

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

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The synonyms of "Tendency" are: trend, disposition, inclination, leaning, propensity, proclivity, proneness, aptness, likelihood, predisposition, bent, penchant, predilection, susceptibility, liability, movement, drift, swing, gravitation

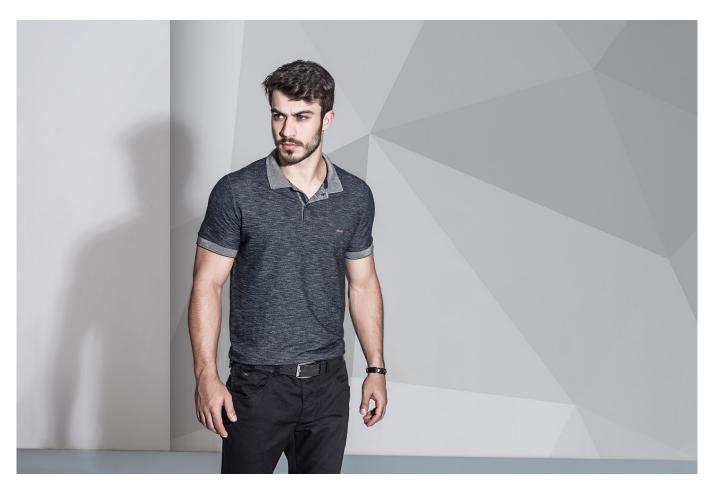
## Tendency as a Noun

#### Definitions of "Tendency" as a noun

According to the <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "tendency" as a noun can have the following definitions:

- An attitude of mind especially one that favors one alternative over others.
- A general direction in which something tends to move.
- A group within a larger political party or movement.
- A characteristic likelihood of or natural disposition toward a certain condition or character or effect.
- An inclination towards a particular characteristic or type of behaviour.
- An inclination to do something.





## Synonyms of "Tendency" as a noun (19 Words)

**aptness** Appropriateness for the occasion.

The **aptness** of iron to rust.

**bent** Grass for pastures and lawns especially bowling and putting greens.

She had no natural **bent** for literature.

The distribution or transfer of property or money to someone, especially by

**disposition** bequest.

This is a tax which affects the **disposition** of assets on death.

drift A continuous slow movement from one place to another.

Four sheep were dug out of the **drift**.

gravitation

Movement downward resulting from gravitational attraction.

This recent executation towards the Continent

This recent **gravitation** towards the Continent.

inclination The dip of a magnetic needle.

He had an **inclination** to give up too easily.



**leaning**The act of deviating from a vertical position.

His early **leaning**s towards socialism.

An obligation to pay money to another party.

*She said the party had become a liability to green politics.* 

The state or fact of something's being likely; probability.

Young people who can see no **likelihood** of finding employment.

**movement** A campaign undertaken by a political social or artistic movement.

A broad **movement** of the electorate to the right.

A strong liking.

**penchant**The Irish have a **penchant** for blarney.

**predilection** A predisposition in favor of something.

A **predilection** for expensive cars.

predisposition A disposition in advance to react in a particular way.

A child may inherit a **predisposition** to schizophrenia.

A tendency to choose or do something regularly; an inclination or

**proclivity** predisposition towards a particular thing.

A **proclivity** for hard work.

Liability to suffer from or experience something disagreeable;

**proneness** susceptibility.

His **proneness** to injury will seriously mar a promising career.

**propensity**An inclination or natural tendency to behave in a particular way.

Their innate **propensity** to attack one another.

The ratio of magnetization produced in a material to the magnetizing

susceptibility force.

trend

Lack of exercise increases **susceptibility** to disease.

**swing**The rhythmic feeling or drive of swing.

It took time to get into the **swing** of things.

A topic that is the subject of many posts on a social media website or

application within a short period of time.

The **trend** of the stock market.

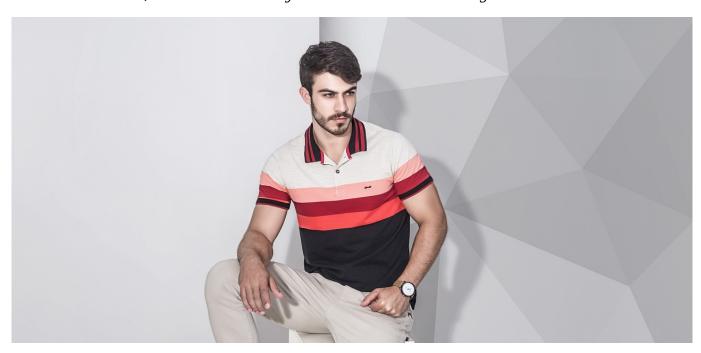






## Usage Examples of "Tendency" as a noun

- A tendency to be too strict.
- Fabric with a tendency to shrink.
- The shoreward tendency of the current.
- Criminal tendencies.
- For students, there is a tendency to socialize in the evenings.



# Associations of "Tendency" (30 Words)

**aptness** A disposition to behave in a certain way.

The **aptness** of iron to rust.

**bearish** Expecting prices to fall.

A **bearish** figure with mutton chop whiskers.

**biologically** In a way that concerns biology or living organisms.

**Biologically** rooted instincts.

A sudden and unaccountable change of mood or behaviour.

The *caprices* of the electorate.

A characteristic especially one that assists in the identification of a

**character** species.

The actor's TV **character** is often on the wrong side of the law.



**craze** Develop fine cracks.

The loch was frozen over but **craze**d with cracks.

The theories or methods of the ancient Eclectic philosophers, who did not

**eclecticism** belong to or found any recognized school of thought but selected doctrines

from various schools of thought.

We ve demonstrated an appetite for musical eclecticism.

Easily excited.

A rather excitable young man.

fad An interest followed with exaggerated zeal.

Some regard green politics as no more than the latest **fad**.

**fashion** How something is done or how it happens.

A **fashion** magazine.

**genetically**In a way that relates to origin or development.

A **genetically** inherited condition.

(physics) the angle that a magnetic needle makes with the plane of the

inclination horizon.

The alkaline **inclination** of the local waters.

An inclined surface or plane a slope especially on a road or railway.

**incline** She **incline**s to the view that people should be allowed to expres their

religious beliefs.

**leaning**The act of deviating from a vertical position.

The **leaning** tower of Pisa.

**liking** A feeling of pleasure and enjoyment.

She developed a **liking** for gin.

**notion** A conception of or belief about something.

Buttons and needles are **notion**s.

penchant A strong liking.

The Irish have a **penchant** for blarney.

Make someone liable or inclined to a specified attitude, action, or

**predispose** condition.

This illness **predispose**s you to gain weight.

An inclination beforehand to interpret statements in a particular way.

Factors including genetic **predisposition**.

preference A thing preferred.

His sexual **preference**s.

A natural inclination.

A proclivity for hard work.



Liability to suffer from or experience something disagreeable;

**proneness** susceptibility.

Accident **proneness**.

**propensity**An inclination to do something.

 ${\it His} \ {\it propensity} \ {\it for violence}.$ 

Streak Cover a surface with streaks.

Hair that was streaked blonde.

The adjustment of intervals in tuning a piano or other musical instrument

so as to fit the scale for use in different keys in equal temperament the

temperament octave consists of twelve equal semitones.

She had an artistic temperament.

trend Turn sharply; change direction abruptly.

The northeastern **trend** of the coast.

An unexpected and inexplicable change in a situation or in someone's

vagary behaviour.

The vagaries of the weather.

A current state of general acceptance and use.

Crochet garments are in **vogue** this season.

whim A windlass for raising ore or water from a mine.

**Whim**sy can be humorous to someone with time to enjoy it.

A whim.

**whimsy**He had a **whimsy** about flying to the moon.



