

Award Type (Data Dictionary Element 12B) The type of Award being entered by this transaction. The Awards column consists of the following types of actions: -

Delivery/Task Order Against an IDV – an order for supplies placed against an established contract or with Government sources. –

Purchase Order – an offer by the Government to buy supplies or services, including construction and research and development, upon specified terms and conditions, using simplified acquisition procedures. –

Definitive Contract – a mutually binding legal relationship obligating the seller to furnish the supplies or services (including construction) and the buyer to pay for them.

For the purposes of data collection in FPDS, it includes all types of commitments that obligate the Government to an expenditure of appropriated funds, except for Purchase Orders, Delivery/Task Orders, and BPA Calls.

Data on these types of Awards are collected separately. Contracts do not include grants and cooperative agreements covered by 31 U.S.C. 6301, et seq.

BPA Call – a purchase under a Blanket Purchase Agreement that does not exceed the simplified acquisition threshold unless otherwise specified by your agency. Your selection from the Awards column on the main screen determines the Award Type. See Data Dictionary Element 12B Use Case for appropriate data entry requirements.