

Need another word that means the same as “pervasive”? Find 19 synonyms and 30 related words for “pervasive” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Pervasive” are: permeant, permeating, permeative, prevalent, penetrating, extensive, ubiquitous, omnipresent, present everywhere, rife, widespread, general, common, universal, pandemic, epidemic, endemic, inescapable, insidious

Pervasive as an Adjective

Definitions of "Pervasive" as an adjective

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

- *Spreading or spread throughout.*
- *(especially of an unwelcome influence or physical effect) spreading widely throughout an area or a group of people.*

Synonyms of "Pervasive" as an adjective (19 Words)

common	Common to or shared by two or more parties. <i>Problems common to both communities.</i>
endemic	(of a disease or condition) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area. <i>Endemic malaria.</i>
epidemic	Of the nature of an epidemic. <i>An epidemic outbreak of influenza.</i>

extensive	Large in spatial extent or range or scope or quantity. <i>An extensive collection of silver.</i>
general	Prevailing among and common to the general public. <i>Brush up on your general knowledge.</i>
inescapable	Impossible to avoid or evade. <i>Inescapable conclusion.</i>
insidious	Proceeding in a gradual, subtle way, but with very harmful effects. <i>Insidious pleasures.</i>
omnipresent	Being present everywhere at once. <i>The omnipresent threat of natural disasters.</i>
pandemic	Epidemic over a wide geographical area. <i>A pandemic outbreak of malaria.</i>
penetrating	Having or showing clear insight. <i>The problem of penetrating damp.</i>
permeant	Spreading or spread throughout.
permeating	Spreading or spread throughout.
permeative	Having the quality of permeating; penetrative, pervasive. Now chiefly figurative. <i>Armed with permeative irony he punctures affectations.</i>
present everywhere	Temporal sense; intermediate between past and future; now existing or happening or in consideration.
prevalent	Most frequent or common. <i>The social ills prevalent in society today.</i>
rife	Most frequent or common. <i>The streets were rife with rumour and fear.</i>
ubiquitous	Being present everywhere at once. <i>His ubiquitous influence was felt by all the family.</i>
universal	Applicable to or common to all members of a group or set. <i>Universal screwdriver.</i>
widespread	Widely circulated or diffused. <i>Drug use is widespread.</i>

Usage Examples of "Pervasive" as an adjective

- *Ageism is pervasive and entrenched in our society.*
- *The pervasive odor of garlic.*
- *An error is pervasive if it is material to more than one conclusion.*

Associations of "Pervasive" (30 Words)

banality	A trite or obvious remark. <i>There is an essential banality to the story he tells.</i>
bromide	A reproduction or piece of typesetting on bromide paper. <i>Feel good bromides create the illusion of problem solving.</i>
<u>cliche</u>	A trite or obvious remark.
common	Commonly encountered. <i>The swordfish is not common in European waters.</i>
commonplace	A notable passage in a work copied into a commonplace book. <i>Commonplace everyday activities.</i> (of a computer system) spread over several machines, especially over a network.
distributed	<i>The distributed supplies are meticulously monitored to make sure everyone gets their share.</i>
distributive	A distributive word. <i>The distributive effects of public expenditure.</i>
everywhere	All places or directions. <i>Everywhere she went she was feted.</i>
<u>fashionable</u>	Of a place frequented by fashionable people. <i>A fashionable cafe.</i>
<u>general</u>	Prevailing among and common to the general public. <i>In general terms.</i>
hackneyed	(of a phrase or idea) having been overused; unoriginal and trite. <i>Hackneyed old sayings.</i>
immanent	(of God) permanently pervading and sustaining the universe. <i>The protection of liberties is immanent in constitutional arrangements.</i>
<u>invasive</u>	Gradually intrusive without right or permission. <i>The sound of the piano was invasive.</i>
nationwide	Occurring or extending throughout a country or nation. <i>It was broadcast nationwide.</i>
normal	Conforming with or constituting a norm or standard or level or type or social norm not abnormal. <i>Normal curiosity.</i>
<u>omnipresent</u>	Being present everywhere at once. <i>The omnipresent threat of natural disasters.</i>

<u>pervade</u>	(especially of a smell) spread through and be perceived in every part of. <i>A smell of stale cabbage pervaded the air.</i>
<u>platitude</u>	A remark or statement, especially one with a moral content, that has been used too often to be interesting or thoughtful. <i>She began uttering liberal platitudes.</i>
present	A present tense. <i>Present at the wedding.</i>
<u>prevail</u>	Be widespread or current in a particular area or at a particular time. <i>She was prevailed upon to give an account of her work.</i>
<u>prevalence</u>	The quality of prevailing generally; being widespread. <i>The prevalence of obesity in adults.</i>
<u>prevalent</u>	Most frequent or common. <i>The social ills prevalent in society today.</i>
rife	Most frequent or common. <i>Male chauvinism was rife in medicine.</i>
<u>typical</u>	Of a feature that helps to distinguish a person or thing- Curtis Wilkie. <i>A typical suburban community.</i>
ubiquitous	Present, appearing, or found everywhere. <i>His ubiquitous influence was felt by all the family.</i>
ubiquity	The state of being everywhere at once (or seeming to be everywhere at once). <i>The growing ubiquity of advertising.</i>
unexceptional	Not special in any way. <i>An unexceptional movie.</i>
<u>unimpressive</u>	Evoking no admiration or respect; not striking. <i>Her early academic record was unimpressive.</i>
<u>unremarkable</u>	Not particularly interesting or surprising. <i>An unremarkable house.</i>
<u>widespread</u>	Found or distributed over a large area or number of people. <i>Widespread fear of nuclear war.</i>