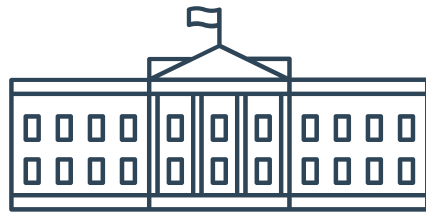


3 BRANCHES of GOVERNMENT

Federal Government

EXECUTIVE BRANCH



PRIMARY FUNCTION: CARRIES OUT THE LAW

President

The president fulfills **3 major jobs**:

- Head Of State
- Leader of Federal Government
- Commander-In-Chief of the armed forces

Vice President

The Vice President fulfills the role of **supporting the President**, and potentially takes the position of President, if they are no longer able to serve. They also preside over the Senate, **breaking ties in Senate Votes**.

Cabinet

Cabinet members serve as **advisors to the President**. Includes leaders of executive departments and other high caliber government positions. Nominated by the **President** and approved in the **Senate**.



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

PRIMARY FUNCTION: MAKES THE LAW

Senate

100 SENATORS

House of Representatives

435 REPRESENTATIVES

The **Legislative Branch** which is made up of both the **Senate** and **House of Representatives** has the primary responsibility of enacting legislation, confirming presidential appointments, and has the ability to declare war. Each state gets **two Senators**, and the Representatives that a State receives is based **directly on population**.

JUDICIAL BRANCH

PRIMARY FUNCTION: INTERPRET THE MEANING OF THE LAW

Supreme Court of the United States

9 Justices

The Supreme Court applies the laws created by the **legislative branch** and enacted by the **executive branch** to individual cases. They also have a key role in determining the **constitutionality** of a created law.

ALSO INCLUDES OTHER FEDERAL COURTS

