

The Articles of Confederation and the Constitution

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The statements below describe problems in the U.S. government under the Articles of Confederation. Below each statement, explain how the U.S. Constitution solved the stated problem.

1. Congress could not call on individuals for the purpose of forming a standing army. The federal government required the states to provide military troops when needed.
2. The federal government relied on the states to contribute money for federal government use. The federal government had no means to make money.
3. Individual states often taxed goods imported from other states and foreign countries. This created competition and bad feelings between states.
4. Each state issued its own paper money. As a result, money was not uniform in value. It was difficult to determine the value of goods.