

Cataloging & Accessing Congressional Serial Set Publications

The Superintendent of Documents proposed discontinuing the printed United States Congressional Serial Set Catalog (Serial Set Catalog) after production of the 105th Congress (1997-1998). The online Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP) (<http://catalog.gpo.gov>) with enhanced functionality will replace the printed Serial Set Catalog. To this end, Library Technical Information staff (LTIS) staff evaluated the cataloging policy for Congressional Serial Set documents. These procedures are a result of the evaluation. LTIS began implementation of the procedures in June 2006.

BACKGROUND

Changing technologies, production costs, and new user information seeking behaviors have caused GPO to evaluate the current procedures relating to the production and dissemination of the Serial Set Catalog. This was driven by the need to enhance indexing, increase access to government publications by providing more detailed cataloging, and reduce production costs:

- The online CGP module of the integrated library system (ILS) has indexing and searching capabilities that far exceed those of the printed catalogs. It contains the full cataloging records used in the production of the Monthly Catalog and the Serial Set Catalog. Records accessible through the CGP begin with 1976 are kept current through GPO's daily cataloging record production. Additionally plans are under way to convert the earlier card-based files, which date from the late 1800s. By providing historical and current records the CGP will be more comprehensive than the print product and, as an online Web-based service, it will be available to anyone with Internet access and to all Federal depository libraries.
- GPO's depository library partners and customers, whether public, agency, or internal, will benefit from more timely data.
- The CGP provides users with various search, record display, and e-mail/print options. By capturing only those records or record elements that best fit their need, users are able to create a "customized catalog". Additionally, where applicable, records have links that directly connect users to online versions of publications.
- Using the CGP to replace the print catalog will allow GPO to give up costly at-risk mainframe applications

CATALOGING CONGRESSIONAL SERIAL SET VOLUMES

Analysis of Congressional documents was increased by adding the series statement for Congressional documents to the MARC 440 (Series) field to the Congressional cataloging records; the serial set number will be contained within the \$v (volume number/sequential designation). Following this policy is in accordance

CONGRESSIONAL SERIAL SET HOLDINGS STATEMENT

Search the CGP / BASIC / ADVANCED / EXPERT / BROWSE / NEW TITLES / HELP / ABOUT

CATALOG OF U.S. GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

Catalogs to Search:

[Congressional Serial Set](#) [GPO Access Publications](#) [Periodicals](#)
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Catalog of U.S. Government Publications Home Page > National Bibliography of U.S. Government Publications

GPO's CGP - National Bibliography Holdings Back

United States congressional serial set..
 Washington : U.S. G.P.O.,...
 v. ; 24 cm..
 (paper) [http://catalog-web2.gpo.gov/LocateLibraries/locate.jsp?ItemNumber=Senate
rept.&SYS=000568079](http://catalog-web2.gpo.gov/LocateLibraries/locate.jsp?ItemNumber=Senate%20rept.&SYS=000568079).

Location : Y 1.1/2:Serial

Select year Select volume

	Vol./Issue:	SuDoc Number:	Library:	Item status:
Expand	no.14590 (106th Cong.,1st sess.: 1999)	Y 1.1/2:Serial no. 14590	National Bibliography	Shipped
Expand	no.14593 (106th Cong.,1st sess.: 1999)	Y 1.1/2:Serial no. 14593	National Bibliography	Shipped
Expand	no.14617 (106th Cong.,2nd sess.: 2000)	Y 1.1/2:Serial no. 14617	National Bibliography	Shipped
Expand	no.14622 (106th Cong.,2nd sess.: 2000)	Y 1.1/2:Serial no.14622	National Bibliography	Shipped
Expand	no.14624 (106th Cong.,2nd sess.: 2000)	Y 1.1/2:Serial no. 14624	National Bibliography	Shipped
Expand	no.14627 (106th Cong.,2nd sess.: 2000)	Y 1.1/2:Serial no.14627	National Bibliography	Shipped
Expand	no.14628 (106th Cong.,2nd sess.: 2000)	Y 1.1/2:Serial no.14628	National Bibliography	Shipped
Expand	no.14632 (106th Cong.,2nd sess.: 2000)	Y 1.1/2:Serial no.14632	National Bibliography	Shipped

For each individual Congressional document bibliographic record, a separate PURL will be created for each report, e.g., Y 1.1/7:108-222, Biographical directory of the United States Congress, 1774-2005. A 440 (Series Statement/Added Title Entry) is added to the bibliographic record, e.g.:

- 440 b0 \$a United States Congressional serial set ; \$v serial set no. 14902

The series statement to be followed is in accordance with the Library of Congress's authority record ARN: 3166667.

PURLs will not be removed from individual reports. GPO is indexing the 490 to the document type level, e.g.:

- 490 1b \$a House document / 108th Congress, 2nd session ; \$v no. 108-222

GPO started to index the Congressional documents in this way beginning with the documents of the 105th Congress.

CONGRESSIONAL DOCUMENT BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

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Title	Biographical directory of the United States Congress, 1774-2005 : the Continental Congress, September 5, 1774, to October 21, 1788, and the Congress of the United States, from the First through the One Hundred Eighth Congresses, March 4, 1789, to January 3, 2005, inclusive.	
Author	United States Congress	
Publisher Info.	Washington, D.C. : U.S. G.P.O. : May be purchased from the Supt. of Docs., U.S. G.P.O., 2005.	
Internet Access	http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS69614	
SuDoc Number	Y 1 1/2 SERIAL 14902	
ISBN	0160731763 (alk. paper)	
Item Number	1004-E	
	1004-E (online)	
LC Number	JK1010 .A5 2005	
Description	xvii, 2218 p. : 31 cm.	
Series	United States congressional serial set : Serial set no. 14902	
Series	(House document (United States Congress House) : 108-222.)	
General Note	"Closing date of compilation, January 3, 2005."	
	"Compiled and edited under the direction of the Joint Committee on Printing, Congress of the United States"--P. v.	
	Andrew R. Dodge, Betty K. Koed, editors-in-chief.	
	Shipping list no. : 2006-0008-S.	
Bibliography	Includes bibliographical references.	
Additional Form	Also available via Internet from the GPO Access web site. Address as of 5/9/06: http://www.gpoaccess.gov/serialset/cdocuments/hd108-222/index.html ; current access available via PURL.	
Subject	United States Congress -- Biography.	
Added Entry	Dodge, Andrew R., 1947-	
	Koed, Betty K.	
Added Entry	United States Congress. Joint Committee on Printing.	
Stock Number/Avail.	052-071-01418-7 GPO	
Holdings	All items	
Locate in a Library	(paper, online) http://catalog-web2.gpo.gov/LocateLibraries/locate.jsp?itemNumber=1004-E&SYS=000588567	
OCLC Number	{OCLC}63049058	
System Number	000588567	

ONLINE CATALOG REPLACEMENT

As previously stated, congressional publications that make up the Serial Set are indexed and the bibliographic records accessible through the CGP. Additionally, GPO created a searchable subset of records in the CGP that contains only Serial Set publications. This subset is called Congressional Serial Set and it is a CGP selection option under "Catalogs to Search". The Serial Set search page also contains links to the Numerical Lists of Documents and Reports and the Schedule of Serial Set Volumes, both of which will continue to be available in print as well as online. To facilitate searching, LTIS staff evaluated the current GPO cataloging practice for Congressional documents and specifically looked for alternative indexing methods.

INDEX COMPARISONS

Indexes	Monthly Catalog ¹	Serial Set Catalog ¹	Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP)	Congressional Serial Set ²
Author (last name first)		✓	✓	✓
Title begins with ...	✓	✓	✓	✓
Title Variations begin with ...			✓	
Subject begins with ...		✓	✓	
Corporate/Agency Author keyword(s) begins with ...		✓	✓	✓
Series/Periodical Title begins with ...			✓	✓
Conference Proceedings begins with ...			✓	
Author Keyword(s)			✓	✓
Title Keyword(s)	✓		✓	✓
Subject Keyword(s) (all subjects)			✓	
Corporate/Agency Author keyword(s)			✓	✓
Series/Periodical Title keyword(s)		✓	✓	✓
Conference Proceeding Keyword(s)			✓	
Keyword(s)	✓		✓	✓
Contract Number			✓	
Stock Number			✓	
Bill Number		✓	✓	✓
Subject (LC)			✓	✓
Subject (MeSH)			✓	
Subject (NASA)			✓	
Geographic Subject(s)			✓	
Publisher Keywords			✓	
Publication Place			✓	
SuDoc Number			✓	✓
Shipping List Number			✓	
Item Number			✓	
Series Number			✓	
Serial Set Number		✓	✓	✓
Technical Report Number			✓	
LC Class Number			✓	✓
Series/Report		✓	✓	✓
ISBN			✓	
ISSN			✓	
GPO Stock Number			✓	

Indexes	Monthly Catalog ¹	Serial Set Catalog ¹	Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP)	Congressional Serial Set ²
Notes			✓	✓
Contents			✓	✓
URL/PURL			✓	
OCLC Number			✓	
Date of Record Production			✓	

¹Printed products

²Catalog within the CGP

SEARCHING THE CONGRESSIONAL SERIAL SET IN THE CGP

The image displays two screenshots of the 'Catalog of U.S. Government Publications' website. The top screenshot shows the main navigation menu with options like 'BASIC', 'ADVANCED', 'EXPERT', 'BROWSE', and 'NEW TITLES'. Below the menu, there are sections for 'Catalogs to Search' and 'My Options'. A search box is visible with the text 'Type word or phrase' and a dropdown menu for 'Field to search' set to 'Keyword(s)'. The dropdown menu is open, showing various search criteria such as 'Title keyword(s)', 'Author keyword(s)', 'Subject keyword(s)', and 'SuDoc Class Number'. The bottom screenshot shows the same interface after a search has been performed. The search box now contains 'Y 1.1/2: SERIAL 14902' and the 'Field to search' dropdown is set to 'SuDoc Class Number'. The search results section is visible, showing 'Additional Resources' with links to 'U.S. Congressional Serial Set Numerical Lists of Documents and Reports', 'U.S. Congressional Serial Set Schedule of Serial Set Volumes', and 'U.S. Congressional Serial Set What It Is and Its History'.

MARC Record for House Document 108-222/Serial Set Number 14902

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037 |a 052-071-01418-7 |b GPO
040 |a DLC |c DLC |d SEN |d AGL |d BAKER |d XND |d GPO
043 |a n-us---
05000 |a JK1010 |b .A5 2005
0700 |a JK1010 |b .A5 2005
074 |a 1004-E |z 0996-A
074 |a 1004-E (online)
0860 |a Y 1.1/2:SERIAL 14902 |z Y 1.1/7:108-222
1101 |a United States. |b Congress.
24510 |a Biographical directory of the United States Congress, 1774-2005 : |b the Continental Congress, September 5, 1774, to October 21, 1788, and the Congress of the United States, from the First through the One Hundred Eighth Congresses, March 4, 1789, to January 3, 2005, inclusive.
260 |a Washington, D.C. : |b U.S. G.P.O. : |b May be purchased from the Supt. of Docs., U.S. G.P.O., |c 2005.
300 |a xvii, 2218 p. ; |c 31 cm.
440 0 |a United States congressional serial set ; |v Serial set no. 14902
4901 |a House document / 108th Congress, 2nd session ; |v no. 108-222
500 |a "Closing date of compilation, January 3, 2005."
500 |a "Compiled and edited under the direction of the Joint Committee on Printing, Congress of the United States"--P. v.
500 |a Andrew R. Dodge, Betty K. Koed, editors-in-chief.
500 |a Shipping list no.: 2006-0008-S.
530 |a Also available via Internet from the GPO Access web site. Address as of 5/9/06:
<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/serialset/cdocuments/hd108-222/index.html>; current access available via PURL.
504 |a Includes bibliographical references.
61010 |a United States. |b Congress |v Biography.
7001 |a Dodge, Andrew R., |d 1947-
7001 |a Koed, Betty K.
7101 |a United States. |b Congress. |b Joint Committee on Printing.
856 |3 (paper, online) |u <http://catalog-web2.gpo.gov/LocateLibraries/locate.jsp?ItemNumber=1004-E&SYS=000588567>
830 0 |a House document (United States. Congress. House) ; |v 108-222.
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CAT |a MASTER |b 99 |c 20060621 |l GPO01 |h 0837
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938 |a Baker & Taylor |b BKTY |c 99.00 |d 99.00 |i 0160731763 |n 0006740736 |s active
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MARC Record for the United States Congressional Serial Set

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05000	a KF12 b .U5
074	a 0996-C (House doc., Senate doc.) z 0966-C
074	a 0996-D (online)
074	a 1008-E (House rept., Senate rept.)
074	a 1008-E (online)
074	a 1008-F
0860	a Y 1.1/2:Serial
222 0	a United States congressional serial set.
24500	a United States congressional serial set.
2463	a Congressional serial set
2463	a Serial number set
2463	a Congressional edition
2463	a Congressional set
2463	a Congressional series
2463	a Congressional series of United States public documents
2463	a Congressional document series
2463	a Sheep set
2463	a Sheep bound set
2463	a Serial set
24618	a U.S. Congressional serial set
260	a Washington : b U.S. G.P.O.,.
300	a v. ; c 24 cm.
310	a Irregular
3621	a Began with: No. 1, with the 15th Congress, 1st session, 1817.
500	a Prior to the 97th Congress, the serial set had no official name; it was popularly known as the Congressional serial set.
500	a The set has also been known variously as: Congressional serial set, Serial number set, Congressional edition, Congressional set, Congressional series, Congressional series of United States public documents, Congressional document series, Sheep set, Sheep bound set (owing to its distinctive sheepskin binding), and Serial set.
500	a Description based on: Serial no. 13891, published in 1990.
500	a Latest issue consulted: Serial no. 14683, published in 2003.
515	a Numbering began with 15th Congress, as the publications of the earlier congresses were not assembled in book form.
515	a Some no. published out of sequence.
530	a Documents in the Serial set also distributed individually to depository libraries in paper and microfiche.
530	a Also issued in microfiche by Congressional Information Service.
530	a Also available via Internet at the GPO web site. Address as of 10/4/2003: http://www.gpoaccess.gov/serialset/index.html ; current access is available via PURL.
580	a Microfiche version issued with title: CIS U.S. serial set, covering 1789-1969; as part of: CIS microfiche

library, 1970-

590 |a [cat:scm;iser]

580 |a Includes a complete cumulation of: United States. Congress. House. Report; House document (United States. Congress. House); United States. Congress. Senate. Report; Senate document (United States. Congress. Senate); and: Treaty doc.

61010 |a United States. |b Congress |v Periodicals.

651 0 |a United States |x Politics and government |v Periodicals.

7101 |a United States. |b Government Printing Office

7761 |a United States. Congress. |t [Serial set] |w (OCoLC)4978913

7871 |a Congressional Information Service. |t CIS |w (DLC) 90655075 |w (OCoLC)11730653

7871 |a United States. Congress. House. |t Report |w (DLC)sn 90036313 |w (OCoLC)7541215

7871 |t House document (United States. Congress. House) |w (DLC)sn 90036314 |w (OCoLC)3592119

7871 |a United States. Congress. Senate. |t Report |w (DLC)sn 90036312 |w (OCoLC)8365520

7871 |t Senate document (United States. Congress. Senate) |w (DLC)sn 90036311 |w (OCoLC)3591373

7871 |t Memoirs of the National Academy of Sciences |x 0885-4637 |w (DLC) 15010607 |w (OCoLC)1759015

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856 |3 (online) |u <http://catalog-web2.gpo.gov/LocateLibraries/locate.jsp?ItemNumber=1008-E&SYS=000568079>

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856 |3 (online) |u <http://catalog-web2.gpo.gov/LocateLibraries/locate.jsp?ItemNumber=0996-D&SYS=000568079>

850 |a DLC |a ICU |a InU |a MiU

85641 |u <http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS839>

85642 |3 List of serial set numbers not used: |u <http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS4929>

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COMMENTS

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