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The synonyms of “Mostly” are: for the most part, largely, by and large, generally, more often than not, mainly, on the whole, in the main, almost entirely, chiefly, predominantly, principally, primarily, substantially, usually, in general, as a general rule, as a rule, ordinarily, normally, commonly, customarily, typically, most of the time, almost always, most often

Mostly as an Adverb

Definitions of "Mostly" as an adverb

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

- *As regards the greater part or number.*
- *Usually; generally.*
- *In large part; mainly or chiefly.*
- *Usually; as a rule.*



Synonyms of "Mostly" as an adverb (26 Words)

almost always

Slightly short of or not quite accomplished; all but.

almost entirely

Slightly short of or not quite accomplished; all but.

as a general rule

To the same degree (often followed by `as.

as a rule

To the same degree (often followed by `as.

by and large

So as to pass a given point.

chiefly

Mainly.

*He is remembered **chiefly** for his organ sonatas.*

commonly

Very often; frequently.

*A **commonly** used industrial chemical.*

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| customarily | In a way which follows customs or usual practices; usually. <i>The leaves are customarily used for animal fodder.</i> |
| for the most part | Slightly short of or not quite accomplished; all but. |
| <u>generally</u> | In general terms; without regard to particulars or exceptions. <i>The best scheme is generally reckoned to be the Canadian one.</i> |
| in general | To or toward the inside of. |
| in the main | To or toward the inside of. |
| <u>largely</u> | In large part; mainly or chiefly. <i>He was soon arrested largely through the efforts of Tom Poole.</i> |
| <u>mainly</u> | For the most part. <i>He is mainly interested in butterflies.</i> |
| more often than not | Used to form the comparative of some adjectives and adverbs. |
| most of the time | Slightly short of or not quite accomplished; all but. |
| most often | Slightly short of or not quite accomplished; all but. |
| <u>normally</u> | Under normal or usual conditions; as a rule. <i>Normally it takes three or four years to complete the training.</i> |
| on the whole | To a complete degree or to the full or entire extent ('whole' is often used informally for 'wholly'). |
| ordinarily | Under normal conditions. <i>An effort to behave ordinarily.</i> |
| predominantly | Much greater in number or influence. <i>The patients are predominantly indigenous.</i> |
| <u>primarily</u> | Of primary import. <i>Around 80 per cent of personal computers are used primarily for word processing.</i> |
| principally | For the most part; chiefly. <i>He was principally a landscape painter.</i> |
| substantially | In a strong substantial way. <i>Painting the room white made it seem considerably or substantially larger.</i> |
| <u>typically</u> | With the distinctive qualities of a particular type of person or thing. <i>A typically English village wedding.</i> |
| usually | Under normal conditions; generally. <i>He usually arrives home about one o'clock.</i> |

Usage Examples of "Mostly" as an adverb

- *The culprits are mostly, but not exclusively, male.*
- *I made some good friends, but mostly met closed-minded people.*

Associations of "Mostly" (30 Words)

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| accepted | Generally believed or recognized to be valid or correct. <i>Several accepted techniques for treating the condition.</i> |
| always | As a last resort; failing all else. <i>She is always making derogatory remarks.</i> |
| basically | In essence; at bottom or by one's (or its) very nature. <i>He is basically dishonest.</i> |
| <u>broadly</u> | In general and without considering minor details. <i>The climate is broadly similar in the two regions.</i> |
| <u>chiefly</u> | For the most part; mostly. <i>An audience consisting chiefly of women between the ages of 18 and 54.</i> |
| commonly | Under normal conditions. <i>Shift workers commonly complain of not getting enough sleep.</i> |
| <u>consist</u> | Be consistent with. <i>The crew consists of five men.</i> |
| <u>essentially</u> | Used to emphasize the basic, fundamental, or intrinsic nature of a person or thing. <i>Essentially they are amateurs.</i> |
| exceptionally | To a greater degree than normal; unusually. <i>The court allows half an hour in most cases one hour exceptionally for a very important case.</i> |
| <u>generally</u> | In general terms; without regard to particulars or exceptions. <i>The term of a lease is generally 99 years.</i> |
| habitually | By way of habit; customarily. <i>Does he lie habitually.</i> |
| irresistibly | In a way that is too attractive and tempting to be resisted. <i>I am irresistibly reminded of the advice of a friend of mine.</i> |
| <u>largely</u> | To a great extent; on the whole; mostly. <i>These accounts are largely inactive.</i> |
| <u>mainly</u> | More than anything else. <i>The west will be mainly dry.</i> |

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| norm | Adjust something to conform to a norm. <i>It set the norm for American homes.</i> |
| <u>normally</u> | At right angles to a given line or surface. <i>Try to breathe normally.</i> |
| ordinarily | Usually. <i>An effort to behave ordinarily.</i> |
| <u>originally</u> | Before now. <i>The suggestions so originally and persuasively outlined.</i> |
| <u>overwhelmingly</u> | To a very great degree or with a great majority. <i>The candy looked overwhelmingly desirable to the dieting man.</i> |
| pantehnicon | A large moving van (especially one used for moving furniture). |
| predominantly | Much greater in number or influence. <i>It is predominantly a coastal bird.</i> |
| <u>primarily</u> | For the most part. <i>Around 80 per cent of personal computers are used primarily for word processing.</i> |
| principal | An actor who plays a principal role. <i>The singing style of the principals.</i> |
| principally | For the most part; chiefly. <i>He was principally a landscape painter.</i> |
| <u>public</u> | Open to or shared by all the people of an area or country. <i>A public library.</i> |
| <u>routinely</u> | As part of a regular procedure rather than for a special reason. <i>Large scale producers routinely vaccinate their birds against the disease.</i> |
| <u>typically</u> | In most cases; usually. <i>David lit up many gatherings with his typically forthright comments.</i> |
| universally | By everyone; in every case. <i>Progress is not always universally welcomed.</i> |
| usually | Under normal conditions; generally. <i>He usually arrives home about one o clock.</i> |
| <u>wont</u> | An established custom. <i>Wont thy heart to thoughts hereof.</i> |