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Think tanks

Professional associations

Federal agencies

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Private organizations

(International organizations)
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Think tanks

http://www.worldpress.org/library/ngo.cfm#ac
What Is a Think Tank?

• A: A university without students
Some DC Think Tanks

American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research
The Brookings Institution
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
Center for Global Development
Center for Strategic and International Studies
Climate Institute
Economic Policy Institute
Federation of American Scientists
The Henry L. Stimson Center
The Heritage Foundation

Institute for International Economics
Institute of Medicine
National Institutes of Health
New America Foundation
RAND Corp.
Resources for the Future
Urban Institute
Politics vs. policy

Professional associations
(Interest groups)
(NGOs)

The Alliance for Health Care Reform
American Association for the Advancement of Science
American Association for World Health
American Electronics Association
American Meteorological Society
The American Public Health Association
Center for Democracy and Technology
Children’s Defense Fund
The Climate Institute
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The March of Dimes, National Government Affairs Office
National Alliance on Mental Illness
National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges
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Private organizations

- Aerospace Corporation
- AFL-CIO
- Chemonics International
- Gryphon Scientific
- Institute for Defense Analyses (IDA)
- MIT Washington DC Office
- National Security Research, Inc.
- NERA Economic Consulting
- Plexus Consulting Group
- Systems Planning and Analysis, Inc. (SPA)
- Texas Instruments, Government Relations Office

https://www.opensecrets.org/federal-lobbying
Politics vs. policy

White House

Council of Economic Advisors
Office of Science and Technology Policy
President’s Council on Bioethics

https://www.whitehouse.gov/get-involved/internships/presidential-departments/
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Individual House and Senate members
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Party organizations
Congressional Research Service
Government Accountability Office (formerly General Accounting Office)

www.house.gov
www.senate.gov
www.Congress.gov
https://www.govtrack.us/
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Pan American Health Organization
The World Bank
Inter-American Development Bank
World Health Organization

72,500 profiles, limited version available online
https://uia.org/ybio/
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