



Notable Government Documents 2010



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958.104 BENHOFF	<i>Afghanistan, Alone & Unafraid</i> By David A. Benhoff
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This book captures, in images, the interaction of U.S. military personnel with Iraqi soldiers and civilians in some of the most remote regions of the country. The people are the primary focus. The faces of the children, alone, make this volume worth the price.

959.704 ROCHESTER	<i>Battle Behind Bars: Navy and Marine POWs in the Vietnam War</i> By Stuart I. Rochester
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Former chief historian of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Rochester and Frederick Kiley coauthored in 1998 the 706-page *Honor Bound: American Prisoners of War in Southeast Asia, 1961–1973*, which many consider the definitive account of American POWs in Vietnam. This new title summarizes that earlier work and retells some of its most compelling stories with regard to illness, maltreatment, and the effects of torture. A testament to heroism.

Available online	<i>Climate Change Indicators in the United States</i> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS124968
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In this report, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) presents data demonstrating that human activities contribute to climate change. The agency selected 24 indicators, such as greenhouse gas emissions and sea temperatures, in keeping with the established practice of major laboratories worldwide. This summary, which is written for the nonscientist, makes a compelling case.

Available online	<i>Cal-Atlas Geospatial Clearinghouse</i> California Natural Resources Agency www.atlas.ca.gov
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The California Geological Survey (CGS) is dedicated to providing scientific products and services related to the state's geology, seismology, and mineral resources that affect the health, safety, and business interests of the people of California. The CGS website serves as a clearinghouse for geologic, seismic, and mineral-related materials, including publications, maps, earthquake data, Kids' Geozone, and more.

Available online	<i>California's Drought of 2007-2009: An Overview</i> California Dept. of Resources http://www.water.ca.gov/drought/docs/DroughtReport2010.pdf
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Documenting the effects of three consecutive years of drought, this report demonstrates the need for continued drought preparedness, ongoing hydroclimate monitoring, and the development of methodologies for quantifying drought's socio-economic impacts.

Available online	<i>Crime of Family Abduction: A Child's and Parent's Perspective</i> U.S. Dept. of Justice http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS124062
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Family abduction is the most prevalent form of kidnapping in this country. Because the abductors are family members, people often underestimate the gravity of this crime and its impact on children. This report provides information and support for law enforcement personnel, mental health professionals, victims, and parents searching for their children. The authors support their case with verbatim testimony of people who have been affected by this crime.

363.738 ***Deep Water: The Gulf Oil Disaster and the Future of Offshore Drilling; Report to the***
UNITED ***President***
National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling
<http://purl.fdlp.gov/GPO/gpo2978>

This report examines the events leading to the April 2010 explosion aboard the oil rig Deepwater Horizon that killed 11 men and produced the largest oil spill in recorded history. It includes the statements of survivors and a history of offshore drilling in the United States. Among its conclusions, the commission blames the companies involved and the federal government, particularly the Minerals Management Service, which failed to enforce regulations and colluded with the firms it was supposed to oversee.

332.7 ***Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and the Federal Role in the Secondary Mortgage Market***
LUCAS Congressional Budget Office
<http://purl.fdlp.gov/GPO/gpo2832>

As it traces the evolution and collapse of government-sponsored enterprises Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, the Congressional Budget Office analyzes the arguments justifying federal involvement in the secondary mortgage market and identifies the structural weaknesses that led to the failure of these institutions.

330.973 ***The Financial Crisis Inquiry Report: Final Report of the National Commission on the***
UNITED ***Causes of the Financial and Economic Crisis in the United States***
Financial Crisis in the Inquiry Commission

The panel that authored this report investigated 22 topics related to the financial collapse that caused 26 million workers to become unemployed or underemployed, led to four million home mortgage foreclosures, and erased \$11 trillion of personal wealth. The commission concluded that successive congresses and administrations ignored obvious warning signs, and a combination of lax regulations, low interest, and easy credit fostered a financial climate in which too many assets were invested in toxic mortgages.

BIOG ***Memorial Addresses and Other Tributes Held in the Senate and House of***
KENNEDY ***Representatives of the United States Together with Memorial Services in Honor of***
Edward M. Kennedy, Late a Senator from Massachusetts
U.S. Congress, Joint Committee on Printing
<http://purl.fdlp.gov/GPO/gpo421>

This homage to the late senator consists of the speeches of hundreds of his colleagues and representatives delivered in the House and Senate. He had served 47 years in the U.S. Senate and is best remembered for his ardent support of national health reform, calling it "the cause of my life." Known as the conscience of his party, he was also a tireless advocate for social justice, sponsoring legislation on education, voting rights, AIDS research, and many other issues.

778.71 ***A Photographer's Path: Images of National Parks Near the Nation's Capital***
PHOTO Photographs by Thomas Paradis

Paradis took the photographs in this collection at the national parks and historic sites in the Potomac River watershed. It includes images of battlefields and forts, but Paradis gives most of his attention to the beauty of the landscape, fauna, and flora. This title contains little text—the photos speak for themselves. Perhaps one can still find nature's serenity amid the urban clutter of the Washington, DC, area.

Available ***U.S. Marines in Iraq, 2004-2008: Anthology and Annotated Bibliography***
online By Nicholas J. Schlosser
<http://purl.fdlp.gov/gpo/gpo584>

This collection of articles reprinted from newspapers, magazines, and professional journals provides a historical account of the Marines in Iraq. The appendixes include a chronology of events and an annotated bibliography of sources telling the story of Marine combat and rebuilding activities from a variety of perspectives, including those of Iraqis.

Available ***Welcome to the California Geological Survey***
online <http://www.conservation.ca.gov/cgs/Pages/Index.aspx>

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