

Need another word that means the same as “unemployed”? Find 17 synonyms and 30 related words for “unemployed” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Unemployed” are: jobless, out of work, out of a job, not working, workless, unwaged, unoccupied, idle, not in use, out of use, not operating, inactive, out of action, inoperative, out of service, unused, unemployed people

Unemployed as a Noun

Definitions of "Unemployed" as a noun

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

- *People who are involuntarily out of work (considered as a group).*



Synonyms of "Unemployed" as a noun (1 Word)

unemployed people People who are involuntarily out of work (considered as a group).



Usage Examples of "Unemployed" as a noun

- *The long-term unemployed need assistance.*

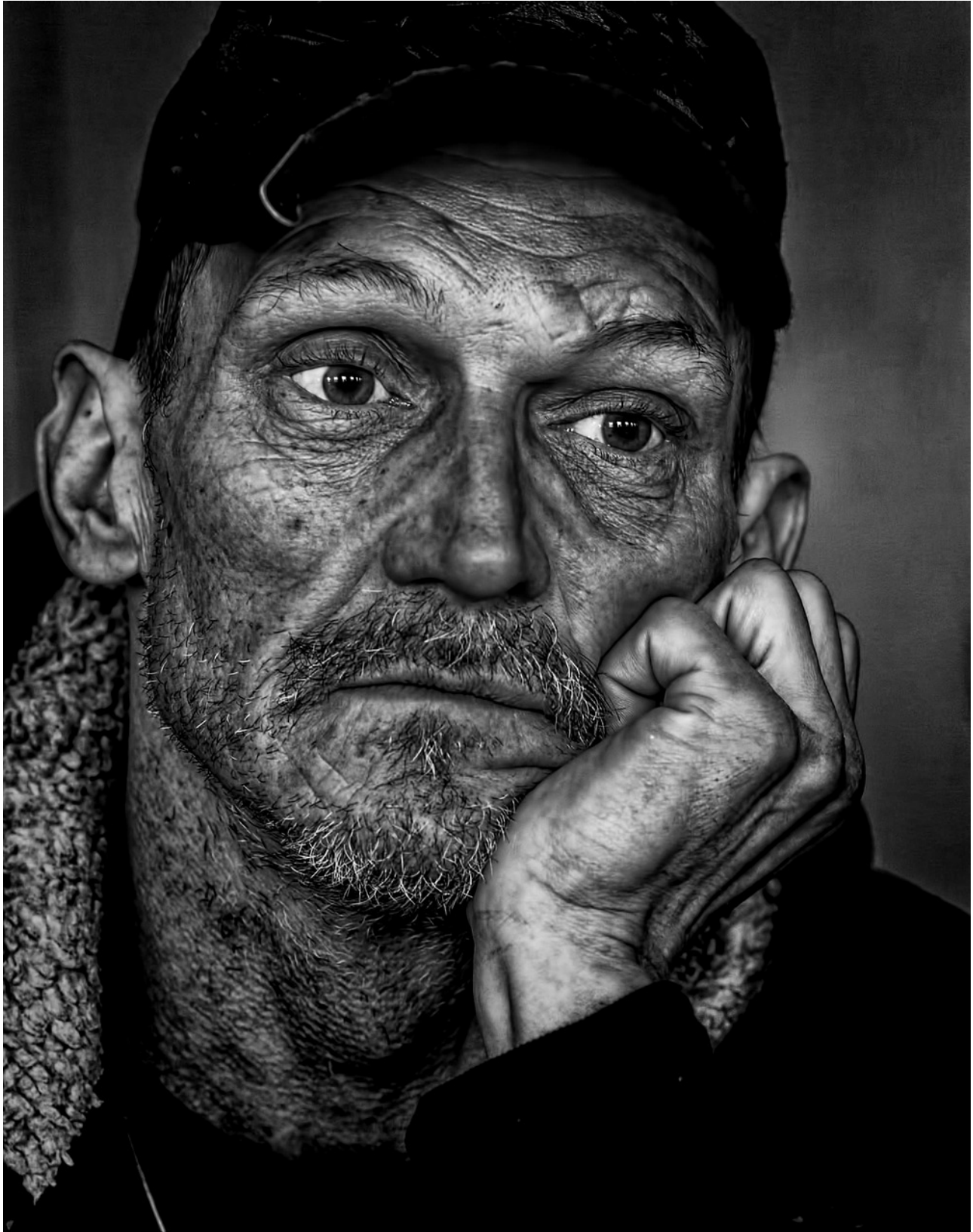


Unemployed as an Adjective

Definitions of "Unemployed" as an adjective

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

- *(of a person) without a paid job but available to work.*
- *Not engaged in a gainful occupation.*
- *(of a thing) not in use.*



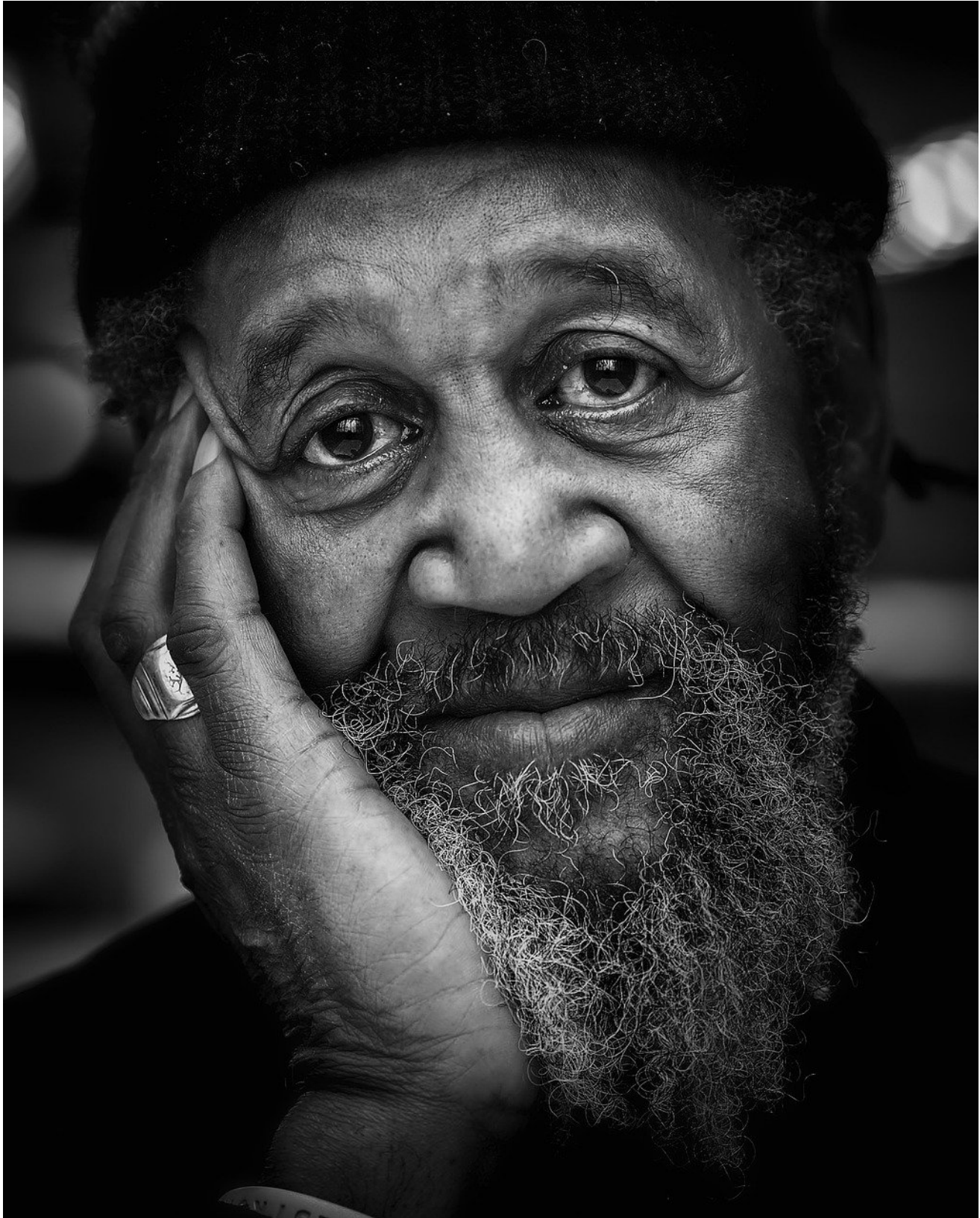
Synonyms of "Unemployed" as an adjective (16 Words)

idle	(of time) characterized by inaction or absence of significant activity. <i>Light idle chatter.</i>
inactive	Lacking in energy or will- George Meredith. <i>Inactive Crohn s disease.</i>
inoperative	Not working or taking effect. <i>An inoperative law.</i>
jobless	Not having a job. <i>Thousands of jobless youngsters.</i>
not in use	Directed or bound inward.
not operating	Being in effect or operation- Leslie Marmon Silko.
not working	Adopted as a temporary basis for further work.
out of a job	Excluded from use or mention.
out of action	Outside or external.
out of service	Excluded from use or mention.
out of use	Not allowed to continue to bat or run.
out of work	Not allowed to continue to bat or run.
unoccupied	(of a country or area) not occupied by an enemy. <i>Unoccupied areas of France.</i>
<u>unused</u>	Not yet used or soiled. <i>An unused envelope.</i>
unwaged	(of a person) out of work or doing unpaid work. <i>We are pressing for recognition of unwaged work.</i>
workless	Having no paid work; unemployed. <i>Workless households reliant on welfare.</i>



Usage Examples of "Unemployed" as an adjective

- *Unemployed workers marched on the capital.*
- *You have to put your left foot under the clutch when it is unemployed.*
- *I was unemployed for three months.*
- *A training programme for the long-term unemployed.*



Associations of "Unemployed" (30 Words)

accounting	A convincing explanation that reveals basic causes. <i>Standard accounting practice.</i>
begging	A solicitation for money or food (especially in the street by an apparently penniless person).
broke	Lacking funds. <i>He went broke owing two million pounds.</i>
confiscate	Appropriate (something, especially land) to the public treasury as a penalty. <i>The police confiscated the stolen artwork.</i>
deplete	Use up the supply or resources of. <i>Mansfield started the game with a depleted side.</i>
deprive	Keep from having, keeping, or obtaining. <i>The Archbishop deprived a considerable number of puritan clergymen.</i>
destitute	Poor enough to need help from others. <i>Young recruits destitute of experience.</i>
disenfranchise	Deprive of voting rights. <i>The law disenfranchised some 3 000 voters on the basis of a residence qualification.</i>
dole	Money received from the state. <i>The customary dole was a tumblerful of rice.</i>
economically	With respect to economic science. <i>The region is important economically.</i>
economy	A particular system or stage of an economy. <i>He favours tax cuts to stimulate the economy.</i>
financially	In a way that relates to finance. <i>The company is now financially stable.</i>
homeless	Physically or spiritually homeless or deprived of security. <i>The homeless became a problem in the large cities.</i>
hunger	Feel or suffer hunger. <i>He hungered for a sense of self worth.</i>
idle	Be idle exist in a changeless situation. <i>The mill has been standing idle for eight years.</i>
impecunious	Not having enough money to pay for necessities. <i>A titled but impecunious family.</i>

implosion	A sudden inward collapse. <i>A global financial implosion.</i>
impound	Seize and take legal custody of (something, especially a vehicle, goods, or documents) because of an infringement of a law. <i>The customs agents impounded the illegal shipment.</i>
impoverish	Make poor. <i>The soil was impoverished by annual burning.</i>
<u>indolent</u>	(of tumors, e.g.) slow to heal or develop and usually painless. <i>Leprosy is an indolent infectious disease.</i>
laze	Spend time in a relaxed, lazy manner. <i>A laze in the sun.</i>
poor	Of insufficient quantity to meet a need. <i>The urban poor need assistance.</i>
poverty	The state of having little or no money and few or no material possessions. <i>Thousands of families are living in abject poverty.</i>
seize	Seize and take control without authority and possibly with force take as one's right or possession. <i>The FBI seized the drugs.</i>
shiftless	Characterized by laziness, indolence, and a lack of ambition. <i>A shiftless student.</i>
slothful	Disinclined to work or exertion. <i>Slothful employees.</i>
stagnate	Cause to stagnate. <i>Industry will stagnate if we do not stimulate our economy.</i>
<u>sympathy</u>	The formal expression of pity or sorrow for someone else's misfortune. <i>The special sympathy between the two boys was obvious to all.</i>
unemployment	The number or proportion of unemployed people. <i>Unemployment is a serious social evil.</i>
worker	A member of the working class (not necessarily employed). <i>Workers of the world unite.</i>

