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GPO ISSUES DIGITAL RELEASE OF FEDERAL REGISTER FOR THE 1970S

Washington –The U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) and the National Archives' Office of the Federal Register (OFR) digitally release historic issues of the Federal Register from 1970-1979. The complete collection of issues of the Federal Register from 1970 to present is now available digitally on GPO's **govinfo**. <https://www.govinfo.gov/app/collection/FR>.

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- Pardon of President Richard Nixon by President Gerald Ford: September 10, 1974
- Embargo by the Postmaster General on acceptance of mail of all classes destined for New York City and outlying areas due to a work stoppage at the Post Office Department: March 21, 1970
- A final rule to establish the quantity of California-Arizona lemons that can be sent to market from April 8-14, 1979, due to marketing situation in the lemon industry: April 6, 1979

“Access to the Federal Register on smartphones, tablets, laptops, and personal computers from 1970 to present is another example of how GPO is meeting the technological needs of the public,” said Acting GPO Director Jim Bradley. “I look forward to GPO and the Office of the Federal Register digitizing all issues dating back to the Administration of President Franklin D. Roosevelt.”

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