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# ABOUT THE ROYAL CANADIAN MINT

In operation since 1908, the Royal Canadian Mint (Mint) is a commercial Crown corporation, wholly owned by the Government of Canada. With 115 years of coin production expertise, the Mint combines modern business practices and strong environmental, social and governance standards to deliver exceptional quality and value to its customers.

- It is one of the world's most innovative producers of circulation coins - for both the domestic and international market.
- Its expertise in coin production, innovation, security, distribution and consulting has served over 80 countries worldwide.
- It is responsible for the management of Canada's coin distribution system.
- Through its bullion business, it plays a critical role in the domestic and international financial and mining sectors.
- It operates gold and silver refineries and offers secure precious metal storage services.

Learn more about the Mint: <https://www.mint.ca/en/services>

Learn more about the Mint's international minting services:

<https://www.mint.ca/en/services/international-minting>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U8uhOpABQvc>

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## FACILITIES

The Mint's Ottawa headquarters and Winnipeg manufacturing plant form one of the world's most sophisticated minting operations.

### WINNIPEG (ESTABLISHED IN 1976)

- A high tech, high volume manufacturing facility, producing all Canadian and international circulation coins.
- Produces approximately 3.2 billion circulation coins per year.
- Home of the Hieu C. Truong Centre of Excellence for Research and Development, named after one of the Royal Canadian Mint's most celebrated innovators.

### OTTAWA

- This facility specializes in the production of world-renowned collector coins, investment products and medals.
- Produces an average of 4,000 collector coins per eight-hour shift. Each piece is treated as an individual work of art.
- Home of the most respected and technically advanced gold and silver refineries in the world since 1911.



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# INNOVATION

Using the latest technology, the Mint continuously improves their manufacturing processes, enabling them to pioneer many novel coins, both in security and design.

## PAINTED COIN TECHNOLOGY

- The Mint is the market leader in painted circulation coins since the launch of the first ever painted circulation coin, the 25-cent Poppy, in 2004.
- Since 2004, the Mint has launched over 35 painted coin programs, including glow-in-the-dark, with over 300M coins issued into circulation.
- The Mint designed and patented a specific technological feature and application process which allows for extreme durability of painted circulation coins, with numismatic quality.

## MULTI-PLY PLATED STEEL

- Since 2000, the Canadian government has saved millions of dollars thanks to multi-ply plated steel technology, now used in 37 countries.
- The Mint's revolutionary multi-ply plated steel technology offers significant advantages:
  - Substantial savings in time and materials: Multi-ply plating uses less nickel, copper or other alloys than usual methods, and is an efficient and environment-friendly plating process.
  - Superior performance: Nickel plate resists tarnishing better than alternative plating recipes and alloys. The multiple layers enable an optimized blend of security, quality and durability.

## SECURITY

- The Mint offers a variety of security measures to keep their coins safe.
  - Overt features: Visual elements that contain embedded or hidden information
  - Covert features: Designed to be detected via machinery.
- Canada's \$2 coin (the toonie) was recognized as the most secure coin in the world.



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# AWARDS

## PRODUCTS

The Mint's Canadian and foreign circulation coins have won over 36 internationally recognized awards, ranging from best design, to innovation, to security.

Examples:

### International Association of Currency Affairs' (IACA) - Excellence in Currency Awards

- Best New Commemorative Coin: Barbados \$1 Glow-in-the-Dark Flying Fish circulation coin
- Best New Coin Product, Feature or Distribution Innovation: Tri-Metal Token
- Best New Commemorative or Test Circulating Coin: New Zealand 50 Cent 100th Anniversary of Anzac Commemorative Circulation Coin
- Best Commemorative Coin Technology: New Zealand 50-Cent "Anzac"
- Best commemorative Coin Design: Fiji 50-Cent "Rugby 7's"
- Best New Coin Innovation Excellence (Security): Canadian \$2 circulation coin

See all of the Mint's award-winning coins: <https://www.mint.ca/en/discover/award-winning-coins>

## EMPLOYER

The Mint prides itself on being a caring, collaborative and innovative employer to its 1,188 full-time employees, and has been recognized as one of the [National Capital Region's Top Employers](#) in both 2021 and 2022.



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# VIDEOS

## INTERNATIONAL PAINTED COIN PROGRAMS

Reserve Bank of New Zealand Armistice Coin

- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_N49Ka1Ksdg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_N49Ka1Ksdg)
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Zm6lNf-IFk>

Reserve Bank of New Zealand Anzac Coin

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aagBl-P5rAc>

Reserve Bank of New Zealand Anzac Coin

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v5-Fbhe5ZcQ&t=58s>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yP4lvWvpXH8&t=2s>

## 2022 ROYAL CANADIAN MINT COMMEMORATIVE CIRCULATION PROGRAM

\$1 – Celebrating Oscar Peterson

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pssjW-w-7Rs>

\$2 - 50th Anniversary of the Summit Series

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o0rPHZQ5LGJ>

\$1 - 175th Anniversary of the Birth of Alexander Graham Bell

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xefqTwi7j4>

\$2 *Honouring Queen Elizabeth II*

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=54ypOGY3YQE>

\* First circulation coin to feature a black-nickel coloured design, a symbol of mourning.

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