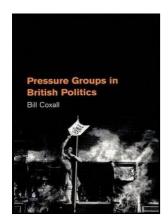
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## Do pressure groups enhance or damage democracy

In recent years, the constitutional and financial ties have loosened, and the emotional and historical bonds count for less than they did in the past. This is because, compared to other members of the EC, in Britain there is a very effective interministerial coordination system.

#### Pressure Groups

What will the population be in 2020? Furthermore, because their concerns are liable to be affected by government decisions, they need to be organised in order to influence ministers and respond to what they propose. Worried about the WMDs world over? About IvyPanda This is IvyPanda's free database of academic paper samples.

# Which are more powerful? British or American pressure groups?

Grant; Pressure groups, politics and democracy in Britain; 2 nd edition, 1995. What do the citizens of different countries think of their armed forces? Wilson, Special Interests and Policymaking, p.

#### What are pressure groups

Should it be the preferences expressed in opinion polls, or by the media, or the majority of voters? Will they report a crime? You can use them for inspiration, an insight into a particular topic, a handy source of reference, or even just as a template of a certain type of paper. The adversarial nature of the Westminster system, in which the opposition parties tend to reject the policies of the government, contributed to this.

# Do pressure groups enhance or damage democracy

Contributing to an vibrant democracy, many Pressure Groups hold meetings with government Ministers and elected politicians to outline their points of view. In addition, it could be argued that modern government could not exist without them, for they provide necessary knowledge and expertise to policymakers, and monitor effectiveness of existing policies and ideas for alternative ones. They include the National Union of Teachers, Law Society, Traders and British Medical Association among others.

# **Pressure Groups**

They publicise an issue that is usually at odds with government policy or ideology and so are rarely powerful in their persuasive techniques, although the Countryside Alliance managed to water down laws against fox hunting which shows that some are still very powerful. In the rural sector, this is accentuated by the fact that government is the « paymaster of the industry », so cooperation with farmers organizations is not only valuable for the formulation of policy, but also for its implementation. Outsider groups A Greenpeace demonstration, London, 2009 These groups often take action of which the government often disapproves.

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