

Need another word that means the same as “ostensibly”? Find 10 synonyms and 30 related words for “ostensibly” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Ostensibly” are: apparently, seemingly, to all appearances, to all intents and purposes, outwardly, superficially, allegedly, professedly, supposedly, purportedly**

## Ostensibly as an Adverb

### Definitions of "Ostensibly" as an adverb

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

- *As appears or is stated to be true, though not necessarily so; apparently.*
- *From appearances alone.*

### Synonyms of "Ostensibly" as an adverb (10 Words)

<b>allegedly</b>	Used to convey that something is claimed to be the case or have taken place, although there is no proof. <b><i>Allegedly</i></b> obscene material.
<a href="#">apparently</a>	Unmistakably (‘plain’ is often used informally for ‘plainly’). <i>Irrigation often produces bumper crops from <b>apparently</b> desert land.</i>
<a href="#">outwardly</a>	On or from the outside. <b><i>Outwardly</i></b> featureless modern offices.
<b>professedly</b>	With pretense or intention to deceive. <i>Susan Smith was <b>professedly</b> guilty of the murders.</i>

<b>purportedly</b>	Believed or reputed to be the case. <i>A <b>purportedly</b> independent arbitrator.</i>
<b>seemingly</b>	According to the facts as one knows them; as far as one knows. <i>The child is <b>seemingly</b> healthy but the doctor is concerned.</i>
<b>superficially</b>	At or on the surface or skin. <i><b>Superficially</b> they have little in common.</i>
<b>supposedly</b>	According to what is generally assumed or believed (often used to indicate that the speaker doubts the truth of the statement). <i>There were rumours of a rift between him and his colleagues <b>supposedly</b> because they were jealous of his relationship with the Duchess.</i>
<b>to all appearances</b>	To a complete degree or to the full or entire extent ('whole' is often used informally for 'wholly').
<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').

## Usage Examples of "Ostensibly" as an adverb

- *The party secretary resigned, ostensibly from ill health.*
- *Had been ostensibly frank as to his purpose while really concealing it.*

## Associations of "Ostensibly" (30 Words)

<b>auricular</b>	Pertaining to an auricle of the heart. <i>The Catholic doctrine of the necessity of private <b>auricular</b> confession.</i>
<b>bark</b>	Of a dog fox or seal give a bark. <i>She <b>barked</b> into the dictaphone.</i>
<b>bombast</b>	High-sounding language with little meaning, used to impress people. <i>The <b>bombast</b> of gung ho militarism.</i>
<b>casing</b>	A cover or shell that protects or encloses something. <i>The <b>casings</b> had rotted away and had to be replaced.</i>
<b>cuticle</b>	The outer layer of the skin covering the exterior body surface of vertebrates. <i>The body is covered with a non living <b>cuticle</b> of chitin.</i>
<b>dabbler</b>	Any of numerous shallow-water ducks that feed by upending and dabbling.
<b>dilettante</b>	An amateur who engages in an activity without serious intentions and who pretends to have knowledge. <i>A wealthy literary <b>dilettante</b>.</i>

<b>epidermis</b>	The surface epithelium of the skin, overlying the dermis.
<u><b>exterior</b></u>	(in filming) outdoor. <i>An <b>exterior</b> scene.</i>
<u><b>external</b></u>	Coming from the outside. <i>For <b>external</b> application only.</i>
<b>externalize</b>	Fail or choose not to incorporate (costs) as part of a pricing structure, especially social and environmental costs resulting from a product's manufacture and use. <i>Elements of the internal construction were <b>externalized</b> on to the facade.</i>
<u><b>extrinsic</b></u>	Not forming an essential part of a thing or arising or originating from the outside. <i>That style is something <b>extrinsic</b> to the subject.</i>
<u><b>facing</b></u>	A protective covering that protects the outside of a building. <i>Two <b>facing</b> pages.</i>
<u><b>guise</b></u>	An external form, appearance, or manner of presentation, typically concealing the true nature of something. <i>Sums paid under the <b>guise</b> of consultancy fees.</i>
<b>integument</b>	A tough outer protective layer, especially that of an animal or plant. <i>This chemical compound is found in the <b>integument</b> of the seed.</i>
<b>outer</b>	A shot that strikes the outer. <i>Spent hours adorning the <b>outer</b> man.</i>
<u><b>outside</b></u>	Leading to or from the outside. <i>We ran <b>outside</b>.</i>
<b>outward</b>	Outwards. <i>Move the needle further <b>outward</b>.</i>
<u><b>outwardly</b></u>	With respect to the outside. <i><b>Outwardly</b> featureless modern offices.</i>
<b>peripheral</b>	A peripheral device. <i>A <b>peripheral</b> interest.</i>
<b>putative</b>	Purported; commonly put forth or accepted as true on inconclusive grounds. <i>The <b>putative</b> author of the book.</i>
<b>rind</b>	The hard outer edge of cheese or bacon. <i>Jeffries was flensing the <b>rind</b> free.</i>
<u><b>seeming</b></u>	Giving the impression of having a specified quality. <i>Ellen s <b>seeming</b> indifference to the woman s fate.</i>
<u><b>semblance</b></u>	Resemblance similarity. <i>It bears some <b>semblance</b> to the thing I have in mind.</i>

<b><u>shallow</u></b>	Make shallow. <i>A <b>shallow</b> analysis of contemporary society.</i>
<b>smatter</b>	To talk foolishly. <i>She <b>smatters</b> Russian.</i>
<b><u>superficial</u></b>	Lacking depth of character or understanding. <i>The resemblance between the breeds is <b>superficial</b>.</i>
<b><u>surface</u></b>	Denoting ships which travel on the surface of the water as distinct from submarines. <i>Three quarters of the Earth's <b>surface</b> is covered by water.</i>
<b>trappings</b>	Accessory wearing apparel. <i>I had the <b>trappings</b> of success.</i>