












United States Circulated Silver Coinage Intrinsic Value Table

These coins were in standard circulation until silver was removed from all coinage in 1965 and 1970 (40% silver half-dollars). I recognize that the silver Eisenhower dollar was issued as a collectible only, but I'm still categorizing it with this group. This table illustrates how far the metal value has progressed compared to the denomination's purchasing power after the debasement.

Table based on June 17, 2009 1:30 PM EST [precious metal](#) prices (after-hour prices not reflected):

Silver \$14.27/oz ↑0.09

| Description | Denomination | Silver Value | Silver % of Denomination |
|---|--------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
|  1942-1945 Nickel ** | \$0.05 | \$0.8028 | 1605.76% |
|  1916-1945 Mercury Dime | \$0.10 | \$1.0322 | 1032.28% |
|  1946-1964 Roosevelt Dime | \$0.10 | \$1.0322 | 1032.28% |
|  1932-1964 Quarter | \$0.25 | \$2.5806 | 1032.27% |
|  1916-1947 Half Dollar | \$0.50 | \$5.1614 | 1032.28% |
|  1948-1963 Half Dollar | \$0.50 | \$5.1614 | 1032.28% |
|  1964 Kennedy Half Dollar | \$0.50 | \$5.1614 | 1032.28% |
|  1965-1970 Half Dollar (40% silver) | \$0.50 | \$2.1104 | 422.08% |
|  1878-1921 Morgan Dollar | \$1.00 | \$11.0371 | 1103.71% |
|  1921-1935 Peace Dollar | \$1.00 | \$11.0371 | 1103.71% |
|  1971-1976 Eisenhower Dollar (40% silver) ** | \$1.00 | \$4.5126 | 451.26% |

** The U.S. Mint issued two compositions of the nickel in 1942. The standard copper-nickel composition used today and the 35% silver composition listed here. Also, 40% silver Eisenhower dollars were issued as collectibles only, they are generally not found in circulation.