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The government should have at least a semi large role in the economy. Although, they shouldn't be able to do things unconstitutional. Many people don't fully understand how the economy works and because of that, if we didn't have many government officials to handle the economy, it could decrease severely. In the introduction it states, "imposing high tariffs on imported goods to protect U.S. industries from competition with other countries". This supports the claim, if we didn't have those tariffs, economy could have gone down a lot.

The government also has the power to create roads and canals and important buildings in cities. In Article I of the U.S. constitution it states that the congress has brower to "establich post offices and post roads". This quote tells us that in order to have these things the government would have to be a part of our economy.

The governments role in the economy should be limited but they should still have a role in the economy because without their contribution to the economy the American people would be oppressed, Americas economic stability would be lessend, and due to the government having role in our government we have gained income. In Source 5 it states, "Eight Years ago, the people of the United States were oppressed by too much debt...This was the situation before I introduced the tariff of 1824." The tariff was an act made by the American government and as stated in the text it helped the United States in a time of need. However if the government didn't have a role in the economy then this country may not be in prosperity like we are today. Furthermmore in the introduction the text states, "having a strong Bank of the United States to promote economic stability." The government has to do with the banks and if they didn't have a role in the banks then America's economy wouldn't be ner as strong or stable as it is today. Moving along, in source 5 it states," Instead, The United States has gained vast income because of the American System." This shows that the government being included in our economy helps because due to this system our economy is growing and making more money due to our system and it is all thanks to the governments contribution to our economy. Therefore the American governments role in our economy should be limited but they definetly should have a role to insure economic growth, Americans well being, and the stability of our economy.

Now some people may say the this American System is unconstitutional and while that is an understandable belief, it isn't true. In source 1 which is a derect quote from the Constitution it states,"The Congreww shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes,...to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States:..." This shows that it is constitutional for the government to have a part in our economy and it even helps the well being of Americans. Another reason that it is constitutinal for the government to have a part in the ecnomy is because in source 1 it states," The Congress shall have the Power To...regulate the Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States,..." This proves that the government does have the right to intervine wit our conomy especially when dealing with other nations in order to protect America from foriegn Nations which will also help us to keep from oing into debt. Therefore though you may have thought that the government having a role in the economy was unconstitutional tey have the right by law to have a part in our eceonomy.

In conclusion, the governments role in the economy should be limited but they definetly should have a role in the economy because it insures ecnomic growth, the well being of Americans, and the stability of our countries economy. However don't just take my word for it. Do some research for yourself and see what role you think that our government should have in our economy.

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The role the government should have in the economy is the act incorporating the bank in constitutional because it says in the passage "It is a unanimus and decided opinon of this court, that the act incorporate the Bank of the United States is a law made in the constitution, and is part of the supreme law of the land."

The government should not play a big part in the economy because it could destroy the relationship between the government and the people, and the constitution only gives certain rights to the government to interfere with the economy. For example, in source 2 James Madison states, "If I sign this bill, it would destroy the relationship betweem the states and that national government." President Madison understood that making big economic decisions for the people could create tension between the national government and state governments. He knew that the people would be angry if he passed a bill that he had no power in the constitution to legalize.

Another example is in source 4 which states, "A national bank presents a danger to our liberty and the independence of the states." This means that the passing of a national bank would upset the people. It would be taking away their rights as citizens, which in unconstitutional. In conclusion, the constitution gives the government no right to severely interfere with the economy. It only states a few rights the government should have in the people's economy. The people should have the right to their economy, not the government controlling it for them.

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The government shold help the economy grow and prosper

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The role I beleive the government should have is paying for internal improvements such as roads and canals to help move people and goods tomarkets across the nation.

I think that they should fix the roads with our tax money. According to source 1, it states" The government shall have power to lay and collect taxes,....to fix roads."

The government should only have the rights listed in the Constitution, taking any of the rights away from them is federal law. The US Constitution firmly states the rights of the US government. Everyone interperts the US Constitution differently but in Article I, Section 8, of Constitution, it says, "The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes,... to pay Debts and Provide for the common Defence and General Welfare of the United States...." Thus proving the rights of the congress are listed.

It is said in Source 5 that, "Eight years ago, the people of united States were oppressed by too much debt. Property values were at a low point. Trade was threatened with a complete stoppage. This was the situation in the US before I introduced the tariff of 1824." This proves all the US needed to do was trade within itself and not other contries. It costed more to trade outside the US then inside. The Government was wrong they just needed to use their own resources

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the us government should have a role in encomny because if they dont they wouldnt have the job they do today and if they wasnt in encomy they would be just a president.

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The US constitution layed out the specific things congress has power to do and control. The American System was another effort by the national government to economically grow the United States. They were trying to protect US industries, promote economic stability, and trying to mkae it easier to move goods throughout the US. Although I do believe the National Government should have a say in the economy it should be fair based on the Constitution.

President James Madioson vetoed a bill that provided funds for internal improvements because it was demmed unconstitutional. He believed if he signed the bill it would destroy the relatioship between the states and the national government. Again in 1819 the US Supreme Court that incorporating the Bank of the US was constitutional. But when the bill was reauthorized by President Jackson in 1832 vetoed the bill because he demmed it unconstitutional. And, then again in 1832 Henry Clay talks about how abolishing American system would ruin thousands of our fellow citizens because the economy at this time depended o how that was prospering.

Analyzing all of these sources puts into account that the economy should not be solely based on the National Government. They should have only a portion of it and it should be split along with the states, and common people should have a vote as well. Especially when there are different view points about every topic.

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The government should have a limited role on the United States economy. In Source 5, the author states, "If this system of protection is unconstitutional, as some people say, then it should be abolished. But keep in mind that the destruction of this system will surely lead to the ruin of thousands of our fellow citizens." By the government having to much power over the economy, they could go based off the Constitution. The Constitution is not meant for certain things, due to the fact that not everything is included. In Source 2, the author states, "However, I do not believe that this is allowed by our Constitution." This is stating that the Constitution has the power to build certain roads and canals. We can not put all economic thoughts on the government, because they will go by our strict Constitution.

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I think they should do better in there econmy. Also money becaus they started losing money fast and better ecanmy is better farms and better storse.

also imposing high tariffs on imported goods to protect U.S. indutries from competition with other countries. Also having a strong bank of the United States to promote economic stability.

What role should the government have in the economy? There are two opinions on this subject, Limited and Strong role. Source two and four supported the government in having a limited role on the economy. While sources three and five differ.

In source two, President James Madison was asked to sign a bill that provided funds for internal improvements in order to promote commerce and improve national defense. James Madison had said, "If I sign this bill, it would destroy the relationship between the states and the national government." In source four, President Andrew Jackson was asked to sign a bill reauthorizing the Bank of the United States. Andrew Jackson had said, "A national bank presents a danger to our libert and the independence of the states."

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The government should have a large role in the economy of the United States. This is because having a government involved in the economy can lead to numerous positive effects, such as a state of prospering. Having a government involved in the economy can also help manage and preserve the economy. According to Senator Henry Clay in one of his speeches to the U.S. Senate in 1832, "Eight years ago, the people of the United States were opressed by too much debt. Property values were at a low point. Trade was threatened with a complete stoppage. This was the situation in the United States before I introduced the tariff of 1824. But now, the country is prospering. Farming has expanded, and employment is high. Debt has been reduced, land is worth more, and a national market is slowly developing for American goods. Even our cities have expanded. These past seven years have been the most prosperous snce the constitution took effect." That quote by Henry Clay strongly demonstrates how having a government involved in the economy led to prosperity and success in the United States. That is one large reason why the government should be involved in the economy.

Furthermore, an economy with a government to overlook it can be better managed and preserved. According to the U.S. Constitution, Article I, Section 8, "The congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes, . . . to pay the debts and provide for the common defence and general welfare of the United States; . . . To borrow money on the credit of the United States; To regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, . . . To coin money and regulate its value; . . . To establish post offices and post roads; . . . To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution these powers." This quote by the U.S. Consitution shows that the congress of the United States is very involved in the Economy and has a large role in preserving it. This part of the Constitution is still in effect today, and the United States has a flourishing economy. That is why the government should have a big role in the economy.

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I think the government shouldnt have any role but instead have a seprate system theat only focueses on our economy. I think this beause this give the government a chance to focuse on there thing while the economy system can fouce on the economy. The economy system gives people more jobs and its more sucure and effecent.

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What rule should the government have in the economy is a question people have been asking for years. I believe that the government should have some role in the economy but not so much power over the eceonomy that it is tyrannical. The government should have the powers to impose tariffs, create national banks, print money and regulate its worth, make roads and canals of promote trade, and use the country's money to provide for the common wealth and defense. Imposing tariffs is part of the Constitution. Source 1 states," To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States." Imposing tariffs is regulating commerce so based on htis part of the Constitution the government should have the power to do so. The government should regulate the worth of and print money because it is a power already given to it in the Constitution and when the worth and kind of money was not being regulated there were domestic disputes amongst states. Allowing the country to use money for defense and common wealth is also listed in the Constitution. The Constitution says," the Congress shall have the power to lay and colelct taxes,... to pay the debts and provide for the common defence and general wellfare." It says clearly in the Constitution that that power belongs to the government. Lastly, the government hsould have the power to build roads and canals to unite hte country because those roads will promote trade and commerce.

The government should not have the power to unauthorize national banks htat have already been in place. Source 4 says, "I see nothing in its function that makes the bank necessary or proper for carrying out the powers of the national government listed in the Constitution. Therefore, I am vetoing this bill." After President Jackson vetoed the bill the country soon went into a depression. This shows it was a bad thing for the government to veto that bill and use that power considering it destroyed the economy for a period of time. Another example of the government using these powers are Henry Clay's tariffs. In a speech he made Clay says, " ... Trade was threatened with a complete stoppage. This was the situation in the United States before I introduced the tafiff of 1824. But now, the country is prospering. " This shows that the government should have the power to impose tariffs because in a lot of situations the tariffs help the country prosper such as the ones that Henry Clay put in place. Another example of our government not using a pwoer it hsould have is James Madison's refusal to make roads and canals to connect the country. Source 2 states," I am aware of the great importance of roads and canals and that a power in th national legislature to provide for them would be a good thing for the country. But I do not see that power listed in the Consitution." James Madison knew the roads and canals would be a goood thing for the country but decided not to enforce them because he was not given that power in the Constitution. If he had that power the country could have been in a much better economic place.

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The United States government shouldn't have limited power on the economy. The government should be able to help the economy of the nation if the economy needs help. According to source 5, the tariff of 1824 greatly improved the economy of the United States. The graph in source 5 shows that national debt greatly decreased after the tariff was put into action.

Also, according to sourse 3, the U.S supreme court decided that the establishment of a national bank is constitutional. Meaning, the U.S government can have power in the economy constitutionally. This proves that the United States government shouldn't have its power on the economy limited.

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I do not believe that the government should have a roll in our economy. It is unconstitutional and whom ever took an oath to support the constitution said that they whould support the constitution and understand it.

I believe strongly they should not have a role in this economy because in source 4 it says "Each public officer who takes an oath to support it and understands it. I see nothing in it's function that makes the bank necessary or proper for carrying out the power of the national government listed in the Constitution."

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The government should play a large role in the economy, however not so large that they control every aspect of it. For example, in Source 4, the text says, "I see nothing in its function that makes the bank necessary or proper for carrying out the powers of the national government listed in the Constitution." Knowing that the government is wanting to make choices like creating national banks that are simply unnecessary for the economy, there are some powers the government has in the economy that should be limited. The government does keep the nation from going too overboard in debt. However, the nation is still in extreme debt to this day; more than what is shown at the highest point in the bar graph in Source 5.

Even though the government has played a large role in creating debt for the country, they have also helped us get above ground again. This was as a result of the American System, that wouldn't have been possible without the help of the government making the decision to enforce it. In the 5th Source, the text states, "If this system of protection is unconstitutional, as some people say, then it should be abolished. But keep in mind that the destruction of this system will surely lead to the ruin of thousands of our fellow citizens." This explains that the system could be considered unconstitutional. But, if we get rid of the system, it could lead to major issues and many citizens being in financial trouble of some sort.

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they controlled it and made sure that people did what they where supposed to and they made people do what they had to

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The governments roll in economy should just buying things we need and keeping up with how much money we have. This means they should have to jobs know how much money is in the bank and only spending the money on things we need.

Keeping up with our money. Source one states "To coin Money and regulate it's value". This is something the should do because we need to know how much money we have and the value it holds.

Knowing about our money. Source five " Debt has been reduced". Which is great because we are not speding it on usless things.

Spending it on things we need. Introduction states " Paying fo national improvements such as roads cannals". This is something we need because it can help move goods and people.