

uncertainty[ʌn'sɜ:t(ə)ntɪ] *n*

1. неуверенность, нерешительность
to be in a state of uncertainty - быть в нерешительности, сомневаться
2. изменчивость
uncertainty of temper - изменчивость настроения
3. неизвестность, неопределённость
4. *физ.* неопределённость
uncertainty principle - принцип неопределённости Гейзенберга

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un-cer-tainty [**uncertainty uncertainties**] *BrE* [ʌn'sɜ:tn̩] *NAme* [ʌn'sɜ:rt̩n̩]**noun** (pl. **un-cer-tainties**)

1. **uncountable** the state of being uncertain
 - There is considerable uncertainty about the company's future.
 - He had an air of uncertainty about him.
2. **countable** something that you cannot be sure about; a situation that causes you to be or feel uncertain
 - life's uncertainties
 - the uncertainties of war

Example Bank:

- Considerable uncertainty remains about this approach.
- Her comments will add to the uncertainty of the situation.
- Her comments will add uncertainty to an already complicated situation.
- Her expression showed her uncertainty.
- I expressed some uncertainty on the point.
- It still leaves us with fundamental uncertainties about why the famine happened.
- One area of uncertainty remains: who will lead the team?
- Some uncertainty still exists about the safety of the new drug.
- The 1990s were a period of high uncertainty for businesses.
- The economy became a source of uncertainty and discontent.
- There is considerable uncertainty in our understanding of global warming.
- There's considerable uncertainty as to whether the government's job creation strategies will work.
- They are facing some uncertainty about their jobs.
- This will remove any uncertainties regarding possible contamination.
- a climate of global economic uncertainty
- a feeling of uncertainty about his future
- the inherent uncertainty in economic and budgetary forecasts
- the uncertainty surrounding the proposed changes in the law
- uncertainty over the safety of the drug
- All of us are a bit afraid of life's uncertainties and unexpected problems.
- She tried to get on with her life amidst the uncertainties of war.
- There is considerable uncertainty about the company's future.

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1. [**uncountable**] when you feel doubt about what will happen:

Times of great change are also times of uncertainty.

uncertainty about/as toThere is a great deal of uncertainty about the company's future.

2. [**countable usually plural**] a situation which you are not sure about because you do not know what will happen:

life's uncertainties

uncertainty of

the uncertainties of old age

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