

Comparison of Federalist and Democratic-Republican Parties

	Federalists	Democratic-Republicans
Leaders	John Adams Alexander Hamilton	Thomas Jefferson James Madison
View of the Constitution	Loose interpretation Strong central government	Strict interpretation Weak central government
Foreign Policy	Pro-British	Pro-French
Military Policy	Large peacetime army and navy	Small peacetime army and navy
Domestic Policy	Aid business National bank Tariffs	Favor agriculture No national bank Opposed tariffs
Chief Supporters	Northern businessmen Large landowners	Skilled workers Small farmers Plantation owners