

Need another word that means the same as “subsistence”? Find 11 synonyms and 30 related words for “subsistence” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Subsistence” are: maintenance, keep, upkeep, support, livelihood, living, board, board and lodging, survival, existence, life

Subsistence as a Noun

Definitions of "Subsistence" as a noun

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

- *The means of maintaining or supporting oneself.*
- *The state of remaining in force or effect.*
- *Denoting or relating to production at a level sufficient only for one's own use or consumption, without any surplus for trade.*
- *The state of existing in reality; having substance.*
- *The action or fact of maintaining or supporting oneself, especially at a minimal level.*
- *A means of surviving.*
- *Minimal (or marginal) resources for subsisting.*



Synonyms of "Subsistence" as a noun (11 Words)

board

A flat portable surface usually rectangular designed for board games.
*A **board** meeting.*

board and lodging

A flat portable surface (usually rectangular) designed for board games.

existence

The fact or state of living or having objective reality.
*He believed in the essential unity of all **existence**.*

keep

The cost of the essentials for living.
*If from shepherd s **keep** a lamb strayed far.*

life

A sentence of imprisonment for life.
*Real **life**.*

livelihood

The financial means whereby one lives.
*People whose **livelihoods** depend on the rainforest.*

living

People who are still living.
*He was offered the **living** of St Katherine s.*

maintenance	Means of maintenance of a family or group. <i>Unlike champerty criminal maintenance does not necessarily involve personal profit.</i>
support	Supporting structure that holds up or provides a foundation. <i>The policy found little public support.</i>
survival	The state or fact of continuing to live or exist, typically in spite of an accident, ordeal, or difficult circumstances. <i>His shorts were a survival from his army days.</i>
upkeep	The process of keeping something in good condition. <i>Payments for the children s upkeep.</i>



Usage Examples of "Subsistence" as a noun

- *The garden provided not only subsistence but a little cash crop.*
- *The minimum income needed for subsistence.*
- *Subsistence agriculture.*
- *Farming is a hard means of subsistence.*
- *Rights of occupation normally only continue during the subsistence of the marriage.*

- *Social security provided only a bare subsistence.*



Associations of "Subsistence" (30 Words)

agricultural	Relating to or used in or promoting agriculture or farming. <i>Agricultural land.</i>
agriculture	A large-scale farming enterprise.
<u>bear</u>	Bring forth. <i>I can't bear caviar.</i>
bolster	Prop up with a pillow or bolster. <i>They bolstered the seats for a more comfortable ride.</i>
existence	Continued survival. <i>He believed in the essential unity of all existence.</i>
<u>farmer</u>	An expert on cooking whose cookbook has undergone many editions (1857-1915).

farmhouse	House for a farmer and family. <i>A farmhouse kitchen.</i>
harvest	Gather a crop as a harvest. <i>A poor harvest.</i>
hold	Have room for hold without crowding. <i>He ordered a hold in the action.</i>
keep	Look after be the keeper of have charge of. <i>Our grant has run out and we cannot keep you on.</i>
life	A sentence of imprisonment for life. <i>Life depends on many chemical and physical processes.</i>
live	Lead a certain kind of life live in a certain style. <i>A lively tennis ball.</i>
livelihood	A means of securing the necessities of life. <i>People whose livelihoods depend on the rainforest.</i>
maintenance	Means of maintenance of a family or group. <i>A chance of going to university with fees and maintenance paid.</i>
meager	Deficient in amount or quality or extent. <i>Meager fare.</i>
nourishment	The act of nourishing. <i>Tubers from which plants obtain nourishment.</i>
nutriment	Nourishment; sustenance. <i>The bees reprocess the food and extract the last particle of nutriment from it.</i>
nutrition	The branch of science that deals with nutrients and nutrition particularly in humans. <i>A guide to good nutrition.</i>
outlast	Live or last longer than. <i>The kind of beauty that will outlast youth.</i>
poverty	The state of being inferior in quality or insufficient in amount. <i>The poverty of her imagination.</i>
rural	Living in or characteristic of farming or country life. <i>Rural people.</i>
subsist	Provide sustenance for. <i>Many people in the world have to subsist on 1 a day.</i>
survive	Continue to live or exist in spite of (an accident or ordeal). <i>He has survived several assassination attempts.</i>

- sustain** An effect or facility on a keyboard or electronic instrument whereby a note can be sustained after the key is released.
*He **sustained** the role of Creon with burly resilience.*
- sustenance** The maintaining of someone or something in life or existence.
*He kept two or three cows for the **sustenance** of his family.*
- uphold** Stand up for; stick up for; of causes, principles, or ideals.
*They **uphold** a tradition of not causing distress to living creatures.*
- upkeep** The act of sustaining life by food or providing a means of subsistence.
*Payments for the children s **upkeep**.*
- victuals** A stock or supply of foods.
- withstand** Resist or confront with resistance.
*The structure had been designed to **withstand** winds of more than 100 mph.*
- yeoman** A member of the yeomanry force.

