

quantity['kwɒntəti] *n*

1. 1) количество

quantity on hand - количество, имеющееся в наличии

large [considerable] quantity - большое [значительное] количество

product quantity - количество продукции

innumerable /incalculable/ quantity - бесчисленное количество

negligible quantity - а) незначительное количество; б) **мат.** ничтожно малая величина [**см. тж.** ◇]

a certain [the total] quantity of smth. - определённое [общее] количество чего-л.

quantity of information - объём информации

quantity of production - объём производства

order quantity - размер заказа

the determination of things as to their quantity - количественная характеристика предметов

2) размер; величина

spatial quantity - размер территории

the quantity of a surface - величина поверхности

the quantity of a line - длина линии

quantity of value - величина стоимости

3) сумма

quantity of radiation - сумма радиации

2. доля, часть

there's only a small quantity left - осталась лишь незначительная часть

what quantity do you want? - какую часть /сколько/ вы хотите?

3. **уст. тж. pl** большое количество; множество, изобилие

a quantity of smth. - большое количество чего-л.

by quantities - в больших количествах, во множестве

in quantity, in quantities - в большом количестве, в изобилии

flowers in quantities - множество цветов

to buy smth. in quantities - покупать что-л. в большом количестве

he collected a quantity of old pictures [of curious information] - он собрал большую коллекцию старинных картин [много любопытных сведений]

we've had quantities of rain this summer - этим летом было много дождей

4. **мат.** величина

incommensurable quantities - несоизмеримые величины

like quantities - однородные величины

known quantity - данная величина, известное

unknown quantity - неизвестное [**см. тж.** ◇]5. 1) **фон.** долгота, количество звука

the quantity of a vowel - долгота гласного

2) **стих.** долгота слога6. **муз.** относительная длительность звука◇ negligible quantity - ничтожество, ничтожный человек [**см. тж.** 1, 1)]unknown quantity - человек, о котором ничего не известно или действия которого нельзя предугадать; ≅ тёмная лошадка [**см. тж.** 4]**quantity**

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quan-tity [quantity quantities] *BrE* ['kwɒntəti] [ⓘ] *NAme* ['kwɑːntəti] [ⓘ] noun (pl.**quan-tities**)1. **countable, uncountable** an amount or a number of sth

- a **large/small quantity** of sth
- **enormous/vast/huge quantities** of food
- a product that is cheap to produce **in large quantities**
- Is it available in sufficient quantity?

2. **uncountable** the measurement of sth by saying how much of it there is

- The data is limited in terms of both quality and quantity.

3. **countable, uncountable** a large amount or number of sth

- The police found a quantity of drugs at his home.
- It's cheaper to buy goods **in quantity** .
- I was overwhelmed by the sheer quantity of information available

see an unknown quantity **at** ↑ **unknown**Word Origin:Middle English: from Old French **quantite**, from Latin **quantitas** (translating Greek **posotēs**), from **quantus** 'how great, how much'.Thesaurus:**quantity** noun **C, U**

- It is a product that is cheap to produce in large quantities.

number • • **amount** • • **volume** •**the quantity/number/amount/volume of sth**

a/an quantity/number/amount of sth
a quantity/number of **people /things**
a/an quantity/amount/volume of **information**

Quantity, number or amount? **Number** is used with plural countable nouns; **amount** is usually used with uncountable nouns

- a number of books/dogs/people
- a large amount of time/money/information

Quantity can be used with both countable and uncountable nouns and is slightly more formal.

Example Bank:

- A quantity of jewellery was taken during the burglary.
- Gas was detected in sufficient quantity to warrant careful monitoring.
- There is a discount for goods bought in quantity.
- copious quantities of champagne
- Is the medicine available in sufficient quantity?
- It is a product that is cheap to produce in large quantities.
- They were surprised by the sheer quantity of food.
- a large quantity of wine/food/books

quantity

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quantity **S3 W2** /'kwɒntəti, 'kwɒntrɪ \$ 'kwɑːntɪ- BrE " AmE " noun (plural quantities)

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: quantité, from Latin quantitas, from quantus 'how much']

1. [uncountable and countable] an amount of something that can be counted or measured

quantity of

- The police also found a quantity of ammunition in the flat.
- Add 50 grams of butter, and the same quantity of sugar.

a large/small/vast etc quantity of something

- He had consumed a large quantity of alcohol.
- Huge quantities of oil were spilling into the sea.

in large/small/sufficient etc quantities

- Buy vegetables in small quantities, for your immediate use.
- Your work has improved in quantity and quality this term.

▶ Do not say 'a big quantity'. Say **a large quantity**.

2. [uncountable] the large amount of something:

- The sheer quantity of text meant that people did not read the whole of their newspaper.

3. **in quantity** in large amounts:

- It's a lot cheaper if you buy it in quantity.

⇒ **be an unknown quantity** at [↑]unknown¹(4)

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COLLOCATIONS

■ adjectives

- **a large quantity** A large quantity of clothing was stolen from the shop.
- **a great quantity** (=more formal than 'large') The Romans imported a great quantity of sculpture from Greece.
- **a vast/huge/enormous quantity** Computers can handle vast quantities of data.
- **a considerable/substantial quantity** (=a large or fairly large amount) Dolphins need to eat considerable quantities of food.
- **a sufficient quantity** (=enough) How did they obtain sufficient quantities of food to survive?
- **a small quantity** Remove a small quantity of butter from the fridge.
- **a tiny quantity** (=very small) This truly great wine is only made in tiny quantities.
- **a minute quantity** (=extremely small) The rock contains minute quantities of copper.

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THESAURUS

- **amount** how much of something there is: Try to reduce the amount of fat in your diet. | a tiny amount of poison
- **quantity** a particular amount of food, liquid, or another substance that can be measured – used especially in written descriptions and instructions: Make sure that you add the right quantity of milk. | They buy the wood in large quantities.
- **volume** the amount of something such as business activity or traffic, especially when this is large or increasing: The volume of traffic on our roads has risen sharply. | the huge volume of trade with China
- **level** the exact amount of something at one time, which can go up or down at other times: They measured the level of alcohol in his blood. | There is a high level of unemployment.
- **proportion** the amount of something, compared with the whole amount that exists: the proportion of road accidents caused by drunk drivers | A high proportion of the students were from poor families.
- **quota** a maximum amount of something that can be produced, sold, brought into a country etc: import quotas on Japanese cars
- **yield** /jiːld/ the amount of something that is produced, especially crops: this year's cotton yield

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