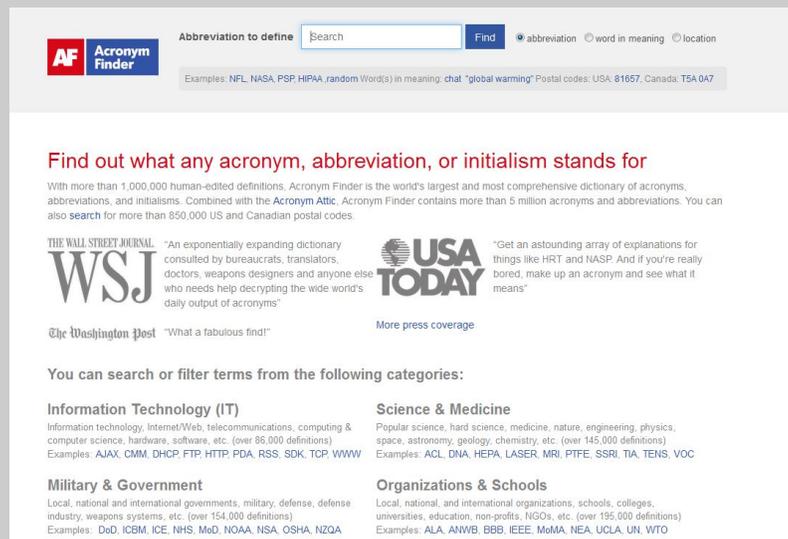


**Home Page**


The screenshot shows the Acronym Finder homepage. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "Abbreviation to define" and a "Find" button. Below the search bar, there are radio buttons for "abbreviation" (selected), "word in meaning", and "location". A small text box below the search bar provides examples: "NFL, NASA, PSP, HIPAA, random Word(s) in meaning: chat, 'global warming' Postal codes: USA, 81657, Canada: T5A 0A7".

The main heading is "Find out what any acronym, abbreviation, or initialism stands for". Below this, a paragraph states: "With more than 1,000,000 human-edited definitions, Acronym Finder is the world's largest and most comprehensive dictionary of acronyms, abbreviations, and initialisms. Combined with the Acronym Attic, Acronym Finder contains more than 5 million acronyms and abbreviations. You can also search for more than 850,000 US and Canadian postal codes."

There are three press coverage snippets:
 

- THE WALL STREET JOURNAL (WSJ)**: "An exponentially expanding dictionary consulted by bureaucrats, translators, doctors, weapons designers and anyone else who needs help decrypting the wide world's daily output of acronyms"
- USA TODAY**: "Get an astounding array of explanations for things like HRT and NASP. And if you're really bored, make up an acronym and see what it means"
- The Washington Post**: "What a fabulous find!"

Below the press coverage, it says "You can search or filter terms from the following categories:"

- Information Technology (IT)**: Information technology, Internet/Web, telecommunications, computing & computer science, hardware, software, etc. (over 86,000 definitions). Examples: AJAX, CMM, DHCP, FTP, HTTP, PDA, RSS, SDK, TOP, WWW
- Science & Medicine**: Popular science, hard science, medicine, nature, engineering, physics, space, astronomy, geology, chemistry, etc. (over 145,000 definitions). Examples: ACL, DNA, HEPA, LASER, MRI, PTFE, SSRI, TIA, TENS, VOC
- Military & Government**: Local, national and international governments, military, defense, defense industry, weapons systems, etc. (over 154,000 definitions). Examples: DoD, ICBM, ICE, NHS, MoD, NOAA, NSA, OSHA, NZQA
- Organizations & Schools**: Local, national, and international organizations, schools, colleges, universities, education, non-profits, NGOs, etc. (over 195,000 definitions). Examples: ALA, ANWB, BBB, IEEE, MoMA, NEA, UCLA, UN, WTO

**Logo****URL**

<http://www.acronymfinder.com/>

**Subject**

Acronym -Dictionaries

**Accessibility**

Free

**Language**

English

**Publisher**

The Acronym Finder

**Brief History**

Mr. Mike Molloy is the founder and developer of Acronym Finder, the world's largest, most comprehensive acronym and abbreviation reference site, available on the world wide web since 1996. Although the work that became Acronym Finder actually began in 1985. The copyright date is provided in the site i.e. 1988- 2016.

## Scope and Coverage

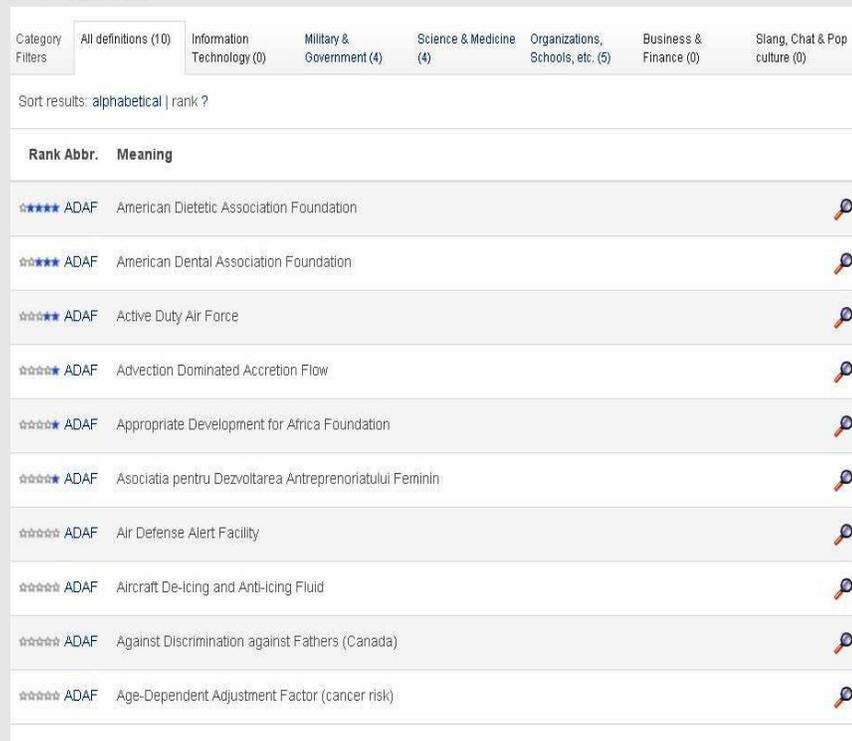
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## Kind of Information

Each acronym is present here with its application in different categories like Information Technology, Military & Government, Science & Medicine, Organizations, Schools, Business & Finance, Slang, Chat & Pop culture etc. Each acronym is presented with its rank denoted by star marks, according to its importance.

An example is given below through print screen for clear understanding.

For **ADAF**



The screenshot shows the Acronym Finder search results for the acronym 'ADAF'. The interface includes a category filter menu at the top, a sort options dropdown, and a table of results. Each result row contains a star rating, the acronym 'ADAF', the full name, and a magnifying glass icon for more details.

Rank	Abbr.	Meaning
★★★★	ADAF	American Dietetic Association Foundation
★★★★	ADAF	American Dental Association Foundation
★★★★	ADAF	Active Duty Air Force
★★★★	ADAF	Advection Dominated Accretion Flow
★★★★	ADAF	Appropriate Development for Africa Foundation
★★★★	ADAF	Asociatia pentru Dezvoltarea Antreprenoriatului Feminin
★★★★	ADAF	Air Defense Alert Facility
★★★★	ADAF	Aircraft De-icing and Anti-icing Fluid
★★★★	ADAF	Against Discrimination against Fathers (Canada)
★★★★	ADAF	Age-Dependent Adjustment Factor (cancer risk)

Clicking on a hyperlinked acronym one finds definition on it, other meanings of the acronym in Acronym Attic.

### ***Special Features***

- ❖ It provides free Acronym Finder search tools and add-ons to help one look up acronyms and abbreviations and other information. Tools available for: [Internet Explorer](#), [Mozilla/Firefox](#), [Opera](#).
- ❖ A blog (Acronym Finder Blog) is available for the latest news and information about Acronym Finder and related sites.
- ❖ Links to various social networking sites like Facebook, Twitter, Google plus are available.
- ❖ User can suggest a new abbreviation & definition through specific format.
- ❖ List of US State Abbreviations and State Capitals is available. E.g.:

US Postal Service Abbreviation	US State, Possession or Territory	Capital	Old Style Abbreviation
AK	Alaska	Juneau	-
AL	Alabama	Montgomery	Ala.
AR	Arkansas	Little Rock	Ark.
AS	American Samoa	Pago Pago	-
AZ	Arizona	Phoenix	Ariz.

- ❖ Clicking on the “magnifying glass” sign denoting search option, one can find a detailed searching facility from the Google search engine.
- ❖ A word game WordHub is also linked with this site.

### ***Arrangement Pattern***

Entries are arranged alphabetically. Under a particular alphabet the entries are arranged in alphabetical sequence. For example under ‘D’ the entries are arranged in the following order- [DCM](#), [DCM-M](#), [DCM-NJ](#), [DCM-NJ+MP](#), [DCMA](#), [DCMA-I](#), [DCMAA](#) etc. Under ‘#’ the terms

starting with Arabic numerals and various signs are arranged. E.g.: 101D, 102, 1040, 1080i, 1080p and \*G\*, +EV, +FC, +SHE, -EV, -NMR etc.

***Remarks***

Acronym Finder is a trusted ready reference resource at thousands of schools, libraries, and government websites. Yahoo reports over 1 million links to Acronym Finder, more than all other similar websites combined.

***Comparable Tools***

- Acronyms and Abbreviations - The Free Dictionary (<http://acronyms.thefreedictionary.com/>)
- Abbreviations and Acronyms - Your Dictionary (<http://abbreviations.yourdictionary.com/>)

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