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pl.n. (used with a sing. verb)

Small pieces or streamers of colored paper that are scattered around during the course of festive occasions: *Confetti covers the floor every year on January 1.*

[Italian, pl. of *confetto*, candy (from the Italian custom of throwing candy on festive occasions), from Medieval Latin *cōnfectum*, from neuter of Latin *cōnfectus*, past participle of *cōnficere*, to prepare; see [COMFIT](#).]

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