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**The synonyms of “Chiefly” are: in the main, mainly, primarily, principally, predominantly, above all, mostly, for the most part, first and foremost, especially, particularly, essentially, substantially**

## Chiefly as an Adverb

### Definitions of "Chiefly" as an adverb

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

- *Mainly.*
- *For the most part; mostly.*
- *For the most part.*

### Synonyms of "Chiefly" as an adverb (13 Words)

<b>above all</b>	At an earlier place.
<b>especially</b>	To a distinctly greater extent or degree than is common. <i>An <b>especially</b> or specially cautious approach to the danger.</i>
<a href="#"><b>essentially</b></a>	In essence; at bottom or by one’s (or its) very nature. <i>The argument was <b>essentially</b> a technical one.</i>
<b>first and foremost</b>	Prominently forward.
<b>for the most part</b>	Slightly short of or not quite accomplished; all but.
<b>in the main</b>	To or toward the inside of.

mainly

More than anything else.  
*He is **mainly** concerned with fiction.*

mostly

As regards the greater part or number.  
*The culprits are **mostly** but not exclusively male.*

particularly

Uniquely or characteristically.  
*A **particularly** gruesome attack.*

**predominantly**

Much greater in number or influence.  
***Predominantly** Russian areas.*

primarily

For the most part; mainly.  
*This is **primarily** a question of economics.*

**principally**

For the most part.  
*He was **principally** a landscape painter.*

**substantially**

For the most part; essentially.  
*Profits grew **substantially**.*

## Usage Examples of "Chiefly" as an adverb

- *An audience consisting chiefly of women between the ages of 18 and 54.*
- *He is remembered chiefly for his organ sonatas.*

## Associations of "Chiefly" (30 Words)

**accepted**

Generally approved or compelling recognition.  
*Several **accepted** techniques for treating the condition.*

**always**

At any time or in any event.  
*She will **always** be missed.*

**basically**

Used to indicate that a statement summarizes the most important aspects, or gives a roughly accurate account, of a more complex situation.  
*I **basically** played the same thing every night.*

broadly

In general and without considering minor details.  
***Broadly** speaking the risks are as follows.*

**commonly**

Very often; frequently.  
*Shift workers **commonly** complain of not getting enough sleep.*

consist

Be consistent in form tenor or character be congruous.  
*The crew **consists** of five men.*

<b><u>essentially</u></b>	Used to emphasize the basic, fundamental, or intrinsic nature of a person or thing. <i>The argument was <b>essentially</b> a technical one.</i>
<b>exceptionally</b>	To a greater degree than normal; unusually. <i>The weather was <b>exceptionally</b> mild for the time of the year.</i>
<b><u>generally</u></b>	Usually; as a rule. <i>A decade when France was moving <b>generally</b> to the left.</i>
<b>habitually</b>	By way of habit; customarily. <i>He <b>habitually</b> carried a pocket knife.</i>
<b>irresistibly</b>	In a way that is too powerful or convincing to be resisted. <i>I am <b>irresistibly</b> reminded of the advice of a friend of mine.</i>
<b><u>largely</u></b>	In large part; mainly or chiefly. <i>He was soon arrested <b>largely</b> through the efforts of Tom Poole.</i>
<b><u>mainly</u></b>	For the most part. <i>He is <b>mainly</b> interested in butterflies.</i>
<b><u>mostly</u></b>	In large part; mainly or chiefly. <i>The culprits are <b>mostly</b> but not exclusively male.</i>
<b>norm</b>	Adjust something to conform to a norm. <i>Strikes were the <b>norm</b>.</i>
<b><u>normally</u></b>	Under normal or usual conditions; as a rule. <i>Try to breathe <b>normally</b>.</i>
<b>ordinarily</b>	Under normal conditions. <i>A person who is <b>ordinarily</b> resident in the United Kingdom.</i>
<b><u>originally</u></b>	In an original manner. <i>Potatoes <b>originally</b> came from South America.</i>
<b><u>overwhelmingly</u></b>	To a very great degree or with a great majority. <i>The country voted <b>overwhelmingly</b> for independence.</i>
<b>pantechnicon</b>	A large moving van (especially one used for moving furniture).
<b>predominantly</b>	Much greater in number or influence. <i>The patients are <b>predominantly</b> indigenous.</i>
<b><u>primarily</u></b>	For the most part; mainly. <i>Around 80 per cent of personal computers are used <b>primarily</b> for word processing.</i>
<b>principal</b>	An actor who plays a principal role. <i>He had been an outstanding <b>principal</b> in the orchestra.</i>
<b>principally</b>	For the most part; chiefly. <i>He was <b>principally</b> a landscape painter.</i>

<b><u>public</u></b>	A body of people sharing some common interest. <i><b>Public</b> spending.</i>
<b><u>routinely</u></b>	As part of a regular procedure rather than for a special reason. <i>Large scale producers <b>routinely</b> vaccinate their birds against the disease.</i>
<b><u>typically</u></b>	With the distinctive qualities of a particular type of person or thing. <i>The quality of work is <b>typically</b> very high.</i>
<b><u>universally</u></b>	By everyone; in every case. <i>Progress is not always <b>universally</b> welcomed.</i>
<b><u>usually</u></b>	Under normal conditions. <i>Heat resistant paints are <b>usually</b> black or aluminium coloured.</i>
<b><u>wont</u></b>	One's customary behaviour. <i>Constance as was her <b>wont</b> had paid her little attention.</i>