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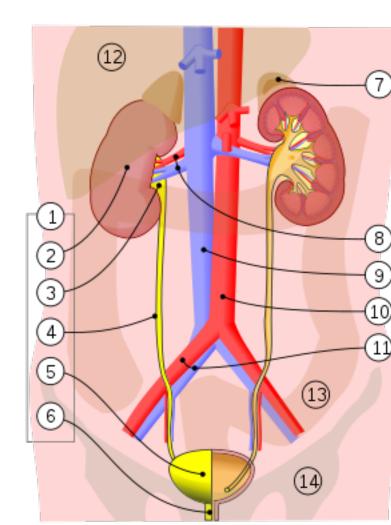
 Without the excretory system, the other parts of the body would eventually be poisoned by waste.

• Eliminates useless by-products from cells

Maintains a steady, balanced kidney
chemical concentration

Urinary system

- Removes the poison urea from our blood stream
- Removes excess water and salts from our body



Liver

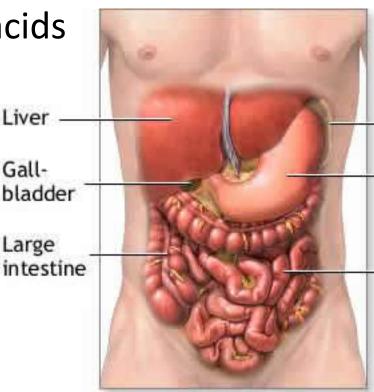
Liver

Gall-

Large

 Urea is the waste product of breaking down proteins for the body to use.

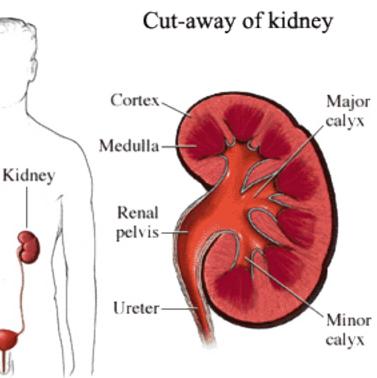
 The liver filters excess amino acids and processes them into urea.



Kidneys

 Filters called nephrons remove urea from our blood stream and balances salts (potassium and sodium)

 Urine consists of water, urea, and salts



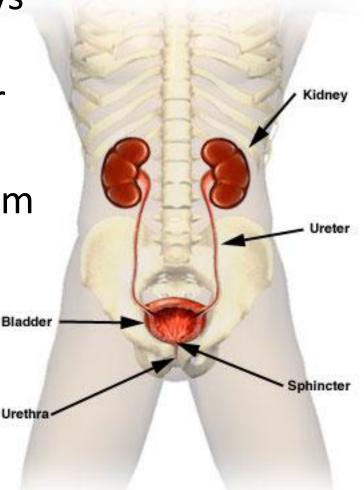
Bladder

 Urine travels from the kidneys through tubes called ureters

Urine is stored in the bladder

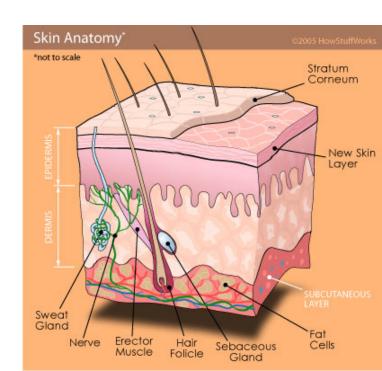
 Circular muscles called sphincters keep the urine from leaking out of the bladder

 Urine exits out of the body through a tube called the urethrae



Sweat glands

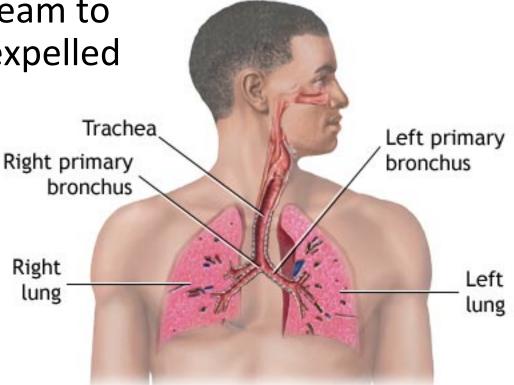
- keep our bodies cool
- get rid of wastes, including salts that our body doesn't need.
- there are over 2 million of them in each person!



Lungs

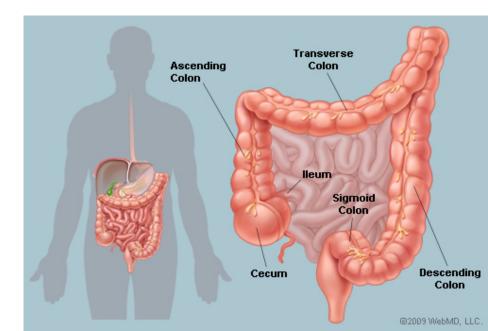
 Cells produce carbon dioxide as waste.

 Carbon dioxide travels through the blood stream to the lungs where it is expelled out of the body



Solid Waste

- Moisture is reabsorbed by the body in the colon or large intestine.
- Material that the body could not use is expelled through the anus.



Kidney Failure

- May be caused by injury, infection, or improper blood supply to the kidneys.
- Kidneys fail to filter wastes properly.
- Can be treated through dialysis
 - —filtering blood with a machine.
- Can also be treated with a kidney transplant