?
 1. _____
 - b. No
9. Of the total number of coin sorters that you have, how many count coins to determine quantity?
 - a. _____
10. Of the total number of coin sorters that you have, how many weigh coins to determine quantity?
 - a. _____
11. What impact (including cost per unit) would you face if any of the following coin properties were changed? [Radio Button Scale 1 to 10 + "unknown or N/A"]
 - a. Diameter
 - b. Thickness
 - c. Weight
 - d. Metallic content (such as ferro-magnetic metals)
 - e. Color
 - f. Gloss
 - g. Hardness
 - h. Electromagnetic signature
12. Please provide comments concerning potential changes to any of the above coin properties.
 - a. _____
13. How many of your coin sorters have 4 or less bagging stations?
 - a. _____
14. 5 bagging stations?
 - a. _____
15. 6 bagging stations?
 - a. _____
16. 7 bagging stations?
 - a. _____
17. 8 bagging stations?
 - a. _____

18. 9 bagging stations?

a. _____

19. 10 or more bagging stations?

a. _____

20. What is the total number of electronically-based sorters at your facility/facilities that are less than 6 years old?

a. _____

21. Electronically-based sorters that are between 6 and 10 years old?

a. _____

22. Electronically-based sorters that are greater than 10 years old?

a. _____

23. What is the total number of mechanically-based sorters at your facility/facilities that are less than 6 years old? (Mechanical sorting coupled with electronic counting still count as mechanically-based sorters.)

a. _____

24. Mechanically-based sorters that are between 6 and 10 years old? (Mechanical sorting coupled with electronic counting still count as mechanically-based sorters.)

a. _____

25. Mechanically-based sorters that are greater than 10 years old? (Mechanical sorting coupled with electronic counting still count as mechanically-based sorters.)

a. _____

26. What is the approximate number of coin sorters at your facility/facilities that accept pennies?

a. _____

27. Nickels?

a. _____

28. Dimes?

a. _____

29. Quarters?

a. _____

30. Half dollars?

a. _____

31. Dollar coins?

a. _____

32. Please list any comments that you have concerning a potential redesign of U.S. circulating coins.

a. _____

33. Would you be willing to be contacted concerning follow-up questions to this survey?

a. Yes

b. No

34. Optional Information: Please list your name, company, address, phone number and e-mail address.

a. _____

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. If you have any questions, please forward them to [US Mint Survey-Sorters@ctc.com](mailto:US_Mint_Survey-Sorters@ctc.com).