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Governments, Systems and Regimes

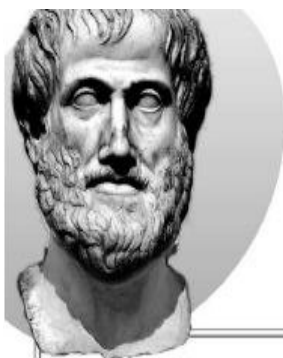
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Traditional systems of classification

- Classical typologies

the most influential system of classification was that devised by Aristotle in the fourth century BCE, which was based on his analysis of the 158 Greek city-states then in existence. This system dominated thinking on the subject for roughly the next 2500 years. Aristotle held that governments could be categorized on the basis of two questions: 'who rules?', and 'who benefits from rule?'. Government, he believed, could be placed in the hands of a single individual, a small group, or the many. (Andrew Heywood, 2002, 27)

Aristotle's six forms of government



Aristotle's Basic Forms of Government



	Correct	Deviant
One Ruler	Monarchy	Tyranny
Few Rulers	Aristocracy / Republic	Oligarchy / Plutocracy
Many Rulers	Direct Democracy	Anarchy



Regimes of the modern world

- Western polyarchies
- New democracies
- East Asian regimes
- Islamic regimes
- Military regimes