

Need another word that means the same as “counterbalance”? Find 42 synonyms and 30 related words for “counterbalance” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Counterbalance” are: balance, counterpoise, counterweight, equaliser, equalizer, equilibrium, equipoise, offset, stabilizer, compensation, recompense, ballast, makeweight, oppose, compensate, correct, even off, even out, even up, make up, counteract, countervail, neutralize, cancel out, make up for, pay back, pay, pay for, be enough for, fund, finance, have enough money for, provide for, compensate for, balance out, equalize, nullify, negate, undo**

## Counterbalance as a Noun

### Definitions of "Counterbalance" as a noun

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

- *A compensating equivalent.*
- *Equality of distribution.*
- *A weight that balances another weight.*
- *A factor having the opposite effect to that of another and so preventing it from exercising a disproportionate influence.*

## Synonyms of "Counterbalance" as a noun (13 Words)

<b>balance</b>	A weight that balances another weight. <i>The <b>balance</b> of opinion was that work was more important than leisure.</i>
<b>ballast</b>	Coarse gravel laid to form a bed for streets and railroads. <i>A forty kilo sandbag was used as <b>ballast</b>.</i>
<b>compensation</b>	The action or process of awarding compensation. <i>Getting older has some <b>compensations</b>.</i>
<b>counterpoise</b>	A weight that balances another weight. <i>The organization sees the power of Brussels as a <b>counterpoise</b> to that of London.</i>
<b>counterweight</b>	A weight that balances another weight. <i>The scales have a series of <b>counterweights</b> that slide along a calibrated beam.</i>
<b>equaliser</b>	Electronic equipment that reduces frequency distortion.
<b>equalizer</b>	A weapon, especially a gun. <i>Education is the great <b>equalizer</b>.</i>
<b>equilibrium</b>	A state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced. <i>The market is in <b>equilibrium</b>.</i>
<b>equipoise</b>	Equality of distribution. <i>This temporary <b>equipoise</b> of power.</i>
<b>makeweight</b>	Anything added to fill out a whole. <i>He has waited a long time to establish himself after two years as squad <b>makeweight</b>.</i>
<b>offset</b>	A bend in a pipe to carry it past an obstacle. <i><b>Offset</b> adjustment circuits.</i>
<b>recompense</b>	Payment or reward (as for service rendered). <i>Substantial damages were paid in <b>recompense</b>.</i>
<b>stabilizer</b>	A device for making something stable. <i>The role of taxes and public spending as automatic <b>stabilizers</b> in modern economies.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Counterbalance" as a noun

- *The trolley used a counterbalance and leverage action to reduce the effort of lifting loads.*
- *His restoration to power was intended as a counterbalance to his rival's influence.*

# Counterbalance as a Verb

## Definitions of "Counterbalance" as a verb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "counterbalance" as a verb can have the following definitions:

- *Contrast with equal weight or force.*
- *(of a weight) balance (another weight).*
- *Neutralize or cancel by exerting an opposite influence.*
- *Adjust for.*
- *Oppose and mitigate the effects of by contrary actions.*

## Synonyms of "Counterbalance" as a verb (29 Words)

<b>balance</b>	Bring into balance or equilibrium. <i>The cost of obtaining such information needs to be <b>balanced</b> against its benefits.</i>
<b>balance out</b>	Bring into balance or equilibrium.
<b>be enough for</b>	Work in a specific place, with a specific subject, or in a specific function.
<b>cancel out</b>	Declare null and void; make ineffective.
<b><a href="#">compensate</a></b>	Make payment to compensate. <i>They put on grandiose airs to <b>compensate</b> for their feelings of worthlessness.</i>
<b>compensate for</b>	Do or give something to somebody in return.
<b>correct</b>	Make right or correct. <i>He <b>corrected</b> Dixon s writing for publication.</i>
<b>counteract</b>	Oppose or check by a counteraction. <i>This will <b>counteract</b> the foolish actions of my colleagues.</i>
<b>counterpoise</b>	Bring into contrast. <i>They make a delightful couple his gentle intellectuality <b>counterpoised</b> by her firm practicality.</i>
<b>countervail</b>	Oppose and mitigate the effects of by contrary actions. <i>Stereotypes are <b>countervailed</b> by more realistic assessments.</i>
<b><a href="#">equalize</a></b>	Make the same in quantity, size, or degree throughout a place or group. <i>Let s <b>equalize</b> the duties among all employees in this office.</i>

<b>even off</b>	Make even or more even.
<b>even out</b>	Make level or straight.
<b>even up</b>	Make even or more even.
<b>finance</b>	Obtain or provide money for. <i>The health service is <b>financed</b> almost entirely by the taxpayer.</i>
<b>fund</b>	Place or store up in a fund for accumulation. <i>The government <b>funds</b> basic research in many areas.</i>
<b>have enough money for</b>	Suffer from; be ill with.
<b>make up</b>	Form by assembling individuals or constituents.
<b>make up for</b>	Charge with a function; charge to be.
<b>negate</b>	Prove negative; show to be false. <i>Alcohol <b>negates</b> the effects of the drug.</i>
<b>neutralize</b>	Get rid of (someone who may be a threat) by killing. <i>Splashes on skin should be <b>neutralized</b> immediately.</i>
<b>nullify</b>	Make of no use or value; cancel out. <i>Judges were unwilling to <b>nullify</b> government decisions.</i>
<b>offset</b>	Create an offset in. <i>Several places where the ridge was <b>offset</b> at right angles to its length.</i>
<b>oppose</b>	Set into opposition or rivalry. <i>The board <b>opposed</b> his motion.</i>
<b>pay</b>	Give what is due or deserved to. <i>It <b>pays</b> to choose varieties carefully.</i>
<b>pay back</b>	Dedicate.
<b>pay for</b>	Do or give something to somebody in return.
<b>provide for</b>	Mount or put up.
<b>undo</b>	Deprive of certain characteristics. <i>You can frequently <b>undo</b> the error if you notice it in time.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Counterbalance" as a verb

- *The extra cost of mail order may be counterbalanced by its convenience.*
- *The sitter's weight counterbalances the tilting pressure on the backrest.*

## Associations of "Counterbalance" (30 Words)

<b>atone</b>	Make amends or reparation. <i>A human sacrifice to <b>atone</b> for the sin.</i>
<b>balance</b>	A weight that balances another weight. <i>In all perfectly beautiful objects there is found the opposition of one part to another and a reciprocal <b>balance</b>.</i>
<b>cancel</b>	A notation cancelling a previous sharp or flat. <i><b>Cancel</b> cheques or tickets.</i>
<b>compensate</b>	Make payment to compensate. <i>She was <b>compensated</b> for the loss of her arm in the accident.</i>
<b>delete</b>	Wipe out digitally or magnetically recorded information. <i>The passage was <b>deleted</b>.</i>
<b>disinterest</b>	The state of not being influenced by personal involvement in something; impartiality. <i>I do not claim any scholarly <b>disinterest</b> with this book.</i>
<b>dispassion</b>	Lack of strong emotion or personal feelings. <i>Try to look upon the war with <b>dispassion</b> and detachment.</i>
<b>dispassionate</b>	Unaffected by strong emotion or prejudice. <i>A journalist should be a <b>dispassionate</b> reporter of fact.</i>
<b>equilibrium</b>	A stable situation in which forces cancel one another. <i>Ice is in <b>equilibrium</b> with water.</i>
<b>equipoise</b>	Equality of distribution. <i>Capital flows act as an <b>equipoise</b> to international imbalances in savings.</i>
<b>equity</b>	The quality of being fair and impartial. <i><b>Equity</b> of treatment.</i>
<b>even</b>	Make or become even. <i>He knows <b>even</b> less about it than I do.</i>
<b>fair</b>	Without favoring one party in a fair evenhanded manner. <i>He believes he has a <b>fair</b> chance of success.</i>
<b>impartial</b>	Free from undue bias or preconceived opinions. <i>The <b>impartial</b> eye of a scientist.</i>
<b>impartiality</b>	Equal treatment of all rivals or disputants; fairness. <i>Entries had to be submitted under a pseudonym to ensure <b>impartiality</b> in the judging process.</i>

<b><u>justice</u></b>	A public official authorized to decide questions brought before a court of justice. <i>A tragic miscarriage of <b>justice</b>.</i>
<b>lithograph</b>	A print produced by lithography. <i>He <b>lithographed</b> the diploma leaving only two blanks one for the name of the recipient and the other for the date.</i>
<b>negate</b>	Be in contradiction with. <i>This action will <b>negate</b> the effect of my efforts.</i>
<b><u>neutral</u></b>	An electrically neutral point terminal conductor or wire. <i><b>Neutral</b> soil conditions.</i>
<b>neutrality</b>	PH value of 7. <i>The structure has overall electrical <b>neutrality</b>.</i>
<b><u>neutralize</u></b>	(in military or espionage contexts) used euphemistically to refer to killing or destruction. <i>Impatience at his frailty began to <b>neutralize</b> her fear.</i>
<b><u>nullify</u></b>	Declare invalid. <i>Insulin can block the release of the hormone and thereby <b>nullify</b> the effects of training.</i>
<b><u>objectivity</u></b>	Judgment based on observable phenomena and uninfluenced by emotions or personal prejudices. <i>The piece lacked any <b>objectivity</b>.</i>
<b><u>offset</u></b>	Produce by offset printing. <i><b>Offset</b> adjustment circuits.</i>
<b><u>override</u></b>	Travel or move over. <i>The House vote in favour of the bill was 10 votes short of the requisite majority for an <b>override</b>.</i>
<b>rationalism</b>	The practice of treating reason as the ultimate authority in religion. <i>Scientific <b>rationalism</b>.</i>
<b>rescind</b>	Cancel officially. <i>The government eventually <b>rescinded</b> the directive.</i>
<b>same</b>	Same in identity. <i>The very <b>same</b> people who practised all the rules are now the most sceptical.</i>
<b><u>symmetry</u></b>	A law or operation where a physical property or process has an equivalence in two or more directions. <i>The political <b>symmetry</b> between the two debates.</i>
<b>withdrawal</b>	The action of ceasing to participate in an activity. <i>The <b>withdrawal</b> of French troops from Vietnam.</i>