



## GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

*Government documents programs are based on the premise that a democratic society requires information access and transparency in the actions of government.*

### FEDERAL

The Illinois State Library acts as the regional federal depository library for the state of Illinois. Responsibilities include:

- Receive and provide access to 100 percent of the publications distributed by the Government Publishing Office in Washington, D.C.
- Assist, advise and monitor the other 50 federal depository libraries in Illinois, which are included in the Federal Depository Library Program.
- Provide computer access to the federal government's website at [www.FDsys.com](http://www.FDsys.com).

### STATE

- The Illinois State Library collects and distributes materials from Illinois State agencies to over 21 state depositories around the state.
- Increasingly, state agencies are producing publications that are created in an electronic format. These publications, which make up the large majority of what is published, are deposited into the Electronic Documents of Illinois (EDI) database, more commonly referred to as EDI. EDI can be found online at [www.ediillinois.org](http://www.ediillinois.org).
- Currently over 60,000 publications are contained within EDI, some of which include:
  - Legal and administrative decisions
  - Annual reports
  - Rules and regulations
  - Newsletters
  - Directories
- Any material that is paid for in whole or in part by funds appropriated by the Illinois General Assembly is required to be deposited with the Illinois State Library Depository Program.