

Need another word that means the same as “governance”? Find 26 synonyms for “governance” in this overview.

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## **Governance as a Noun**

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

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

- *The act of governing; exercising authority.*
- *The persons (or committees or departments etc.) who make up a body for the purpose of administering something.*
- *The action or manner of governing a state, organization, etc.*
- *Rule; control.*



## Synonyms of "Governance" as a noun (26 Words)

<b>administration</b>	The act of governing; exercising authority. <i>He claims that the present <b>administration</b> is corrupt.</i>
<b>ascendancy</b>	The state that exists when one person or group has power over another. <i>The <b>ascendancy</b> of good over evil.</i>
<b>brass</b>	The section of a band or orchestra that plays brass instruments. <i>Shining <b>brasses</b> stood on the mantelpiece.</i>
<b>captaincy</b>	An officer who is licensed to command a merchant ship. <i>He still had time to enjoy his brief <b>captaincy</b> of the team.</i>
<b>command</b>	The power or authority to command. <i>Who s in <b>command</b>.</i>
<b>control</b>	A mechanism that controls the operation of a machine. <i>The volume <b>control</b>.</i>

<b>direction</b>	Something that provides direction or advice as to a decision or course of action. <i>He had a terrible sense of <b>direction</b>.</i>
<b>directorship</b>	Membership of the board of people that manages the affairs of a business. <i>I was offered the <b>directorship</b> of the Museum of Fine Arts.</i>
<b><u>dominion</u></b>	Dominance or power through legal authority. <i>Man s attempt to establish <b>dominion</b> over nature.</i>
<b>establishment</b>	The act of forming or establishing something. <i>He quickly became recognized as a member of the <b>establishment</b>.</i>
<b><u>governing</u></b>	The act of governing exercising authority. <i>Regulations for the <b>governing</b> of state prisons.</i>
<b>governing body</b>	The act of governing; exercising authority.
<b><u>government</u></b>	The study of government of states and other political units. <i>He had considerable experience of <b>government</b>.</i>
<b>government activity</b>	The organization that is the governing authority of a political unit.
<b>governorship</b>	The office or position of being governor of a town, region, or public institution. <i>His campaign for the <b>governorship</b> of California.</i>
<b>headship</b>	The position of headmaster or headmistress. <i>The promotion of the deputy head to a <b>headship</b>.</i>
<b>jurisdiction</b>	The right and power to interpret and apply the law. <i>The claim will be within the <b>jurisdiction</b> of the industrial tribunal.</i>
<b><u>mastery</u></b>	Great skillfulness and knowledge of some subject or activity. <i><b>Mastery</b> of the seas.</i>
<b>organisation</b>	The persons (or committees or departments etc.) who make up a body for the purpose of administering something.
<b>organization</b>	The activity or result of distributing or disposing persons or things properly or methodically. <i>He was brought in to supervise the <b>organization</b> of a new department.</i>
<b>power</b>	The rate of doing work measured in watts or less frequently horse power. <i>The <b>power</b> of the storm.</i>
<b>premiership</b>	The office of premier. <i>Candidates for the <b>premiership</b>.</i>

<b>rule</b>	A rule describing or prescribing a linguistic practice. <i>During the <b>rule</b> of Elizabeth.</i>
<b>sovereignty</b>	Government free from external control. <i>The <b>sovereignty</b> of Parliament.</i>
<b>superintendency</b>	The office or position of a superintendent. <i>His first <b>superintendency</b> in Washington was from 1982 to 1992.</i>



### Usage Examples of "Governance" as a noun

- *The governance of an association is responsible to its members.*
- *A more responsive system of governance will be required.*
- *What, shall King Henry be a pupil still, under the surly Gloucester's governance?*

