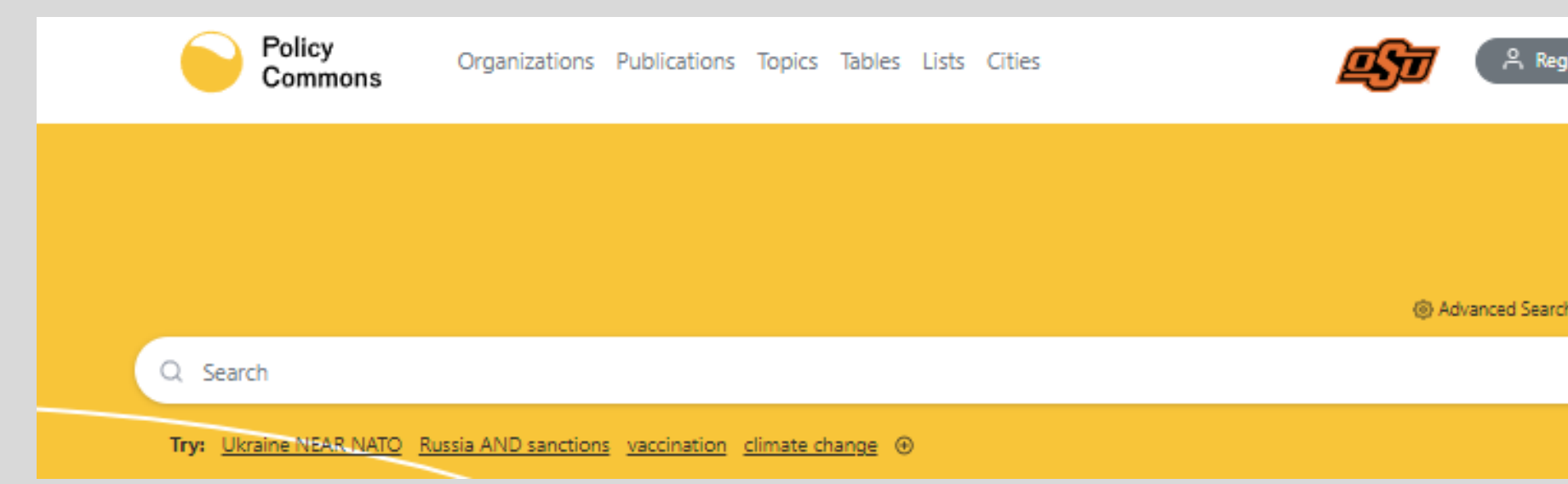


Policy Commons for Government Publications

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Overview

Policy Commons, <https://policycommons.net>, is the largest directory of worldwide policy organizations with 3.4 million publications in full-text from 24,560 organizations including nonpartisan think tanks, IGOs and NGOs, and select government agencies. It includes policy reports, working papers, press releases, data sets, and **content from organizations that have disappeared or are inactive, including the EPA Archive**. Policy Commons is updated continually.

Produced by Coherent Digital, Policy Commons is an important resource for public policy, grey literature, and related research. Limited access is available at no cost. Institutional memberships are available to either the full archive or segments by geographical region. **Content is vetted by the organization and is curated by the editors and the community.**

Searching

- The database includes keyword and advanced search options for full-text searching.
- Advanced search includes Title, Summary, Full Text, and Author fields and limits by date.
- Results can be filtered by Publication Type, Organization, Language, Year Published, Country, and Topic.
- Search facets include **Organizations, Publications, Topics, Tables, and Lists**. Lists are publications on specific topics.
- View, download, and print documents in PDF.
- Sort by relevance or date.
- The Organization search includes associated publications and the Topic search includes associated organizations in the results.
- *Featured Organizations, Collections, and Publications* highlight current issues and topics.
- Covers all disciplines.

Search: Environmental Protection Agency -> Link to EPA Archive.

EPA Archive: 10,000+ Publications, premium content
EPA Archive Extra: 700 Publications

Search for *environmental protection agency*
Over 10,000 results — consider refining your search

Filters: Organization: EPA: Environmental Protection Agency X Collections: EPA Archive X

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Publications with tables
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Content
Publications 12,589

Publication Type
Report 12,589

Language
English 12,143
Spanish 44
Vietnamese 4
None 2
French 1
Hmong 1

Year Published
2021 6
2020 13
2019 1
2018 1
2017 1
2016 1

Topics
Water 1
Estuaries 1
Logic 1
Teaching 1

Date Added
Past week 0
Past month 0
Past 3 months 0
Past 6 months 3,719
Past 9 months 3,719
Past year 3,719

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Analysis

- **Focus is on content from research centers, major international organizations (OECD, World Bank, UN), NGOs, and discontinued organizations. Includes select federal government policy information and the EPA Archive.**
Organizations: Type -> Government Country -> U.S.
- **Holdings of organizations are not comprehensive.**
- **Limited ability to search within results by topic using filters. The search box provides additional search capability within a search set.**
- **Provides access to more obscure think tanks that produce important research.** Includes copies of more than 100,000 publications from more than 500 defunct and inactive think tanks and books and reports licensed from leading publishers.
- Content is held at the original source unless the organization is inactive.
- Policy Commons' records are being indexed in Google/Google Scholar.

Acknowledgments

<https://policycommons.net>
<https://coherentdigital.net/policycommons>

Search: Climate Change Organization -> EPA

Search for *climate change*
3,738 results

Filters: Organization: EPA: Environmental Protection Agency X

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Searching EPA and Climate Change

- **Organizations -> Environmental Protection Agency in search box -> Select EPA 36,719 publications -> Link to EPA Archive. Return to the search box to search by topic**
- **Search *climate change* -> filter by Organization -> EPA - 3,738 publications.**
- **Search *climate change* in Topics -> Limit by EPA**

Contributed Research

- Research institutes can contribute content to be reviewed and published.
- Users can create and publish personal lists.
- Follow an organization or topic to receive alerts.
- Universities can contribute up to 50 GB of content per year.