

Appendices

APPENDIX A: Commonly Used Abbreviations and Acronyms

AARCC	Alternative Agricultural Research and Commercialization Corporation	BIA	Bureau of Indian Affairs
ABMC	American Battle Monuments Commission	BIC	Business Information Center (SBA)
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990	BLM	Bureau of Land Management
ADB	Asian Development Bank	BLS	Bureau of Labor Statistics
AFDB	African Development Bank	BTS	Bureau of Transportation Statistics
AFDF	African Development Fund	BVA	Board of Veterans' Appeals
AFIS	American Forces Information Service (Defense)	CBO	Congressional Budget Office
AGRICOLA	Agricultural Online Access	CCC	Commodity Credit Corporation
AmeriCorps*	National Civilian	CDBG	Community Development Block Grant
NCCC	Community Corps	CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
AmeriCorps*	Volunteers in Service to America	CEA	Council of Economic Advisers
VISTA	Agricultural Marketing Service	CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality
AMS	National Railroad Passenger Corporation	CFA	Commission of Fine Arts
Amtrak	Administration on Aging	CFR	<i>Code of Federal Regulations</i>
AOA	American Printing House for the Blind (Education)	CFTC	Commodity Futures Trading Commission
APH	Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service	CIA	Central Intelligence Agency
APHIS	Appalachian Regional Commission	CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
ARC	Agricultural Research Service	COPS	Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (Justice)
ARS	Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives	CPSC	Consumer Product Safety Commission
ATF	Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry	CRS	Congressional Research Service
ATSDR	Bureau of Economic Analysis	CSB	Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board
BEA			

CSREES	Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service	FCC	Federal Communications Commission
CSS	See NSA/CSS	FDA	Food and Drug Administration
DARPA	Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency	FDIC	Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
DAU	Defense Acquisition University	FEB	Federal Executive Boards
DCAA	Defense Contract Audit Agency	FEC	Federal Election Commission
DCMA	Defense Contract Management Agency	FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
DEA	Drug Enforcement Administration	FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
DHS	Department of Homeland Security	FFB	Federal Financing Bank
DIA	Defense Intelligence Agency	FHFB	Federal Housing Finance Board
DISA	Defense Information Systems Agency	FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
DLA	Defense Logistics Agency	FICO	Financing Corporation
DLSA	Defense Legal Services Agency	Finance Board	Federal Housing Finance Board
DOD	Department of Defense	FLRA	Federal Labor Relations Authority
DOE	Department of Energy	FMC	Federal Maritime Commission
DOL	Department of Labor	FMCS	Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service
DOT	Department of Transportation	FMS	Financial Management Service
DPMO	Defense Prisoner of War/ Missing Personnel Office	FNCS	Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services
DRL	Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor (State)	FNMA	Federal National Mortgage Association
DSCA	Defense Security Cooperation Agency	FNS	Food and Nutrition Service
DSS	Defense Security Service	FOIA	Freedom of Information Act
DTRA	Defense Threat Reduction Agency	FR	<i>Federal Register</i>
EDA	Economic Development Administration	Freddie Mac	Federal Home Loan Corporation
EEOC	Equal Employment Opportunity Commission	FRS	Federal Reserve System
EO	Executive order	FSA	Farm Service Agency; Office of Student Financial Assistance (Education)
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	FSIS	Food Safety and Inspection Service
Ex-Im Bank	Export-Import Bank of the United States	FSS	Federal Supply Service
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration	FTC	Federal Trade Commission
Fannie Mae	Federal National Mortgage Association	FTS	Federal Technology Service
Farmer Mac	Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation	FWS	Fish and Wildlife Service
FAS	Foreign Agricultural Service	GAO	General Accounting Office
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation	GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

Ginnie Mae	Government National Mortgage Association	NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
GIPSA	Grain Inspection, Packers, and Stockyards Administration	NARA	National Archives and Records Administration
GNMA	Government National Mortgage Association	NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
GPO	Government Printing Office	NASS	National Agricultural Statistics Service
GSA	General Services Administration	NCA	National Cemetery Administration
HHS	Department of Health and Human Services	NCCC	See AmeriCorps*NCCC
HRSA	Health Resources and Services Administration	NCPC	National Capital Planning Commission
HUD	Department of Housing and Urban Development	NCUA	National Credit Union Administration
IAF	Inter-American Foundation	NEA	National Endowment for the Arts
IBRD	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank)	NEH	National Endowment for the Humanities
IDB	Inter-American Development Bank	NESDIS	National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service
IFC	International Finance Corporation	NHPRC	National Historical Publications and Records Commission
ILAB	Bureau of International Labor Affairs	NHTSA	National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
IMF	International Monetary Fund	NIC	National Institute of Corrections
IMLS	Institute of Museum and Library Services	NIH	National Institutes of Health
INTERPOL	International Criminal Police Organization	NIMA	National Imagery and Mapping Agency
IOM	International Organization for Migration	NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
IRS	Internal Revenue Service	NLRB	National Labor Relations Board
IT	Information technology	NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service (Commerce)
ITA	International Trade Administration	NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
JAG	Judge Advocate General	NOS	National Ocean Service (Commerce)
JCS	Joint Chiefs of Staff	NPS	National Park Service
JFSC	Joint Forces Staff College	NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
MARAD	Maritime Administration	NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
MBDA	Minority Business Development Agency	NSA/CSS	National Security Agency/Central Security Service
MDA	Missile Defense Agency	NSC	National Security Council
MIGA	Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency	NSF	National Science Foundation
MMS	Minerals Management Service		
MSHA	Mine Safety and Health Administration		
MSPB	Merit Systems Protection Board		

NTIA	National Telecommunications and Information Administration	PWBA	Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration
NTIS	National Technical Information Service (Commerce)	RBS	Rural Business-Cooperative Service
NTSB	National Transportation Safety Board	RHS	Rural Housing Service
NWS	National Weather Service (Commerce)	RMA	Risk Management Agency (Agriculture)
OAS	Organization of American States	RRB	Railroad Retirement Board
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development	RSPA	Research and Special Programs Administration (Transportation)
OFM	Office of Foreign Missions (State)	RSVP	Retired and Senior Volunteers Program
OGE	Office of Government Ethics	RUS	Rural Utilities Service
OIT	Office of International Trade (SBA)	SAMHSA	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
OJP	Office of Justice Programs	SBA	Small Business Administration
OMB	Office of Management and Budget	SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission
OPIC	Overseas Private Investment Corporation	SSA	Social Security Administration
OPM	Office of Personnel Management	SSS	Selective Service System
OPS	Office of Pipeline Safety (Transportation)	Stat.	<i>United States Statutes at Large</i>
OSC	Office of Special Counsel	TDA	Trade and Development Agency
OSERS	Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services	TMA	TRICARE Management Activity (Defense)
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration	TPCC	Trade Promotion Coordinating Committee (SBA)
OSHRC	Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission	TVA	Tennessee Valley Authority
OSM	Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement	U.N.	United Nations ¹
OTS	Office of Thrift Supervision	UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
OWBO	Office of Women's Business Ownership (SBA)	UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Program
PBGC	Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund (formerly United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund)
PBS	Public Buildings Service	UNICOR	Federal Prison Industries
PFFA	Pentagon Force Protection Agency	USA	United States Army
PRC	Postal Rate Commission	USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers
PTO	Patent and Trademark Office	USAF	United States Air Force

¹ Acronyms for U.N. agencies can be found under *Selected Multilateral Organizations* in the preceding text.

USAID	United States Agency for International Development	USNCB	U.S. National Central Bureau (Justice)
U.S.C.	United States Code	VA	Department of Veterans Affairs
USCG	United States Coast Guard	VETS	Veterans' Employment and Training Service
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture	VISTA	See AmeriCorps*VISTA
USFA	United States Fire Administration	WFP	United Nations/Food and Agricultural Organization World Food Program
USGS	United States Geological Survey	WHO	World Health Organization
USITC	United States International Trade Commission	WIC	Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children
USMC	United States Marine Corps	World Bank	See IBRD
		WTO	World Trade Organization