

The United States Government

One thing that makes the United States government special is that it is made up of three different branches. This is deliberate, so no one branch can make all the decisions. The founders of the United States wanted to make sure no group or single person in our government could become too powerful.

The three branches of government are the **executive branch** (the president, the vice president, and the cabinet), the **legislative branch** (the House of Representatives and the Senate), and the **judicial branch** (the Supreme Court).



The Executive Branch

The leader of the executive branch is the president of the United States. All the other members of this branch of government report to the president. The president gets advice and help from the vice president and department