Need another word that means the same as “contingent”? Find 34 synonyms and 30 related words for “contingent” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Contingent” are: contingent on, contingent upon, dependant on, dependant upon, dependent on, dependent upon, chance, accidental, fortuitous, possible, unforeseen, unforeseeable, unexpected, unpredicted, unpredictable, unanticipated, unlooked-for, dependent, conditional, detail, group, party, body, band, set, unit, squad, troop, outfit, task force, crew, patrol, section, formation

Contingent as a Noun

Definitions of "Contingent" as a noun

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, “contingent” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A gathering of persons representative of some larger group.*
- *A temporary military unit.*
- *A group of people sharing a common feature, forming part of a larger group.*
- *A body of troops or police sent to join a larger force.*

Synonyms of "Contingent" as a noun (15 Words)

band	A plain ring for the finger, especially a gold wedding ring. *Your home was placed in one of eight valuation **band**s.*

body	The body excluding the head and neck and limbs. *Put your name address and daytime phone number in the email s **body**.*
crew	A group of people who work on and operate a ship, aircraft, etc. *A graffiti **crew** called the Syndicate.*
detail	A less significant item or fact. *The governor s security **detail**.*
formation	An arrangement of people or things acting as a unit. *A defensive **formation**.*
group	Two or more atoms bound together as a single unit and forming part of a molecule. *A **group** of boys approached.*
outfit	A set of clothes worn together, especially for a particular occasion or purpose. *Her wedding **outfit**.*
party	A group of people gathered together for pleasure. *An old **party** has been coming in to clean.*
patrol	An expedition to keep watch over an area, especially by guards or police walking or driving around at regular intervals. *A police **patrol** stopped the man and searched him.*
section	A segment of a citrus fruit. *The New York Times business **section**.*
set	A relatively permanent inclination to react in a particular way. *His instructions deliberately gave them the wrong **set**.*
squad	A small squad of policemen trained to deal with a particular kind of crime. *The 39 year old actress and her **squad** snapped some pics together after the show.*
task force	Any piece of work that is undertaken or attempted.
troop	A cavalry unit corresponding to an infantry company. *A **troop** of children.*
unit	The smallest measure of investment in a unit trust. *The gearbox and transmission **unit**.*

Usage Examples of "Contingent" as a noun

- *The peacekeeping force includes one British contingent.*
- *A contingent of Japanese businessmen attending a conference.*
- *Six warships were stationed off the coast with a contingent of 2,000 marines.*
- *Each nation sent a contingent of athletes to the Olympics.*

Contingent as an Adjective

Definitions of "Contingent" as an adjective

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, “contingent” as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Occurring or existing only if (certain circumstances) are the case; dependent on.*
- *Uncertain because of uncontrollable circumstances- George Eliot.*
- *Possible but not certain to occur.*
- *Determined by conditions or circumstances that follow.*
- *Uncertain because of uncontrollable circumstances.*
- *Being determined by conditions or circumstances that follow.*
- *Subject to chance.*
- *True by virtue of the way things in fact are and not by logical necessity.*
- *(of losses, liabilities, etc.) that can be anticipated to arise if a particular event occurs.*

Synonyms of "Contingent" as an adjective (19 Words)

accidental	Happening by chance, unintentionally, or unexpectedly. *An **accidental** shooting.*
chance	Occurring or appearing or singled out by chance. *A **chance** meeting.*
conditional	Subject to one or more conditions or requirements being met. *Lent **conditional** support.*
contingent on	Possible but not certain to occur.
contingent upon	Determined by conditions or circumstances that follow.
dependant on	Relying on or requiring a person or thing for support, supply, or what is needed.
dependant upon	Relying on or requiring a person or thing for support, supply, or what is needed.
dependent	(of a clause, phrase, or word) subordinate to another clause, phrase, or word. *People **dependent** on drugs.*
dependent on	Relying on or requiring a person or thing for support, supply, or what is needed.
dependent upon	Being under the power or sovereignty of another or others.

fortuitous	Happening by chance rather than intention. *The ball went into the goal by a **fortuitous** ricochet.*
possible	Capable of happening or existing. ***Possible** uses of nuclear power.*
unanticipated	Not anticipated. ***Unanticipated** and disconcerting lines of development.*
unexpected	Not expected or regarded as likely to happen. *He seemed to have a knack for saying the **unexpected**.*
unforeseeable	Not able to be anticipated or predicted. ***Unforeseeable** consequences.*
unforeseen	Not anticipated- H.W.Glidden. ***Unforeseen** circumstances.*
unlooked-for	Not anticipated- H.W.Glidden.
unpredictable	Not able to be predicted; changeable. *An **unpredictable** or indeterminable future.*
unpredicted	Without warning or announcement- M.A.D.Howe. *The **unpredicted** change of weather.*

Usage Examples of "Contingent" as an adjective

- *His fees were contingent on the success of his search.*
- *That men are living creatures is a contingent fact.*
- *The contingent nature of the job.*
- *Arms sales contingent on the approval of congress.*
- *The results of confession were not contingent, they were certain.*
- *They had to plan for contingent expenses.*

Associations of "Contingent" (30 Words)

ambassador	A representative or promoter of a specified activity. *The French **ambassador** to Portugal.*
ampersand	The sign & (standing for and, as in Smith & Co., or the Latin et, as in &c.).
caret	A mark (‸, ⁄) placed below the line to indicate a proposed insertion in a text.

delegate	A person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular an elected representative sent to a conference. *Edward was **delegate**d to meet new arrivals.*
delegation	Authorizing subordinates to make certain decisions. *A **delegation** of teachers.*
denotation	The literal or primary meaning of a word, in contrast to the feelings or ideas that the word suggests. *Beyond their immediate **denotation** the words have a connotative power.*
deputation	Authorizing subordinates to make certain decisions. *He had been a member of a **deputation** to Napoleon III.*
deputy	A parliamentary representative in certain countries. *His **deputy** has been largely running the business for the past year.*
emblem	A heraldic device or symbolic object as a distinctive badge of a nation, organization, or family. *Our child would be a dazzling **emblem** of our love.*
embody	Form (people) into a body, especially for military purposes. *A national team that embodies competitive spirit and skill.*
envoy	A messenger or representative, especially one on a diplomatic mission. *The UN special **envoy** to Yugoslavia.*
exemplary	Characteristic of its kind or illustrating a general rule. ***Exemplary** sentencing may discourage the violent minority.*
leader	The person or team that is winning a sporting competition at a particular time. *Nora was up among the **leader**s.*
logo	A symbol or other small design adopted by an organization to identify its products, uniform, vehicles, etc. *The Olympic **logo** was emblazoned across the tracksuits.*
mascot	A person or thing that is supposed to bring good luck, especially one linked to a particular organization or event. *The team s dolphin **mascot**.*
plenipotentiary	A person, especially a diplomat, invested with the full power of independent action on behalf of their government, typically in a foreign country. *A minister **plenipotentiary**.*
proxy	A figure that can be used to represent the value of something in a calculation. *The use of a US wealth measure as a **proxy** for the true worldwide measure.*

represent	Be a delegate or spokesperson for represent somebody s interest or be a proxy or substitute for as of politicians and office holders representing their constituents or of a tenant representing other tenants in a housing dispute. *This figure **represent**s eleven per cent of the company s total sales.*
representative	Of a government or political system based on elected or chosen representatives. *A **representative** modern play.*
sign	Communicate in sign language. *She **sign**ed her name in the book.*
signify	(among black Americans) exchange boasts or insults as a game or ritual. *What does his strange behavior **signify**.*
spokesman	A male spokesperson. *A **spokesman** for Greenpeace.*
spokesperson	A spokesman or spokeswoman (used as a neutral alternative. *The meeting was attended by **spokesperson**s for all the major organs of government.*
substitution	The action of replacing someone or something with another person or thing. *He sent Smith in for Jones but the **substitution** came too late to help.*
symbol	Symbolize. *The chemical **symbol** for helium is He.*
symbolic	Using symbolism. ***Symbolic** thinking.*
symbolize	Be a symbol of. *What does the Statue of Liberty **symbolize**.*
troop	Move or march as if in a crowd. *Caroline **troop**ed wearily home from work.*
typify	Be characteristic or a representative example of. *The sun typified the Greeks, and the moon the Persians.*
zodiac	A representation of the signs of the zodiac or of a similar astrological system.