

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

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The synonyms of “Wasteful” are: uneconomical, prodigal, profligate, extravagant, lavish, excessive, careless, imprudent, improvident, reckless

Wasteful as an Adjective

Definitions of "Wasteful" as an adjective

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

- *Tending to squander and waste.*
- *Inefficient in use of time and effort and materials.*
- *Laying waste.*
- *Laying waste- Shakespeare.*
- *(of a person, action, or process) using or expending something of value carelessly, extravagantly, or to no purpose.*



Synonyms of "Wasteful" as an adjective (10 Words)

<u>careless</u>	(of an action or its result) showing or caused by a lack of attention. <i>Careless about her clothes.</i>
excessive	More than is necessary, normal, or desirable; immoderate. <i>He was drinking excessive amounts of brandy.</i>
extravagant	Exceeding what is reasonable or appropriate; excessive or elaborate. <i>It was rather extravagant to buy both.</i>
improvident	Not given careful consideration. <i>Improvident and undisciplined behaviour.</i>
imprudent	Not showing care for the consequences of an action; rash. <i>It would be imprudent to leave her winter coat behind.</i>
<u>lavish</u>	Sumptuously rich, elaborate, or luxurious. <i>He was lavish with his hospitality.</i>
prodigal	Having or giving something on a lavish scale. <i>The dessert was prodigal with whipped cream.</i>
profligate	Recklessly extravagant or wasteful in the use of resources. <i>He succumbed to drink and a profligate lifestyle.</i>
<u>reckless</u>	Characterized by careless unconcern. <i>A reckless driver.</i>

uneconomical Inefficient in use of time and effort and materials.
*The old buses eventually become **uneconomical** to run.*



Usage Examples of "Wasteful" as an adjective

- *Wasteful energy consumption.*
- *A clumsy and wasteful process.*
- *When wasteful war shall statues overturn.*
- *Wasteful duplication of effort.*



Associations of "Wasteful" (30 Words)

<u>degraded</u>	Unrestrained by convention or morality. <i>She had felt cheap and degraded.</i>
deluxe	Elegant and sumptuous. <i>A deluxe car.</i>
disbursement	A payment, especially one made by a solicitor to a third party and then claimed back from the client. <i>They established a committee to supervise the disbursement of aid.</i>
disintegration	The spontaneous disintegration of a radioactive substance along with the emission of ionizing radiation. <i>A disintegration of personality.</i>
dissipation	Breaking up and scattering by dispersion. <i>A descent into drunkenness and sexual dissipation.</i>
dissolute	(of a person or a way of life) overindulging in sensual pleasures. <i>Unfortunately his heir was feckless and dissolute.</i>

dissolution	Death. <i>The dissolution of the flesh.</i>
excessive	More than is necessary, normal, or desirable; immoderate. <i>He was drinking excessive amounts of brandy.</i>
expensive	Costing a lot of money. <i>An expensive shop.</i>
extravagance	The trait of spending extravagantly. <i>The extravagance of the decor.</i>
extravagant	Recklessly wasteful. <i>It was rather extravagant to buy both.</i>
fling	The act of flinging. <i>I had a fling with someone when I was at college.</i>
garbage	A receptacle where waste can be discarded. <i>A garbage dump.</i>
improvident	Not having or showing foresight; spendthrift or thoughtless. <i>Improvident and undisciplined behaviour.</i>
ineffective	Lacking in power or forcefulness. <i>Ineffective legislation.</i>
inefficiency	Unskillfulness resulting from a lack of efficiency. <i>The idea is to eliminate inefficiency creating a seamless manufacturing process.</i>
inefficient	Lacking the ability or skill to perform effectively; inadequate. <i>Inefficient transport systems.</i>
lavish	Give someone generous amounts of. <i>He was lavished with gifts.</i>
looseness	Frequent and watery bowel movements; can be a symptom of infection or food poisoning or colitis or a gastrointestinal tumor. <i>The flexibility and looseness of the materials from which mythology is made.</i>
luxury	Luxurious or of the nature of a luxury. <i>They actually had the luxury of a whole day together.</i>
prodigal	A person who leaves home to lead a prodigal life but later makes a repentant return. <i>The government wished to clip the wings of the local authority prodigals.</i>
prodigality	Excessive spending.
profligacy	Dissolute indulgence in sensual pleasure. <i>The government returned to fiscal profligacy.</i>

profligate	A licentious, dissolute person. <i>Profligate consumers of energy.</i>
spending	The act of spending or disbursing money.
spendthrift	A person who spends money in an extravagant, irresponsible way. <i>A spendthrift uncle.</i>
splurge	Spend (money) freely or extravagantly. <i>We splurged on T bone steaks.</i>
waste	Run off as waste. <i>I don't use the car so why should I waste precious money on it.</i>
wastebasket	A container with an open top; for discarded paper and other rubbish.
wastrel	A waif; a neglected child. <i>I have no intention of seeing my dues gambled away by your wastrel of a son.</i>

