Comparison of Legislative Resources on GPO Access and Selected Government Web Sites

This table presents the scope of each resource on the indicated Web site. Congressional sessions have been converted to years for ease of comparison. Dates followed by a plus sign signify that the specified resource is covered from the given year through the present time.

Legislative Resource	GPO Access	THOMAS	House.gov 1	Senate.gov ¹
Bills (full text)	1993+	1989+		
Bills (history)	1983+	1973+		
Committee prints	1996+			
Committee schedules			1999	1999
Congressional documents	1995+			
Congressional hearings	1997+			
Congressional Record	1994+	1989+		
Congressional reports	1995+	1995+		
Congressional Record Index	1983+	1994+		
Economic Indicators	1995+			
Floor votes	1999		1990+	1989+
GAO Comptroller General decisions	1995+			
GAO reports	1993+			
House Calendar	1995+			
House Journal	1991-94			
Member profiles ²	1995+		1999	1999
Pictorial Directory	1997+			
Public laws (full text) ³	1995+			
Senate Calendar	1995+			1999
U.S. Code	1994+		1994+	

Notes:

Two of the 22 legislative resources compared in this report have been omitted from this table and its corresponding graph. Statutes at Large and committee markups are provided only by the non-government Web sites in this analysis, so they are absent in the comparison of only Government Web sites. Otherwise, the resources that are compared are the same across all of the Government and non-government Web sites.

¹ House.gov and Senate.gov contain some bills, committee markups, committee prints, congressional documents, congressional hearings, and congressional reports on individual committee Web pages. However, there is no standard scope for these resources across all committees on either House.gov or Senate.gov, so no corresponding dates are included on this table or its accompanying graph.

 $^{^{2}}$ Member profiles on $\ GPO\ Access$ are provided by the $\ Congressional\ Directory\ .$

³ THOMAS states that it contains public laws, when in fact it contains enrolled bills accompanied by statements that they were passed as public laws. Therefore, no date range is given for public laws as a separate resource on THOMAS.