

Need another word that means the same as “distrust”? Find 18 synonyms and 30 related words for “distrust” in this overview.

Table Of Contents:

- [Distrust as a Noun](#)
- [Definitions of "Distrust" as a noun](#)
- [Synonyms of "Distrust" as a noun \(9 Words\)](#)
- [Usage Examples of "Distrust" as a noun](#)
- [Distrust as a Verb](#)
- [Definitions of "Distrust" as a verb](#)
- [Synonyms of "Distrust" as a verb \(9 Words\)](#)
- [Usage Examples of "Distrust" as a verb](#)
- [Associations of "Distrust" \(30 Words\)](#)

**The synonyms of “Distrust” are: distrustfulness, mistrust, misgiving, suspicion, wariness, chariness, lack of trust, lack of confidence, lack of faith, suspect, be suspicious of, be chary of, be wary of, regard with suspicion, look askance at, have no confidence in, have no faith in**

## **Distrust as a Noun**

### **Definitions of "Distrust" as a noun**

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

- *The feeling that someone or something cannot be relied upon.*
- *The trait of not trusting others.*
- *Doubt about someone's honesty.*



## Synonyms of "Distrust" as a noun (9 Words)

<b>chariness</b>	The trait of being cautious and watchful.
<b>distrustfulness</b>	The trait of not trusting others.
<b>lack of confidence</b>	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
<b>lack of faith</b>	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
<b>lack of trust</b>	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
<b>misgiving</b>	Painful expectation. <i>We have <b>misgivings</b> about the way the campaign is being run.</i>
<b>mistrust</b>	Lack of trust; suspicion. <i>The public <b>mistrust</b> of government.</i>
<b><u>suspicion</u></b>	An impression that something might be the case. <i>Police would not say what aroused their <b>suspicious</b>.</i>
<b>wariness</b>	Caution about possible dangers or problems. <i>Her mother s <b>wariness</b> of computers.</i>



## **Usage Examples of "Distrust" as a noun**

- *The public's distrust of politicians.*



## Distrust as a Verb

### Definitions of "Distrust" as a verb

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

- *Regard as untrustworthy; regard with suspicion; have no faith or confidence in.*
- *Doubt the honesty or reliability of; regard with suspicion.*



### Synonyms of "Distrust" as a verb (9 Words)

- |                              |                                                        |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>be chary of</b>           | Represent, as of a character on stage.                 |
| <b>be suspicious of</b>      | Have life, be alive.                                   |
| <b>be wary of</b>            | Occupy a certain position or area.                     |
| <b>have no confidence in</b> | Have a personal or business relationship with someone. |

**have no faith in**  
**look askance at**

**mistrust**

**regard with suspicion**

[suspect](#)

Get something; come into possession of.

Search or seek.

Be suspicious of; have no confidence in.

*She had no cause to **mistrust** him.*

Connect closely and often incriminatingly.

Hold in suspicion; believe to be guilty.

*Parents **suspected** of child abuse.*



## Usage Examples of "Distrust" as a verb

- *Speculation remained that the Army distrusted the peace process.*





## Associations of "Distrust" (30 Words)

<b><u>accusation</u></b>	A formal charge of wrongdoing brought against a person; the act of imputing blame or guilt. <i>There was <b>accusation</b> in Brian s voice.</i>
<b>allegation</b>	(law) a formal accusation against somebody (often in a court of law). <i><b>Allegations</b> that the army was operating a shoot to kill policy.</i>
<b>anger</b>	Fill someone with anger provoke anger in. <i>I was seething with <b>anger</b> and frustration.</i>
<b>antagonism</b>	An actively expressed feeling of dislike and hostility. <i>The inherent <b>antagonism</b> of capitalism and socialism.</i>
<b>censure</b>	Express severe disapproval of (someone or something), especially in a formal statement. <i>The company was heavily <b>censured</b> by inspectors from the Department of Trade.</i>
<b><u>collusion</u></b>	Collusion between ostensible opponents in a lawsuit. <i>The armed forces were working in <b>collusion</b> with drug traffickers.</i>
<b><u>disbelief</u></b>	Lack of faith. <i>I ll burn in hell for <b>disbelief</b>.</i>
<b><u>doubt</u></b>	Consider unlikely or have doubts about. <i>I <b>doubt</b> that she will accept his proposal of marriage.</i>
<b>doubtful</b>	Not known with certainty. <i>The candidate s <b>doubtful</b> past.</i>
<b>dubiety</b>	The state or quality of being doubtful; uncertainty. <i>His enemies made much of the <b>dubiety</b> of his paternity.</i>
<b><u>dubious</u></b>	Not convinced. <i>They admitted the force of my argument but remained <b>dubious</b>.</i>
<b>illegality</b>	Unlawfulness by virtue of violating some legal statute. <i>Proceedings will be required to establish the <b>illegality</b> of the act.</i>
<b>inability</b>	Lack of ability (especially mental ability) to do something. <i>His <b>inability</b> to accept new ideas.</i>
<b><u>incredulous</u></b>	(of a person or their manner) unwilling or unable to believe something. <i>An <b>incredulous</b> gasp.</i>
<b>incrimination</b>	An accusation that you are responsible for some lapse or misdeed. <i>His <b>incrimination</b> was based on my testimony.</i>
<b><u>leery</u></b>	Cautious or wary due to realistic suspicions. <i>A city <b>leery</b> of gang violence.</i>

<b><u>misdeed</u></b>	A wicked or illegal act. <i>His past <b>misdeeds</b> were forgiven.</i>
<b>misgiving</b>	Uneasiness about the fitness of an action. <i>We have <b>misgivings</b> about the way the campaign is being run.</i>
<b>mistrust</b>	The trait of not trusting others. <i>The public <b>mistrust</b> of government.</i>
<b><u>qualm</u></b>	An uneasy feeling of doubt, worry, or fear, especially about one's own conduct; a misgiving. <i>Military regimes generally have no <b>qualms</b> about controlling the press.</i>
<b>recrimination</b>	Mutual accusations. <i>There are no tears no <b>recriminations</b>.</i>
<b>reproach</b>	In the Roman Catholic Church a set of antiphons and responses for Good Friday representing the reproaches of Christ to his people. <i>His wife <b>reproached</b> him with cowardice.</i>
<b>reproof</b>	An act or expression of criticism and censure. <i>She welcomed him with a mild <b>reproof</b> for leaving her alone.</i>
<b><u>scold</u></b>	(of a bird) call loudly and persistently. <i>The fiscal <b>scolds</b> insist that reform will make everything even worse.</i>
<b>skeptic</b>	Someone who habitually doubts accepted beliefs.
<b><u>suspect</u></b>	Have an idea or impression of the existence, presence, or truth of (something) without certain proof. <i>I <b>suspect</b> he is a fugitive.</i>
<b><u>suspicion</u></b>	Doubt about someone's honesty. <i>Her activities were regarded with <b>suspicion</b> by the headmistress.</i>
<b><u>suspicious</u></b>	Having or showing a cautious distrust of someone or something. <i>They are not treating the fire as <b>suspicious</b>.</i>
<b><u>uncertainty</u></b>	The state of being uncertain. <i>The <b>uncertainty</b> of the outcome.</i>
<b>unwillingness</b>	The quality or state of being unwilling to do something; reluctance. <i>His <b>unwillingness</b> to cooperate vetoed every proposal I made.</i>

