

Native American \$1 Coins

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The Program

In 2009, the United States Mint began minting and issuing \$1 coins featuring designs celebrating the important contributions made by Indian tribes and individual Native Americans to the history and development of the United States. This program was created by the Native American \$1 Coin Act, [Public Law 110-82](#).



The Designs

The obverse design remains the central figure of the "Sacagawea" design first produced in 2000, and contains the inscriptions LIBERTY and IN GOD WE TRUST. The reverse design changes each year to celebrate an important contribution of Indian tribes, or individual Native Americans, and contain the inscriptions \$1 and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. Like the Presidential \$1 Coins, the Native American \$1 Coins maintain their distinctive edge and golden color and feature edge-lettering of the year, mint mark and E PLURIBUS UNUM.

The [2009 Native American \\$1 Coin](#) reverse features a Native American woman planting seeds in a field of corn, beans and squash. The [2010 Native American \\$1 Coin](#) reverse features an image of the Hiawatha Belt with five arrows bound together and the additional inscriptions HAUDENOSAUNEE and GREAT LAW OF PEACE.

A Timeline of Events

The United States Mint will prepare a timeline of events and personal contributions for the program until at least 2016. This timeline will be used to create candidate designs for consideration. At various stages in the [evaluation process](#), the United States Mint will consult with the Committee on Indian Affairs, Congressional Native American Caucus, National Congress of American Indians, U.S. Commission of Fine Arts and the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee. The Secretary of the Treasury makes the final selection of designs to be minted and issued.

Overall \$1 Coin Production

In general, five distinct \$1 coins will be issued each year—four Presidential \$1 Coins and one Native American \$1 Coin. The United States Mint will continue to produce Presidential \$1 Coins and Native American \$1 Coins so that the total quantity of \$1 coins minted and issued for circulation is sufficient to meet the needs of the Nation. The law requires that at least 20 percent of all such \$1 coins minted and issued in any year be Native American \$1 Coins.

Until the conclusion of the [Presidential \\$1 Coin Program](#), the Native American \$1 Coins will be issued, to the maximum extent feasible, in chronological order of the events or lives of the persons being featured on the reverse design.

After the completion of the Presidential \$1 Coin Program, the Native American \$1 Coin Program will continue. It will feature designs in any order determined to be appropriate by the Secretary of the Treasury after consultation with the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, the House of Representatives Congressional Native American Caucus, the National Congress of American Indians, and the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee.