Law Enforcement

SCOPE: This guide is an introduction to research aids in law enforcement and related topics. The publications listed are located in GAO's libraries. Items in the Law Library, room 7056, are indicated by the word LAW preceding the call number; all other items listed are in the Audit Reference Services Library, room 6536. Both libraries are open weekdays from 8:00 to 4:45. The library staff is available to help you. For extensive research assistance, contact the librarian assigned to work with your division. If you are in a regional office which has a technical information specialist (TIS), consult him or her; if your office does not have a TIS, contact the GAO library staff directly.
The subject catalog of books in the GAO library collections lists books under Library of Congress subject headings. Some of the most frequently used subject headings related to law enforcement are listed below. Consult library staff for additional terms describing a particular topic.

- Computer crimes
- Correctional institutions
- Corrections
- Crime and criminals
- Crime prevention
- Criminal investigation
- Criminal justice, administration of
- Drug abuse
- Federal aid to law enforcement agencies
- Fraud
- Justice, administration of
- Law enforcement
- Organized crime
- Police
- Prisons
- Rehabilitation of criminals
- Violence
- Victims of crimes
- White collar crimes
REPRESENTATIVE BOOKS

The following brief list indicates the range of subjects included in GAO's libraries.


HV8141.E92


HV5824.Y68Y68


LAW KF9640.J28


HV7921.K56


HV9275.P34

Additional books on law enforcement and criminal justice are shelved under the following call numbers:

HV5800-5840 Drug abuse
HV6001-9920 Criminology; includes crimes and offenses, corrections, police, crime prevention, etc.
KF8700-9075 Courts (mainly in Law Library)
KF9201-9760 Criminal law and procedure (mainly in Law Library)
Z5118: Z5703-5704 Bibliographies and indexes; these are shelved in the reference collection

ANNUAL REVIEWS


LAW KF 9218.C7
Criminology Review Yearbook. Beverly Hills, Calif.: Sage, v.1- , 1979-

HV6001.C75

DICTIONARIES


REF HV6017.B4


REF &
LAW REF KE156.B55 1979

ABSTRACTING AND INDEXING SERVICES

The following publications index journal articles and sometimes other publications by subject. Unlike bibliographies, which are usually one-time publications, indexing and abstracting services are continued and kept up to date by regular issues. The date given for each publication listed is the date of GAO's oldest issue.

A. Major sources:


REF Z6455.C9C7

Criminal Justice Periodicals Index. Ann Arbor, Mich.: University Microfilms, 1975--

LAW REF Z5118.C9C74

Index to Legal Periodicals. New York: Wilson, 1926--

LAW REF KE1.155

Index to Periodical Articles Related to Law. Dorbs Ferry, N.Y.: Glanville, 1958/58--

LAW REF Z6456.156

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B. Additional sources which may be useful:

REF A121.N44

REF Z7163.P9

Sage Public Administration Abstracts, Beverly Hills, Calif.: Sage, 1974--
REF Z7164.A2S2

REF Z7164.U7S2

Social Sciences Index. Bronx, N.Y.: Wilson, 1974/75--
REF A13.S6

REF Z7164.U7U7

BIBLIOGRAPHIES

The following works list books, articles, journals, and other publications in criminal justice, law enforcement, and related topics. General bibliographies in these areas are listed first, followed by topical bibliographies on specific points of interest. Since additional bibliographies are frequently added to the libraries' collections, this list is not exhaustive.

A. General Bibliographies


REF Z5703.A1D38

REF Z5703.4.C73F44


REF Z5703.A1K44


REF Z5118.C9L3


REF Z5703.4.C73M33


LAW REF Z6455.C9N56


LAW REF Z5118.C9R3


REF Z1217.R3
no. 1059 1977


REF Z5118.C9W64
B. Topical Bibliographies

1. Crime and crime prevention


   REF Z5118.C9B675


   REF Z5118.C9B68


   REF Z5118.C9B7


   REF Z5703.4.R35C5


   REF Z5703.4.A75D85


   REF Z5118.C9W55


   REF Z5118.C9S65


   REF Z5118.C9N38

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2. Corrections


REF Z5703.C67B72


REF Z5118.C914


REF Z5118.C9R4

----------The Road Back. Lincoln, Neb.: CONTACT, 1978

REF Z5118.C9R6

----------Woman Offender. Lincoln, Neb.: CONTACT, 1978

REF Z5118.C9W65


REF Z5118.C9H6


REF Z5118.C9J6


REF Z5118.C9J64

REF Z5118.C902 1977


REF Z5118.C9T7

3. Courts


LAW REF KF8700.A1K39


LAW REF Z5703.4.C73S65

4. Police


REF Z7164.P76B7


REF Z7164.P76B73


REF Z6672.J9C3


REF Z7164.P76P6
5. Improving the Justice System


REF Z5118.C9B683


PERIODICAL SHELVES


REF Z5118.C9U57

STATISTICS SOURCES


REF Z7554.U5A46


HV 7935.P6


Published annually. Library keeps current and previous years only. Latest edition is reference; previous edition circulates. For earlier editions, also see ASI microfiche 6064-6 for the appropriate publication year.

REF HV6787.S68


REF Z7554.S8

Published annually. Library retains all editions, beginning with 1943. Latest edition in reference; additional circulating copy. Earlier editions circulate. Also available as ASI microfiche 2324-1 by year.

REF HA202.A33


Published annually. Library keeps current and previous editions only. Latest edition in reference; previous edition circulates. Also available as ASI microfiche 6224-2 by year of publication.

REF HV6787.A3


REF HN60.U54 1977

SELECTED JOURNALS

The following list indicates some of the law enforcement and criminal justice journals GAO receives. Additional journals of interest are listed in International Guide to Periodicals in Criminal Justice (REF Z5703.4.C73M33).

Audit Reference Services Collection:

Crime and Delinquency
Corrections
Drug Enforcement
FBI Law Enforcement Journal
Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency
Police Chief

Law Library Collection:

American Criminal Law Review
Criminal Justice Newsletter
Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology
Justice System Journal
Judicature
ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION

A. National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS)

   Operated under contract to the U.S. Department of Justice, NCJRS is a clearinghouse for criminal justice information. NCJRS maintains a data base containing citations and abstracts of criminal justice publications. This data base is currently available to GAO staff in two ways. NCJRS reference specialists will search the data base upon request, and can usually provide results in two weeks. If faster service is essential, the GAO librarian or technical information specialist assigned to work with your division or regional office can search the NCJRS data base through a commercial computer system. For further information on requesting computer searches, see paragraph C, below.

   In addition to maintaining a data base, NCJRS provides a free Selective Notification of Information Service (SNI), whereby subscribers periodically receive a pamphlet describing recent publications on various criminal justice topics. NCJRS also has a reading room which is open to the public.

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