

RESEARCH GUIDE

U.S. GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

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OVERVIEW

Welcome to U.S. federal agency publications, a valuable primary source of current and historical information on a wide variety of topics. Fenwick Library has been a selective depository library for U.S. Government documents since 1960. Currently, the library selects 55% of the publications available through the Federal Depository Library Program. Documents not in our collection can be borrowed through interlibrary loan.

Primarily shelved in the Government Documents area in Fenwick Library (Fenwick Documents), some publications are also located in Fenwick Reference area (Fenwick Reference) and Johnson Center Library. Items in Fenwick Reference area and Johnson Center are shelved according to the Library of Congress call number. The Government Documents area uses a special call number system specifically designed for federal documents, called the Superintendent of Documents (SuDocs) call number system. These call numbers indicate the agency that released the document, unlike other call number systems, such as the Library of Congress system that indicate the subject.

Understanding the Superintendent of Documents classification

Combining the designations for the offices of an agency, and those for the series of items published by them, results in the class stems for the various publications issued by the United States Government. This is the part of the SuDoc number up to the colon. A unique identifier follows the colon to form the complete number assigned to individual documents.

For example, using the SuDoc number A 1.1:994

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| The letter(s) at the beginning designate the issuing agency | “A” for Agriculture Department, “T” for Treasury, “JU” for Judiciary, etc. The letters “X” and “Y” designate Congress. |
| The numeric designation for bureaus and offices within an agency is next, followed by a period | Department of Agriculture Administrator (Office of the Secretary) A 1. Forest Service A 13. Information Office A 21. |
| The item series number designates the type of publication, and is followed by the colon | 1: Annual reports 2: General publications 3: Bulletins 4: Circulars |
| The unique identifier is after the colon | In the case of annual publications, the last three digits of the year are used for the book number, e.g., 1994 is 994 |
| A 1.1:994 | The SuDoc number for the Secretary of Agriculture’s Annual Report for 1994. |

A Detailed Explanation of the SuDocs System is provided by the Federal Depository Library Program
http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/pubs/explain.html

More information on SuDoc numbers is offered by the University of Denver
<http://www.du.edu/bdld/exsudoc.htm>

Locating SuDoc Numbers

SuDoc call numbers are arranged alphabetically by the letters indicating the agency, then numerically by the first number, then the next, etc. All numbers are treated as whole numbers — it is NOT a decimal system! The number after the period is a whole number. So .13 will be before .122 on the shelf.

The order for the unique identifiers following the colon is: the year, letters, then numbers.

Until the year 2000, the first number was dropped from years, so those years have 3 digits. Beginning with the year 2000, years will be 4 digits.

Shelves and microfiche drawers are labeled with the classification numbers of the documents they contain. **Please check both places if you are uncertain of the document's format.**

Finding Documents in GMU

Federal documents in GMU holdings can be found by searching the MASON Catalog (<http://infosparc.gmu.edu/cgi-in/Pwebrecon.cgi?DB=local&PAGE=First>).

by subject, author, keyword, etc. or by using the SuDoc number as the call number.

Items listed in the catalog as being in Fenwick Reference are located in the first floor, wing B general reference area. Items listed in the catalog as being in Fenwick Documents and Fenwick Documents—Microfiche are located in the first floor, wing C Government Documents Room.

A number of indexes are available for access to older or more specialized government documents. These indexes are housed in the first floor, wing B general reference area, unless otherwise indicated. If you need assistance in finding or using government publications, please consult the documents librarian, Joy Suh by telephone at (703) 993-2238, or email at hsuhl@gmu.edu.

GENERAL INDEXES AND FINDING AIDS

Monthly Catalog of U.S. Government Publications. Washington: GPO

Fenwick Documents GP 3.8: (1885-1888, 1895-1994) Shelved at far left of gov docs collection, Wing C in the 1st floor.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes J9.5.U5 (1889-1894)

Available via GMU database “GPO Monthly Catalog” (1976 -) <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?W>

Available via GMU database “MOCAT” (1994 -) <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?M>

Available via GPO Access (1994 -) http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/locators/cgp/index.html

The most comprehensive index to government publications. Author, title, keyword, subject, and series/report number indexes lead to entry numbers such as 90-6952 (90 refers to the year). Find the entry in the Monthly Catalog. The Superintendent of Documents classification number will be at the head of the entry after July 1976, and at the end of the entry before that date.

MOCAT is searchable by SuDoc number; the GPO Monthly Catalog is Gov Doc Number.

New Electronic Titles (NET). Washington:GPO

Available via GPO Access http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/locators/net/index.html

Direct access to new online government publications.

Cumulative Title Index to United States Public Documents, 1789-1976. Arlington: U.S. Historical Documents Inst., 1981.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes J83.L39x

This title index directly states the classification number of the document. Ignore the “A” and the “I.”

Cumulative Subject Index to the Monthly Catalog of United States Government Publications, 1900-1971. Washington: Carrollton, 1974.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes J83.C8

This subject index leads to entry numbers in the Monthly Catalog such as (61) 2764 (61 refers to the year). Find the entry in the Monthly Catalog; the classification number will be at the head of the entry.

Guide to U.S. Government Publications. Andriot, John. McLean: Documents Index.

Fenwick Reference - At Ref Desk Z1223.Z7 A574 (current year)

Fenwick Reference Z1223.Z7 A574 (1978-1988, 1994)

Annotated guide to important agency publications. Agency, title, and keyword in title, indexes lead to a comprehensive list of agency publications arranged by classification number. Provides the title history with 'superseded' and 'continued by' references.

Subject Bibliographies. Washington: GPO.

Fenwick Reference Z1223.A1 U55x (limited selection)

Available via GPO Access <http://bookstore.gpo.gov/sb/sale180.html>

Specialized subject lists of government publications, giving titles and classification numbers of items relevant to the subject. Not all subjects are covered.

Using Government Information Sources Electronic and Print, 3rd ed. Sears, J. and Moody, M. Phoenix, Ariz. : Oryx Press, 2001.

Fenwick Reference J83.S4

Lists sources of information on select topics and suggest search strategies.

GPO New Sales Publications. Washington: GPO.

Available via GMU Database "FirstSearch" (1976 -) <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?F>

Available via GPO Access (current) http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/newnote.html

This is a "books in print" for documents, which are accessible by the Government Printing Office stock number (S/N, an order number), classification number, and title/keyword.

Government Reports Announcements & Index. Springfield, VA: NTIS.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes T45 .G6 [v.76 (1976)-v.96: no.24 (1996:Dec.15)]

Ceased publication

Available via GMU Database "NTIS" (1964-) <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?N>

Access NTIS site at <http://www.ntis.gov/products/index.asp?loc=4-0-0> for web site available reports.

NTIS research reports, compiled by the US National Technical Information Service, cover such fields as engineering, biotechnology, the environment, health and safety, business, and the physical, biological and social sciences.

The United States Government Manual. Washington: GPO.

Fenwick Reference Desk JK404 .U5 (current year)

Fenwick Documents (non-circulating) AE 2.108/2: (1977, 1982 – 2001)
and GS 4.109: (1967 - 1981)

Johnson Center Stacks JK404 .U5

Available via GPO Access (1995 – current) <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/nara001.html>

Name and agency / subject indexes lead to page numbers for official background information on the agencies of the legislative, judicial, and executive branches of the government.

Popular Names of U.S. Government Reports. Washington: Library of Congress, 1984.

Fenwick Reference Desk J83.B47 (4th. ed.)

Fenwick Documents Document Librarian's Office LC 6.2:G 74/976 (3rd. ed.)

Arranged alphabetically by popular title. Gives institutional title (the one they're cataloged under) for popular or short titles. A special section titled *Impeachment Inquiry* that lists all reports, hearings, and miscellaneous documents printed by the Government Printing Office pertaining to the *Watergate affair* and related matters is included in the 3d edition only.

Retrospective Sources

A Descriptive Catalogue of the Government Publications of the United States, September 5, 1774-March 4, 1881. by Benjamin Perley Poore. Washington: GPO, 1885.

Fenwick Reference Z1223 .A 1885

The sole documentation for many of the titles listed. All three branches of the government for the time period covered are included.

Comprehensive Index to the Publications of the United States Government, 1881-1893. by John G. Ames. Washington: GPO, 1905.

Fenwick Reference Z1223 .A 1970

The sole documentation for many of the titles listed. All three branches of the government for the time period covered are included.

Checklist of United States Public Documents, 1789-1909. Washington: GPO, 1911.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes Z1223 .A113

Lists publications of congresses to close of 60th Congress and departments to end of calendar year 1909. Describes House and Senate Reports and Documents for the 15th to 60th Congresses (1817-1909).

PERIODICAL INDEXES AND FINDING AIDS

Index to U.S. Government Periodicals. Name changed to “**U.S. Government Periodicals Index**” in 1994.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes Z1223.Z9 I5 (1982-1987)
Z1223.Z7 U8 (1994 - current)

Available via GMU Database “Government Periodical Universe” (1988-) <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?G>

A general subject and author index to otherwise inaccessible articles in periodicals produced by over 100 government agencies. ‘Government Periodical Universe Database’ provides an indexing service for over 170 current periodicals including newsletters published by the U.S. government. Updated quarterly.

The University of Louisville maintains online access to government periodicals by subject area, some with full-text availability <http://www.louisville.edu/library/ekstrom/govpubs/periodicals/periodical.html>

PAIS International in Print. New York: Public Affairs Information Service.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes H1.P845

Cumulative Subject Index to the PAIS, 1915 – 1974

PAIS Annual Bulletin, 1915 – 1973

Available via GMU Database “Public Affairs Information Service” (1972 -)

<http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?P>

PAIS is a subject index of English language material (many non-governmental) issued throughout the world on contemporary public issues and the making and evaluation of public policy.

The online database consists of articles, books, conference proceedings, government documents, book chapters, and statistical directories.

Articles from government publications are also indexed in a variety of subject indexes including *Water Resources Abstracts*, *Environmental Abstracts*, and so on.

LOCATING STATISTICAL INFORMATION

American FactFinder. Washington: U.S. Census.

Available via Census Bureau <http://factfinder.census.gov>

Provides quick retrieval of data from the Census Bureau's 1990 and 2000 Decennial *Census of Population and Housing*, *American Community Survey*, and 1997 *Economic Census*

Statistical Abstract of the United States. Washington: GPO.

Fenwick Reference - At Ref Desk HA202 .S8 (2001)

Fenwick Documents (non-circulating) C 3.134: (1906, 1915, 1922, 1924-25, 1928-37, 1939-41, 1943-59,
1961-86, 1988-2000)

Fenwick Documents - CD-ROM C 3.134/7: (1993 – 2000)

Johnson Center Reference HA202 .S8

Online from the Census Bureau (1995 – current) <http://www.census.gov/statab/www/>

A subject index leads to table (not page) numbers for tables providing current and historical statistics on a wide variety of topics from governmental and private sources. More information may be obtained by consulting the source cited at the end of each table.

Historical Statistics of the United States, Colonial times to 1970. Washington: GPO.

Fenwick Reference - At Ref Desk HA202 .B87
Fenwick Documents C3.134/2:H62
Johnson Center Reference HA202 .B87 1975

Time period and subject indexes lead to tables containing statistics on a wide variety of topics cumulated over varying spans of years.

Historical Census Statistics on the Foreign-born Population of the United States: 1850-1990. Campbell J. Gibson and Emily Lennon. Washington: Bureau of the Census, 1999. Maintained online by the census bureau at

<http://www.census.gov/population/www/documentation/twps0029/twps0029.html>

Historical United States Census Data Browser maintained by the University of Virginia at <http://fisher.lib.virginia.edu/census/> intended to aid in browsing the "Historical Demographic, Economic and Social Data: The United States, 1790-1960" data files. It is not intended as a tool for downloading data for further research or more involved manipulation.

County & City Data Book. Washington: GPO.

Fenwick Reference - At Ref Desk HA202 .A36 (2000)
Fenwick Documents (non-circulating) C 3.134/2: C 83/2/ (1956, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1983, 1988, 1994)
Fenwick Documents - CD-ROM C 3.134/2:C 83/2/ (1988)
Fenwick Documents - CD-ROM C 3.134/6: (1994, 1996, 1998)
Online from the Census Bureau (2000) <http://www.census.gov/prod/www/ccdb.html>

A wide range of statistical information for geographic areas organized by subject.

State and Metropolitan Area Data Book.

Fenwick Reference - At Ref Desk HA202 .S84 (1997 – 1998)
Fenwick Reference HA202 .S84 (1991)
Johnson Center Reference HA202 .S84
Available via GPO Access (1997 – 1998) <http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS2647>

Similar to County & City Data Book, but with a different geographic emphasis.

U.S. Census of Population and Housing (compiled every 10 years)

Fenwick Documents C 3.223/22: (1980, 1990)
Fenwick Documents CD-ROM C3.282: (1990)
Fenwick Documents DVD C 3.275:R 24/DVD (2000)
Fenwick Documents C 3.223/23: (1990 data compiled by State)
Fenwick Documents microfilm cabinet (1790 – 1970)--- The Index for the film titled as "Bibliography and Reel Index, A Guide to the Microfilm edition of United States Decennial Census Publications, 1790-1970"(HA 195.r38) is located on top of the microfiche cabinet near to Memex machine in the documents microfiche room).

American FactFinder. Washington: U.S. Census.

Available via Census Bureau <http://factfinder.census.gov>

Provides quick retrieval of data from the Census Bureau's 1990 and 2000 Decennial *Census of Population and Housing*, *American Community Survey*, and 1997 *Economic Census*

CensusCD 1980 (by Geolytics, Inc)

Fenwick Documents CD-ROM HA 214 .C45 (IN LIBRARY USE only)

This one CD provides the U.S. 1980 Census data (STF1 and STF3) down to the block group level. Users can create customized maps with a chosen census demographic variable.

CensusCD 1990+Maps (by Geolytics, Inc)

Fenwick Documents CD-ROM HA 201.C462 (IN LIBRARY USE only)

This one CD provides the complete U.S. 1990 Census (STF3 A, B, C, & D) down to the block group level. Users can create customized maps with a chosen demographic variable.

Economic Census (compiled every 5 years)

Fenwick Documents C 3.291:FC 92-N-1 (1992, 1997)

Fenwick Documents CD-ROM C 3.277:CD-EC (1987, 1992, 1997)

Census of Agriculture (compiled every 5 years)

Fenwick Documents C 3.31/12: (1982, 1987, 1992)

Fenwick Documents CD-ROM C3.277:CD 92-AG (1992)

Census of Governments (compiled every 5 years)

Fenwick Documents C 3.145/4: (1982, 1987, 1992, 1997)

Census volumes contain tables with detailed primary statistical data on population, housing, business, industry, agriculture, and transportation. Read the preliminary explanatory matter to locate the table for your area of interest.

Public use training modules. Washington: U.S. Census Bureau.

Available via GPO Access <http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS11193>

Web-based and PowerPoint presentations on topics related to public use of the Census Bureau's redistricting summary files are available at http://www.census.gov/www/pre_lib/index2.html

American Statistics Index (ASI). Washington: Congressional Information Service.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes HA202 .A69 (1980 – current)

Online access to ASI is available via GMU database, “**Statistical Universe**,”

<http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?S>

Statistical Universe also provides indexing and some full text of state and international statistical publications.

American statistics index microfiche library

Fenwick Periodicals – Microfiche HA202 .A69

A comprehensive guide and index to the statistical publications of the U.S. Government. This subject, name, title, report number, and category index to publications of more than 500 federal agencies gives an abstract number which leads to an abstract of the portion of a publication containing statistics. Many entries contain the classification number, usually the second line from the last in the bibliographic part of the entry. If a classification number is not given, locate your source through the *Monthly Catalog*.

Note: Many agencies issue annual reports which contain statistical data. Check the “*Guide to U.S. Government Publications*” for the classification number.

Stat-USA, GPO: Department of Commerce

A comprehensive web site of US business, economic, and trade information. It contains the most current information of the NTDB (national trade data bank) CD.

Online Access via GMU Database, “Stat-USA” <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?S>

LOCATING CONGRESSIONAL DATA

Congressional Record. Washington: Supt. of Docs.

Fenwick Documents – located on far right shelf (1995 – current)

Fenwick Documents microfilm cabinet various titles (1789-1976)

Fenwick Documents microfiche cabinet X.95/1 and X1.1: (1833-1997)

Available via GPO Access (1994 - current) <http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS1671>

Available via GMU database, “Congressional Universe” (1985-current) <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?C>

The Congressional Record is the 'verbatim' account of the proceedings and debates of Congress.

1789-1824 titled *Debates and Proceedings in the Congress of the United States* (microfiche)

1824-1833 titled *Register of Debates in Congress* (microfilm)

1833-1873 titled *Congressional Globe* (microfilm)

1874-1976 titled *Congressional Record* (microfilm)

Congressional Record Index. Washington: GPO.

Fenwick Documents – X 1.1: (1987 – current)

Fenwick Documents microfiche X 1.1: (1833- 1988)

Available via GPO Access (1983 - current) <http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS8316>

Available via GMU database, “Congressional Universe” (1985-current) <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?C>

The Congressional Record Index is at the end of each roll of microfilm and covers only that roll of records. The print and microfiche index to the *Daily Congressional Record*, is issued every other week and covers only the two week span of records. Both give section (H-House, S-Senate, E-Extension of Remarks, D-Daily Digest), page number, and day and month of the issue of the *Daily Congressional Record*.

CIS Index to Publications of the United States Congress. Washington: Congressional Information Service.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes KF49 .C62 (1970 – current)

CD-ROM version called “CIS Congressional Masterfile”

Available via GMU database, “Congressional Universe” (1970-current) <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?C>

Abstracts of Congressional publications and legislative histories, and Index to Congressional publications and public law. CIS provides access to otherwise inaccessible information contained in the working papers of Congress, including hearings, committee prints, reports, documents, and special publications (but not the *Congressional Record*). The subject / name index leads to an abstract number coded H-House, J-Joint, or S-Senate. Find the abstract in the abstracts volume. The bibliographic part of the entry will contain the

classification number in the second line from the last. Many entries are analyzed. For instance, individual items of testimony in a hearing are listed as sub-entries under the main entry for the hearing. Go back to the bibliographic part of the main entry for the classification number. In the 'Legislative Histories' volume of CIS, subject, name, and bill number indexes lead to legislative histories of public laws. CIS is also available on CD-ROM as *Congressional Masterfile*. The CIS's CD-ROM Congressional Masterfile I streamlines historical searching between 1789 and 1969 by merging CIS indexes for the Serial Set, published and unpublished committee hearings, committee prints, and Senate Executive Documents and Reports.

CIS U.S. Congressional Committee Prints Index : From the Earliest Publications through 1969. Washington: Congressional Information Service.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes J74 .C66x (1980)

Available online via GMU database, "Congressional Universe" (1993-current)

<http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?C>

This retrospective index provides subject and name access to committee print published before 1970. Committee prints are often indepth studies commissioned by the Congress and can be valuable to researchers in a variety of fields.

Congressional Index. Chicago: Commerce Clearing House.

Fenwick Reference KF49 .C6 (1983 – current)

Provides a brief description of each bill introduced, enactments by public law (P.L.) number, and bill/resolution number, and a title, subject, and author index to public laws. Updated weekly with a 2 week lag.

Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report. Washington: Congressional Quarterly.

Fenwick Reference JK1 .C62 (1968 – current)

Indexed in electronic databases: NEXIS Jan. 5, 1980- , Social sciences index , PAIS, and Women studies

Available via GMU database, "CQ Weekly" <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sql/alpha.php?C>

The CQ Weekly report is located in the reference collection. The table of contents for each issue is found on the back cover. A subject index locates current legislative action on a topic. More detailed and with longer articles than the Congressional Index, it gives an excellent overview of Congressional action, such as bill numbers, sponsors, dates of hearings, reports issued, features of proposed legislation, supporters, and roll call votes. Annual paper indexes.

Major Legislation of the Congress. Washington: Congressional Information Service.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes KF42 .M34 (1983 -1991)

Title and bill/resolution number indexes lead to brief summaries of major legislation organized into broad subject areas. Prepared for the use of members of Congress and their staffs.

Major Studies & Issue Briefs of the Congressional Research Service. Bethesda, MD: University Publications of America.

Fenwick Reference – Indexes JK1108 .M25 (1993 – 1996)

Fenwick Reference – Indexes JK1108 .M257 (1975 – 1991)

Fenwick Periodicals – Microfiche JK1108 .M25 (1992 -)

A compilation of the major reports produced by CRS for the Congress covering a wide range of topics. The index in the Reference Room provides an accession number to the accompanying microfiche. The fiche is located in Per/Micro (Wing A) under the call number; reports are filed by year, then by accession number.

Congressional Yellow Book. Washington: Washington Monitor.

Fenwick Reference - At Ref Desk JK1083 .C66 (Current issue only.)

Johnson Center Reference JK1083 .C66 Current issue only.

Directory of members of Congress, their committees and key aides. Find the section you need, such as state delegations and district maps, senators and staffs, or house committees, in the table of contents, which will direct you to the page number at the beginning of that section. Entries are alphabetical within sections.

Congressional Directory. Washington : U.S. GPO.

Fenwick Reference - At Ref Desk JK1011 .U5 (Current issue only.)

Fenwick Documents Y4.P93/1: (1965 –1977, 1987 – 2000)

Available via GPO Access (1995 – current) <http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS194>

Official congressional directory. Members of Congress, biographies, office listings, district descriptions – arranged by State.

LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Slip Laws. Washington: GPO.

Fenwick Documents KF50.U6 SLIP LAW (2000 – 2002)

Available via GPO Access (1995 – current) <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/nara005.html>

Old issues are replaced by "United States Statutes at Large" bound volumes

Each law includes legislative history references. The text of each law passed by Congress, issued separately approximately 2 months after becoming law. After you have found your public law (P.L. or Pub. L.) number in a source such as the CIS Index, locate it filed in the slip law boxes by that number. For example, Public Law 101 -236 refers to the 236th public law passed by the 101st Congress, and is filed numerically with those beginning with 101. Laws are indexed in the CIS Index by subject, name, and number.

United States Statutes at Large. Washington:GPO.

Fenwick Documents KF 50.U6 (1963 – 1999)

Fenwick Documents - Microfilm (non-circulating) KF50 .U6 (1789-1926)

Available via GMU database, "Congressional Universe" <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sq1/alpha.php?C>

The laws and concurrent resolutions ... and reorganization plan, amendments to the Constitution, and proclamations. This is the bound form of the slip laws, issued after a lag of approximately 3-4 years, arranged in chronological public law number order. A subject index in the back of each volume gives page numbers for that volume. Tables of laws affected provide a record of laws amended, repealed, or otherwise affected. Laws may be located by public law number or by volume and page number, such as 79 STAT 1219: volume 79 Statutes at Large, page 1219. Part 11 of each volume contains private laws and an index to them.

United States Code. Washington:GPO.

Fenwick Documents KF 62 [yr] .A2 [vol. & suppl. #'s] (1976 – 2000)

Fenwick Documents Y 1.2/5-2: U.S. Code on CD-ROM. (1997, 1998, 1999)

Available via GPO Access <http://www.access.gpo.gov/congress/cong013.html>

Available via GMU database, "Congressional Universe" <http://oscr.gmu.edu/sq1/alpha.php?C>

The general and permanent laws of the United States. A codified subject arrangement of all laws currently in force, issued every six years with annual supplements. General (subject) and popular name indexes for each

edition and a volume of tables providing cross references from the Statutes at Large provide access by title and section number. The U.S. Code is cited as 44 USC 3501 (Title 44 U.S. Code, section 3501).

Code of Federal Regulations. Washington:GPO.

Fenwick Documents KF70 .A3C6 (2001 – 2002)

Index to the CFR is kept behind the Reference Desk

Fenwick Reference - At Ref Desk KF70.A3 C6 (2002)

Fenwick Documents - Microfiche (non-circulating) AE 2.106/3: (1996-)

Available via GPO Access <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfr-table-search.html>

Includes all agency regulations in force as of the date of publication, arranged in subject order. An annual index provides general subject access, leading to title and part numbers, such as 10 CFR 860; Title 10, part 860. Titles of popular interest include: Title 48; Federal Acquisition Regulations, Title 3 - Compilation of Presidential Documents; Title 5, Part 1310 - OMB Circulars; Title 26 - Internal Revenue Code; and Title 40 Protection of Environment. Shelved next to the CFR is the LSA, List of Sections Affected, arranged by title number, which indicates page number of updates of regulations published daily in the Federal Register.

Federal Register. Washington:GPO.

Fenwick Documents KF70 .A2 (2002)-most current issues.

Fenwick Documents – Microfilm (non-circulating) (vol. 1, 1936—vol 41, 1976), Microfiche (non-circulating) from 1977-current

Also depository microfiches available in Fenwick Document-Microfiche, AE 2.106/2: (Jan 1996, Sept/Oct 1999, Jan 2001) [AND] GS 4,108/3: (Sept 1982 – July 1984)

Available via GPO Access (1994-current) <http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS1756>

Current year in print until replaced by fiche. Issued daily, the Federal Register contains agency regulations (rules), proposed rules, legal notices issued by agencies, Presidential proclamations, executive orders, and announcements of agency hearings, grants, and publications. The Federal Register is cited as 44 FR 16285 (volume 44 Federal Register, page 16285). Daily, monthly, and annual indexes give page numbers. The Dec. issue being the annual index.

Federal Register Index.

Fenwick Documents KF70.A2 Index (1973 -87, 1990-91, 1993-98, 2000-02)

Available via GPO Access (1994-current) <http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS1756>

Federal Agencies Web Sites -- useful for locating information, regulations and publications of each agency.

Federal Agencies Directory at <http://www.lib.lsu.edu/gov/fedgov.html> --a comprehensive listing maintained by Louisiana State University Libraries.

Directories from The Library of Congress at <http://www.loc.gov/global/executive/fed.html>

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS

Slip Opinions of the United States Supreme Court. Washington: GPO

Fenwick Documents KF101.2 .S8 Suppl. (2000-2001)

Internet access <http://www.supremecourtus.gov/opinions/opinions.html>

Most Recent Slip Opinions: filed alphabetically by case name. Like public laws, decisions of the Supreme Court first appear in pamphlet form. They contain the full-text of the majority or plurality opinion, any concurring or dissenting opinions, and a syllabus along with an official summary.

United States Reports. Washington: GPO

Fenwick Documents KF101.2 .S8 (1916 vol. 242 – 1999 vol. 530)

Internet access <http://www.supremecourtus.gov/opinions/boundvolumes.html>

The final, bound OFFICIAL record of Supreme Court opinions. Lists justices on the bench, and includes an index, a table of cases, a list of cases adjudged with dates of argument and decision and names of counsel, the opinion and the justice who delivered it, and a list of orders on cases adjudged. The *US Reports* citation to volume and page (_U.S._) becomes its permanent or archival citation reference. 'Table of Cases Reported' at the beginning of each volume will lead you to page numbers for cases by name in that volume. U.S. Reports is updated by Slip Opinions issued separately. All updates are accessed by the 'Table of Cases Reported.'

Digest of United States Supreme Court Reports. Washington: GPO

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