

# Department of Homeland Security

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Civics

6<sup>th</sup> Hour



# Secretary

- The secretary of the department of homeland security is Tom Ridges. He was appointed October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2001. According to President Bush he had the strength, experience, commitment and authority to do the job.



# Employees

- Over 180,000 men and women work for the Department of Homeland Security. They want to protect the people of the U.S. from harm, not to mention the great pay.



# When was this department Formed?

- This department was formed right after the terrorists' attacks on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001. The government didn't want this to happen again.



# Responsibilities

- Its primary missions are preventing terrorists' attacks within the United States, reducing the vulnerability of the United States to terrorism, and minimizing the damage from potential attacks and natural disasters.

# Divisions

- The Border and Transportation Security division, which is the largest division of DHS, protects citizens from harm by having more security at airports and on the border.
- Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection division analyzes intelligence and information involving threats to homeland security and evaluates vulnerabilities in the national infrastructure.



**QUIET!**

**KNOW YOUR PLACE**

**SHUT YOUR FACE!**

A MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTRY OF HOMELAND SECURITY