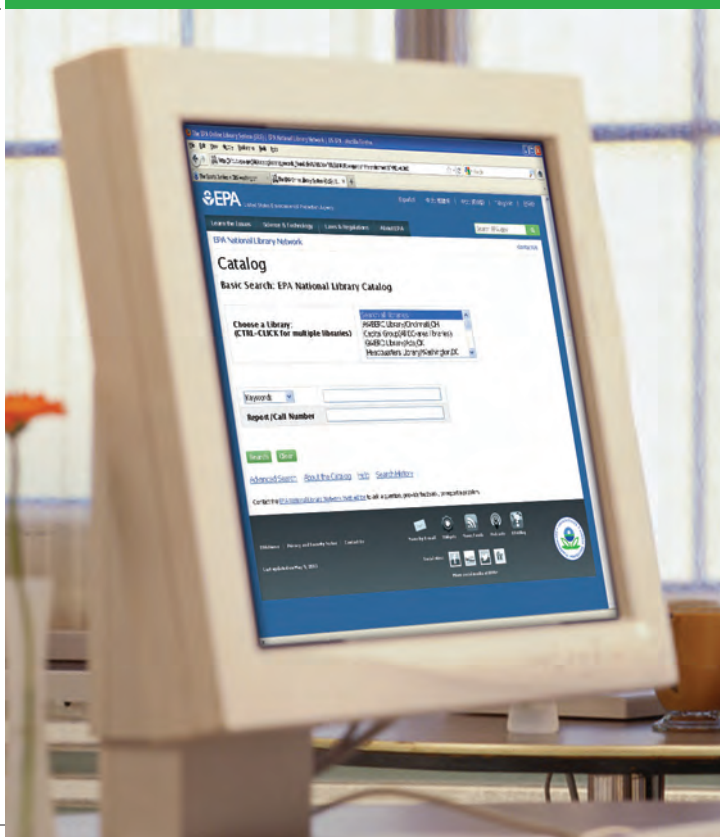


## EPA'S VISION FOR LIBRARY SERVICES

EPA's vision for its Library Network is to be an essential information partner with EPA staff and the public to support decision making, environmental awareness and protection of human health and the environment. The EPA National Library Network serves the needs of EPA staff and the public by using the latest information technologies and developing innovative services to acquire, organize and deliver timely access to accurate information.



## ABOUT THE NETWORK

The EPA National Library Network, established in 1971, is composed of libraries in the Agency's Headquarters, regional and field offices, research centers, and specialized laboratories located throughout the country. It provides a range of electronic resources and services to support access to environmental information for patrons.

The EPA National Library Network program provides leadership and direction to EPA libraries. The program provides support to the EPA libraries by facilitating communications, networking and resource sharing, and by providing technical assistance on all aspects of library management. The program ensures the libraries have access to the resources and information they need to effectively support the Agency's mission.



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## EPA NATIONAL LIBRARY NETWORK

EPA's national network of libraries is a vital resource for access to environmental information. Staffed by skilled information

professionals, the Network provides access to information about the environment and related scientific, technical, management, and policy information. Customers may request services in a variety of ways, including in person or via e-mail, live chat, Web-based forms, and telephone.

### Professional information services include:

- Reference/Research Assistance
- Document Delivery/Interlibrary Loan
- Access to EPA's Digital Library Resources

## REPOSITORIES

Three repositories have been established to retain a print collection of all EPA documents. Their general subject areas and locations are:

- **EPA Headquarters Repository, Washington, DC**—Waste, including hazardous waste, pesticides, EPA management documents and historical materials, local environmental topics and other topics not included elsewhere
- **Research Triangle Park Library, Research Triangle Park, NC**—Air and health effects
- **Andrew W. Breidenbach Environmental Research Center, Cincinnati, OH**—Water, including surface water and groundwater, and risk assessment materials

## COLLECTIONS

The combined EPA National Library Network collections reflect the range of EPA activities and staff subject specialties, including environmental management, basic and applied sciences, and topics related to legislative mandates. The collections include information in print, digital, and other formats, and are supplemented with document delivery services to provide EPA staff with any needed published materials. EPA collections are also available to the public via interlibrary loan and onsite.

## EPA PUBLICATION RESOURCES

[www.epa.gov/nscep](http://www.epa.gov/nscep)

The National Service Center for Environmental Publications (NSCEP) is EPA's premier publications resource. NSCEP allows users to:

- Search the NSCEP database for free-of-charge EPA publications
- View and download documents from EPA's digital repository
- Order hard copy EPA publications
- Request publications by fax, telephone, mail, e-mail, or online



## EPA DESKTOP LIBRARY

[intranet.epa.gov/desktop](http://intranet.epa.gov/desktop)

EPA employees have electronic access to premium subscription-based information through the EPA Desktop Library. The Desktop Library provides thousands of scientific and technical journals from Elsevier, Springer-Nature, Taylor & Francis, Wiley, and others. EPA subscribes to specialized databases including Web of Science, NewsBank, and HeinOnline.

Other resources include: ASTM Standards, CRC Press and Springer eBooks, newsletters from Inside EPA and the Bureau of National Affairs and hundreds of reports, magazines and periodicals to assist in accomplishing the EPA mission.

## EPA NATIONAL LIBRARY CATALOG

[www.epa.gov/libraries/catalog](http://www.epa.gov/libraries/catalog)

The EPA National Library Catalog provides access to Library Network collections and includes bibliographic records for:

- EPA publications, such as technical reports, guidance documents, directives, and policies
- Commercially produced books and journals
- Microfiche of government reports, journal articles, and environmental impact statements
- Maps and audiovisual materials

### Use the Library Catalog to locate the resources you need!

- Request materials through Interlibrary Loan
- Link directly to electronic documents

### Benefits:

- Time savings—quickly locate materials across all EPA libraries
- Convenient Internet access—available to EPA staff and the public
- Central inventory of EPA library collections