

Need another word that means the same as “gauge”? Find 54 synonyms and 30 related words for “gauge” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Gauge” are: gage, standard of measurement, bore, caliber, calibre, measuring instrument, measuring device, meter, measure, indicator, barometer, basis, standard, point of reference, guide, guideline, touchstone, yardstick, benchmark, criterion, example, model, pattern, formula, exemplar, sample, test, litmus test, size, extent, degree, scope, capacity, magnitude, diameter, approximate, estimate, guess, judge, compute, calculate, work out, assess, evaluate, appraise, analyse, weigh up, get the measure of, adjudge, rate, reckon, determine, ascertain**

## Gauge as a Noun

### Definitions of "Gauge" as a noun

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

- *Accepted or approved instance or example of a quantity or quality against which others are judged or measured or compared.*
- *A tool for checking whether something conforms to a desired dimension.*
- *A measure of the diameter of a gun barrel, or of its ammunition, expressed as the number of spherical pieces of shot of the same diameter as the barrel that can be made from 1 lb (454 g) of lead.*

- *The distance between the rails of a line of railway track.*
- *The thickness of wire.*
- *The position of a sailing ship to windward (the weather gage) or leeward (the lee gage) of another.*
- *The diameter of a wire, fibre, tube, etc.*
- *A means of estimating something.*
- *An instrument that measures and gives a visual display of the amount, level, or contents of something.*
- *A measuring instrument for measuring and indicating a quantity such as the thickness of wire or the amount of rain etc.*
- *The thickness, size, or capacity of something, especially as a standard measure.*
- *The thickness of sheet metal or plastic.*
- *The distance between the rails of a railway or between the wheels of a train.*
- *Diameter of a tube or gun barrel.*



## Synonyms of "Gauge" as a noun (35 Words)

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| <b>barometer</b>                 | An instrument measuring atmospheric pressure, used especially in forecasting the weather and determining altitude.<br><i>Furniture is a <b>barometer</b> of changing tastes.</i> |
| <a href="#"><u>basis</u></a>     | The most important or necessary part of something.<br><i>Trust is the only <b>basis</b> for a good working relationship.</i>   |
| <a href="#"><u>benchmark</u></a> | A standard or point of reference against which things may be compared.<br><i>We thought we'd run some <b>benchmarks</b> on the smartphone.</i>                                   |
| <a href="#"><u>bore</u></a>      | The diameter of a bore the calibre.<br><i>He shot a guard in the leg with a twelve <b>bore</b>.</i>  |
| <b>caliber</b>                   | Diameter of a tube or gun barrel.<br><i>An executive of low <b>caliber</b>.</i>  |
| <b>calibre</b>                   | The standard reached by something.<br><i>The reduction in <b>calibre</b> of arterial vessels.</i>  |
| <b>capacity</b>                  | A specified role or position.<br><i>Limited runway <b>capacity</b>.</i>  |
| <b>criterion</b>                 | The ideal in terms of which something can be judged.<br><i>They award a green label to products that meet certain environmental criteria.</i>                                    |
| <b>degree</b>                    | The amount, level, or extent to which something happens or is present.<br><i>Set at an angle of 45 <b>degrees</b>.</i>   |
| <b>diameter</b>                  | The length of a straight line passing through the center of a circle and connecting two points on the circumference.   |
| <b>example</b>                   | An occurrence of something.<br><i>This patient provides a typical <b>example</b> of the syndrome.</i>  |
| <a href="#"><u>exemplar</u></a>  | Something to be imitated.<br><i>An <b>exemplar</b> of success.</i>   |
| <a href="#"><u>extent</u></a>    | The area covered by something.<br><i>The <b>extent</b> of global warming.</i>  |
| <a href="#"><u>formula</u></a>   | A formulation.<br><i>She put two bottles of <b>formula</b> in the fridge.</i>  |
| <b>gauge</b>                     | A pledge, especially a glove, thrown down as a symbol of a challenge to fight.   |
| <b>guide</b>                     | Someone who can find paths through unexplored territory.<br><i>His spiritual <b>guide</b>.</i>   |

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| <b>guideline</b>               | A general rule, principle, or piece of advice.<br><i>The organization has issued <b>guidelines</b> for people working with prisoners.</i>  |
| <b>indicator</b>               | A signal for attracting attention.<br><i>The <b>indicator</b> board.</i>   |
| <b>litmus test</b>             | The act of undergoing testing.   |
| <b><u>magnitude</u></b>        | A number assigned to the ratio of two quantities two quantities are of the same order of magnitude if one is less than 10 times as large as the other the number of magnitudes that the quantities differ is specified to within a power of 10.<br><i>About the <b>magnitude</b> of a small pea.</i> |
| <b>measure</b>                 | Measuring instrument having a sequence of marks at regular intervals used as a reference in making measurements.<br><i>Gifts have included silver <b>measures</b> from a whisky company.</i>   |
| <b>measuring device</b>        | Musical notation for a repeating pattern of musical beats.   |
| <b>measuring instrument</b>    | Measuring instrument having a sequence of marks at regular intervals used as a reference in making measurements.   |
| <b>meter</b>                   | (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse.  |
| <b>model</b>                   | A garment or a copy of a garment by a well-known designer.<br><i>A <b>model</b> of clarity.</i>  |
| <b>pattern</b>                 | The path that is prescribed for an airplane that is preparing to land at an airport.<br><i>They changed their dietary <b>pattern</b>.</i>  |
| <b>point of reference</b>      | A very small circular shape.   |
| <b><u>sample</u></b>           | A small part or quantity intended to show what the whole is like.<br><i>Investigations involved analysing <b>samples</b> of handwriting.</i>   |
| <b><u>scope</u></b>            | A telescope microscope or other device having a name ending in scope.<br><i>Infrared night <b>scopes</b>.</i>  |
| <b><u>size</u></b>             | A person or garment corresponding to a particular numbered size.<br><i>A wolf is about the <b>size</b> of a large dog.</i>   |
| <b>standard</b>                | A board measure = 1980 board feet.<br><i>The sterling <b>standard</b> for silver.</i>  |
| <b>standard of measurement</b> | The ideal in terms of which something can be judged.   |

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| <b>test</b>       | The act of undergoing testing.<br><i>When the <b>test</b> was stolen the professor had to make a new set of questions.</i>  |
| <b>touchstone</b> | A piece of fine-grained dark schist or jasper formerly used for testing alloys of gold by observing the colour of the mark which they made on it.<br><i>They tend to regard grammar as the <b>touchstone</b> of all language performance.</i> |
| <b>yardstick</b>  | A measuring rod a yard long, typically divided into inches.<br><i>On what kind of <b>yardstick</b> is he basing his judgment.</i>   |



## Usage Examples of "Gauge" as a noun

- A fuel gauge.
- 500-gauge polythene.
- The line was laid to a gauge of 2 ft 9 ins.
- Emigration is perhaps the best gauge of public unease.



- *The French fleet was heavily outnumbered but had the weather gage.*
- *A fine 0.018-inch gauge wire.*
- *Mark out the details of the angled surfaces with a knife and gauge.*
- *A 12-gauge shotgun.*



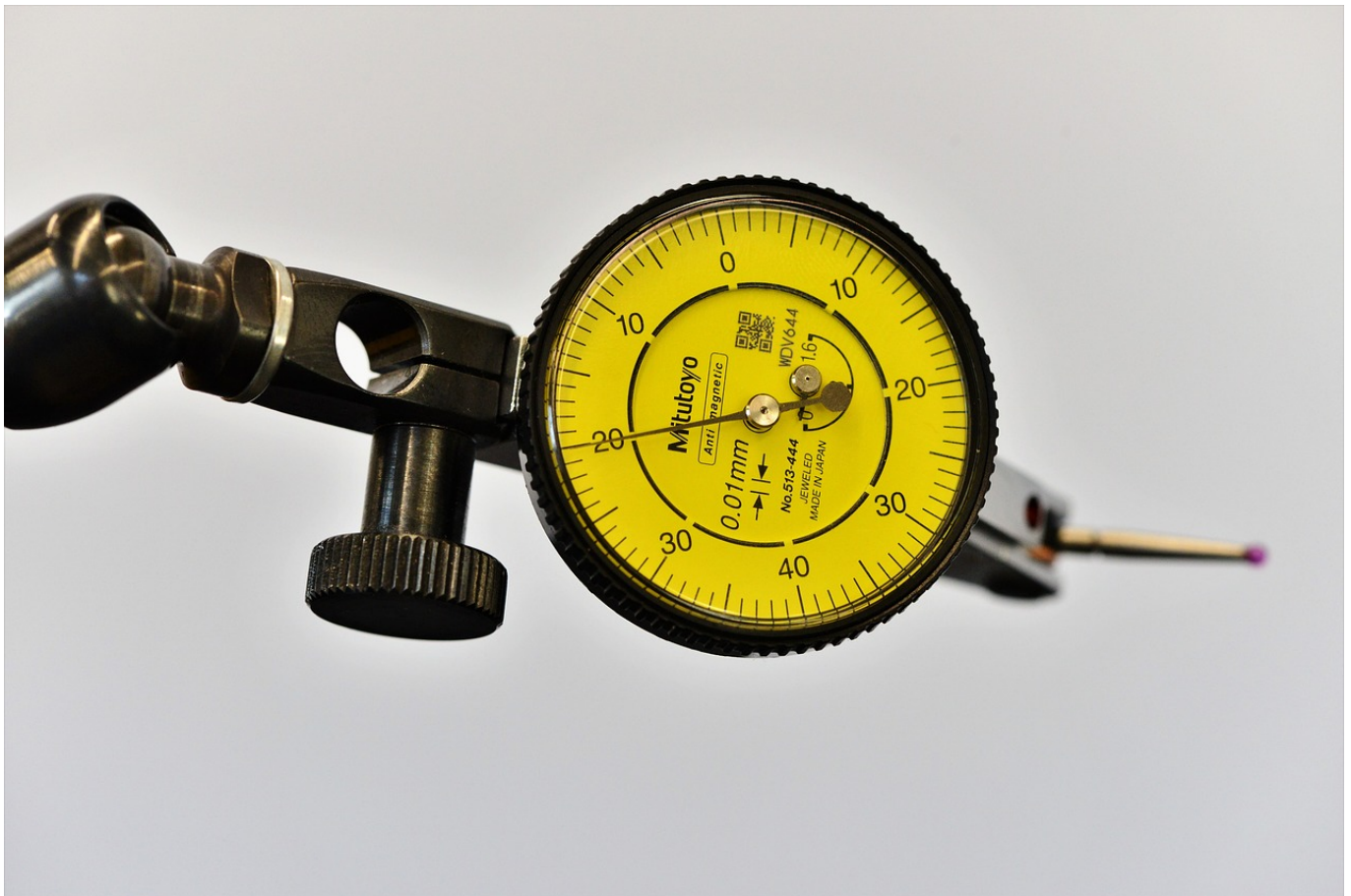
## Gauge as a Verb

### Definitions of "Gauge" as a verb

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

- *Adapt to a specified measurement.*
- *Estimate or determine the amount, level, or volume of.*
- *Determine the capacity, volume, or contents of by measurement and calculation.*
- *Mix in specific proportions.*

- *Measure the dimensions of (an object) with a gauge.*
- *Measure precisely and against a standard.*
- *Judge tentatively or form an estimate of (quantities or time).*
- *Judge or assess (a situation, attitude, or feeling).*
- *Rub to a uniform size.*



## Synonyms of "Gauge" as a verb (19 Words)

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| <b>adjudge</b>            | Declare to be.<br><i>She was <b>adjudged</b> guilty.</i>   |
| <b>analyse</b>            | Psychoanalyse someone.<br><i>He tried to <b>analyse</b> exactly what was going on.</i>                 |
| <b>appraise</b>           | Assess the value or quality of.<br><i>He <b>appraised</b> the situation carefully before acting.</i>   |
| <b><u>approximate</u></b> | Estimate or calculate (a quantity) fairly accurately.<br><i>Her results <b>approximate</b> my own.</i> |

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| <b><u>ascertain</u></b>   | Be careful or certain to do something; make certain of something.<br><i>An attempt to <b>ascertain</b> the cause of the accident.</i>                                |
| <b><u>assess</u></b>      | Estimate the value of (property) for taxation.<br><i>The damage was <b>assessed</b> at 5 billion.</i>  |
| <b><u>calculate</u></b>   | Include as an essential element in one's plans.<br><i>Local authorities have <b>calculated</b> that full training would cost around 5 000 per teacher.</i>           |
| <b>compute</b>            | Reckon or calculate (a figure or amount).<br><i>The idea just doesn't <b>compute</b>.</i>  |
| <b>determine</b>          | Find out learn or determine with certainty usually by making an inquiry or other effort.<br><i>It will be her mental attitude that <b>determines</b> her future.</i> |
| <b>estimate</b>           | Judge tentatively or form an estimate of quantities or time.<br><i>It is <b>estimated</b> that smoking causes 100 000 premature deaths every year.</i>               |
| <b>evaluate</b>           | Evaluate or estimate the nature quality ability extent or significance of.<br><i>How do you <b>evaluate</b> this grant proposal.</i>                                 |
| <b>get the measure of</b> | Perceive by hearing.   |
| <b>guess</b>              | Guess correctly solve by guessing.<br><i>She <b>guessed</b> the child's age at 14 or 15.</i>   |
| <b><u>judge</u></b>       | Put on trial or hear a case and sit as the judge at the trial of.<br><i>She was there to <b>judge</b> the contest.</i>   |
| <b>measure</b>            | Express as a number or measure or quantity.<br><i>It is hard to <b>measure</b> teaching ability.</i>   |
| <b>rate</b>               | Consider to be of a certain quality or standard.<br><i>This bond <b>rates</b> highly.</i>  |
| <b>reckon</b>             | Take account of.<br><i>I <b>reckon</b> to get away by two thirty.</i>  |
| <b>weigh up</b>           | Show consideration for; take into account.   |
| <b>work out</b>           | Be employed.   |





## Usage Examples of "Gauge" as a verb

- *When dry, the assemblies can be gauged exactly and planed to width.*
- *Gauge plaster.*
- *Gauge the wine barrels.*
- *The wire is gauged.*
- *She was unable to gauge his mood.*
- *Gauge the instruments.*
- *It is difficult to gauge how effective the ban was.*
- *Gauge bricks.*
- *Astronomers can gauge the star's intrinsic brightness.*



## Associations of "Gauge" (30 Words)

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| <b>airspeed</b>      | The speed of an aircraft relative to the air through which it is moving.   |
| <b>ammeter</b>       | An instrument for measuring electric current in amperes.   |
| <b>amount</b>        | Be tantamount or equivalent to.<br><i>What this guy was doing clearly did <b>amount</b> to persecution.</i>  |
| <b>appraise</b>      | Assess the performance of (an employee) formally.<br><i>He <b>appraised</b> the situation carefully before acting.</i>   |
| <b>approximate</b>   | Come close or be similar to something in quality, nature, or quantity.<br><i>The <b>approximate</b> time of death.</i>   |
| <b>approximation</b> | The act of bringing near or bringing together especially the cut edges of tissue.<br><i>Newspapers gave only an <b>approximation</b> of the actual events.</i> |
| <b>assess</b>        | Calculate or estimate the price or value of.<br><i>The committee must <b>assess</b> the relative importance of the issues.</i>                                 |

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| <b>calculate</b>    | Keep an account of.<br><i>I was bright enough to <b>calculate</b> that she had been on vacation.</i>   |
| <b>calculation</b>  | Problem solving that involves numbers or quantities.<br><i>The <b>calculation</b> of depreciation.</i>   |
| <b>calibrate</b>    | Make fine adjustments or divide into marked intervals for optimal measuring.<br><i><b>Calibrate</b> an instrument.</i>   |
| <b>calorimeter</b>  | A measuring instrument that determines quantities of heat.   |
| <b>estimate</b>     | Judge tentatively or form an estimate of quantities or time.<br><i>Many factors are involved in any <b>estimate</b> of human life.</i>   |
| <b>fathomable</b>   | Capable of being penetrated or comprehended.   |
| <b>gage</b>         | A measuring instrument for measuring and indicating a quantity such as the thickness of wire or the amount of rain etc.<br><i>A guide sent to them by the headman of this place <b>gaged</b> his life as a forfeit if he failed.</i> |
| <b>measurable</b>   | Large enough to be measured; noticeable.<br><i>Objectives should be <b>measurable</b> and achievable.</i>  |
| <b>measure</b>      | Measuring instrument having a sequence of marks at regular intervals used as a reference in making measurements.<br><i>We must <b>measure</b> twenty miles today.</i>  |
| <b>measurement</b>  | The action of measuring something.<br><i>His inside leg <b>measurement</b>.</i>  |
| <b>meter</b>        | Stamp with a meter indicating the postage.<br><i><b>Meter</b> the flow of water.</i>   |
| <b>metric</b>       | Relating to or denoting a metric.<br><i>The external structure of space time is described by the Schwarzschild <b>metric</b>.</i>  |
| <b>quantifiable</b> | Able to be expressed or measured as a quantity.<br><i><b>Quantifiable</b> data.</i>  |
| <b>quantify</b>     | Express or measure the quantity of.<br><i>It is impossible to <b>quantify</b> the extent of the black economy.</i>   |
| <b>speedometer</b>  | A meter fixed to a vehicle that measures and displays its speed.   |
| <b>sum</b>          | Find the sum of two or more amounts.<br><i>If we <b>sum</b> these equations we obtain X.</i>   |
| <b>surveying</b>    | The practice of measuring angles and distances on the ground so that they can be accurately plotted on a map.<br><i>He studied <b>surveying</b> at college.</i>  |



- tachometer** Measuring instrument for indicating speed of rotation.  
A standard or criterion by which something is judged or recognized.
- touchstone** *They tend to regard grammar as the **touchstone** of all language performance.*
- velocity** The rate at which money changes hands within an economy.  
*The tank shot backwards at an incredible **velocity**.*
- voltmeter** An instrument for measuring electric potential in volts.  
Weathervane with a vane in the form of a rooster.
- weathercock** *He sometimes has a problem with the boat **weathercocking** before she can gather way on a new tack.*
- yardstick** A measuring rod a yard long, typically divided into inches.  
*League tables are not the only **yardstick** of schools performance.*

