

Need another word that means the same as “ailing”? Find 25 synonyms and 30 related words for “ailing” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Ailing” are: indisposed, peaked, poorly, seedy, sickly, under the weather, unwell, ill, not well, sick, weak, in bad health, in poor health, infirm, debilitated, delicate, off colour, failing, in poor condition, poor, inadequate, deficient, imperfect, substandard, flawed

Ailing as an Adjective

Definitions of "Ailing" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “ailing” as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *In poor health.*
- *Somewhat ill or prone to illness.*



Synonyms of "Ailing" as an adjective (25 Words)

debilitated	Lacking energy or vitality. <i>I became very debilitated with tremendous joint pain.</i>
deficient	Having mental disabilities. <i>This diet is deficient in vitamin B.</i>
delicate	Susceptible to illness or adverse conditions. <i>A delicate lace shawl.</i>
failing	Below acceptable in performance. <i>Received failing grades.</i>
flawed	(of a person) having a weakness in character. <i>A flawed diamond.</i>
ill	Suffering from an illness or disease or feeling unwell. <i>A terminally ill patient.</i>

<u>imperfect</u>	(of a gift, title, etc.) transferred without all the necessary conditions or requirements being met. <i>Had only an imperfect understanding of his responsibilities.</i>
in bad health	Currently fashionable.
in poor condition	Holding office.
in poor health	Holding office.
<u>inadequate</u>	Of insufficient quantity to meet a need. <i>An inadequate income.</i>
indisposed	Slightly unwell. <i>The potential audience seemed indisposed to attend.</i>
infirm	Lacking firmness of will or character or purpose. <i>Those who were old or infirm.</i>
not well	Wise or advantageous and hence advisable.
off colour	In an unpalatable state.
<u>peaked</u>	Having or rising to a peak. <i>You look a little peaked.</i>
poor	Having little money or few possessions. <i>They were too poor to afford a telephone.</i>
<u>poorly</u>	Somewhat ill or prone to illness. <i>She looked poorly.</i>
seedy	Shabby and squalid. <i>He was soiled and seedy and fragrant with gin.</i>
sick	Feeling nausea; feeling about to vomit. <i>He had a sick fear of returning.</i>
<u>sickly</u>	Excessively sentimental or mawkish. <i>She was a thin sickly child.</i>
substandard	Below the usual or required standard. <i>Substandard housing.</i>
under the weather	Located below or beneath something else.
unwell	Somewhat ill or prone to illness. <i>Is unwell and can't come to work.</i>
<u>weak</u>	Relating to or denoting the weakest of the known kinds of force between particles which acts only at distances less than about 10 cm is very much weaker than the electromagnetic and the strong interactions and conserves neither strangeness parity nor isospin. <i>The salamander's tail may be broken off at a weak spot near the base.</i>



Usage Examples of "Ailing" as an adjective

- *I went to see my ailing mother.*
- *The ailing economy.*
- *My poor ailing grandmother.*



Associations of "Ailing" (30 Words)

- anemic** Relating to anemia or suffering from anemia.
*An **anemic** attempt to hit the baseball.*
- breakable** An article that is fragile and easily broken.
*Earthenware pottery is **breakable**.*
- brittle** A brittle sweet made from nuts and set melted sugar.
*Her manner was artificially bright and **brittle**.*
- consumptive** Affected with a wasting disease, especially pulmonary tuberculosis.
*From birth he was sickly and **consumptive**.*
- debilitated** In a very weakened and infirm state.
*I became very **debilitated** with tremendous joint pain.*
- decrepit** Worn and broken down by hard use.
*A **decrepit** bus its seats held together with friction tape.*

delirious	In a state of wild excitement or ecstasy. <i>He became delirious and couldn't recognize people.</i>
emaciated	Abnormally thin or weak, especially because of illness or a lack of food. <i>She was so emaciated she could hardly stand.</i>
emaciation	The state of being abnormally thin or weak. <i>Thin to the point of emaciation.</i>
flagging	Flagstones collectively. <i>The flagging in the garden was quite imaginative.</i>
fragile	Lacking substance or significance. <i>Fragile items such as glass and china.</i>
fragility	The quality of being easily broken or damaged. <i>A film about the fragility of relationships.</i>
frail	The weight of a frail basket full of raisins or figs between 50 and 75 pounds. <i>Frail humanity.</i>
ill	Presaging ill fortune P B Shelley. <i>Tried not to speak ill of the dead.</i>
impotent	(of a male animal) unable to copulate. <i>Felt impotent rage.</i>
indisposed	Averse; unwilling. <i>Clearly indisposed to grant their request.</i>
infirm	Lacking bodily or muscular strength or vitality. <i>Care for the infirm.</i>
pale	Turn pale as if in fear. <i>The late afternoon light coming through the el tracks fell in pale oblongs on the street.</i>
pallid	(of a person's face) pale, typically because of poor health. <i>A pallid performance.</i>
pathological	Caused by or evidencing a mentally disturbed condition. <i>Pathological bodily processes.</i>
powerless	Without ability, influence, or power. <i>Troops were powerless to stop last night's shooting.</i>
puny	Inferior in strength or significance. <i>Puny excuses.</i>
sallow	Cause to become sallow. <i>His skin was sallow and pitted.</i>
sick	People who are sick. <i>He had a sick fear of returning.</i>

undermine Hollow out as if making a cave or opening.
*This could **undermine** years of hard work.*

unwell Ill.
*Is **unwell** and can't come to work.*

vulnerable Exposed to the possibility of being attacked or harmed, either physically or emotionally.

*We were in a **vulnerable** position.*

wan A computer network that spans a wider area than does a local area network.
*She was looking **wan** and bleary eyed.*

weak Relating to or denoting the weakest of the known kinds of force between particles which acts only at distances less than about 10 cm is very much weaker than the electromagnetic and the strong interactions and conserves neither strangeness parity nor isospin.

***Weak** colors.*

weakly In a way that lacks strength or force.
*She leaned **weakly** against the wall.*

