

## T. Vettius Sabinus, minted 70 BC

This moneyer became the Roman Governor of Africa in 59 BC.

### Moneyers for 70 BC

Q. Fufius Calenus  
P. Mucius Scaevola (Cordus)  
**Titus Vettius Sabinus**

### Rome Timeline 70 BC

Cicero prosecutes former governor Verres.  
Pompey and Marcus Licinius Crassus become consul.  
The office of censor is reinstated in the Roman Republic.  
*Lex Aurelia iudiciaria* passed.

**Obverse:** Bare head of bearded king Tatius facing right, *TA* in monogram below chin, *SABINVS* behind, *SC* before

The head of Tatius, king of the Sabines, refers to the claim of the moneyer's family to Sabine origin. The *TA* monogram identifies Tatius and the *SC* is an abbreviation of *Senatus Consulto* (issued by authority of the Senate).



denarius serratus, 3.79 grams

**Reverse:** Magistrate in slow biga holding staff, ear of corn behind, *IVDEX* above, *T. VETTIVS* in exergue

The word *IVDEX* (judge or juror) on the reverse may refer to the passage of *Lex Aurelia iudiciaria* in 70 BC which provided that juries should be chosen from senators, equites and *tribuni aerarii*. The imagery may also be a portrayal of a magistrate engaged in judicial activity, perhaps the distribution of corn.