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Statute	Type of Information Protected by Statute	Agency (Agencies) and No. of Times Cited	Total No. of Citations in FY 2017
5 U.S.C. § 574(j)	Dispute resolution communications	DOD (6); DOI (1); ED (2); FCC (1); MSPB (1); NARA (1); OSC (1); STB (2); USDA (2)	17
5 U.S.C. §§ 7114(b)(4), 7132	Certain labor relations training and guidance materials; subpoenas that would disclose certain labor relations training and guidance materials	DHS (1)	1
5 U.S.C. app. 3 § 7(b)	Names of employees who provide information or complaints to the Inspector General	DOD (3); DOT (25); FEC (3); HHS (29); SEC (5); USAID (3); USDA (2)	70
5 U.S.C. app. § 105	Financial disclosure reports and applications to inspect financial disclosure reports	OGE (27)	27
5 U.S.C. app. 4 § 107(a)(2)	Confidential financial disclosure report pertaining to certain government employees	DOC (3); DOI (1); DOJ (6); ED (1); EPA (2); Ex-Im Bank (5); FEC (3); HHS (1); OGE (1); USPS (2); USTR (1); VA (3)	29
6 U.S.C. § 121	Intelligence sources and methods	DHS (199)	199
6 U.S.C. § 1504(d)(3)(b)	A cyber threat indicator or defensive measure shared with the federal government under the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015	DOD (1)	1
7 U.S.C. § 12(a)(1)	"[D]ata and information that would separately disclose the business transactions or market positions of any person and trade secrets or names of customers," as well as certain other information concerning, or obtained in, the course of the Commission's investigation under the Commodity	CFTC (6)	6
7 U.S.C. § 136i-1(b)	"[D]ata, including the location from which the data was derived, that would directly or indirectly reveal the identity of individual producers [of certain pesticides]"	EPA (14)	14
7 U.S.C. § 608(d)(2)	Information for marketing order programs that is categorized as trade secrets and commercial or financial information	USDA (3)	3
7 U.S.C. § 1502(c)(1)	Certain information furnished by a producer under the Federal Crop Insurance Act.	USDA (19)	19
7 U.S.C. § 2018(c)	Information obtained pursuant to chapter 51 of title 7 of the United States Code, which concerns the handling of information submitted by applicants to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.	USDA (90)	90

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7 U.S.C. § 2276(a)(2)	"[I]nformation furnished under a provision of law referred to in subsection (d) of this section . . . unless such information has been transformed into a statistical or aggregate form that does not allow the identification of the person who supplied particular information"	USDA (29)	29
7 U.S.C. § 8791(b)(2) (Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008)	"[I]nformation provided by an agricultural producer or owner of agricultural land concerning the agricultural operation, farming or conservation practices, or the land itself, in order to participate in programs of the Department" and certain "geospatial information . . . maintained by the Secretary"	USDA (359)	359
8 U.S.C. § 1202(f)	Certain records pertaining to the issuance or refusal of visas to enter the United States	DHS (28,595); DOJ (3); State (5,677)	34,275
10 U.S.C. § 128	Unclassified special nuclear weapons information	DOD (19)	19
10 U.S.C. § 130(a)	Certain "technical data with military or space application in the possession of, or under the control of, the Department of Defense"	DOD (219); DOJ (1); NARA (2)	222
10 U.S.C. § 130b	Personally identifiable information pertaining to members of the armed forces assigned to "routinely deployable unit[s]" and certain employees of DOD and DHS	DOD (915)	915
10 U.S.C. § 130c	Certain "sensitive information of foreign governments" and certain international organizations	DOD (68); DOJ (1)	69
10 U.S.C. § 130d	Certain confidential Information shared with State and Local Personnel	DOD (2)	2
10 U.S.C. § 130e	DOD Critical Infrastructure Security information	DOD (2)	2
10 U.S.C. § 424	Organization or any function of, and certain information pertaining to, employees of the Defense Intelligence Agency, the National Reconnaissance Office, and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency	DOD (387); DOJ (4); NARA (11); State (2); Treasury (5)	409
10 U.S.C. § 455	Maps, charts, and geodetic data	DOD (6)	6
10 U.S.C. § 613a(a)	Proceedings from selection and Special Selection Boards for Active Duty Officers and Warrant Officers	DOD (1)	1
10 U.S.C. § 1102(f)	Medical quality assurance records created by or for the Department of Defense as part of a medical quality assurance program	DOD (18); DOJ (2)	20
10 U.S.C. § 2305(g)	Certain contractor proposals	DHS (2); DOD (138); DOJ (1); GSA (1); NASA (8); US ADF (1)	151
10 U.S.C. § 2371(i)	Research projects: transactions other than contracts and grants	DOD (6)	6
10 U.S.C. § 2485(h)	Limitations on release of Commissary Commercially Valuable Information	DOD (6)	6
10 U.S.C. 14104(a)	Proceedings from selection and special selection boards for reserve officers	DOD (2)	2

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13 U.S.C. §§ 8(b), 9(a)	Certain census data	DOJ (1); DOC (22)	23
13 U.S.C. § 301(g)	Certain shippers' export declarations or successor documents	DOC (8)	8
15 U.S.C. § 18a(h)	Information submitted in connection with the premerger notification provisions of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976	DOJ (7); FTC (42)	49
15 U.S.C. § 46(f), 57b-2(f)	"[A]ny trade secret or any commercial or financial information which is obtained from any person and which is privileged or confidential"	DOD (1); FTC (179)	180
15 U.S.C. § 57b-21(f)	Certain investigative materials received by the Federal Trade Commission and "provided pursuant to compulsory process under this subchapter or which is provided voluntarily in place of such compulsory process" or "consumer complaint information obtained from a foreign source"	FTC (71)	71
15 U.S.C. § 77f (e)(2)	Certain information contained in or filed with a securities registration statement	SEC (3)	3
15 U.S.C. § 78u-6	Information that could identify a whistleblower	SEC (33)	33
15 U.S.C. § 78x(d)	Foreign securities authorities	SEC (2)	2
15 U.S.C. § 80b-4	Reports by investment adviser	SEC (1)	1
15 U.S.C. § 638(k)(4)	Information contained within a Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) program evaluation databases	DOD (1)	1
15 U.S.C. § 1314(g)	"Any documentary material, answers to written interrogatories, or transcripts of oral testimony" provided pursuant to certain civil investigative demands pertaining to antitrust investigations	DOJ (6)	6
15 U.S.C. §§ 2055(a)(2), 15 U.S.C. § 2055(b)(1), 15 U.S.C. § 2055(b)(5)	Certain information reported to, or otherwise obtained by the Consumer Product Safety Commission which either contains or relates to a trade secret or is "subject to section 552(b)(4) of Title 5"	USCPSC (265)	265
15 U.S.C. § 2074(c)	Information that identifies persons or those treating injured persons, absent consent	USCPSC (150)	150

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15 U.S.C. § 3710a(c)	"[T]rade secrets or commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential, under the meaning of section 552(b)(4) of Title 5, which is obtained in the conduct of research or as a result of activities under this chapter," which pertains to cooperative research and development agreements for the purpose of technological and industrial innovation	USDA (5); MCC (1)	6
15 U.S.C. § 6801	Nonpublic personal information of customers of financial institutions	FDIC (1); Treasury (3)	4
15 U.S.C. § 7306(d)	"[A]ny information . . . receive[d] in the course of an investigation under this chapter if the Director finds that the disclosure of that information might jeopardize public safety"	DOC (4)	4
16 U.S.C. § 470hh	Information pertaining to the nature and location of certain archaeological resources	DOD (17); DOE (1); DOI (36); FERC (17); USDA (31); USIBWC (1)	104
16 U.S.C. § 470w-3	Information about the location, character, or ownership of a historic resource	DOD (12)	12
16 U.S.C. § 1383a(j)	Vessel owner and exempted vessel on-board observer information	DOC (1)	
16 U.S.C. § 1881a(b)(1)	Certain information submitted to the Secretary, a State fishery management agency, or a marine fisheries commission by any person in compliance with the requirements of this chapter	DOC (22)	22
16 U.S.C. § 4304(a)	Specific location of significant caves	DOI (1)	1
18 U.S.C. § 701	Likeness of any badge, identification card, or other insignia, of the design prescribed by the head of any department or agency of the United States for use by any officer or employee thereof, or any colorable imitation thereof	Treasury (1)	1
18 U.S.C. § 798	Certain classified information pertaining to the communication, intelligence, and cryptographic devices of the United States or any foreign government	DOD (564); DOJ (3)	567
18 U.S.C. § 1461	Obscene materials/records concerning non-mailable matter	USPS (1)	1
18 U.S.C. §§ 2510-20	Wiretap requests and the contents of any wire, oral, or electronic communication obtained through wiretaps	DOD (12); DOJ (110); NARA (2); USPS (2)	126
18 U.S.C. § 3123(d)	Certain court "order[s] authorizing or approving the installation and use of a pen register or a trap and trace device"; information pertaining to "the existence of the pen register or trap and trace device or the existence of the investigation"	DOJ (63)	63
18 U.S.C. § 3153	Information regarding pre-trial services	DOJ (14)	14

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18 U.S.C. § 3509(d)	Certain records containing identifying information pertaining to children involved in criminal proceedings	DHS (10); DOD (309); DOJ (24); USPS (2)	345
18 U.S.C. § 3521(b)(1)(g)	"[T]he identity or location of the person relocated or protected, or any other matter concerning the person or the program after weighing [various factors]," subject to certain exceptions	DOJ (9)	9
18 U.S.C. § 4208(c)	Certain records pertaining to parole determination proceedings	DOJ (2)	2
18 U.S.C. § 5038(a)	Records of juvenile delinquency proceedings	DOJ (2); USDA (1)	3
19 U.S.C. § 1677f	Certain "information submitted to the administering authority or the [United States International Trade] Commission which is designated as proprietary by the person submitting the information"	DOC (1); USITC (2)	3
19 U.S.C. § 2155(g)	Certain information in connectin with trade negotiations	USTR (1)	1
20 U.S.C. § 1099c-1	Certain program review reports and institutional responses until the Department of Education issues a final program review determination	ED (5)	5
20 U.S.C. § 1232g	Identities of students and parents identified in data collected by representatives of the Comptroller General, the Secretary of Education, or State educational authorities in connection with the audit, evaluation, or enforcement of a Federally-supported education program	ED (1)	1
20 U.S.C. § 9573	Certain individually identifiable information that has been collected or retained under the Education Sciences Reform Act (ERSA)	ED (1)	1
21 U.S.C. § 331(j)	Certain information "concerning any method or process which as a trade secret is entitled to protection"	HHS (27)	27
21 U.S.C. § 1904(e)(3)	Information related to foreign narcotics traffickers	Treasury (34)	34
22 U.S.C. §§ 1461, 1461-1a	Certain program information prepared by the United States Information Agency	State (3)	3
22 U.S.C. § 2778(e)	Certain information pertaining to export license applications	DOD (12); NASA (10); State (1)	23
22 U.S.C. § 3104(c)	Records and reports provided pursuant to subsection (b)(2) of the section of the statute which pertains to certain "surveys and studies" regarding international investment and trade	DOJ (1)	1
25 U.S.C. § 1675(g)	Medical quality assurance records	HHS (7)	7
25 U.S.C. § 2103(c)	Information related to decisions to grant/disapprove minerals agreements for Indian tribes	DOI (6)	6
26 U.S.C. § 6103	Certain tax return information, to include Taxpayer Identification Numbers of third parties, and certain tax convention information	SSA (2)	2

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26 U.S.C. §§ 6103, 6105	Certain tax return information, to include Taxpayer Identification Numbers of third parties, and certain tax convention information	DHS (2,846); DOD (5); DOE (19); DOI (1); DOJ (117); DOL (3); FMC (1); GSA (4); MSPB (2); NARA (3); SBA (13); Treasury (2,322); VA	5,348
28 U.S.C. § 652(d)	Confidential dispute resolution communications	ED (3)	3
29 U.S.C. § 1343(f)	Any information or documentary material submitted to the [agency] pursuant to . . . section [1343 of title 29 of the United States Code]	PBGC (1)	1
31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(2)	Records pertaining to civil actions for false claims against the United States Government	DOC (1); DOJ (8); DOE (2); ED (1); FHFA (3); GSA (5)	20
31 U.S.C. § 5319	Reports pertaining to monetary instrument transactions filed under subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31 and records of those reports	DHS (10); DOJ (20); FDIC (2); OPM (1,832); Treasury (1,345)	3,209
35 U.S.C. § 122	Applications for patents; certain information pertaining to applications for patents	DOC (15); NSF (1); VA (4)	20
35 U.S.C. § 209(f)	Plans of a licensee for development or marketing of a federally owned invention	HHS (1)	1
38 U.S.C. § 5701	"All files, records, reports, and other papers and documents pertaining to any claim under any of the laws administered by the Secretary and the names and addresses of present or former members of the Armed Forces, and their dependents, in the possession of [VA]"	VA (1,372)	1,372
38 U.S.C. § 5705	Records created by VA as part of its medical quality assurance program; certain other information pertaining to VA's medical quality assurance program	DOJ (1); VA (89)	90
38 U.S.C. § 7332	Records of patients being treated for certain conditions	VA (3,146)	3,146
38 U.S.C. § 7451	Information collected in VA nurse and other health-care personnel wage surveys	VA (1)	1
39 U.S.C. § 410(c)(1)	Records relating to names and addresses of postal customers	USPS (455)	455
39 U.S.C. § 410(c)(2)	Commercial information which would not be disclosed under good business practice	FMSHRC (1); GSA (1); USPS (204)	206
39 U.S.C. § 410(c)(3)	Information prepared for use in the negotiation of collective bargaining agreements under 39 U.S.C. Chapter 12 and minutes or notes kept during the negotiating sessions	USPS (3)	3
39 U.S.C. § 410(c)(4)	Information prepared for proceedings under 39 U.S.C. Chapter 36, relating to rates, classification, and service charges	USPS (1)	1

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39 U.S.C. § 410(c)(5)	Reports and memoranda of consultants or independent contractors, except to the extent that they would be required to be disclosed if prepared within the Postal Service	USPS (4)	4
39 U.S.C. § 410(c)(6)	Investigatory files, whether or not considered closed, compiled for law enforcement purposes except to the extent available by law to a party other than the Postal Service	USPS (4)	4
39 U.S.C. § 412	Records containing lists of postal customers	USPS (12)	12
41 U.S.C. § 4702 (formerly at 41 U.S.C. § 253b(m)(1))	Contractor proposals that are in the possession or control of an executive agency and that have not been set forth or incorporated by reference into contracts	CFPB (1); CNCS (1); DHS (36); DOC (2); DOE (5); DOI (18); DOJ (5); DOL (4); DOT (8); ED (5); EEOC (280); EPA (2); FDIC (2); GSA (11); HHS (42); HUD (1); NARA (1); NSF (1); OPIC (1); OPM (10); PBGC (9); SSA (4); State (1); Treasury (24); TVA (1); USAID (8); USDA (10); VA (48)	541
41 U.S.C. § 2102(a) (amending 41 U.S.C. § 423(a)(1))	Contractor bid or proposal information; source selection information	DOD (29); DOJ (6); ED (4); DOE (3); DHS (4); DOI (3); DOT (8); VA (15); GSA (12); NASA (3); USAID (3)	90
42 U.S.C. § 242m(d)	Identifiable information for certain research and statistical activities	HHS (12)	12
42 U.S.C. § 247d-6b(d)	Information identifying the location at which materials in the stockpile under subsection (a) of this section	SEC (11)	11
42 U.S.C. § 262a(h)	Bioterrorism-related information	HHS (14)	14
42 U.S.C. § 300aa-12(d)(4)(A)	"Except as provided in subparagraph (B), information submitted to a special master or the court in a proceeding on a petition [for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program]...without the express written consent of the person who submitted the information"	DOJ (1); HHS (3)	4
42 U.S.C. § 300i-2(a)(3)	Information related to vulnerability assessments provided to the Administrator	EPA (1)	1
42 U.S.C. § 653(j)(7)(E)(ii)	Certain information in the Federal Parent Locator Service	HHS (1)	1
42 U.S.C. § 653(l)(1)	Information in the Federal Parent Locator Service	HHS (2)	2
42 USC § 1320c-9(a)	Information related to Quality Improvement Organization records	HHS (2)	2

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42 U.S.C. § 1395bb(b)	Information related to Accreditation Survey Information	HHS (1)	1
42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e-5(b), 2000e-8(e)	Information obtained by the EEOC in investigating charges of unlawful employment practices; DHS - Information pertaining to charges of unlawful employment practices; information obtained by the EEOC in investigating charges of unlawful employment practices	DHS (1); EEOC (1,366); MSPB (5)	1,372
42 U.S.C. § 2000g-2(b)	Conciliation assistance data received by the Community Relations Service	DOJ (1)	1
42 U.S.C. § 2000ff-6	Information pertaining to charges of unlawful employment practices	EEOC (592)	592
42 U.S.C. §§ 2162, 2168(a)(1)	"Restricted Data" pertaining to atomic weapons and special nuclear material	DOD (9); DOE (19); NARA (5)	33
42 U.S.C. § 2167	Certain safeguards information concerning atomic energy	USNRC (5)	5
42 U.S.C. § 2168(a)(1)(C)	Restricted and formerly restricted data concerning atomic energy	DOD (8); NARA (21)	29
42 U.S.C. § 3537a	Covered information during the grant selection process	HUD (1)	1
42 U.S.C. § 3610(d)	Records pertaining to conciliation of disputes regarding allegations of unfair housing practices; information derived from housing discrimination investigations and any final investigative reports pertaining to such investigations	HUD (13)	13
42 U.S.C. § 3789g	Data received by the Bureau of Justice Statistics and used only for statistical or research purposes	DOJ (9)	9
42 U.S.C. § 12117	Americans with Disabilities Act charges, conciliation materials, required reports, and case file information	EEOC (730)	730
42 U.S.C. § 7412 (r)(7)(H)(iii)	Certain off-site consequence analysis information and any ranking of stationary sources derived from the information	CSB (1)	1
44 U.S.C. § 3501 note	Data or information acquired under a pledge of confidentiality for exclusively statistical purposes	ED (2); DOL (4); DOT (1)	7
45 U.S.C. § 362(d)	Information obtained by the Railroad Retirement Board that reveals, in any manner, an employee's identity	US RRB (22)	22
46 U.S.C. § 40306	Agreement information and documents filed with the Commission (other than Agreements)	FMC (1)	1
47 U.S.C. § 1426(d)	Action taken or decisions made by the First Responder Network Authority	DOC (1)	1
49 U.S.C. §§ 114(r), 114(s)	Information obtained or developed in carrying out security under the authority of the Aviation and Transportation Act or under chapter 449 of this title	DHS (4,792); DOJ (3); ED (1); NEA (1)	4,797
49 U.S.C. § 1114(c)	Certain "cockpit voice or video recorder recording[s] or transcript[s] of communications by and between flight crew members and ground stations pertaining to [] incident[s] investigated by the [National Transportation Safety] Board"	NTSB (3)	3
49 U.S.C. § 1114(f)	Any information relating to Board participation in foreign aircraft accidents, where the country conducting the investigation has not issued its report or two years have not elapsed from the date of the accident	NTSB (1)	1
49 U.S.C. § 31105(h)(1)	Names of certain motor carrier employees	DOT (2)	2
49 U.S.C. § 31143(b)	Identities of motor carrier safety complaints	DOT (53)	53

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49 U.S.C. § 40110(e)	Contract proposal not incorporated into contract	DOT (5)	5
49 U.S.C. § 40119(b)	Certain information obtained or developed in ensuring transportation security if disclosure of that information would: constitute an invasion of personal privacy, reveal a trade secret or confidential commercial or financial information, or be detrimental to transportation safety	DOT (56)	56
49 U.S.C. § 40123(a)	Aviation Safety Action Program voluntarily submitted information	DOT (11)	11
49 U.S.C. § 46311	Certain information from air carrier records that would either prejudice the United States in international negotiations or have an adverse effect on the competitive position of an air carrier	DOT (4)	4
49 U.S.C. § 60138	Certain information contained in pipeline facility response plans	DOT (7)	7
50 U.S.C. 3605 (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 402 note)	Information pertaining to the functions or organization of NSA; certain information pertaining to NSA employees	DOD (1,351); DOC (1); DOJ (9); NARA (6); State (3)	1,370
50 U.S.C. § 3024(i)(1) (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 403-1(i)(1))	Intelligence sources and methods	DOD (742); DOJ (763); DOE (19); DHS (194); FCC (1); NARA (126); ODNI (94)	1,939
50 U.S.C. § 3507 (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 403g)	Intelligence sources and methods; certain information pertaining to Agency employees, specifically: "the organization, functions, names, official titles, salaries, or numbers of personnel employed by the Agency"	DHS (15); DOC (2); DOD (11); DOJ (48); CIA (1,127); NARA (111); OPM (495); State (20)	1, 829
50 U.S.C. § 421	Identities of U.S. undercover intelligence officers, agents, informants, and sources	DOD (5); NARA (1)	6
50 U.S.C. § 3143 (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 432a)	Operational files of the National Reconnaissance Office	DOD (1); DOJ (1)	2
50 U.S.C. § 3144 (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 432b)	Operational files of the National Security Agency	DOD (1)	1

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50 U.S.C. § 4555(d)	Information obtained under the Defense Production Act of 1950 that the President deems confidential or the person furnishing such information requests confidential treatment of the information.	DOC (2)	2
50 U.S.C. § 4565(c) (formerly at 50 U.S.C. app. § 2170(c))	Information or documentary material filed with the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States	Treasury (8)	8
50 U.S.C. § 4614(c)(1) (formerly at 50 U.S.C. app. § 2411(c))	Information pertaining to license applications under the Export Administration Act	DOC (16); DOD (2); DOJ (1)	19
52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(4)	Action by the Commission or any person, and information derived, in connection with any conciliation attempt by the Commission in relation to certain complaints filed with the Commission	FEC (5)	5
52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(12)(A) (formerly at 2 U.S.C. § 437(a)(12)(A))	Any notification or investigation made under this section of the Federal Election Campaign Act pertaining to federal campaign funds	FEC (8)	8
54 U.S.C. § 100707 (formerly at 16 U.S.C. § 5937)	Information pertaining to: "endangered, threatened, rare, or commercially valuable" NPS resources	DOI (14)	14
54 U.S.C. § 307103	Information about the location, character or ownership of a historic resource	DOI (9); USNRC (1)	10
Fed. R. Crim. P. 6(e), enacted by Act of July 30, 1977, Pub. L. No. 95-78, §2, 91 Stat. 319	Certain records pertaining to grand jury proceedings	DHS (4); DOC (1); DOJ (674); DOE (1); DOI (3); HUD (3); DOT (1); FDIC (1); FHFA (3); NARA (20); Treasury (6); USNRC (1); USPS (8)	726
Fed. R. Crim. P. 32(c)(3)(A), enacted by Act of July 31, 1975, Pub. L. 94-64, § 2, 89 Stat. 370	Presentence reports and recommendations	DOJ (100)	100
Pub. L. No. 95-452, 92 Stat. 1101	Identities of employees that have submitted complaints and or provided information during the course of an OIG investigation	USPS (25)	25
Pub. L. No. 102-190, 105 Stat. 1290, 1480-1481.	Information concerning US personnel classified as POW/MIA during the Vietnam and Korean Conflicts (McCain Bill)	DOD (1)	1
Pub. L. No. 111-8, 123 Stat. 524	Information required to be maintained by Federal Firearms Licensees and information maintained in the ATF Firearms Tracing Systems	DOJ (117)	117
Pub. L. No. 111-83, 123 Stat. 2142 (Protected National Security Documents Act, 2009)	Photographs related to the treatment of individuals engaged, captured, or detained after September 11, 2001	DOD (2)	2

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Statute	Type of Information Protected by Statute	Agency (Agencies) and No. of Times Cited	Total No. of Citations in FY 2017
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**OIP has compiled this chart using information reported by agencies in their Annual FOIA Reports for Fiscal Year 2017. OIP consolidated information from those reports in order to provide an overall summary of the statutes used by agencies in connection with Exemption 3 of the FOIA, along with the number of times those statutes were used. All agency Annual FOIA Reports are available on OIP's website under the "Reports" page. Additionally, data from all agency 2017 Annual FOIA Reports is available on FOIA.gov.*



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Acronym	Agency Name
<i>BBG</i>	Broadcasting Board of Governors
<i>CIA</i>	Central Intelligence Agency
<i>CFPB</i>	Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
<i>CFTC</i>	Commodity Futures Trading Commission
<i>CNCS</i>	Corporation for National and Community Service
<i>CPPBSD</i>	Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled
<i>CSB</i>	Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board
<i>USDA</i>	Dept. of Agriculture
<i>DOC</i>	Dept. of Commerce
<i>DOD</i>	Dept. of Defense
<i>ED</i>	Dept. of Education
<i>DOE</i>	Dept. of Energy
<i>HHS</i>	Dept. of Health and Human Services
<i>DHS</i>	Dept. of Homeland Security
<i>HUD</i>	Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
<i>DOJ</i>	Dept. of Justice
<i>DOL</i>	Dept. of Labor
<i>State</i>	Dept. of State
<i>DOI</i>	Dept. of the Interior
<i>Treasury</i>	Dept. of the Treasury
<i>DOT</i>	Dept. of Transportation
<i>VA</i>	Dept. of Veterans Affairs
<i>EPA</i>	Environmental Protection Agency
<i>EEOC</i>	Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
<i>Ex-Im Bank</i>	Export-Import Bank of the United States
<i>FCC</i>	Federal Communications Commission
<i>FDIC</i>	Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
<i>FEC</i>	Federal Election Commission
<i>FERC</i>	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
<i>FHFA</i>	Federal Housing Finance Agency
<i>FMC</i>	Federal Maritime Commission



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<i>FMSHRC</i>	Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission
<i>FTC</i>	Federal Trade Commission
<i>GSA</i>	General Services Administration
<i>LSC</i>	Legal Services Corporation
<i>MCC</i>	Millennium Challenge Corporation
<i>MSPB</i>	Merit Systems Protection Board
<i>NASA</i>	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
<i>NARA</i>	National Archives and Records Administration
<i>NCUA</i>	National Credit Union Administration
<i>NEA</i>	National Endowment for the Arts
<i>NIGC</i>	National Indian Gaming Commission
<i>NLRB</i>	National Labor Relations Board
<i>NRPC</i>	National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak)
<i>NSF</i>	National Science Foundation
<i>NTSB</i>	National Transportation Safety Board
<i>OGE</i>	Office of Government Ethics
<i>OPIC</i>	Overseas Private Investment Corporation
<i>OPM</i>	Office of Personnel Management
<i>ODNI</i>	Office of the Director of National Intelligence
<i>OSC</i>	Office of Special Counsel
<i>PBGC</i>	Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation
<i>RRB</i>	Railroad Retirement Board
<i>SBA</i>	Small Business Administration
<i>SEC</i>	Securities and Exchange Commission
<i>SSA</i>	Social Security Administration
<i>STB</i>	Surface Transportation Board
<i>TVA</i>	Tennessee Valley Authority
<i>US ADF</i>	U.S. African Development Foundation
<i>USAID</i>	U.S. Agency for International Development
<i>USCPSC</i>	U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
<i>USBWC</i>	U.S. International Boundary and Water Commission



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<i>USITC</i>	U.S. International Trade Commission
<i>USNRC</i>	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
<i>USPS</i>	U.S. Postal Service
<i>USTR</i>	United States Trade Representative