

Highlighting U.S. Government Information at Libraries

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Overview

As a democracy, citizens need information to make informed decisions.

“A popular Government, without popular information, or the means of acquiring it, is but a Prologue to a Farce or a Tragedy; or, perhaps both. Knowledge will forever govern ignorance: And a people who mean to be their own Governors, must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives.” (The Writings of James Madison, 1822, p. 103)

Federal Depository Libraries can promote government information sources in addition to their websites by:

- Including government websites and sources in libraries' database listings
- Promoting FDLP webinars in institutional calendars
- Highlighting current efforts for alternative data sources on websites

Government Information

Informational matter which is published as an individual document at Government expense, or as required by law.” 44 USC 1901

Government information can cover nearly any topic, can be used by any citizen, includes almost every type of information: historical documents, maps, statistics and datasets, scientific papers.



It is:

- Primary source data
- Authoritative
- Covers all subject areas, is a part of all curriculums
- Gives a national perspective
- Historical, 1895-
- Includes data and statistics
- Is without copyright and is free

Government Websites and Sources in Database Listings

A-Z Databases
Find the best library databases for your research.

Updates in Progress
We are updating the look and feel of our library guides and A-Z database list. In the meantime, you may notice some formatting issues. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact libraryhelp@okstate.edu.

Database Title / Keyword Subjects Government information Vendors

50 Databases Found for: Government information
[All] A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z #

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Agricultural Statistics [Icon] [Icon] [Icon]
The USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) prepares reports covering virtually every aspect of U.S. agriculture. See the Data and Statistics tab. The [Quick Stats](#) database is the most comprehensive tool for accessing agricultural data published by NASS. Find and download agricultural statistics for every state and county in the United States.

C

Catalog of U.S. Government Publications [Icon]
The Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (COP) is the search tool and index for print and electronic titles of publications from across the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of the U.S. Government (the National Bibliography of U.S. Government Publications). Includes descriptive information for historical and current publications and links to the full document when the official resource is available online.
Additional Info

Census.gov [Icon] [Icon] [Icon]
The U.S. Census Bureau is the nation's leading provider of authoritative data about its people, economy, and health. See Topics for key topics and subtopics, and Data & Maps for Data Profiles (statistics by state, county, town), also tables, maps, and charts, from [data.census.gov](#).

Chronicle America [Icon] [Icon] [Icon]
Search America's historic newspaper pages from 1777-1963 or use the U.S. News pages of U.S. newspapers from 1777-1963. Chronicle America is sponsored by the Library of Congress.

Congress.gov [Icon] [Icon] [Icon]
Congress.gov is the official website for U.S. federal legislative information, providing legislation from 1789 - present, current members of Congress, Committee Reports, and more.

Congressional Research Service Reports [Icon] [Icon] [Icon]
CRS Reports are produced by the Congressional Research Service (CRS) for the United States Congress and provide timely, objective, and authoritative research and analysis to committees and members of both the House and Senate. Active and archived CRS products are available on Congress.gov. Search CRS Products by keyword.

Congressional Serial Set Maps, 1817-1994
Vendors: Readex
A collection of more than 50,000 maps found in the Congressional Serial Set, 1817-1994.

Agricultural
Statistics

Catalog of
U.S.
Government
Publications

Census.gov

Data.gov

Envirofacts

NASA Tech
Reports
Server

National
Agricultural
Library

OSTI.gov

Science.gov

Highlight Alternative Data Sources

Access to Government Information

- [Federal Data Preservation Resources](#)
UC Santa Barbara Office of Research
- [Federal Register](#)
See Current Issues, Popular Documents, Presidential Documents
- [Finding Government Information during the 2025 Administration Transition](#)
University of Minnesota Libraries
- [*Internet Archive*](#)
Digital library of Internet sites and other cultural artifacts in digital form. Provide Universal Access to All Knowledge.
- [*End of Term Web Archive*](#)
Captures and saves U.S. Government websites at the end of presidential administrations, 2008 - Collection in the Internet Archive.
- [*Data Rescue Project*](#)
Serves as a clearinghouse for data rescue-related efforts and data access points for public U.S. governmental data that are currently at risk. See Current Efforts and Resources. Coordinated effort among a group of data organizations, including IASIST, RDAP, and members of the Data Curation Network.
- [DataLumos](#)
A crowd-sourced repository for valuable government data.
- [Public Environmental Data Partners](#)
Committed to preserving and providing public access to federal environmental data. Includes the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool
- [Tracking Removed and Modified Government Information & Resources](#)
Part of the Data Rescue Project.
- [Spreadsheet of At-Risk Data](#)
Data Rescue Project. [more...](#)

Federal
Register

Internet
Archive

End of Term
Web Archive

Democracy's
Library

Data Rescue
Project

DataLumos

Public
Environmental
Data Partners

FDLP Webinars in Institutional Calendars

Webinar: An Introduction to the Journal of the House of Representatives: Everything That (Hasn't) Changed in 250 Years

August 2025							Agenda	Day	Week	Mo
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History of Indian Territory & Made by Adrienne E Hyle: a Year of the Cowboy: On Dis	History of Indian Territory & Made by Adrienne E Hyle: a Year of the Cowboy: On Dis	History of Indian Territory & Made by Adrienne E Hyle: a Year of the Cowboy: On Dis 5:30 PM Stillwater Speakers	History of Indian Territory & Made by Adrienne E Hyle: a Year of the Cowboy: On Dis	History of Indian Territory & Made by Adrienne E Hyle: a Year of the Cowboy: On Dis 1PM An Introduction to the Year of the Cowboy: On Dis 3PM open piano	History of Indian Territory & Made by Adrienne E Hyle: a Year of the Cowboy: On Dis 8AM Library Operations Br	History of Indian Territory & Made by Adrienne E Hyle: a Year of the Cowboy: On Dis				
3	4	5	6				An Introduction to the Journal of the House of Representatives: Everything That (Hasn't) Changed in 25 Years Time: 1pm - 2pm Categories: Instruction, Public Program Description: Speakers: Lawrence McLaughlin, Deputy Chief of Legislative Operations, Office of the Clerk and former House Journal Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives Janelle Puls, House			
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