

Need another word that means the same as “backup”? Find 32 synonyms for “backup” in this overview.

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Backup as a Noun

Definitions of "Backup" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “backup” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *(computer science) a copy of a file or directory on a separate storage device.*
- *A musical part (vocal or instrumental) that supports or provides background for other musical parts.*
- *The procedure for making backup copies of files or other items of data.*
- *The act of providing approval and support.*
- *Someone who takes the place of another (as when things get dangerous or difficult).*
- *An accumulation caused by clogging or a stoppage.*
- *Help or support.*
- *A person or thing that can be called on if necessary; a reserve.*
- *A copy of a file or other item of data made in case the original is lost or damaged.*
- *An accumulation of something caused by a blockage, as in traffic or water.*
- *A copy of a file or directory on a separate storage device.*



Synonyms of "Backup" as a noun (32 Words)

accompaniment

An event or situation that happens at the same time as or in connection with another.

*We filed out to the **accompaniment** of the organ.*

acting

The performance of a part or role in a drama.

*I d prefer him not to go into **acting** as it s such an insecure business.*

aid

A resource.

*She walked with the **aid** of a Zimmer frame.*

alternative

One of a number of things from which only one can be chosen.

*There is no other **alternative**.*

ancillary

Something which functions in a supplementary or supporting role.

*Undergraduate courses of three main subjects with related **ancillaries**.*

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| assistance | A resource. <i>His job was to give technical assistance over the phone.</i> |
| backing | Something forming a back that is added for strengthening. <i>A backing group.</i> |
| backup man | All of the living human inhabitants of the earth. |
| <u>caretaker</u> | An official who performs the duties of an office temporarily. <i>The club s caretaker manager.</i> |
| championship | The position or title of the winner of a championship contest. <i>The team s final match before the European championships.</i> |
| computer backup | A machine for performing calculations automatically. |
| deputy | A coal mine official responsible for safety. <i>His deputy has been largely running the business for the past year.</i> |
| fill-in | Someone who takes the place of another (as when things get dangerous or difficult). |
| help | The action of helping someone to do something. <i>There s no help for it.</i> |
| interim | An interim dividend profit etc. <i>In the interim I ll just keep my fingers crossed.</i> |
| locum | Someone (physician or clergyman) who substitutes temporarily for another member of the same profession. |
| musical accompaniment | A play or film whose action and dialogue is interspersed with singing and dancing. |
| <u>patronage</u> | A patronizing or condescending manner. <i>A twang of self satisfaction even patronage about him.</i> |
| pro tem | An argument in favor of a proposal. |
| provisional | A provisional stamp. |
| proxy | The authority to represent someone else, especially in voting. <i>Britons overseas may register to vote by proxy.</i> |
| relief | A representation of relief given by an arrangement of line or colour or shading. <i>Raising money for famine relief.</i> |
| reliever | A pitcher who enters the game in place of the previous pitcher. <i>A reliever of anxiety.</i> |
| replacement | Filling again by supplying what has been used up. <i>A hip replacement.</i> |

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| <u>reserve</u> | A district that is reserved for particular purpose. <i>Part of the marshes has been managed to create a splendid reserve full of birds.</i> |
| stand-in | Someone who takes the place of another (as when things get dangerous or difficult). |
| standby | Readiness for duty or immediate deployment. <i>Standbys are allowed to board when all the passengers with confirmed reservations are seated.</i> |
| stopgap | Something contrived to meet an urgent need or emergency. <i>Transplants are only a stopgap until more sophisticated alternatives can work.</i> |
| <u>substitute</u> | An athlete who plays only when a starter on the team is replaced. <i>A sheriff substitute.</i> |
| support | Supporting structure that holds up or provides a foundation. <i>A support band.</i> |
| surrogate | A substitute, especially a person deputizing for another in a specific role or office. <i>She served as a surrogate for the President on a trip to South America.</i> |
| temporary | A worker especially in an office hired on a temporary basis. <i>To gain flexibility, companies are bringing in temporaries or contracting out work.</i> |



Usage Examples of "Backup" as a noun

- *He discovered a backup in the toilet.*
- *A backup generator.*
- *I've got a security force as backup.*
- *There are long backups on all routes.*
- *A backup copy.*
- *Make a backup of any important files.*
- *A traffic backup on the main street.*
- *No police backup could be expected.*
- *Automatic online backup.*
- *He made a backup in case the original was accidentally damaged or erased.*

