

1986-2025

# **GOLD AMERICAN EAGLE PROOF COINS**



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# Gold American Eagle Proof Series

## A Brief History of Gold and Gold Coinage

Since pre-historic times, gold has been highly prized for its beauty, utility and durability. It may have been the very first metal used by human civilization. Gold's first use was likely in and around Egypt, and it is even referenced several times in Old Testament Biblical texts. By 14th Century B.C., gold was so popular that King Tushratta of Mitanni, near modern-day Syria, remarked that gold was as "common as dust."

It was first exploited during the age of King Midas and by about 643 B.C., the world's first gold coins began appearing. Centuries later, European exploitation of gold was initially triggered by reports of an abundance of gold ornaments routinely displayed by native people throughout Peru, Colombia and Central America.

For centuries, gold has been widely considered one of the most precious metals. For this reason, it has become the de facto standard for many of the world's most well-known and stable currencies. Geologically speaking, gold was relatively easy to obtain in ancient times. In medieval times, alchemists attempted to turn alternate substances, like lead, into gold by using a "philosopher's stone." While these attempts failed, their activities laid the groundwork for the sciences of chemistry. Nineteenth century history is full of accounts of various gold rushes, most notably in California, Colorado, Alaska and Australia.

## Limited Supply

It is estimated that 75% of all gold ever produced throughout history has been mined since 1910. One anecdotal estimate suggests that all the gold produced would form a cube measuring approximately 66 feet on all sides.

The World Gold Council estimates the total world gold supply at 3,859 tons. Because of its durability and historically high value, virtually all of the gold ever produced throughout history is still in circulation. In fact, it is estimated that about 15% of the world's annual gold consumption is recycled gold.

Silver and gold coins were first used during King Croesus's 6th Century B.C. reign in Lydia. The practice quickly spread to the Greek Empire. When Alexander the Great consolidated the Greek Empire 200 years later, he seized over 700,000 troy ounces in gold coinage from the Persian Empire. Gold Coinage was in full swing during the Roman Empire, with the Romans minting gold coins on a historic scale. After the fall of the Roman Empire, it took 1,000 years for gold coinage to make a comeback.

By 1200, Venice began to emerge as an economic trading power and was a conduit for gold coinage as a means for trade settlement. By 1284, Venice had established its own gold mint and began producing the ducat, which was the premier gold coinage throughout the known world for the next five centuries. New gold discoveries led to all the major European powers minting their own gold coinage during that time.

The diversity of coinage continued as new supplies of gold were discovered in Africa and the Americas. However, silver dominated gold until about 1690. With the discovery of new gold in Brazil, gold coins again became more prized than silver coinage. During his tenure as Master of the Mint, Sir Isaac Newton set the official gold standard in 1717, which lasted until the outbreak of World War I. The final triumph of gold over silver occurred during the gold rushes in America and Australia, during which virtually all gold that was mined was turned into gold coinage.

By 1900, the United States had switched from a bimetallic silver and gold standard to a single gold standard. With the outbreak of WWI, nations began to greatly limit their gold and coin production. Even private ownership was restricted. Until recent years, gold coin production remained restricted and gold coins are rarely ever used as tender. Gold coins do, however, remain popular with investors and collectors.

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Gold & President Reagan

President Franklin Roosevelt signed Executive Order 6102 in 1933, making private ownership of gold by U.S. citizens illegal. More than 40 years later, President Ford repealed Roosevelt’s order, restoring Americans’ right to own gold, though the availability of coins was limited until President Reagan authorized the U.S. Mint to produce gold coins again.

The Gold American Eagle family consists of four sizes and denominations: \$5, \$10, \$25, and \$50 coins. The legal tender denominations are largely symbolic because the value of the gold content well exceeds its face value. Each \$50 Gold Eagle contains one full Troy ounce of gold, while the smaller denominations consist of 1/10, 1/4, and 1/2 Troy ounces respectively.

The Gold Eagle’s obverse (front) features an updated rendition of Augustus Saint-Gaudens’ classic walking Lady Liberty. The reverse side features a family of eagles with the male eagle grasping an olive branch and flying above a female nesting with her hatchlings. The type 2 reverse design, introduced in 2021, features a close-up portrait of an eagle.

The Gold American Eagle Proofs

The U.S. Mint also produces a proof version of the Gold Eagles identical to the business strike coins. The only design detail unique to the Proof versions is the “W” mintmark beneath the date, which means the coin was produced at West Point, New York. Like the business strikes, the Proofs are also available in four denominations.

In creating brilliant Proof coins, the U.S. Mint undertakes a specialized minting process, which begins by manually feeding burnished coin blanks into presses fitted with special dies, which strike the coins to create the features. To create the effect of detailed images floating above a mirror-like field, each coin is struck multiple times. After minting, each coin undergoes intense scrutiny for production flaws. After passing inspection, each Proof coin is sealed and documented with an individual Document of Authenticity by the U.S. government.

The Price of Gold

People often ask if the price of gold goes up. When President Nixon took the Dollar off the gold standard in 1971, the price began changing in real time like a stock. There have been periods of growth and some periods of price contraction. Still, the price has generally moved upward over time. The reason is that gold is a unique commodity that doesn’t change over time. An ounce of gold today is the same as an ounce of gold 1,000 years ago. The increase in the price of gold is an accurate measure of the Dollar’s loss of purchasing power. Predicting the long-term gold price is determining if the Dollar will gain or lose purchasing power.



OBVERSE (FRONT)  
Augustus Saint-Gaudens’  
Rendition of Lady Liberty



REVERSE (BACK) TYPE 1  
“Family of Eagles” design  
1986-2021



REVERSE (BACK) TYPE 2  
“Eagle Portrait” design  
Starting in 2021

GOLD PRICES 1972 – PRESENT





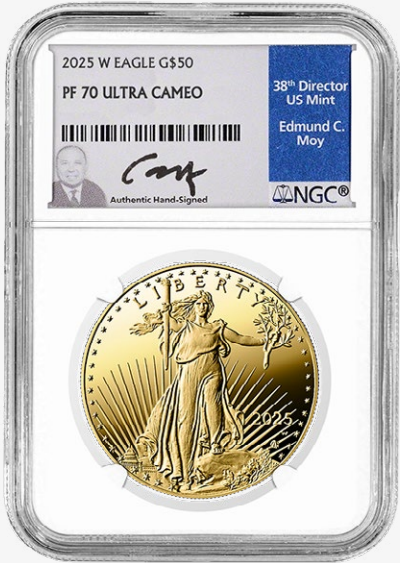
### The Importance of Certification

For discerning collectors, condition is of paramount importance. It could be said that the essence of vintage value for virtually any collectible is “history, supply and condition.” In certifying a coin, all aspects of a coin’s characteristics are carefully considered and scrupulously examined, including authenticity, condition and pedigree if applicable. After a coin has completed the inspection and certification stage, it is then sonically sealed in an individual tamper-evident holder and documented with its own serial number to ensure its authenticity.

Ungraded proof and burnished coins can be purchased from the U.S. Mint. The only way to determine if a proof coin is genuinely perfect is for professional grading companies like the NGC or PGCS to grade the coins. Grading companies use the Sheldon scale to assign a numerical value between 1-70, reflecting the quality of the coin; A “1” rating is a coin in horrible condition, and a “70” is a pristine, museum-quality coin with zero blemishes at five times magnification.



NGC PF70 SLAB  
Hand-signed by Ed Moy



# Payment Options for Securing Your Portfolio

At the United States Gold Bureau, we offer flexible payment methods to ensure your experience is as seamless as possible. Whether you’re looking to make an immediate investment, consistently invest a portion over time, or considering your long-term portfolio strategy, we have options that fit your needs.

### Traditional Payment Methods

We accept the following secure, traditional forms of payment for your convenience:

<b>ACH</b> (Automated Clearing House) Fast and efficient for direct transfers.	<b>Credit Card</b> A convenient way to make quick purchases.	<b>Wire Transfer</b> Perfect for larger transactions, offering a secure and direct method of payment.

### Barter: Leverage Your Bullion—No Cash Required

Have you enjoyed recent gains in your bullion holdings? Now might be the perfect time to **lock in those profits**. With the changing of the guard the time to rebalance is NOW. Historically, if we have learned anything is that over time our environment changes. Rebalancing is a welcomed practice to ensure we continue to stay ahead of the curve. By using our **barter program**, you can lock in your bullion gains for future purchases.

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# The Classic Group 1986-1991

The Gold American Eagle coins of the Classic Group (spanning from 1986 to 1991) have seen exceptional investment performance, with yearly price increases ranging from nearly 10% to 20%, far above average returns in the stock market or even the gold bullion market.



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1986



*The Legacy Begins*

PROOF 70 POPULATION

5,050

Size and Denominations:



\$50

1 oz.

**JANUARY 28**

Space Shuttle Challenger disintegrates 73 seconds after launch, killing the crew of 7 astronauts, including schoolteacher Christa McAuliffe.

**APRIL 29**

Roger Clemens sets the record for the most strikeouts in a 9-inning MLB game, striking out 20 batters.

**MARCH 24**

The 58th Academy Awards are held in Los Angeles, California, with Out of Africa winning Best Picture.

**NOVEMBER 3**

Iran-Contra affair: The Lebanese magazine Ash-Shiraa reports that the U.S. has been selling weapons to Iran in secret, in order to secure the release of 7 American hostages held by pro-Iranian groups in Lebanon.



# 1987



# 1988

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,811

Size and Denominations:



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,698

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.

**JANUARY 8**

The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 2,000 for the first time, gaining 8.30 to close at 2,002.25.

**MARCH 29**

World Wrestling Entertainment presented Wrestle Mania III in the Pontiac Silverdome in Detroit, Michigan. The event was attended by over 90,000 people and set an all-time indoor attendance record.

**MARCH 16**

First Republic Bank of Texas fails and enters FDIC receivership, the second largest FDIC assisted bank failure to date.

**MAY 31**

U.S. President Ronald Reagan addresses 600 Moscow State University students, during his visit to the Soviet Union.

**SEPTEMBER 29**

NASA resumes space shuttle flights, grounded after the Space Shuttle Challenger disaster, with Space Shuttle Discovery.

**MARCH 2**

American Motors Corporation is acquired by the Chrysler Corporation.

**OCTOBER 26**

The Dow Jones Industrial Average goes down 156.83 points; at the time it is the second largest decrease ever (trailing Black Monday).

**MARCH 26**

U.S. presidential candidate Jesse Jackson defeats Michael Dukakis in the Michigan Democratic caucuses, becoming the temporary front-runner for the party's nomination.

**NOVEMBER 30**

Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. buys RJR Nabisco for US\$25.07 billion in the biggest leveraged buyout deal of all time.

1989



1990

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,215

Size and Denominations:



\$5  
1/10 oz.



\$10  
1/4 oz.



\$25  
1/2 oz.



\$50  
1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,151

Size and Denominations:



\$5  
1/10 oz.



\$10  
1/4 oz.



\$25  
1/2 oz.



\$50  
1 oz.

MARCH 4

Time, Inc. and Warner Communications announce plans for a merger, forming Time Warner.

APRIL 14

The U.S. government seizes the Lincoln Savings and Loan Association as part of the massive S&L Crisis that cost taxpayers nearly \$200 billion in bailouts, and many people their life savings.

DECEMBER 20

Operation Just Cause is launched in an attempt to overthrow Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega.

JANUARY 10

Time Warner is formed from the merger of Time Inc. and Warner Communications Inc.

APRIL 24

The Space Shuttle Discovery places the Hubble Space Telescope into orbit.

AUGUST 19

Leonard Bernstein conducts his final concert, ending with Ludwig van Beethoven's Symphony No. 7 performed by the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

MARCH 24

Exxon Valdez oil spill: In Alaska's Prince William Sound, the Exxon Valdez spills 240,000 barrels (11 million gallons) of oil after running aground.

OCTOBER 13

Friday the 13th mini-crash: The Dow Jones Industrial Average plunges 190.58 points, or 6.91 percent, to close at 2,569.26, most likely after the junk bond market collapses.

MARCH 18

Twelve paintings, collectively worth from \$100 to \$300 million, are stolen from the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston, Massachusetts by 2 thieves posing as police officers. This is the largest art theft in U.S. history.

SEPTEMBER 29

Washington National Cathedral is completed after 83 years of construction.



1991



# The Modern Era Group 1992-2000

The yearly price increase for the sets in the Modern Era group has been superior, averaging between 6% and 14% since 2010, above returns in the stock market or even the gold bullion market, making each set an excellent medium or long-term investment.

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,631

Size and Denominations:



**\$5**

1/10 oz.



**\$10**

1/4 oz.



**\$25**

1/2 oz.



**\$50**

1 oz.



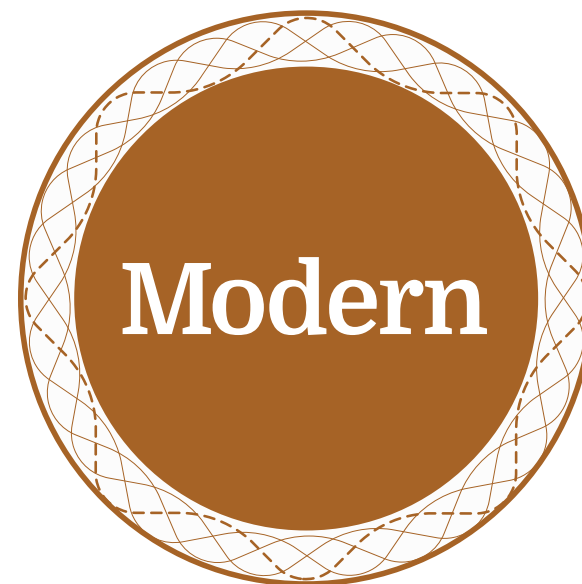
**JANUARY 17**  
Gulf War: Operation Desert Storm begins with air strikes against Iraq.

**APRIL 17**  
The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 3,000 for the first time ever, at 3,004.46.

**MARCH 13**  
The United States Department of Justice announces that Exxon has agreed to pay \$1 billion for the clean-up of the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska.

**DECEMBER 25-26**  
The Cold War ends as President of the Soviet Union Mikhail Gorbachev resigns and the Soviet Union dissolves.

**SEPTEMBER 2**  
Dissolution of the Soviet Union: The United States recognizes the independence of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.



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1992



Modern

Modern



1993

*The Rarest Gold Eagle in the World!*

PROOF 70 POPULATION

984

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

766

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.

APRIL 6

Microsoft releases Windows 3.1 introducing various enhancements to the still MS-DOS-based platform.

MAY 25

Jay Leno becomes the new host of NBC's Tonight Show, following the retirement of Johnny Carson.

JANUARY 20

Bill Clinton succeeds George H. W. Bush as the 42nd President of the United States.

FEBRUARY 28

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents raid the Branch Davidian compound in Waco, Texas. Four agents and 5 Davidians die in the raid and a 51-day standoff begins.

NOVEMBER 17-22

The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) passes the legislative houses in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

MARCH 18

On CNN's Larry King Live, Texas billionaire H. Ross Perot announces that he will run for U.S. President as an independent, if volunteers put him on the ballot in all 50 states.

AUGUST 24-28

Hurricane Andrew hits south Florida and dissipates over the Tennessee valley, killing 65 and causing \$26.5 billion in damage.

FEBRUARY 26

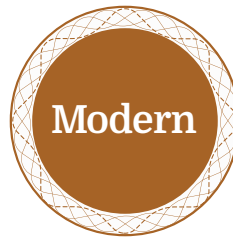
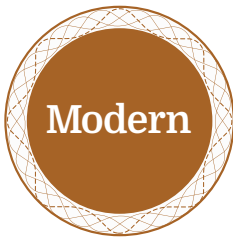
World Trade Center bombing: In New York City, a van bomb parked below the North Tower of the World Trade Center explodes, killing 6 and injuring over 1,000.

SEPTEMBER 6

Canadian software specialist Peter de Jager publishes in ComputerWorld magazine an article Doomsday 2000, which is the first known reference to Y2K – the 2000 Year problem.



1994



1995

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,069

Size and Denominations:



\$5  
1/10 oz.



\$10  
1/4 oz.



\$25  
1/2 oz.



\$50  
1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,620

Size and Denominations:



\$5  
1/10 oz.



\$10  
1/4 oz.



\$25  
1/2 oz.



\$50  
1 oz.

FEBRUARY 22

Aldrich Ames and his wife are charged with spying for the Soviet Union by the United States Department of Justice.

JUNE 22

The Houston Rockets defeat the New York Knicks at The Summit in Texas in Game 7 of the 1993–94 NBA season, to win their first NBA Championship.

APRIL 22

Former President Richard Nixon dies at 81. He is buried at his presidential library on April 26.

JUNE 17

NFL star O.J. Simpson and his friend Al Cowlings flee from police in a white Ford Bronco. The low-speed chase ends at Simpson's Los Angeles, California mansion, where he surrenders.

DECEMBER 19

A planned exchange rate correction of the Mexican Peso to the US Dollar, becomes a massive financial meltdown in Mexico, unleashing the 'Tequila Effect' on global financial markets.

JANUARY 31

U.S. President Bill Clinton invokes emergency powers to extend a \$20 billion loan to help Mexico avert financial collapse.

MARCH 1

Yahoo! is founded in Santa Clara, California.

APRIL 19

Oklahoma City bombing: 168 people, including 8 Federal Marshals and 19 children, are killed at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. Timothy McVeigh and one of his accomplices, Terry Nichols, set off the bomb.

AUGUST 24

Microsoft releases Windows 95.

NOVEMBER 14–19

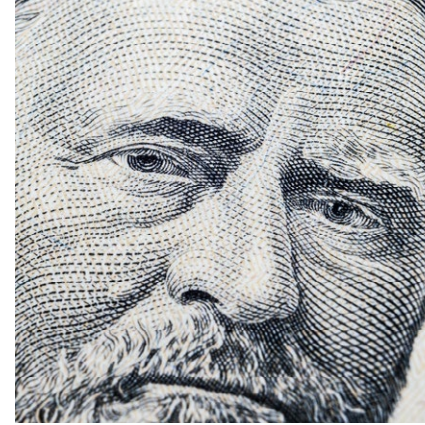
A budget standoff between Democrats and Republicans in Congress forces the federal government to temporarily close national parks and museums, and run most government offices with skeleton staff.

1996



Modern

Modern



1997

PROOF 70 POPULATION

987

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

893

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.

FEBRUARY 17

In Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Garry Kasparov beats "Deep Blue" in a second chess match.

MAY 11

After takeoff from Miami, Florida, a fire in the cargo hold of Atlanta-bound ValuJet Flight 592 causes the Douglas DC-9 to crash in the Florida Everglades, killing all 110 on board.

AUGUST 26

Bill Clinton signs welfare reform into law.

JANUARY 22

Madeleine Albright becomes the first female Secretary of State, after confirmation by the United States Senate.

OCTOBER 4

Loomis Fargo Bank Robbery: The second largest cash robbery in U.S. history occurs at the Charlotte, North Carolina office of Wells Fargo. An FBI investigation eventually results in 24 convictions and the recovery of approximately 95% of the stolen cash.

APRIL 9

President Bill Clinton signs the Line Item Veto Act of 1996, granting the U.S. president line-item veto power. The Supreme Court of the United States later finds this law unconstitutional.

JULY 27

The Centennial Olympic Park bombing at the 1996 Summer Olympics kills 1 and injures 111.

NOVEMBER 26

The Sands Hotel in Las Vegas is imploded to make way for the Venetian Hotel.

JUNE 12

The United States Department of the Treasury unveils a new \$50 bill, meant to be more difficult to counterfeit.

OCTOBER 27

Stock markets around the world crash because of a global economic crisis scare. The Dow Jones Industrial Average follows suit and plummets 554.26, or 7.18%, to 7,161.15. The points loss exceeds the loss from Black Monday. Officials at the New York Stock Exchange for the first time invoke the "circuit breaker" rule to stop trading.



1998



Modern

Modern



1999

PROOF 70 POPULATION

882

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

892

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.

JANUARY 28

Ford Motor Company announces the buyout of Volvo Cars for \$6.45 billion.

MAY 18

The United States Department of Justice and 20 U.S. states file an antitrust case against Microsoft.

AUGUST 20

The United States military launches cruise missile attacks against Al-Qaeda camps in Afghanistan and a suspected chemical plant in Sudan in retaliation for the August 7 bombings of American embassies in Kenya and Tanzania.

JANUARY 7

The Senate trial in the impeachment of U.S. President Bill Clinton begins.

MARCH 25

Enron energy traders allegedly route 2,900 megawatts of electricity destined for California to the town of Silver Peak, Nevada, population 200.

SEPTEMBER 7

Viacom and CBS merge.

APRIL 7

Citicorp and Travelers Group announce plans to merge, creating the largest financial services conglomerate in the world, Citigroup.

NOVEMBER 9

In the largest civil settlement in United States history, a federal judge approves a \$1.03 billion settlement requiring dozens of brokerage houses (including Merrill Lynch, Goldman Sachs, and Salomon Smith Barney) to pay investors who claim they were cheated in a widespread price-fixing scheme on the NASDAQ.

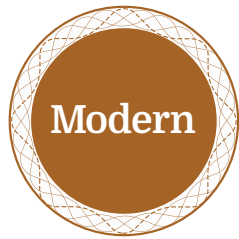
MARCH 17

The Roth IRA is introduced by U.S. Senator William V. Roth Jr.

MAY 3

The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 11,000 for the first time, at 11,014.70.

2000



# The Millennium Group 2001-2008

The Millennium Group of Gold American Eagles (spanning from 2001 to 2008) includes coins with significant investment performance, with an average annual increase ranging between 5% to 12% since 2010.

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,098

Size and Denominations:



\$5

*1/10 oz.*



\$10

*1/4 oz.*



\$25

*1/2 oz.*



\$50

*1 oz.*



**MARCH 10**  
The NASDAQ Composite Index reaches an all-time high of 5,048.

**OCTOBER 12**  
In Aden, Yemen, the USS Cole is badly damaged by two Al-Qaeda suicide bombers, who place a small boat laden with explosives alongside the United States Navy destroyer, killing 17 crew members and wounding at least 39.

**FEBRUARY 1**  
Scientists at the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico say they have traced the origin of the AIDS virus to around 1930.

**JUNE 7**  
A Court orders the break up of the Microsoft corporation because of its monopoly in the computer software market.

**DECEMBER 12**  
The U.S. Supreme Court overturns the ruling by the Florida Supreme Court, ending the recount and effectively giving the state, and the Presidency, to George W. Bush.



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# 2001



# 2002

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,005

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,192

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.

**JANUARY 11**  
The U.S. Federal Trade Commission approves the merger of America Online and Time Warner to form AOL Time Warner.

**JUNE 7**  
The Bush tax cuts are signed into law by U.S. President George W. Bush.

**SEPTEMBER 11**  
Almost 3,000 people are killed in terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center in New York City, The Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia, and in rural Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

**JANUARY 9**  
The United States Department of Justice announces it will pursue a criminal investigation of Enron.

**JULY 21**  
Telecommunications giant WorldCom files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, the largest such filing in United States history.

**OCTOBER 9**  
The dot-com bubble bear market reaches bottom, when the Dow Jones Industrial Average slips below 7,200.

**AUGUST 2**  
The House of Representatives approves oil exploration in the Alaskan Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

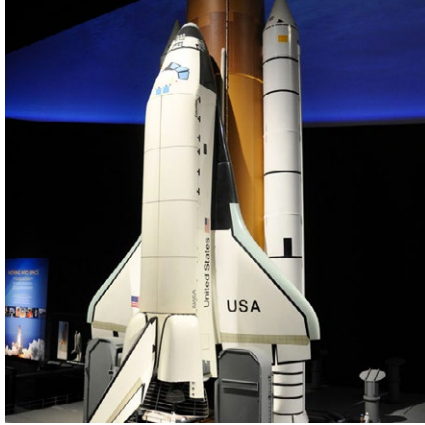
**DECEMBER 2**  
Enron files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection five days after Dynegy cancels a \$8.4 billion buyout bid.

**MAY 10**  
FBI agent Robert Hanssen is sentenced to life imprisonment without the possibility of parole for selling American secrets to Moscow for \$1.4 million in cash and diamonds.

**AUGUST 11**  
In Arlington, Virginia, US Airways declares bankruptcy.

**DECEMBER 9**  
United Airlines, the second largest airline in the world, files for bankruptcy.

2003



2004

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,387

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,243

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.

**JANUARY 16**  
Space Shuttle Columbia is launched on what turns out to be its last flight.

**MARCH 20**  
The U.S. led Iraq War begins.

**JUNE 4**  
Martha Stewart and her broker are indicted for using privileged investment information and then obstructing a federal investigation.

**DECEMBER 13**  
End of Operation Red Dawn resulting in the capture of Saddam Hussein in Tikrit.

**FEBRUARY 26**  
The United States lifts a ban on travel to Libya, ending travel restrictions to the nation that had lasted for 23 years.

**JUNE 5**  
Ronald Reagan, the 40th President of the United States, dies at his home in Bel-Air, California at the age of 93. A six-day state funeral follows after his death.

**MARCH 18**  
FBI agents raid the corporate headquarters of Health South Corporation in Birmingham, Alabama, on suspicion of massive corporate fraud led by the company's top executives.

**OCTOBER 7**  
2003 California recall: Voters recall Governor Gray Davis from office and elect actor Arnold Schwarzenegger to succeed him.

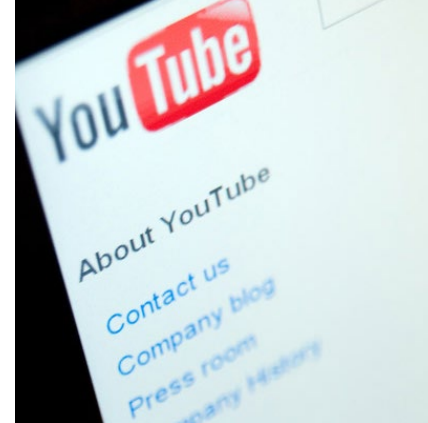
**APRIL 29**  
The last Oldsmobile rolls off of the assembly line.

**JULY 4**  
Groundbreaking of Freedom Tower in New York City.

**DECEMBER 8**  
Lenovo announces its plan to purchase IBM's global PC business, making it the third largest world PC maker after Dell and Hewlett-Packard.



2005



20TH ANNIVERSARY  
THREE COIN SET

The 20th Anniversary set includes a Proof, Reverse Proof, a Mint State and are all in perfect condition. This is the first time the U.S. Mint made a reverse proof of any kind.

Original Total Mintage: 10,000



2006

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,727

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

2,527

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.

JANUARY 20

George W. Bush is sworn in for his second term as president.

JUNE 17

Because of "quadruple-witching" options and futures expiration, the New York Stock Exchange sees the heaviest first-hour trading on record. 704 million shares are traded between 9:30–10:30 a.m. (1.92 billion shares for the day).

JANUARY 26

General Motors reports an \$8.6 billion loss for 2005, its biggest loss since 1992.

MAY 5

Fiat chairman Sergio Marchionne announces that the Alfa Romeo automobile brand will return to the United States in 2008, after a 13-year hiatus.

MAY 31

W. Mark Felt reveals himself to be the Watergate scandal whistleblower called "Deep Throat."

AUGUST 23

Hurricane Katrina forms over the Bahamas.

OCTOBER 1

The U.S. housing bubble begins to burst, causing home prices to stop rising unexpectedly and begin to decline.

FEBRUARY 16

The chairman of the Federal Reserve, Ben Bernanke testifies to the U.S. Senate that Chinese ownership of US assets is not large enough to put the country at risk economically.

OCTOBER 9

Google buys YouTube for \$1.65 billion.

2007



2008

PROOF 70 POPULATION

2,529

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,089

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.

JANUARY 31

Delta Air Lines creditors officially reject US Airways' hostile takeover bid.

NOVEMBER 4

Daylight saving time in the United States and most of Canada will end one week later than the previous schedule, in accordance with the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

JANUARY 18

President George W. Bush announces an economic stimulus package, proposing \$800 per individual and \$1600 per couple in tax refunds.

JUNE 27

After three decades as the Chairman of Microsoft Corporation, Bill Gates steps down from daily duties to concentrate on the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

APRIL 17

The Pound Sterling hits a 15-year high against the US dollar, breaking through the \$2 level for the first time since 1992.

JULY 19

The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 14,000 for the first time in history.

APRIL 15-20

Pope Benedict XVI visits the United States. Among his destinations are the White House, The Catholic University of America, the United Nations General Assembly and the site of the fallen World Trade Center.

NOVEMBER 4

Barack Obama is elected the 44th President of the United States, becoming the first African-American President-elect.



# The Ultra High Relief 2009

Many collectors and investors believe that the 24-karat 2009 Ultra High Relief Double Eagle gold coin is the most beautiful coin the U.S. Mint has ever produced. That’s why many still call it “The Perfect Gold Coin.”



2009



## 2009 ULTRA HIGH RELIEF DOUBLE EAGLE

The United States Mint announced the issue of the 2009 Ultra High Relief Double Eagle Gold Coin on March 13, 2008. This coin promises to fulfill Augustus Saint-Gaudens’ vision of an ultra high relief coin that could not be realized in 1907 with his legendary Double Eagle liberty design. Note: The Gold American Eagle proof coin was not minted in 2009 to allow the Mint to focus on this special issue.



\$20



1 oz.



24-karat

### JANUARY 15

US Airways Flight 1549 loses power in both engines shortly after takeoff from LaGuardia, forcing the pilot to ditch the aircraft in the Hudson River. All 155 passengers and crew are rescued with no injuries, and the pilot is hailed a hero.

### JUNE 12

Analog television broadcasts end in the United States, as the Federal Communications Commission requires all full power stations to send their signals digitally.

### FEBRUARY 25

James Nicholson, the manager of an unregistered hedge fund, Westgate Capital Management, is arrested and charged in federal court with defrauding hundreds of investors in a Ponzi type scheme.

### SEPTEMBER 2

The Justice Department announces the largest health care fraud settlement in history, \$2.3 billion, involving Pfizer.

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# The Resurgent Group 2010-2021

The sets in the Resurgent Group (spanning a decade between 2010 and 2021) have not had a chance to mature as much as the older sets, but they are already showing very strong growth potential, with most years already up double digits.



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2010



PROOF 70 POPULATION

2,636

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.

FEBRUARY 8  
The 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America.

MAY 6  
The “flash crash” occurs at the New York Stock Exchange, temporarily depleting 1,000 points off of the Dow Jones Industrial Average. It is the largest intra-day fall ever.

JUNE 19  
China announces it will raise the yuan against the U.S. Dollar after the U.S. Congress announces it will penalize China unless it does so, causing widely imported Chinese goods to the United States to become more expensive, and to raise demand for U.S. goods.

NOVEMBER 3  
The U.S. Federal Reserve announces it will buy \$600 billion in bonds to encourage economic growth.



2011



2012

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,889

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

2,164

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.

JANUARY 14

The Tunisian government falls after a month of increasingly violent protests. President Zine El Abidine Ben Ali flees to Saudi Arabia after 23 years in power.

FEBRUARY 22 - MARCH 14

The uncertainty of continued Libyan oil output causes crude oil prices to rise 20% over a two week period following the 2010–2011 Middle East and North Africa protests.

MAY 1

President Barack Obama announces that Osama bin Laden has been killed during an American military operation in Pakistan.

JANUARY 4

The EU imposes an oil embargo on Iran to get Iran to halt uranium enrichment and end its nuclear weapons efforts.

JULY 27

The 2012 Summer Olympics open in London. More than 10,000 athletes from 205 countries participate in the Games.

DECEMBER 12

North Korea successfully launches a rocket into orbit indicating that the country is inching closer to developing the expertise to build an intercontinental ballistic missile.

FEBRUARY 11

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak resigns after widespread protests calling for his resignation, leaving control of Egypt in the hands of the military until a general election can be held.

APRIL 29

An estimated two billion people watched the wedding of Prince William, Duke of Cambridge and Catherine Middleton at Westminster Abbey in London.

MARCH 4

Vladimir Putin wins the presidential election in Russia, claiming 64% of the vote. It will be his third full term as president of Russia.

SEPTEMBER 11

Armed gunmen storm the American Consulate in Libya, and shoot and kill U.S. ambassador to Libya Christopher Stevens and three other embassy officials.

2013



2014

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,621

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

2,058

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.

JANUARY 21

The second inauguration of Barack Obama as the 44th President of the United States.

APRIL 15

During the Boston Marathon, two pressure cooker bombs explodes killing 3 people and injuring an estimated 264 others near the finish line on Boylston Street.

DECEMBER 5

South Africa's first black president and anti-apartheid icon Nelson Mandela died at the age of 95.

FEBRUARY 4

10 years ago today, a Harvard sophomore named Mark Zuckerberg created a website called The Facebook.

MARCH 8

Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 mysteriously disappears while en route to Beijing, setting off an international search and igniting fears of terrorism.

JUNE 12 - JULY 13

The 2014 FIFA World Cup international soccer tournament takes place in Brazil.

MARCH 13

Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio of Argentina becomes Pope Francis, the first non-European pontiff after Pope Benedict XVI resigned for health reasons.

OCTOBER 1 - 16

The United States Federal Government entered a shutdown and curtailed most routine operations after Congress failed to enact legislation appropriating funds for fiscal year 2014.

FEBRUARY 7-23

The XXII Olympic Winter Games take place in Sochi, Russia.

MARCH 18

Russian President Vladimir Putin states that Crimea is a part of Russia following a military incursion and hasty referendum.

AUGUST 24

NASA's New Horizons spacecraft crosses the orbit of Neptune after travelling for over eight years, while on its way to Pluto.



2015



2016

PROOF 70 POPULATION

3,765

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

7,299

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.

JANUARY 7

Two gunmen storm the offices of the Charlie Hebdo magazine in Paris shooting several people including the magazine's editor and some of its cartoonists.

FEBRUARY 1

The New England Patriots beat the Seattle Seahawks 28-24, in the final seconds, of one of the most exciting Super Bowl games in recent history, giving MVP quarterback Tom Brady his fourth Super Bowl title.

JULY 14

NASA's New Horizons spacecraft flies by Pluto and Charon, entering the Kuiper belt and eventually leaving the Solar System.

JUNE 3

Muhammad Ali, the three-time heavyweight champion, who became one of the most well-known and loved sportsmen in history dies.

JUNE 24

Fallout from the "Brexit" vote leads to the resignation of the Prime Minister David Cameron and starts a rally in metals prices.

JANUARY 26

Causing turmoil in the financial markets with continued rejection of German-backed austerity, Alexis Tsipras swears in as the new Prime Minister of Greece.

FEBRUARY 12

Leaders from Russia, Ukraine, Germany and France reach an agreement on the conflict in eastern Ukraine that includes a ceasefire and withdrawal of heavy weapons.

MARCH 22

Suicide bombings at Brussel's Zaventem airport and Maelbeek metro station, leave around 28 victims dead and 260 injured, ISIS claims responsibility.

JUNE 12

Omar Mateen, a 29-year-old American security guard, killed 49 people and wounded 53 others inside Pulse, a gay nightclub in Orlando, Florida. It was both the deadliest mass shooting by a single gunman in U.S. history.

NOVEMBER 8

The United States elects its 45th President.

2017



2018

PROOF 70 POPULATION

5,194

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

3,577

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.

JANUARY 20

Donald J. Trump is inaugurated as the 45th President of the United States of America and Mike Pence as the 48th Vice President.

MARCH 29

UK Prime Minister Teresa May signs article 50 letter and sends it to the EU, formally triggering Brexit.

AUGUST 21

America experiences “The Great American Eclipse,” the first total solar eclipse since 1918 visible across the entire contiguous United States.

JANUARY 1

North Korean leader Kim Jong Un started 2018 with harsh threats to use a literal “nuclear button” on his desk to hit the US if war breaks out.

FEBRUARY 13

Shaun White wins the gold medal in the men’s snowboard halfpipe, making him the first American male to win gold in three different Winter Games.

FEBRUARY 5

At Super Bowl LI, the New England Patriots defeat the Atlanta Falcons 34-28 in a great overtime comeback at NRG Stadium in Houston, Texas.

APRIL 7

U.S. President Trump orders missile strike on Syrian airfield after chemical weapons attack in Khan Sheikhoun.

FEBRUARY 5

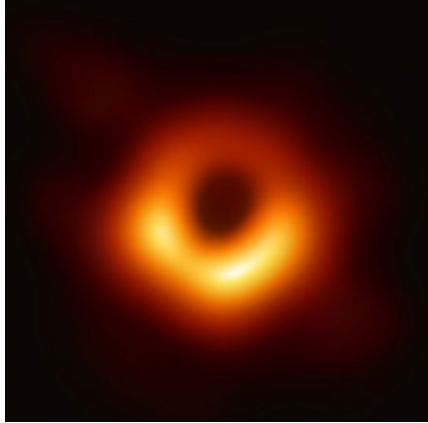
The Stock Market drops more than 10% in less than a week, and the DOW witnesses its worst 1-day point decline in history.

MARCH 1

Official release date of the 2018 Gold American Eagle Proof 70 coin.



2019



2020

PROOF 70 POPULATION

3,780

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

6,017

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.

APRIL 10

The first image of a black hole is announced by the Event Horizon Telescope, showing the M87 galaxy.

JUNE 6

75th Anniversary of D-Day.

DECEMBER 31

China reports a cluster of pneumonia cases which turn out to be the novel coronavirus.

JANUARY 20

First case of the novel coronavirus is reported in the United States.

MARCH

States began shutting down non-essential businesses amidst the COVID19 outbreak and issuing stay-at-home orders to contain the spread of the virus.

NOVEMBER 3

The election to decide who will become the next President of the United States.

MAY 10

The U.S.'s 25% tariff hike on US\$200 billion worth of Chinese imports takes effect, escalating tensions between the two nations in the ongoing China–United States trade war.

JUNE 9

The 2019–2020 Hong Kong Protests begin.

FEBRUARY 20

The worst stock market crash since the 2008 Great Recession occurred, with another drop happening days later.

AUGUST 4

After surpassing the previous all-time high, the price of gold rose above \$2,000 per ounce for the first time in history.

# 2021



## The Emerging Group 2021-Current

The sets in the Emerging Group, starting with the Type 2 release of the 2021 Gold Eagle Coins, are the newest of the new. Being the newest coins in the Gold Eagle Proof Coin series, coins in this group have not had a chance to mature like the older sets. This gives them very strong potential for growth.



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PROOF 70 POPULATION

5,167

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.



**JANUARY 6**  
Demonstrators enter the U.S. Capitol in protest of the 2020 election ahead of Joe Biden's inauguration.

**MARCH 11**  
Biden signed a \$1.9 trillion rescue package into law, starting the clock on distributing \$1,400 stimulus checks.

**SEPTEMBER 19**  
Idea circulates around Congress to mint a platinum coin with \$1 trillion face value as a way to sidestep Debt Ceiling talks.

**FEBRUARY 22**  
U.S. death toll from COVID-19 passes 500,000, higher than U.S. deaths in World War I, World War II, and the Vietnam War combined.

**MAY 7**  
Ransomware attack on U.S. Colonial pipeline by the DarkSide criminal group stops supply to half of east coast.



2021



2022

PROOF 70 POPULATION

5,736

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

4,426

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.

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FEBRUARY

Russian military forces invade Ukraine.

JUNE

Inflation reaches 9.1%, the highest inflation since 1981.

NOVEMBER

Cryptocurrency FTX collapses. Investors lost billions.

FEBRUARY 22

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MAY 7

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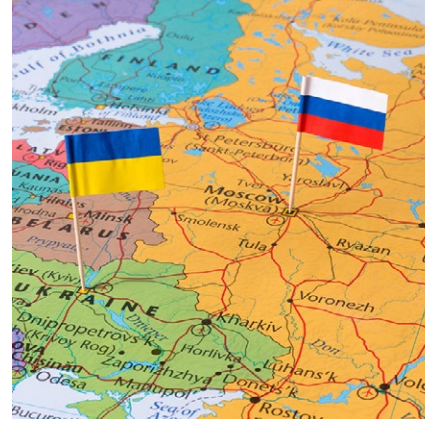
MARCH

FOMC begins raising interest rates.

DECEMBER

Interest rates climbed 4.25% since January. Stock, bond, and cryptocurrency markets ended the year with double-digit losses.

2023



2024

PROOF 70 POPULATION

3,663

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.



PROOF 70 POPULATION

2,096

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.

\$10

1/4 oz.

\$25

1/2 oz.

\$50

1 oz.

FEBRUARY

Russia suspends participation in nuclear arms reduction treaty; New START.

MAY

WHO declares end of COVID-19 global emergency.

OCTOBER

Attacks on Israel by Islamic Resistance Movement "Hamas" start Israel-Hamas war.

MARCH

U.S. inflation jumps to 8.6% year-over-year.

SEPTEMBER

Hurricane Helene struck the Southeastern United States, disrupting local economies and straining federal disaster response resources.

NOVEMBER 5

Donald Trump won the U.S. presidential election, leading to shifts in economic policies and market reactions.

MARCH

Silicon Valley Bank collapses marking the third-largest bank failure in U.S. history.

AUGUST

BRICS extends membership to: Argentina, Ethiopia, Egypt, Iran, UAE, and Saudi Arabia.

MARCH 26

The collapse of a bridge in Baltimore, Maryland resulted in the closure of the Port of Baltimore. This was estimated to cause \$1.7 billion in supply chain disruptions.

OCTOBER

Hurricane Milton made landfall in Florida. The hurricane's destruction led to significant economic challenges in the affected regions.



2025



PROOF 70 POPULATION

TBD

Size and Denominations:



\$5

1/10 oz.



\$10

1/4 oz.



\$25

1/2 oz.



\$50

1 oz.



#### JANUARY

Donald Trump was inaugurated as the 47th President of the United States.

#### MARCH

Spot price of gold passed \$3,000 per ounce.



# Personal Gold Eagles Proof 70 Holdings List

Keep track of your personal holdings using the charts below:

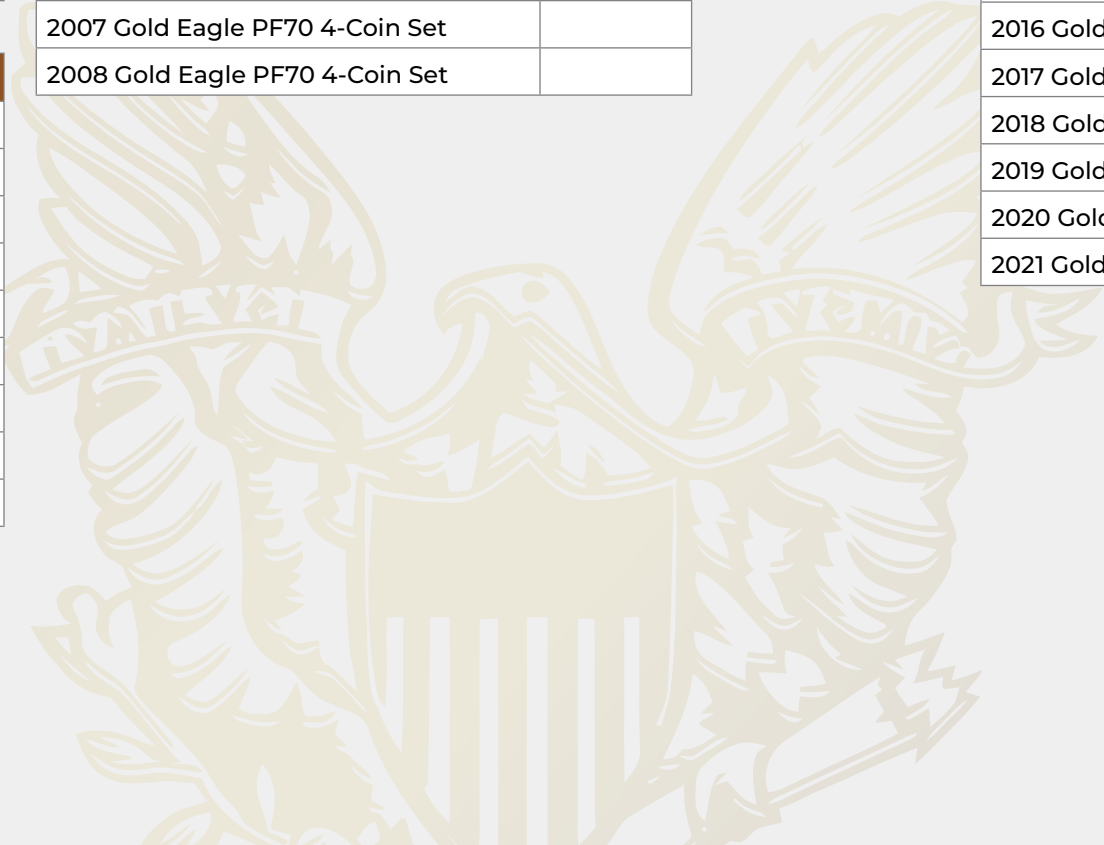
The Classic Group (1986 - 1991)	Held
1986 Gold Eagle PF70 (1 oz only)	
1987 Gold Eagle PF70 (1 oz & 1/2 oz only)	
1988 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
1989 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
1990 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
1991 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	

The Modern Group (1992 - 2000)	Held
1992 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
1993 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
1994 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
1995 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
1996 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
1997 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
1998 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
1999 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2000 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	

The Millennium Group (2001 - 2008)	Held
2001 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2002 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2003 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2004 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2005 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2006 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2007 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2008 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	

The Resurgent Group (2010 - 2021)	Held
2010 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2011 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2012 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2013 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2014 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2015 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2016 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2017 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2018 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2019 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2020 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2021 Gold Eagle Type 1 PF70 4-Coin Set	

The Emerging Group (2021 - Current)	Held
2021 Gold Eagle Type 2 PF70 4-Coin Set	
2022 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2023 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2024 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	
2025 Gold Eagle PF70 4-Coin Set	





# Ed Moy Proof 70 Signature Series

The U.S. Gold Bureau has partnered with the former director of the United States Mint, Edmund C. Moy, to offer hand-signed certification labels on proof versions of America's #1 investment coin, the Gold American Eagle. Gold American Eagle coins certified in perfect "Proof 70" condition are highly sought after and have shown a track record of superior investment performance. Coins that are part of the Ed Moy Signature Series are even rarer, with population figures much smaller than the unsigned versions of the coin, which adds to their investment potential even more.

In addition to being the 38th director of the U.S. Mint, Ed Moy is a well-known author, economist, and public speaker. He served as Special Assistant to President George W. Bush for more than five years and assisted with the transition to the new U.S. Department of Homeland Security after the September 11 attacks in 2001.

During Moy's first year as director, the U.S. Mint sold more than \$1 billion in numismatic coins and struck over 16 billion coins in total. During his tenure, the financial crisis and recession spurred an unprecedented demand for gold and silver. The State Quarter Program, Presidential \$1 Coin, and the National Parks Quarters were all milestones of Moy's term with the U.S. Mint.

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Coins with the Ed Moy signature labels have made headlines due to their extreme popularity and premiums investors are willing to pay at auction. The Ed Moy Signature Series of Gold American Eagle Proof 70 coins have been very well-received by the market and can be an excellent way to diversify your precious metals investment portfolio.

Ed Moy Signature Series Gold American Eagle Proof 70 coins are available individually, as 4-coin sets, and even as a full Date Run featuring one of each Gold American Eagle proof minted since 1986. Demand for these hand-signed coins is strong and is expected to grow as investors and collectors realize the tremendous investment potential of the series. Please contact us for more information about this incredible opportunity available exclusively through the U.S. Gold Bureau.





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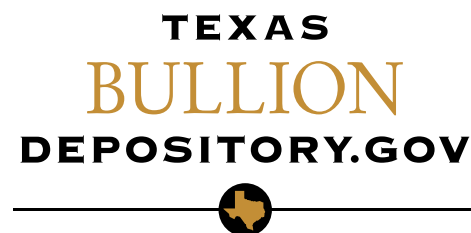
United States Gold Bureau is affiliated with The Texas Bullion Depository through its parent company, Lone Star Tangible Assets, and was granted the exclusive contract by the State of Texas to manage the Depository.

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## A NOTE ABOUT POPULATION FIGURES

For purposes of future evaluation of the collection, a few things should be mentioned. The “certified” population figures included in the book are based on the number of Gold Eagle Proof coins certified by Numismatic Guaranty Corp (NGC) in Proof 70 condition and are accurate as of March 2024. The population of the Ed Moy Signature Series coins is a subset of these populations and they are even lower.

There are other coin certification companies aside from NGC in operation. Therefore, the total population of all certified Proof 70 Gold Eagles is likely larger than just the NGC figures used herein. While we reasonably believe all NGC certified population figures are accurate at the time the American Gold Eagle Proof collection document was assembled, these numbers are subject to change in the future as more Proof coins are submitted for certification and ultimately certified by NGC.

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