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Compare parliamentary, federal, confederal, and unitary systems of government.

Federal-Confederal-Unitary: difference is how much power the states have

Confederal

states have most of the power

federal (national) government has very little power

Federal

States have lots of power

they can even do things that the federal government cannot

power is split between the states & the federal government

examples: USA, Australia, Germany, Brazil & a few more

Unitary

may or may not have states

if states exist, they don't have much power

there is no power that is just for the states and not the federal government

165 of the 192 United Nations countries have a Unitary system

Parliamentary

Instead of 3 branches government with equal power, legislative branch is strongest

May be Federal or Unitary systems