

	Traditional	Command	Market	Mixed
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Little friction among members because there is little competition -Individual roles are clearly defined -System is generally well-understood by participants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Can ensure stability because it does not coincide with business cycles -Serves people collectively instead of individuals; focus on equality -Distributes wealth among all of society -Products produces fulfill needs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Prices determine by market forces (supply and demand); competition brings down prices -Consumers can buy whatever they like in whatever amounts they want -Adjusts to change easily -Little government intervention -Great variety of goods and services -Capital flows to where it will get the greatest return 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *See advantages of command and market economic systems -Can focuses on social welfare and political freedom, as well as individual liberties
Disadvantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Does not allow for growth and development -Changes are slow -There is little social mobility (your role is determined by birth) -Does not take advantage of technology -Individuals often have no control over environmental factors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Often there is insufficient resource distribution, ie. Shortages and/or surpluses -Cannot determine societies objectives and consumer preferences as well as market can -Lack of incentives for innovation -Infringes on personal freedoms -Can often lead to corruption among state planners -Cannot easily adjust to change 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Does not always provide basic needs of everyone in society, which can lead people to slip into poverty -May make it difficult for government to provide adequate social services -There are occasionally market failures -People can make choices which are harmful to themselves and to others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *See disadvantages of command and market economic systems -May not lead to optimal use of resources -Government intervention can hinder progress