Why Articles of Confederation made weak?

* Fear of tyrant/tyranny that they had just fought a war against
* People wanted loyalty with the states not the federal government/wanted to work separately not as an unified nation

Weaknesses of Articles of Confederation

* Organized federal court system (couldn’t settle disputes between states or U.S. and another country)
* Congress couldn’t regulate trade between states, within states, or other countries (tariff are taxes on imports/exports)
* No leader/president--enforce laws/carry out laws made by Congress
* Needed 13/13 votes to change “Articles of Confederation”
* Needed 9/13 votes to change laws 69% of Congress--like tax laws
* Each state had equal votes (1)--angered large POPULATED states
* Federal government had to ask states for tax money, but had no way to force them to give the money so federally needed services (like military) weren’t funded.  Individuals paid for military or states.