

《厕纸终于不用抢了 但是美国的硬币却告急了》

抢了几个月厕纸以后，美国人总算不用抢厕纸了，然而又有一样日常所需的东西因为短缺而被迫限量配给，把美国各地的银行急得团团转，那就是：硬币。



Photo by Steve Johnson on Unsplash

Just as supplies of toilet paper are finally getting back to normal, the coronavirus has triggered another shortage of something we typically take for granted: pocket change.

??

Banks around the US are running low on nickels, dimes, quarters and even pennies. And the Federal Reserve, which supplies banks, has been forced to ration scarce supplies.

??

"It was just a surprise," said Gay Dempsey, who runs the Bank of Lincoln County in Tennessee, when she learned of the rationing order. "Nobody was expecting it."

??

Dempsey's bank typically dispenses 400 to 500 rolls of pennies each week. Under the rationing order, her allotment was cut down to just 100 rolls, with similar cutbacks in nickels, dimes and quarters.

????????????????400?500????????????????????????????????100????????????????????????????????

That spells trouble for Dempsey's business customers, who need the coins to stock cash registers all around Lincoln County, Tenn.

??

"You think about all your grocery stores and convenience stores and a lot of people that still operate with cash," Dempsey said. "They have to have that just to make change."

?????"??

Rural banks in particular seem to be getting shortchanged, according to Colin Barrett, CEO of the Tennessee Bankers Association.

??

Rep. John Rose, R-Tenn., sounded the alarm last week during a hearing before the House Financial Services Committee.

??

"My fear is that customers who use these banks will react very poorly," Rose said. "And I know that we all don't want to wake up to headlines in the near future such as 'Banks Out of Money.' "

"??'?????'?????"

The congressman warned that if businesses are unable to make exact change, they'll be forced to round up or round down, "in a time when pennies are the difference between profitability and loss."

crunch is a reminder that sometimes you just need change.

??

"Cash is still king, I guess," Dempsey mused.

"????????????"??????????

??????????????????

