

Table 5.08i-iii: Coins Imported to Northumbria

Table 5.08 lists the imported gold and silver, found in the Northumbrian area, in the author's collection alone.¹ The presence of only one Merovingian tremissis lends confidence to conclusions drawn from the Abdy & Williams data, although this is incomplete. It should be noted that imported gold and silver seem to have been found in similar quantities generally² (but not in Northumbria) perhaps indicating a better level of control over the imported silver.

<u>Specimen</u>	<u>Obv/Rev</u>	<u>Border³</u>	<u>Description</u>
<u>Solidus</u>			
Beneventum, Arichis II, Duke, 764-774	O:	N	DNSVI/ICTORIA around crowned, draped, facing bust, <i>globus cruciger</i> left.
	R:	N	VICTIR/GVSTI around cross potent on steps, pellet cross above, A in field left, CO3OB in exergue.
	This coin:		<i>SNC</i> vol. CXIX, no. 1, p.3-4 (<i>cf.</i> BMC4-5, XXII, 10-11, MEC I, class II, <i>cf.</i> 1094-5; CNI XVIII, pp. 151-2, nos. 7-13).
	Provenance:		Alnwick, Northumbria, found c.1960. Spink auction 207, 23-4 March 2011, lot 1112.
	Metrics:		3.79 58.5 180°. Test cut.
<u>Merovingian tremisses: National Series</u>			
Merovingian tremissis	O:	N	Crude bust, right, CAPVDCERVI, Sacierge-Saint-Martin (Indre)
	R:	N	Cross pattée in circle, legend MA(RCIVLFO MO)
	This coin:		EMC 2010.0006. CR 2010, 49
	Provenance:		Wharram Percy - confidential. Publish as Malton-Driffild area, North Yorkshire. Bt. Nov '09.
	Metrics:		1.28 19.8 270°
<u>Merovingian deniers</u>			
Merovingian denier? I242	O:	B	Expanding cross with pellets between limbs.
	R:	N	Beaded standard enclosing large annulet. OAO above, Ts to sides.
	Provenance:		Helperby, North Yorkshire. Bt. Mar '12.
	Metrics:		1.24 19.1
Cité de Lyon, Rhône. c. 670-c.750. I245	O:	B	LV with pellet within and to left of V, bar above
	R:	B	Central cross with letters EPS in quadrants
	This coin:		EMC 2009.0018, <i>cf.</i> MEC 541, Prou 99-110. Similar in Cimiez hoard.
	Provenance:		Rudston, November '08.
	Metrics:		0.94 14.5

¹ The final item is included as a near location, but extending the search further south into modern Lincolnshire would add more specimens. e.g. from the South Lincolnshire 'productive site' at Heckington.

² Based on the 20 imported gold specimens and 20 silver deniers in the author's collection as at August 2013, though collecting bias may be present.

³ Border key: N = no border, B = beaded, VLB = vestigial line-beaded border.

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base metal	O:	B	Diademed bust, right, with chevron letters before and behind
I255	R:	B	Square cut CDC...Central device with diamond.
	This coin:		EMC 2009.0019
	Provenance:		Sledmere, November '08.
	Metrics:		0.85 13.1
Rheims	O:	B	Crude diademed busts facing, trident cross between. Prototype of Series J, types 37 & 72.
I290	R:	VLB	Monogram RM, contraction mark above, row of pellets below.
	Provenance:		Near Bridlington. Bt. Jun '12.
	Metrics:		0.82 12.7 270°
Marseilles?	O:	B	Ⓜ over Ⓞ, trefoil each side. Marseilles?
I300	R:	VLB	Cross pommée in beaded circle
	Provenance:		Durham area? Bt. Jul '12 ex eBay (190689279729)
	Metrics:		1.29 19.9
Series G, type 3a variety - or Merovingian denier.	O:	B	Crude diademed bust right, braided hair, kissing small cross pommée before, blundered vestigial legend above, pellets behind
G200	R:	N	Beaded standard, central pellet in annulet, right angles in top corners, crosses in lower, pellets between, cross pommée and pellets in margins.
	This coin:		EMC 2008.0055. CR 2008.140.
	Provenance:		Malton, Yorkshire. Bt. Oct '07.
	Metrics:		0.83 12.8
Series G, type 3a variety - or Merovingian denier.	O:	VL	Crude diademed bust right, braided hair, kissing small cross pommée before, retrograde PONTIC V?
G220	R:	N	Beaded standard, central pellet in annulet, saltire crosses in corners, pellet cross between.
	This coin:		EMC 2008.0336, cf T&S pg. 265.
	Provenance:		Found by Paul Slack, Fulbeck, Lincolnshire, late 1990s. Associated with G220 & Ro2c. Bt. Sep '08.
	Metrics:		0.74 11.4

<u>Specimen</u>	<u>Obv/Rev</u>	<u>Border</u>	<u>Description</u>
Mule of Series G & E reverses (or G/type 70 mule?)	O:	N	Beaded standard enclosing central annulet with cross pommée and pellet in each corner, pellets and lines in margin
EG100	R:	N	Diamond standard, central pellet-in-annulet, saltire cross in each corners, pellets between.
	This coin:		EMC 2006.0264, SEMC2
	Provenance:		Kirmington, S. Humberside, Spring 2006. Bt. May '06.
	Metrics:		1.33 20.5
Attributed to Limoges.	O:	N	ER = <i>Ecclesia racio</i> , quatrefoil left, cross pattée above, pellets in E.
I280 ⁴	R:	N	+THEODOAL around central cross pattée
	Literature:		Prou 826, MEC 591 & p. 145.
	This coin:		CR 2012.71. EMC 2011.0031.
	Provenance:		Found Market Rasen, Lincolnshire by Gary Thompson. Bt. Jul '10.
	Metrics:		1.24 19.1 45°

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