



LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT

National:

Makes laws for the entire country. Handles relations with other countries. Resolves disputes between states.

Responsibilities include:

- U.S. military
- Coining money
- Interstate highways
- Social Security
- Passports and visas
- International trade
- Federal income tax
- Interstate commerce

State:

Makes laws for one state. Resolves disputes between citizens within the state.

Responsibilities include:

- State Police
- Property
- State highways
- Welfare
- Automobile registration and driver's licenses
- Intrastate commerce
- State sales tax
- Education

Local: County, Town and Township, Municipality, Special District, School District

Makes laws for a small area within a state. Enforces local laws and ordinances.

Responsibilities include:

- Police and Fire
- Planning and zoning
- Local roads
- Trash collection
- Voter registration
- Recreation
- Property tax
- School districts