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'I'll Write You a Check'

Older Americans are among the few who still say that, as electronic payments take control

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Still carrying around your checkbook? You're a rare breed.

"No matter what statistic you look at, check usage has really declined year after year," says John Russo, a vice president at Hitachi Consulting. Could extinction be drawing near?

A new survey conducted by Russo's firm and BAI Research found that only 5 percent of in-store shoppers used checks as their payment of choice, down from 8 percent in 2005.

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