

Interest Groups & Policymaking

Citizen's Groups (*Public Interest*)

- Offer *public goods*
- *Free Rider* Problem
- Public Interest (Common Cause)
- Single Issue (National Rifle Association)
- Ideological (Christian Coalition)

Economic (*Financial Interest*)

- 1/2 of all Interest Groups; Lobbyists 2:1
- Individual, Chamber of Commerce, Associations & Institutes
- Labor (AFL-CIO), Agricultural (American Farm Bureau), Professiona (American Medical Association)

Government (*Distribution*)

- 2/3 of all states, most major cities
- Groups: Council of State Governments, National Governors Conference, Nat'l League Of Cities

Political Party:

- Issues: broad
- Goal: win elections
- Membership: diverse

Interest Group:

- Issues: tailored
- Goal: influence policy
- Membership: select