# The following communication has just been distributed to all Federal Reserve Cash Services customers via email and through the FedCash Services via the FedLine Web access solution (FedLine Home):

The Federal Reserve continues efforts to manage the distribution of the Federal Reserve's coin inventory and new coin produced by the U.S. Mint in a fair and equitable manner.

The Federal Reserve's coin allocation program began on <u>June 15, 2020</u>. Using historical ordering volumes by denomination, all depository institution endpoints were placed into Small, Medium, Large, and Extra-large (XL) endpoint groups. Coin order caps are unique by coin denomination and based on available inventory. The Federal Reserve has committed to reviewing coin allocation on a monthly basis or when inventory levels warrant a change in allocation.

Since June 2020, the Federal Reserve has increased coin allocation amounts three times (July 20, August 10, and August 31). The decision to raise or lower coin allocation caps is based on several factors, including U.S. Mint production levels, coin deposits and coin orders from depository institutions. The Small, Medium, Large and XL endpoint groups are now receiving coin allocations closer to average orders in 2019, with the goal that all endpoint groups return to 100 percent of their average historic orders.

The most recent analysis of the data has shown that a small number of depository institution endpoints in the XL endpoint group were receiving a significantly smaller allocation in relation to historic orders compared to other peers in the XL group. As a result, a new XXL endpoint group will be created for the next phase of the coin allocation. The XXL group increases the cap for these outlier endpoints and moves them closer to the percentage available for other groups. Depository institutions placed in the new XXL group for relevant endpoints will receive a separate communication.

The Federal Reserve is increasing current coin allocation caps, effective on September 14, 2020. All endpoint groups will have an increase in more than one coin denomination. Future adjustments to these allocation caps will continue to depend on deposits from depository institutions and the U.S. Mint's ability to produce new coin.

#### New coin allocations

Please refer to the table below for the current and new coin order allocation amounts. The new allocation caps will increase the amount of coin that can be ordered in the highlighted denominations. The new caps will start being applied to orders placed on Friday, September 11, 2020 for pick-up on Monday, September 14, 2020.

Group	Penny		Nickel		Dime		Quarter	
	8/31	New (9/14)	8/31	New (9/14)	8/31	New (9/14)	8/31	New (9/14)
Small	\$300	<mark>\$750</mark>	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	<mark>\$7,000</mark>
Medium	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$1,200	<mark>\$2,400</mark>	\$6,000	<mark>\$8,000</mark>	\$20,000	\$20,000
Large	\$6,000	<mark>\$8,000</mark>	\$3,600	<mark>\$12,000</mark>	\$12,000	<mark>\$30,000</mark>	\$55,000	<mark>\$70,000</mark>
X-Large	\$23,000	<mark>\$24,000</mark>	\$14,400	<mark>\$24,000</mark>	\$42,000	<mark>\$100,000</mark>	\$270,000	<mark>\$300,000</mark>
XX-Large		<mark>\$60,000</mark>		<mark>\$72,000</mark>		<mark>\$200,000</mark>		<mark>\$600,000</mark>

## **Coin allocation effective September 14:**

Please note that these limits establish the maximum allocation for your orders per week. However, if our coin inventory is depleted or low, we may not be able to fill your order entirely, or we may fill your order with less coin than the caps referenced above.

## Coin circulation issue is improving, but not yet resolved

Industry efforts to improve coin circulation are helping to get coin moving, allowing the Federal Reserve to increase coin allocations consistently over the past three months. Although Fed inventories have increased enough to raise allocations, it does not mean that the coin challenge is over. While efforts to get coin moving have succeeded, all coin supply chain partners need to remain diligent to keep coin moving for this situation to resolve. We ask all FedCash Services customers to do their part and to continue to order only what they need to meet near-term demand and to deposit any excess coin to the Federal Reserve.

The Federal Reserve's priority remains to distribute as much coin as possible into the economy while maintaining a working inventory to distribute as fairly and equitably as possible for as long as this coin circulation situation persists. We will continue to monitor U.S. Mint production, coin deposits, and Federal Reserve inventories in our monthly review of order allocation caps.

We appreciate all of our customers and supply chain partners doing their part to #getcoinmoving.

#### Service and Support

If you have questions, please contact your local FedCash Services <u>customer support representative or</u> <u>your Federal Reserve account executive</u>. For a complete list of customer support contacts for your institution, please visit the <u>Contact</u> page. You may wish to print a hard copy of this list in case of power or internet disruptions.