

overtone

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[ˈəʊvətəʊn] *n*

1. *физ., муз.* обертон
harmonic overtone - гармонический оберто́н, гармоника
2. *жив.* рефлекс; блик
3. *часто pl* скрытый намёк
a reply full of overtones - ответ, полный скрытых намёков
there are overtones of sadness in his poems - на всех его стихотворениях лежит оттенок печали

II

[ˌəʊvəˈtəʊn] *v фото*

передерживать в выраже

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

over-tone [overtone overtones] *BrE* [ˈəʊvətəʊn] ^u *NAmE* [ˈoʊvərtoun] ^u **noun**

usually plural

an attitude or an emotion that is suggested and is not expressed in a direct way

- There were political overtones to the point he was making.

compare ↑ **undertone**

Word Origin:

mid 19th cent.: from ↑over + ↑tone, suggested by German **Oberton**.

Example Bank:

- The word 'cheap' has negative overtones.
- a play with strong religious overtones
- His message had clearly coded racial overtones.
- The term carries unfortunate overtones of separateness and aloneness.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

overtone /ˈəʊvətəʊn \$ ˈoʊvərtoun/ *BrE* ^u *AmE* ^u **noun**

1. **overtones** [plural] signs of an emotion or attitude that is not expressed directly ⇒ **undertone**

overtones of

There were overtones of anger in his voice.

racial/sexual etc overtones

football songs with violent overtones

political/religious overtones (=having a connection to politics or religion that is not directly expressed)

The decision may have political overtones.

2. [countable] **technical** a higher musical note that sounds together with the main note

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