

Need another word that means the same as “distrustful”? Find 7 synonyms and 30 related words for “distrustful” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Distrustful” are: mistrustful, suspicious, chary, apprehensive, lacking trust, lacking confidence, lacking faith**

## **Distrustful as an Adjective**

### **Definitions of "Distrustful" as an adjective**

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

- *Having or showing distrust.*
- *Feeling or showing distrust of someone or something.*



## Synonyms of "Distrustful" as an adjective (7 Words)

### apprehensive

Quick to understand- Nathaniel Hawthorne.  
*He felt **apprehensive** about going home.*

### chary

Characterized by great caution and wariness.  
*A **chary** investor.*

**lacking confidence** Inadequate in amount or degree.

**lacking faith** Inadequate in amount or degree.

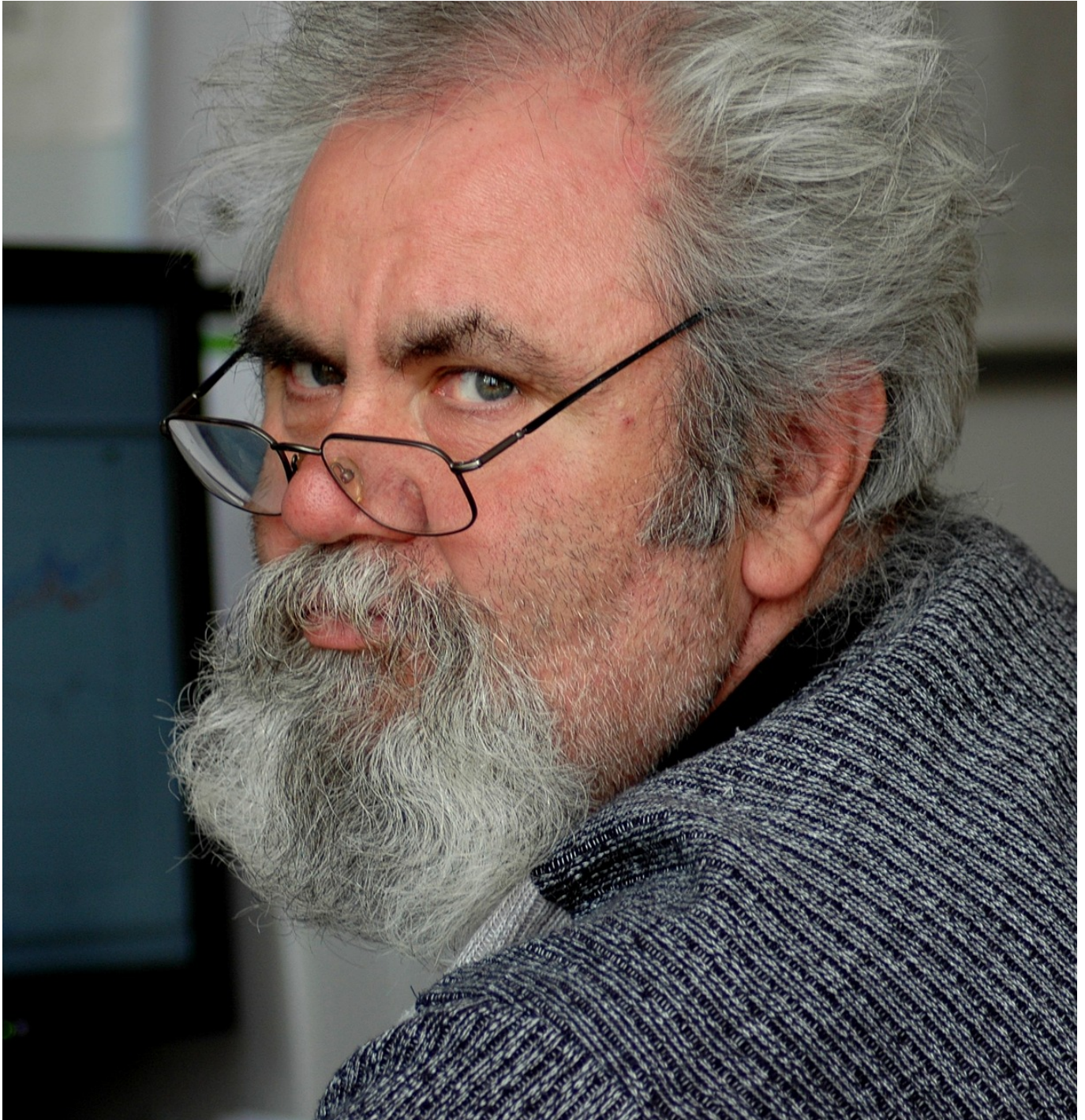
**lacking trust** Nonexistent.

### **mistrustful**

Openly distrustful and unwilling to confide.  
*He wondered if he had been unduly **mistrustful** of her.*

### suspicious

Not as expected.  
*They are not treating the fire as **suspicious**.*



## Usage Examples of "Distrustful" as an adjective

- *I have grown up to be distrustful of men.*
- *Vigilant and distrustful superintendence.*

- *A man of distrustful nature.*
- *My experience...in other fields of law has made me distrustful of rules of thumb generally.*



## Associations of "Distrustful" (30 Words)

- accusation** The action or process of accusing someone.  
*There was **accusation** in Brian s voice.*
- allegation** A claim or assertion that someone has done something illegal or wrong, typically one made without proof.  
*An **allegation** of malpractice.*
- anger** Fill someone with anger provoke anger in.  
*She was **angered** by his terse answer.*
- antagonism** Active hostility or opposition.  
*The **antagonism** between them.*

<b>censure</b>	The formal expression of severe disapproval. <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>	Doubt about the truth of something. <i>I ll burn in hell for <b>disbelief</b>.</i>
<b><u>doubt</u></b>	Lack confidence in or have doubts about. <i>They had <b>doubts</b> that they would ever win.</i>
<b>doubtful</b>	Not known with certainty. <i>The fire was of <b>doubtful</b> origin.</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 to be relied upon; suspect. <i>He holds the <b>dubious</b> distinction of being relegated with every club he has played for.</i>
<b>illegality</b>	The state of being contrary to or forbidden by law, especially criminal law. <i>Proceedings will be required to establish the <b>illegality</b> of the act.</i>
<b>inability</b>	Lacking the power to perform. <i>His <b>inability</b> to accept new ideas.</i>
<b><u>incredulous</u></b>	Not disposed or willing to believe; unbelieving. <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>	Openly distrustful and unwilling to confide. <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>	Doubt about someone's honesty. <i>We have <b>misgivings</b> about the way the campaign is being run.</i>
<b>mistrust</b>	Doubt about someone's honesty. <i>She had no cause to <b>mistrust</b> him.</i>
<b><u>qualm</u></b>	A momentary faint or sick feeling. <i>Military regimes generally have no <b>qualms</b> about controlling the press.</i>
<b>recrimination</b>	An accusation in response to one from someone else. <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 elegance is a living <b>reproach</b> to our slovenly habits.</i>
<b>reproof</b>	Censure severely or angrily. <i>A look of <b>reproof</b>.</i>
<b><u>scold</u></b>	Someone (especially a woman) who annoys people by constantly finding fault. <i>Mum took Anna away <b>scolding</b> her for her bad behaviour.</i>
<b>skeptic</b>	Someone who habitually doubts accepted beliefs.
<b><u>suspect</u></b>	Imagine to be the case or true or probable. <i>A broker whose honesty he had no reason to <b>suspect</b>.</i>
<b><u>suspicion</u></b>	A feeling or thought that something is possible, likely, or true. <i>He tried to shield me from <b>suspicion</b>.</i>
<b><u>suspicious</u></b>	Not as expected. <i>They are not treating the fire as <b>suspicious</b>.</i>
<b><u>uncertainty</u></b>	Being unsettled or in doubt or dependent on chance. <i>The <b>uncertainty</b> of the outcome.</i>
<b>unwillingness</b>	The quality or state of being unwilling to do something; reluctance. <i>He deplored the Government's <b>unwillingness</b> to provide adequate funds.</i>

