

Need another word that means the same as “nearly”? Find 20 synonyms and 30 related words for “nearly” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Nearly” are: closely, intimately, about, almost, most, near, nigh, virtually, well-nigh, just about, more or less, practically, all but, as good as, next to, close to, not far from, not far off, to all intents and purposes, nearing**

## Nearly as an Adverb

### Definitions of "Nearly" as an adverb

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

- *In a close manner.*
- *Very close to; almost.*
- *Closely.*
- *(of actions or states) slightly short of or not quite accomplished; all but.*
- *Slightly short of or not quite accomplished; all but.*



## Synonyms of "Nearly" as an adverb (20 Words)

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| <b>about</b>          | In or to a reversed position or direction.<br><i>Reduced by <b>about</b> 5 per cent.</i>  |
| <b>all but</b>        | To a complete degree or to the full or entire extent (‘whole’ is often used informally for ‘wholly’).<br>(of actions or states) slightly short of or not quite accomplished; all but. |
| <b><u>almost</u></b>  | <i>We re <b>almost</b> finished.</i>  |
| <b>as good as</b>     | To the same degree (often followed by ‘as’).  |
| <b>close to</b>       | Near in time or place or relationship.  |
| <b><u>closely</u></b> | In a way that involves only a small margin between the winner and loser.<br><i>Both children are clearly very <b>closely</b> attached to their parents.</i>                           |
| <b>intimately</b>     | With great or especially intimate knowledge.<br><i>The two phenomena are <b>intimately</b> connected.</i>   |
| <b>just about</b>     | Indicating exactness or preciseness.  |
| <b>more or less</b>   | Comparative of much; to a greater degree or extent.   |
| <b><u>most</u></b>    | Almost.<br><i>The king cobra is the <b>most</b> dangerous snake.</i>  |

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| <b>near</b>                        | At or to a short distance away nearby.<br><i>A <b>near</b> perfect fit.</i>                           |
| <b>nearing</b>                     | Slightly short of or not quite accomplished; all but.   |
| <b>next to</b>                     | At the time or occasion immediately following.  |
| <b>nigh</b>                        | Almost.<br><i>Recovery will be well <b>nigh</b> impossible.</i>                                       |
| <b>not far from</b>                | At or to a certain point or degree.   |
| <b>not far off</b>                 | At or to a certain point or degree.   |
| <b><u>practically</u></b>          | In a practical manner.<br><i>The law isn't unreasonable or <b>practically</b> inconvenient.</i>       |
| <b>to all intents and purposes</b> | To a complete degree or to the full or entire extent ('whole' is often used informally for 'wholly'). |
| <b><u>virtually</u></b>            | Nearly; almost.<br><i><b>Virtually</b> all the parties signed the contract.</i>                       |
| <b>well-nigh</b>                   | Slightly short of or not quite accomplished; all but.   |



## Usage Examples of "Nearly" as an adverb

- *A rise of nearly 25 per cent.*
- *In the absence of anyone more nearly related, I was designated next of kin.*
- *He nearly fainted.*
- *The person most nearly concerned.*
- *David was nearly asleep.*



## Associations of "Nearly" (30 Words)

- about** In or to a reversed position or direction.  
*He s **about** 30 years old.*
- almost** Not quite; very nearly.  
*Blues jazz he can play **almost** anything.*
- approximate** Not quite exact or correct.  
***Approximate** leaves grow together but are not united.*
- approximately** Imprecise but fairly close to correct.  
*A journey of **approximately** two hours.*

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| <b>approximation</b> | A thing that is similar to something else, but is not exactly the same.<br><i>These figures are only <b>approximations</b>.</i>                 |
| <b>around</b>        | All around or on all sides.<br><i>There were trees growing all <b>around</b>.</i>   |
| <b>broadly</b>       | Without regard to specific details or exceptions.<br><i><b>Broadly</b> speaking the risks are as follows.</i>                                   |
| <b>closeness</b>     | The spatial property resulting from a relatively small distance.<br><i>The translator s <b>closeness</b> to the original time period.</i>       |
| <b>dozen</b>         | A group or set of twelve.<br><i>A <b>dozen</b> bottles of sherry.</i>   |
| <b>equidistant</b>   | At equal distances.<br><i>The line joins together all points which are <b>equidistant</b> from the two axes.</i>                                |
| <b>every</b>         | Each and all of a series of entities or intervals as specified.<br><i>Had <b>every</b> hope of success.</i>                                     |
| <b>few</b>           | The RAF pilots who took part in the Battle of Britain.<br><i>A <b>few</b> weeks ago.</i>  |
| <b>fractional</b>    | Relating to or expressed as a fraction, especially a fraction less than one.<br><i>The <b>fractional</b> variance in mass density per unit.</i> |
| <b>fragmentary</b>   | Consisting of small disconnected parts.<br><i><b>Fragmentary</b> remains.</i>   |
| <b>half</b>          | Partially or to the extent of a half.<br><i><b>Half</b> an hour.</i>  |
| <b>incomplete</b>    | Not having all the necessary or appropriate parts.<br><i>An <b>incomplete</b> forward pass.</i>   |
| <b>least</b>         | Used in names of very small animals and plants e.g least shrew.<br><i>He has the <b>least</b> talent of anyone.</i>                             |
| <b>moiety</b>        | One of two (approximately) equal parts.<br><i>The enzyme removes the sulphate <b>moiety</b>.</i>  |
| <b>near</b>          | Come near to approach.<br><i>They are drawing <b>near</b>.</i>  |
| <b>nearby</b>        | Not far away; close.<br><i>He slung his jacket over a <b>nearby</b> chair.</i>  |
| <b>partially</b>     | To some extent; in some degree; not wholly.<br><i>He was <b>partially</b> paralyzed.</i>  |
| <b>portion</b>       | Give a dowry to (a bride).<br><i>I read a <b>portion</b> of the manuscript.</i>   |

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| <b><u>practically</u></b> | Almost; nearly.<br><i>The place was <b>practically</b> empty.</i>   |
| <b>proximate</b>          | Nearly accurate approximate.<br><i>The failure of the <b>proximate</b> military power to lend assistance.</i>   |
| <b><u>roughly</u></b>     | With roughness or violence rough is an informal variant for roughly.<br><i><b>Roughly</b> 3 000.</i>  |
| <b><u>sketchy</u></b>     | Not thorough or detailed.<br><i>A <b>sketchy</b> neighbourhood.</i>   |
| <b><u>some</u></b>        | To some extent quite a lot.<br><i>They were here for <b>some</b> weeks.</i>   |
| <b>thereabout</b>         | Near that place.<br><i>Come at noon or <b>thereabouts</b>.</i>  |
| <b>unfinished</b>         | (of an object) not having been given an attractive surface appearance as the final stage of manufacture.<br><i>The building is still <b>unfinished</b>.</i> |
| <b><u>virtually</u></b>   | Nearly; almost.<br><i>The college became <b>virtually</b> bankrupt.</i>   |