

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)

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

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

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

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

