Using Metadata to Navigate GPO’s Federal Digital System (FDsys)

Learning Objectives

- Obtain an introduction to FDsys metadata
- Perform metadata field operator searches in FDsys.
What is FDsys Metadata?

• Information that describes the content within FDsys.
  – Describes how, when, and by whom content was collected, what the content is, where it resides, and how it is formatted.
• Information about the publication, including things like the title, personal names, committee names, the date, and more.
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  • United States Code
  • United States Statutes at Large
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  • Congressional Calendars
  • Congressional Record
  • Congressional Record (Bound Edition)
  • Congressional Record Index
  • History of Bills
  • House Journal
category (Congressional Committee Materials)
  • Congressional Committee Prints
  • Congressional Documents
  • Congressional Hearings
  • Congressional Reports
  • Economic Indicators
category (Legislative Agency Publications)
  • GAO Reports and Comptroller General Decisions
category (Congressional Rules and Procedures)
  • House Rules and Manual
  • Senate Manual

Executive Branch Materials:
category: (Budget and Presidential Materials)
  • Budget of the United States Government
  • Compilation of Presidential Documents
  • Economic Report of the President
  • Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States
category (Executive Agency Publications)
  • Coastal Zone Information Center
  • Education Reports from ERIC
category (Regulatory Information)
  • Code of Federal Regulations
  • Federal Register
  • List of CFR Sections Affected
  • Privacy Act Issuances
  • The Regulatory Plan and Unified Agenda of Federal Regulations

Judicial Branch Materials:
category (Judicial Publications)
  • United States Courts Opinions

Directory Information:
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  • Congressional Directory
  • Congressional Pictorial Directory
  • United States Government Manual

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