European Union Documents

Commission of European Communities Documents, COM(86)1-(2002)782
The European Commission is the executive branch of the European Union. “COM” documents contain proposed legislation, communications, policy documents, policy implementation reports, and unpublished papers of European Commission staff members. Documents in this series are numbered sequentially and are referenced by year and number.

Issues contain complete texts of European Parliament plenary session debates. Issues also contain oral questions submitted during the debates. Exact minutes of each debate are published in the Official Journal. Microfiche are arranged in order of Parliamentary session date.

Also known as the Liste de Concordance: Documents COM Finaux Anglais. This is a complete index of European Commission Documents from 1994-2002.

Collection consists of microfiche containing resolutions, opinions, decisions, and joint texts that have been adopted or approved by the European Parliament members and committees. Texts adopted in plenary are subsequently published in their final form in the Official Journal of European Communities.

Economic and Social Committee of the European Communities: Opinions and Reports, 1986-2002
Also referred to as ESC or CES documents. The role of the ESC is to advise the European Commission, European Parliament, and Council of Ministers by providing opinions and suggesting legislation. The ESC provides both initiative and exploratory opinions on agriculture, rural development, environmental issues, employment, citizenship, energy, infrastructure, and external relations. Members of the ESC represent individual employers, trade unions, and private interests. Microfiche are filed according to year and CES Document number order.

Official Journal of European Communities
Also referred to as the Official Journal of the European Union. The Journal contains all legislative activities and official acts of the European Union, as well as minutes of Parliamentary debates. The
Journal is divided into two series: C and L. Microfiche are sorted by year and then according to the assigned C or L number. Indexes and search capabilities are available via University at Albany access to the EUR-Lex database and Lexis-Nexis Academic Universe.

**Series C: Information and Notices, 1985-1999**
Contains information and notices relating to the European Union, specifically communications between EU institutions, summaries of European Court of Justice decisions, statements from the Economic and Social Committee, parliamentary meeting minutes, reports of the Court of Auditors, and committee opinions.

**Series L: Legislative, 1986-1999**
Contains text of official legislation enacted by the European Parliament, including recommendations, opinions, and regulations. The L Series also contains the *Directory of Community Legislation in Force*, which lists references to initial texts, subsequent amendments, and agreements and conventions signed by the EU.

**Annexes to the Official Journal of the European Communities:**

**Monthly Alphabetical Index and Monthly Methodological Tables, 1991-99**
Issued as the *Index to the Official Journal of the European Communities* and produced monthly on microfiche.

**Annual Alphabetical Index and Methodological Tables, 1985-1996**
Issued as the *Supplement to the Official Journal of the European Communities* and produced annually on microfiche.

The Annual Alphabetical Index contains a keyword index, based on Eurovoc terms, for each year of Journal publication. The Methodological Tables list and give Journal reference to legislation in numerical order.

**Eurovoc**
*Eurovoc* is a multilingual thesaurus containing terms relevant to European Communities’ activities and interests. *Eurovoc* provides a means of indexing documents of the European Communities with a controlled vocabulary. *Eurovoc* is used to create the annual and monthly alphabetical indexes (since 1983). The microfiche collection consists of an alphabetical thesaurus and a subject-oriented thesaurus.

**Directory of Community Legislation in Force, 1986-1998**
The *Directory* microfiche consist of two parts: analytical registers and chronological/alphabetical indexes for each year of Journal publication. The analytical register
allows patrons to search for legislation by subject. The Directory is included in Series L of the Official Journal.

New York State Documents

Legislative Research Checklist, 1960-1966
The Legislative Research Checklist is published by the Council of State Governments. The Checklist (in microfiche form) contains reports sorted alphabetically by subject and then by state. Reports are written by various state agencies, committees, and independent agencies. The University Library also has volumes 1-20 (1959-1978, issues missing) in storage.

New York State Session Laws, 1777-1899 (Session Laws of American States and Territories, New York)
Collection contains records of legislative sessions of New York State Legislature from 1777-1899. Microfiche are filed in order of year and legislative session.

NYS/DOC
New York State Documents are general works of New York State legislative, executive, and judicial agencies, and government organizations. Documents may contain commission hearings and reports, session laws, agency and commission annual reports, audits, investigations, proceedings, decisions and orders, hearings, budget summaries, histories, directories, journals, catalogs, and census statistics. Official publications provide records of an agency's laws, opinions, organization, and activities.

NYS Documents are sorted according to NYS Document Classification System call numbers (NYSDOC). NYS Document numbers consist of an agency symbol keyword designator, an agency symbol numeric designator, publication type code, date/title identifier code, and a time-accession number (e.g. BUD 350-4 EXEBN 82-70629).

The University’s collection of microfilm contains annual reports of state agencies, newsletters, legislative activities and bills, brochures, and statistical reports. These publications provide an official record of an agency’s activities.

Since 1947, the New York State Library has published a comprehensive list of all official publications of New York State. The Checklist of Official Publications of the State of New York is available at the University Library [Microform, v. 1, 1968- ] and online through the New York State Library for 1989-.
Additional information on NYS documents, Official State Publications, NYSDOC numbers, and bibliographies/indexes can be found in the University Library collections:


- **New York State Documents : an introductory manual** / written and compiled by Dorothy Butch [University Library / Reference: Z 1009 N56 NO.89]

- **General index to the documents of the State of New York. 1777-1877** [University Library / J 87 N75D 1777-1877]

**Miscellaneous**

**Archives Parliamentaires, Series I, v. 1-82**

This collection consists of the daily debates and legislative activities of the French Parliament from 1787 to 1794 (Series I, in its entirety, covers up to 1799). These volumes were published by the Institut d'Histoire de la Revolution Française.

**Current National Statistical Compendiums**

The Compendiums are a microfiche collection of annual national and sub-national information on countries throughout the world. Each report is published by a national government or governing entity and contains yearly statistics on demographics, climate, industry, education, economics, health, government, finance, geography, and environment. The collection contains reports for countries in Africa, Asia and the Middle East, Europe, North America, Central and South America, and Oceania. The Compendiums are arranged alphabetically by region and country. Coverage began in 1970 with new updates added annually since 1986.

**Great Britain Laws – Statutes of the Realm, v.1-10 + Index (1225-1713)**

The collection consists of verbatim copies of statutes as enacted in Great Britain during the time from the Magna Carta through the reign of Queen Anne. Each volume contains an index; a complete alphabetical index was published in 1828.
**OAS Official Documents, 1961-1963**

The University’s collection of OAS Official Documents consists of microfiche copies of documents authorized by the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS). The OAS represents 35 member states (although Cuba is not an active participant) from North, Central and South America, and the Caribbean. The OAS is a cooperative organization working to promote democratic values, protect human rights, and confront poverty, terrorism, and drug trafficking. The OAS is preceded by the *International Bureau of the American Republics* and the *Pan-American Union*.

Documents are published in English, Spanish, French, and Portuguese. Official Documents contain resolutions of the General Assembly, committee reports, statutes and regulations, treaties, convention and conference proceedings, meeting agendas, and the Annual Report of the Secretary General. Subjects include foreign affairs, education, science, culture, and human rights. Each annual set of microfiche contains an inventory list and subject index. Documents are sorted by year and then series.

The only complete bibliography of OAS Official Documents is the *Lista General de los Documentos Oficiales*, which is issued by the OAS annually. Additional information can be found in the *Classification Manual for the OAS Official Records Series: a manual for the maintenance of the series*, available at the University Library ([University Library / F 1405.5 1959 O72X 1977]).

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**United States Government Documents**

**CIS Microfiche, 1976-1986**

Collection contains U.S. Congressional publications supplied by the Congressional Information Service (CIS). The CIS Microfiche include U.S. Congressional committee and subcommittee hearings, reports, special publications, executive reports and public laws. Documents are sorted first by year, and then according to the CIS Index designation, consisting of the letter indicating the section of Congress (H-House of Representatives, S-Senate, and J-Joint Committee, and a number designating the subject (e.g. 140 – aging, 860 – taxation). An index of Congressional publications (1970- ) is available at the University Library: *CIS Index to Publications of the United States Congress* ([University Library / GovDoc - Reference: Z 1223 A25X]) and through the database LexisNexis® Congressional.

**Major Studies and Issue Briefs of the Congressional Research Service, 1916-2007**

The Congressional Research Service (CRS), previously known as the Legislative Research Service until 1974, was established in 1914 as a research branch within the Library of Congress. The objective of the CRS is to provide nonpartisan analytical information and research for Congressional members and committees on topics including defense and national security, human rights, economics and trade, environment, energy, foreign policy, law, terrorism, U.S. politics and government, science, health and technology, and international affairs. The University Library has catalog records for the CRS Supplement publications on microfilm. The catalog also contains a record for the entire series, which includes
references to 2 guides with reel and subject indexes. The microfilm can be found in [University Library / GovDoc – Microfilm: JK 1108 M35]. CRS reports are also available full text from 1993 to present through the library database GalleryWatch CRS reports. Some individual studies or briefs can be found in Minerva by searching for a particular author.

**Non-Decennial U.S. Census, nos. 1311-4061 (1820-1967)**

Non-decennial census reports are published individually and contain a greater degree of detail than the decennial census. Non-decennial census publications are also produced on a more frequent basis, rather than every ten years, so statistical information or studies on a given topic may be available for multiple years or a range of years. Non-decennial census reports contain a broad spectrum of information regarding agriculture, business, foreign trade, government, financial statistics, housing, and industry. Searches can often be narrowed by geographic location (region, states, counties, etc.) or subject (e.g. retail, wholesale trade, processed goods).

Reports are sorted alphabetically by subject and assigned numbers sequentially. The Bureau of the Census Catalog of Publications 1790-1972 (available in the University Library government documents section) provides a comprehensive list of both decennial and non-decennial census reports, as well as an index to all census publications. The non-decennial census reports on Foreign Trade for 1946-1967 (report nos. 3707-3786) are filed separately in an adjacent drawer.

The website for the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis [http://fraser.stlouisfed.org/publications/SCB/] also has PDF versions of Survey issues from 1921-1999. This website also has comprehensive alphabetical and subject indexes.

**Survey of Current Business, 1956-1977**

*The Survey of Current Business* is produced monthly by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, a division of the Department of Commerce. This series summarizes analyses of the U.S. economy by the Office of Business Economics, as well as private and public entities. Analyses include industry trends and outlook, economic indicators, and Current Business Statistics on national, international, and regional levels.

The Most recent issues of the *Survey of Current Business* are available electronically (from 1994-) on the Bureau of Economic Analysis website [Online / GovDoc: J 85 C 59.11]. Access is also available from 1996-through University access to Business Search Premier. The University Library also has CD-ROM versions of the *Survey* available from 1994-2000, with selected articles dating back to 1987.


Collection contains microfiche of annual reports containing information on North American Indian tribes, including culture, language, archaeology, religion, and history. Report no. 48 contains an index to all reports nos. 1-48.
The Bureau of American Ethnology was established by Congress in 1879 as a research unit of the Smithsonian Institute. In 1965 it combined with the Museum of Natural History Department of Anthropology to form the Smithsonian office of Anthropology. After the publication of the 48th annual report, all subsequent ethnological research papers and Bureau research reports were published in the Bulletin.

Access to an online version of the complete bibliography of Bureau publications is available through the University Library: List of publications of the Bureau of American Ethnology provided by the Smithsonian Institution Libraries [Online / E 51 U64X 1997 WWW or http://www.sil.si.edu/DigitalCollections/BAE/Bulletin200/200title.htm]. The bibliography includes all bureau publications since 1877, including Bulletins, Annual reports, and miscellaneous publications.


Collection contains microfiche of bulletins published by the Bureau from 1887-1955. The Bulletin consists of all research from the Bureau, including bibliographies of languages, tribal texts, the Anthropological Papers series, River Basin Surveys Papers, and lists of BAE publications with title and author indexes. Publication of the Bulletin was authorized by Congress in 1886. After Bulletin no. 200 all BAE publications are superseded by the Smithsonian Contributions to Anthropology series.

**United States Congressional Record, 1873-1999**

The Congressional Record is a verbatim daily account of the debates and proceedings of the United States Congress. During active sessions of Congress the Congressional Record is published daily by the Government Printing Office. Microfiche are arranged by Congressional year and term.

The Congressional Record Index (1983-) can be viewed on the GPO Access website. Daily congressional records and daily digests can also be accessed online via the database LexisNexis® Congressional from 1985-present. The THOMAS electronic resource [Online / GovDoc: J 85 LC 1.54/2] provides access to full text of the Congressional Record for the 103rd Congress to the present, as well as additional legislative publications and information.

**The Congressional Globe, 1833-1873**

Contains abstracts and verbatim records of congressional activity from the 23rd-42nd Congresses. It is succeeded by the U.S. Congressional Record (1873-present), preceded by the Annals of Congress (1st-18th Congress) and the Register of Debates (18th-25th Congress). The Register, unlike The Globe, does not contain a verbatim record of congressional proceedings, but only summaries of major debates.

**United States Decennial Census, 1790-1960**

The U.S. Constitution provides that a complete census of the United States be conducted every ten years, in years ending in “0”, in order to determine apportionment of seats in the House of
Representatives, redraw state legislative and congressional districts, and to provide criteria for the appropriate distribution of funding for government programs.

The decennial census provides statistics regarding housing and population characteristics, specifically education, income, home ownership, employment, population demographics (age, race, marital status, citizenship, etc.), and household characteristics (utilities, year of construction, number of bedrooms, farm residence, vehicles available, etc.). The University’s microfilm collection is sorted by year and alphabetically by subject (e.g. agriculture, population, manufacturing, etc.). The Bureau of the Census Catalog of Publications 1790-1972 (available in the University Library government documents section) provides a complete list and index of all census publications. Historical decennial census information is also available through the Census Bureau at http://www.census.gov/population/www/censusdata/hiscendata.html.

**United States Geological Survey Monographs, no. 1-55**
Monographs cover topics related to geology and paleontology, including ecology, water resources, pollution, natural resources, natural disasters, geographic analysis and mapping. Monographs were first published by the USGS in 1882 as outlines in the Annual Report. The Government Printing Office officially published Monographs 1-40 by 1900, and numbers 41-54 between 1902 and 1915. Monograph No. 55, published in 1929 was the last USGS Monograph to be issued.

**United States Geological Survey Professional Papers, no. 1-200**
The publication of professional papers written by the USGS researchers was first authorized by a Joint Resolution of Congress in 1902 and the first nine papers were produced that same year by the Government Printing Office. Several professional papers are published each year and are issued numbers sequentially. Professional papers and USGS monographs both contain basic and applied research in geology and paleontology.

Many recent U.S. Geological Survey and related publications are cataloged in Minerva and are accessible via the U.S. Government Printing Office.

**United States Supreme Court Records and Briefs, 1973-Present**
Collection contains microfiche for cases argued before the Supreme Court. Records and briefs describe the entire history of a legal case. Each case contains briefs, which state the legal arguments behind the case, and records, including pleadings, transcripts, testimonies, and motions. Cases are sorted by docket number (term year-number).

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