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GEOGRAPHIC NAMES INFORMATION SYSTEM (GNIS)

Products Available

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GNIS, developed by the Branch of Geographic Names, Office of Research, National Mapping Division, is the basis for Professional Paper 1200 – *The National Gazetteer of the United States*, which is being published as a series of individual state gazetteer volumes. Prior to publication of any volume, the interim materials described on page 2 may meet the needs of potential users. The information contained in GNIS is interactively available at the U.S. Geological Survey's information offices of the National Mapping Division (see attached list). Special searches of the system may be requested (see address page) with the results available in bound listings and on magnetic tape.

Volumes of the National Gazetteer

This product is published in book form only for State files which have undergone the second phase of data compilation (see attached Product Information Sheet). The second phase of data compilation includes names found in federal, state and other sources as well as historical material. In addition to official names, known variant names of features are listed and cross-referenced to the appropriate official name. A variant name is any other known name or spelling applied to a feature.

Volumes Available

New Jersey (1982, minor revision 1983)	\$ 7.00
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Official State Gazetteers must be ordered from:

U.S. Geological Survey
Books and Open-File Reports
Federal Center, Bldg. 41
Box 25425
Denver, Colorado 80225

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District of Columbia (1992)	Massachusetts (in process)
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Tennessee (1993)	North Carolina (in process)
Utah (1993)	Ohio (in process)
Arkansas (in process)	Oregon (in process)
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* The state name is followed by a month and year date. These dates are projections only and are subject to scheduling changes.

Interim Products

Alphabetical listings are available as bound listings and on magnetic tape. In addition, most are available on microfiche. Those State files followed by an * have also completed or are actively engaged in the second phase of compilation, but have not yet been published in book form. The data added, except for variants, will be present in the bound listing.

Products Available

STATE	BOUND LISTINGS	MICROFICHE
Alabama*	29.00	2.00
Alaska	29.00	2.00
American Samoa	34.00	not available
Arizona	Gaz. available	2.00
Arkansas *	29.00	2.00
California	34.00	not available
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Connecticut	5.00	2.00
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District of Columbia *	5.00	2.00
Florida*	29.00	2.00
Georgia	29.00	2.00
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Mississippi *	34.00	not available
Missouri *	34.00	not available
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Nebraska	18.00	2.00
Nevada *	34.00	not available
New Hampshire	5.00	2.00
New Jersey	Gaz. available	2.00
New Mexico *	34.00	not available
New York	29.00	2.00
North Carolina *	34.00	2.00
North Dakota	Gaz. available	2.00
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Oklahoma	18.00	2.00
Oregon*	29.00	2.00
Pennsylvania *	34.00	not available
Puerto Rico	34.00	not available
Rhode Island	5.00	2.00
South Carolina	34.00	not available
South Dakota	Gaz. available	2.00
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Utah *	29.00	2.00
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West Virginia	29.00	2.00
Wisconsin	29.00	2.00
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SPECIALIZED		
Populated Places in U.S. & Territories	80.00	2.00
Concise (abridged U.S.)	Gaz. available	not available
USGS Topo map names Data Base	34.00	not available

Information may be purchased on magnetic tape. The cost is \$40.00 for one file and an additional \$20.00 per file through file five. A tape with six or more files will carry a base charge of \$90.00 plus \$7.00 per file.

** Includes former Trust Territories of the Pacific and miscellaneous Pacific and Caribbean Islands.

Ordering Information

Standard products and specialized searches may be ordered from any of the offices of the U.S. Geological Survey's Earth Science Information Centers listed below.

Anchorage-ESIC
4230 University Dr. Rm. 101
Anchorage, AK 99508-4664
(907) 786-7011
FTS 868-7011

Anchorage-ESIC
Room G84
605 W. 4th Ave.
Anchorage, AK 99501
(907) 271-2754
FTS 868-2754

Denver-ESIC
169 Federal Bldg.
1961 Stout St.
Denver, CO 80294
(303) 844-4169
FTS 564-4169

Lakewood-ESIC
Box 25046, Federal Center, MS 504
Denver, CO 80225-0046
(303) 236-5829
FTS 776-5829

Los Angeles-ESIC
Federal Bldg., Room 7638
300 N. Los Angeles St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 894-2850
FTS 798-2850

Menlo Park-ESIC
Building 3, MS 532
345 Middlefield Rd.
Menlo Park, CA 94025
(415) 329-4309
FTS 459-4309

Reston-ESIC
507 National Center
Reston, VA 22092
(703) 860-6045
FTS 959-6045

Rolla-ESIC
1400 Independence Rd., MS 231
Rolla, MO 65401
(314) 341-0851
FTS 277-0851

Salt Lake City-ESIC
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125 S. State St.
Salt Lake City, UT 84138
(801) 524-5652
FTS 588-5652

San Francisco-ESIC
504 Custom House
555 Battery St.
San Francisco, CA 94111
(415) 556-5627
FTS 556-5627

Spokane-ESIC
678 U.S. Courthouse
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Spokane, WA 99201
(509) 353-2524
FTS 439-2524

Stennis Space Center-ESIC
Bldg. 3101
Stennis Space Center, MS 39529
(601) 688-3544
FTS 494-3544

Washington, D.C.-ESIC
Dept. of the Interior Bldg.
18th & C Sts., NW, Rm. 2650
Washington, D.C. 20240
(202) 343-8073
FTS (202) 343-8073

Prepayment is required. Please make check or money order payable to: Department of the Interior/U.S.G.S. Prices are subject to change. Contact any information office for payment instructions for special searches.

Product Information

Phase I (Interim Products)

Generally, all named features on the most current largest scale USGS topographic maps were included for Phase I compilation. Some categories of named features, however, were omitted from Phase I because more complete lists of these categories were available from other sources. If a State or territory file has only been completed through Phase I, the following categories of named features will not be present:

- Airports**
- Radio and television station towers**
- Federally administered areas greater than 30 square miles**
- Major and minor civil divisions**
- Some major features that are too large to be named on 7.5-minute, 1:24,000-scale topographic maps**
- Regional names**
- Historical names**
- Most building names**
- Roads and highways**

Phase II (Gazetteers)

Available information from the categories not compiled during Phase I, as well as geographic names from other sources, are added during Phase II. If a State or territory file has been completed through Phase II compilation, information for all known, named features should be present except for:

- Roads and highways**

Changing or Proposing Feature Names

Questions regarding changing the names of features or proposing new names for features should be addressed to:

- Executive Secretary, Domestic Names Committee**
- U.S. Board on Geographic Names**
- U.S. Geological Survey**
- 523 National Center**
- Reston, Virginia 22092**
- 703/648-4544**
- FTS 8/959-4544**

Questions regarding GNIS or its capabilities for special searches should be addressed to:

- Branch of Geographic Names**
- U.S. Geological Survey**
- 523 National Center**
- Reston, Virginia 22092**
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