

Babies

Now, I ask you, what's not to like about this category?! [unless you're W. C. Fields] They're adorable; they're cute; they're ingratiating....BABIES! They can also be quite attractive, especially the art work on the older covers. But, the real attraction here, I think, are the faces on the baby pictures, such as the one on the lower right. When you see these, you just can't help smiling.

This one's not a widely collected category, by any means, but I have known a few collectors over the years who had this category as a want area. Aside from the custom drawings to be seen here, there are some well-known stock designs in this category as well, such as the little boy and little girl looking into their diapers.

Which brings us to the head-scratching problem with this topic—what constitutes a baby? Does it have to be in diapers?...many of the pics are head or bust shots. Where do you draw the line between “baby,” “toddler,” and “little kid”? That's up to you, the collector, of course, but others may have a differing definition.

Your best bet for finding these are on diaper service and baby food covers, but, of course, there's always a chance you may find a baby on any cover...I'm looking on one right now that has two sleeping babies on it, and it's a Tavern cover!

Haven't had this category reported in on in a long time, but Dave Hampton, FL, had 93 in 1988.

