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A work crew digging a path for a sidewalk in Hernando, Mississippi got quite a surprise when they found tens of thousands of old Playboy chips from Atlantic City. Instead of being destroyed, the chips were buried underneath a large slab of concrete on the former site of the Green Duck Corporation.

Soon after the find, thousands of chips went up for auction on eBay, flooding the market. Chips that were once worth hundreds or thousands of dollars are now worth a fraction of that. A \$100 chip that at one time had a value of \$3,000, is not worth much of anything now. Many of the chips were embedded in the concrete, some destroyed but most were in good shape.

These are the denominations of the chips found. There were not a lot of \$ 1.00 chips found and only about 500-600 of the \$500 chips were found.

\$ 1.00
\$ 2.50 white
\$ 2.50 olive
\$ 5.00 gold
\$ 5.00 teal
\$ 25.00 pink/red
\$ 25.00 light green,white inlay
\$ 25.00 dark green,white inlay
\$ 100.00 yellow
\$ 100.00 orange
\$ 500.00

This is probably the largest find of casino chips ever.

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