

Balancing Themes and Chronologies

(as well as the different disciplinary priorities...)



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Figure 3.19 RRC 401/1, 65 BCE*, serrated denarius, 4.05 grams, ANS 1937.158.147. Obv. Helmeted bust of Virtus, IIIVIR behind, VIRTVS before. Rev. M'. Aquillius, cos. 101 BCE, in military dress holds the arm of a personification of a defeated Sicily, /W·AQVIL /W·F·/W·N, SICIL in exergue. Moneyer: Grandson of the cos. 101 BCE. 44 The rehabilitation of the grandfather's memory by this type requires the viewer to forget the charges of corruption he faced and his ignominious capture, display, and gruesome execution by having molten gold poured down his throat by Mithridates (cf. Section 3.1.3). 45 Just like the relief depicting Nero and Armenia from the Sebasteion at Aphrodisias, the reverse is modeled on Hellenistic depictions of Achilles and Penthesilea; it thus provides an early example of the adaptation of the form and meaning of a Hellenistic mythological group to an allegory of Roman imperialism. 46 On five-stroke M, cf. Figure 2.6.

Chronological Table

This list is intended to help readers find passages and images connected to specific historical events; thus, only events that are discussed in this book are listed. All dates are BCE.

1184-1181	Traditional dates for Aeneas' journey from Troy and foundation of
	Lavinium (Figures 1.24, 1.37, 2.9–13, 2.34, 2.40–1, 3.43, 3.46).
753	Traditional date for Romulus' founding of Rome (Figure 1.38).
752	Traditional date for the rape of the Sabine women (Figure 4.36).
717	Traditional date for the disappearance (death or apotheosis) of
	Romulus (Figure 2.39).
715-673	Traditional dates for the reign of Numa Pompilius (Figure 2.54).
642-617	Traditional dates for the reign of Ancus Marcius, Numa's grandson
	and Rome's fourth king (Figure 2.4).
575-535	Traditional dates for the reign of Servius Tullius (Figure 2.55).
509	Traditional date for the founding of the Republic by L. Iunius Brutus
	(Figures 3.56–7).

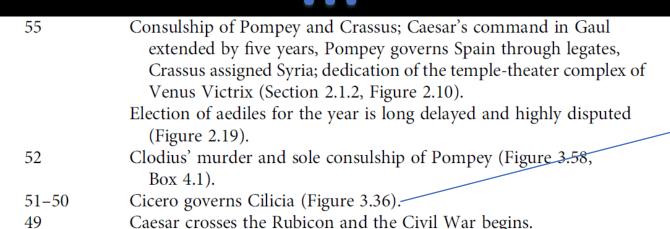




Figure 2.54 RRC 334/1, 93 BCE*, denarius, 3.94 grams, ANS 1937.158.59. Obv. Laureate head of Apollo, L·POMPON·behind, MOLO before. Rev. Togate bareheaded Numa holding *lituus* (augur's staff) before flaming altar, *victimarius* (sacrificial attendant) holding goat opposite, NUMA·POMPIL in exergue (MA and MP in ligature). Moneyer: L. Pomponius Molo, not otherwise known.



Figure 3.36 Metcalf 561, Laodiceia in Phrygia, 51–50 BCE, cistophorus of M. Tullius Cicero, 11.38 grams, ANS 1967.144.1. Obv. Snake emerging from *cista mystica* (ritual woven chest), surrounded by ivy wreath. Rev. Bow-case with *aplustre*-type design between serpents, TVLLIVS IMP above, ΛΑΟ and laurel branch to left, ΛΑΒΑΣ ΠΥΡΡΟΥ and caduceus to right; the Greek legend resolves 'Lao(diceia)' and 'Labas; Pyrrhus'. There are also earlier cistophoroi that identify Cicero as PRO COS (Metcalf 557). On the caduceus, see discussion near the end of Section 3.2.2. Illustrated at 1.5 times actual size.

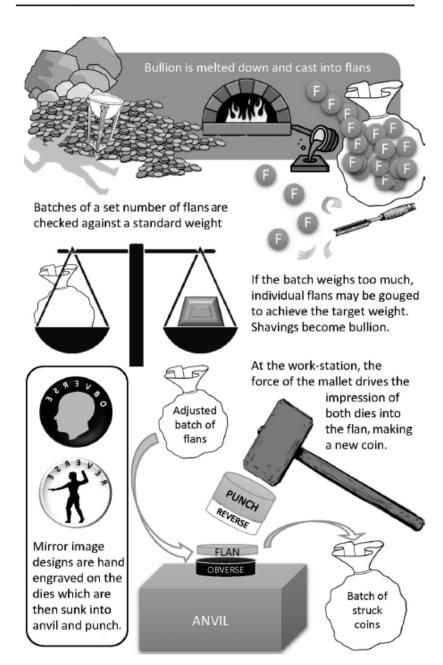
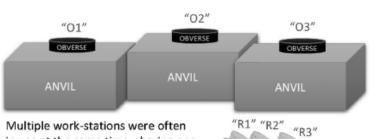


Figure 1.41 Infographic on the coin production process (cf. Figure 4.27)¹²⁸



Multiple work-stations were often in use at the same time, sharing one set of punches, sometimes called a "die-box"

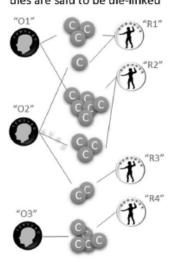


More dies are engraved to allow simultaneous striking and to replace flawed or failed dies; because of the force of striking the mallet, more reverse dies break than obverse.

The names of the people who did this work are now lost, but many were enslaved or formerly enslaved. The work was often physically taxing, dangerous, and unpleasant.



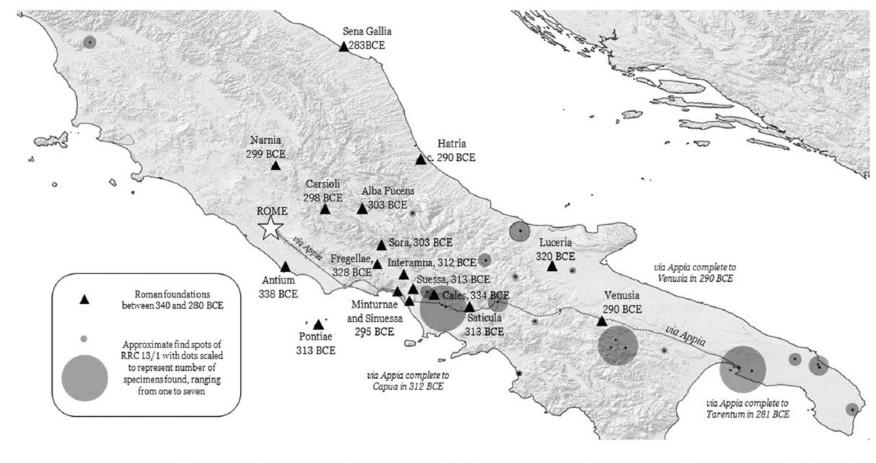
All coins struck by the same dies are said to be die-linked



Numismatists reconstruct die links to better understand mint operations, including relative chronology, and to estimate volume of striking

Figure 1.41 (cont.)

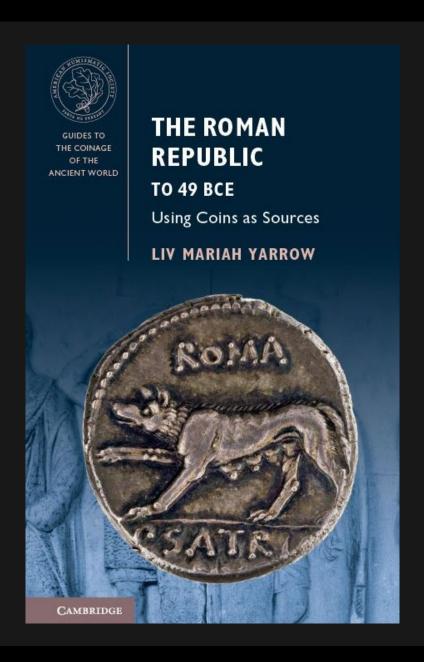




Map 2 Findspots of one or more specimens of RRC 13/1, Roman foundations between 340 and 280 BCE, first two stages of the *via Appia*, and regional Greek cities striking silver

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