

Need another word that means the same as “edgy”? Find 15 synonyms for “edgy” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Edgy” are: high-strung, jittery, jumpy, nervy, overstrung, restive, uptight, tense, nervous, anxious, apprehensive, uneasy, ill at ease, unsettled, unstable**

## Edgy as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Edgy" as an adjective

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

- *Being in a tense state.*
- *At the forefront of a trend; experimental or avant-garde.*
- *Tense, nervous, or irritable.*
- *(of a musical performance or piece of writing) having an intense or sharp quality.*



## Synonyms of "Edgy" as an adjective (15 Words)

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| <b>anxious</b>      | Eagerly desirous.<br><i><b>Anxious</b> to see the new show at the museum.</i>                   |
| <b>apprehensive</b> | Mentally upset over possible misfortune or danger etc.<br><i><b>Apprehensive</b> of danger.</i> |
| <b>high-strung</b>  | Being in a tense state.   |
| <b>ill at ease</b>  | Indicating hostility or enmity.   |
| <b>jittery</b>      | Characterized by jerky movements.<br><i>Caffeine makes me <b>jittery</b>.</i>                   |
| <b>jumpy</b>        | (of a person) anxious and uneasy.<br><i>He was tired and <b>jumpy</b>.</i>                      |
| <b>nervous</b>      | Of or relating to the nervous system.<br><i><b>Nervous</b> energy.</i>                          |

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| <b>nervy</b>           | Easily agitated or alarmed; nervous.<br><i>They made a <b>nervy</b> start.</i>  |
| <b>overstrung</b>      | Too tightly strung.<br><i>At two in the morning the <b>overstrung</b> youth finally ran out of questions.</i>               |
| <b>restive</b>         | Being in a tense state.<br><i>The crowd had been waiting for hours and many were becoming <b>restive</b>.</i>               |
| <b><u>tense</u></b>    | Pronounced with relatively tense tongue muscles e g the vowel sound in beat.<br><i>He was <b>tense</b> with excitement.</i> |
| <b><u>uneasy</u></b>   | Relating to bodily unease that causes discomfort.<br><i>She felt guilty now and a little <b>uneasy</b>.</i>                 |
| <b>unsettled</b>       | Not yet settled.<br><i>She felt edgy and <b>unsettled</b>.</i>  |
| <b><u>unstable</u></b> | Highly or violently reactive.<br><i>Sensitive and highly <b>unstable</b> compounds.</i>                                     |
| <b><u>uptight</u></b>  | Anxious or angry in a tense and overly controlled way.<br><i>He is so <b>uptight</b> about everything.</i>                  |





## Usage Examples of "Edgy" as an adjective

- *He became edgy and defensive.*
- *Tremendously edgy brass playing.*
- *Their songs combine good music and smart, edgy ideas.*