**Question 1: Who is the Federal Bureaucracy?**

1. **Executive Office of the President & White House Staff:**
   1. **Alphabet soup = OMB, NSC, etc.**
   2. **Chief of Staff, National security advisor, etc.**
2. **Executive Cabinet/Departments (15) :** *Agriculture, Commerce, Defense, Education, Energy, Health and Human Services, Homeland Security, Housing and Urban Development, Interior, Labor, State, Transportation, Treasury, Veterans Affairs, and the Attorney General (Justice).*
3. **Independent Executive Agencies: EPA, SEC, FEMA,** 
   1. **FAA, FCC, FDA, Federal Reserve, Post Office, etc.**

**All Total = 3 million + Civilian Employees**

**Over 4 million if military is included!**

**Question 2: What has caused the Bureaucracy to grow?**

History of the Bureaucracy

1. **George Washington creates the first cabinet. Precedence.**
   * **Department of State, War, and Treasury.**

**2. Spoils System (patronage) shifts to Civil Service.**

**3. Switch from tax collector to big business helper, to business**

**regulator, then to welfare state.**

**4. Huge increase in size follows a change in the size and expectations of society.**

* + **(1790): 8 members, (1829): 20,000**, (**1865): 53,000**, (**1884): 131,000**, (**1891): 166,000**
  + **Etc. . . . (today 4 million +). Bureaucratic expansion is geometric.**

**It grows along with population, urbanization, and specialization.**

**Question 3: What functions and powers does the Federal Bureaucracy have?**

* ***Implementation* -** carry out laws of Congress, executive orders of the President
* ***Regulation*** (Rulemaking)- issue rules and regulations that impact the public (ex: EPA sets clean air standards) **Adjudication** to challenge rules if needed.
* ***Administration*** - routine administrative work “red tape”; provide services (ex: SSA sends social security checks to beneficiaries)

1. What control do presidents exercise over the federal bureaucracy?

* appointing agency directors and subheads (with Senate approval)
* issuing executive orders compelling an agency to do/not do something
* increasing or decreasing an agency's budget (through the Office of Management and Budget)