

average**1. ['æv(ə)rɪdʒ] n****1. 1) среднее (число)**

above [below] the average - выше [ниже] среднего

his work is about /up to/ the average - его работа не хуже и не лучше, чем у других

on an /the/ average - в среднем

to translate on an average five pages a day - переводить в среднем пять страниц в день

to ascertain /to determine, to obtain/ the average - выводить среднее

2) *мат.* среднее арифметическое**2. *страх.*****1) авария (убытки, причинённые судну, грузу и фрахту)**

general [particular, petty] average - общая [частная, малая] авария

2) распределение убытков от аварии между владельцами груза, судна

average adjuster - диспашер

average statement - диспаша

2. ['æv(ə)rɪdʒ] a**1. средний**

average temperature - средняя температура

average rainfall - средняя норма выпадения осадков

average life - средняя продолжительность жизни

2. 1) обычный, нормальный, средний

average man [ability] - средний человек [-ие способности]

average reader - рядовой /широкий/ читатель

a man of average height - человек среднего роста

2) посредственный

there was nothing special about his performance, it was only average - в его исполнении не было ничего особенного, оно было весьма средним

boys of average intelligence - ребята, не хватающие звёзд с неба /средних способностей/

3. ['æv(ə)rɪdʒ] v**1. составлять, достигать, равняться в среднем**

his wages average 60 pounds - его заработок составляет в среднем 60 фунтов

they averaged 100 miles a day - они делали в среднем 100 миль в день

2. *мат.* выводить среднее значение, усреднять**3. *бирж.* последовательно скупать или продавать акции по мере изменения их курса**

to average down [up] - скупать акции по мере снижения [повышения] их курса

4. *страх.* распределять убыток между акционерами**average**

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aver-age [average averages averaged averaging] adjective, noun, verb BrE['ævərɪdʒ] ¹ NAmE ['ævərɪdʒ] ²

adjective

1. only before noun calculated by adding several amounts together, finding a total, and dividing the total by the number of amounts

- an **average rate/cost/price**
- Average earnings are around £20 000 per annum.
- at an average speed of 100 miles per hour

2. typical or normal

- 40 hours is a fairly average working week for most people.
- children of **above/below average** intelligence
- £20 for dinner is about average

3. ordinary; not special

- I was just an average sort of student.

Word Origin:

late 15th cent.: from French *avarie* 'damage to ship or cargo', earlier 'customs duty', from Italian *avarìa* from Arabic 'awār 'damage to goods'; the suffix -age is on the pattern of damage. Originally this referred to a tax on exported goods. The meaning later changed so that it referred to money due from goods that had been lost or damaged at sea. It referred specifically to the way the losses were divided between the owners of the vessel and the owners of the cargo (late 16th cent.). This gave rise to the general sense of calculating the mean (mid 18th cent.).

Thesaurus:**average** adj.**1.**

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normal • • **ordinary** • • **typical** • • **common** •

the average/normal/ordinary/common **man**

a/an average/normal/ordinary **person**

a/an average/normal/ordinary/typical **working day**

2. (often disapproving)

- The quality has been pretty average

- unremarkable • [disapproving] ordinary • an average/unremarkable/ordinary **person**
- average/ordinary **players**
- an average/ordinary **sort of** person/thing

Example Bank:

- an above average climb in prices
- An entrance fee of £5 is about average
- He was quite an average sort of student, nothing out of the ordinary.
- I t' a lot less tiring than the average day in the office.
- On an average day they sell more than £2 000 worth of vegetables.
- The quality has been pretty average
- The route is for walkers of average ability.

Derived Word ↑ **averagely**

Derived ↑ **average out** ▪ ↑ **average something out**

noun countable, uncountable

1. the result of adding several amounts together, finding a total, and dividing the total by the number of amounts

- The average of 4, 5 and 9 is 6.
- Parents spend **an average of** \$220 a year on toys.
- I fget an A on this essay, that will bring my average (= average mark/grade) up to a B+.

see also ↑ **grade point average**

2. a level which is usual

- Temperatures are **above/below average** for the time of year.
- 400 people a year die of this disease **on average** .
- Class sizes in the school are below **the national average** .

see the law of averages **at** ↑ **law**

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Example Bank:

- His test results are well above average
- On average prices have risen 6%.
- The national average is just over two children per family.
- You'll have to calculate the average
- the student with the best grade point average in his class

verb

1. transitive ~ sth no passive to be equal to a particular amount as an average

- Economic growth is expected to average 2% next year.
- Drivers in London can expect to average about 12 miles per hour (= to have that as their average speed) .

2. transitive, intransitive ~ (sth) to calculate the average of sth

- Earnings are averaged over the whole period.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	average
	BrE / 'ævərɪdʒ/
	NA mE / 'ævərɪdʒ/
he / she / it	averages
	BrE / 'ævərɪdʒɪz/
	NA mE / 'ævərɪdʒɪz/
past simple, past participle	averaged
	BrE / 'ævərɪdʒd/
	NA mE / 'ævərɪdʒd/
-ing form	averaging
	BrE / 'ævərɪdʒɪŋ/
	NA mE / 'ævərɪdʒɪŋ/

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average**I. average**¹ **S2 W2** /'ævərɪdʒ/ **BrE** **AmE** **adjective**

1. the average amount is the amount you get when you add together several quantities and divide this by the total number of quantities:

- The age of the candidates ranged from 29 to 49 with an average age of 37.
- The average cost of making a movie has risen by 15%.
- Last winter was colder than average.
- The cars were being sold at an average price of \$11,000.

2. an average amount or quantity is not unusually big or small:

- They have an average-size front garden and a large rear garden.

of average height/build/intelligence etc

- He was in his late twenties and of average height.

3. having qualities that are typical of most people or things:

- The average American has not even thought about next year's election.
- I an average week I drive about 250 miles.

4. neither very good nor very bad

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THESAURUS

- **normal** usual, typical, and as you would expect it to be: | this cold weather normal for the time of year? | I had been another normal working day in the office.
- **ordinary** (also **regular especially American English**) not special, unusual, or different from normal: They lived in an ordinary three-bedroomed house. | I looks like an ordinary car, but it uses solar power. | Would you like a regular salad or a Caesar salad? | I just want an ordinary bicycle, not a mountain bike.
- **average** [only before noun] around the usual level or amount: She is of average height. | He is of above average intelligence. | The average price of a pint of milk has gone up.
- **standard** normal – used about methods of doing something, or about the size, shape, features etc of products: | t's standard practice to X-ray hand-baggage at most airports. | We stock shoes in all the standard sizes.
- **routine** used about things that are done regularly as part of a series of things: The fault was discovered during a routine check of the plane. | routine tasks such as shopping and cooking
- **everyday** [only before noun] used about things that happen or that you use as part of normal life: He painted scenes of everyday life in France. | Sally was still dressed in her everyday clothes.
- **common** used about birds and plants that are of the most usual type, and in the phrase **the common people** (=people who are not rich and powerful): the common goldfish | an alliance between the aristocracy and the common people
- **conventional** [only before noun] of the kind that is usually used – used when comparing this with a different or special type: The engine is more efficient than a conventional diesel engine. | the drugs used in conventional medicine | conventional weapons (=not nuclear, chemical, or biological) | conventional ovens and microwaves

II. average² **S2 BrE** **AmE** **noun**

[Date: 1700-1800; Origin: average '(fair sharing out of costs resulting from) damage to or loss of a ship or the goods it carries' (15-20 centuries), from French *avarie*, from Arabic 'awariyah 'damaged goods']

1. [countable] the amount calculated by adding together several quantities, and then dividing this amount by the total number of quantities

average of

- The average of 3, 8, and 10 is 7.
- Each person raised an average of £60 to plant an acre of trees.
- The December figures brought the annual average for 2001 up to 10.6 per cent.

2. **on average** based on a calculation about how many times something usually happens, how much money someone usually gets, how often people usually do something etc:

- On average, men still earn more than women.
- Nearly 80% of Swiss citizens on average turn out to vote.

3. [uncountable and countable] the usual level or amount for most people or things:

- Streets in the town centre are wider than the average.

above/below average

- The school's eighth-graders are above average in science.
- The murder rate in the city has risen to four times the national average

⇒ **law of averages** at ↑law(9)

III. average³ **BrE** **AmE** **verb**

1. [linking verb] to usually do something or usually happen a particular number of times, or to usually be a particular size or amount:

- The water in the lake is not particularly deep, averaging about 12 metres.
- The airport averages about a thousand flights a month.
- I inflation averaged just under 2.8% per year.

2. [transitive] to calculate the average of figures:

- The rate of growth was averaged over a period of three years.

average out *phrasal verb*

1. if something averages out at a particular figure, it has that figure as an average over a period of time

average out at

- Training costs for last year averaged out at £5,100 per trainee.
- The government's share of the cost was intended to average out at 25%.

2. **average something** ↔ **out** to calculate the average of something:

- I averaged out the total increase at about 10%.

average

12500 **1592**^{MCW}

15000 **742**^{COCA}

RANGE: **2k** **AVERAGE** ⁶³²⁰⁹

average ⁵³⁴⁵⁵

averaged ⁴⁶⁸⁶

averages ²³¹⁰

averaging ²⁷⁵⁸

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

18210 **1363**³⁰⁸⁸¹ *jj*

13414 **2031**²¹¹⁴⁶ *nn1*

733 **23819**⁸²² *vv0*

516 **29585**⁵⁶⁹ *vvi*

22 **160413**²⁴ *nnu*

11 **225623**¹³ *np1*
