

explosion[ɪk'spləʊz(ə)n] *n*

1. взрыв; разрыв

volcanic explosion - извержение вулкана

stellar explosion - *асмп.* звёздная вспышка, взрыв звезды

an explosion of a boiler - взрыв котла

the ship was sunk by an explosion - судно взорвалось и затонуло

2. вспышка (*гнева*); взрыв (*смеха*)

an explosion of public indignation - взрыв /волна/ общественного негодования

3. бурный рост

cultural /culture/ explosion - расцвет культуры

population explosion, explosion of population - а) *биол.* вспышка размножения популяции; б) бурный рост населения (*в стране*), демографический взрыв4. *фон.* взрыв; эксплозия, замыкание5. 1) *тех.* взрыв; вспышка2) *авт.* выхлоп**explosion**

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ex·plo·sion [explosion explosions] *BrE* [ɪk'spləʊzɪn] * *NAmE* [ɪk'splɒʊzɪn] *

noun

1. **countable, uncountable** the sudden violent bursting and loud noise of sth such as a bomb exploding; the act of deliberately causing sth to explode• a **bomb/nuclear/gas explosion**

• There were two loud explosions and then the building burst into flames.

• Bomb Squad officers carried out a **controlled explosion** of the device.

• 300 people were injured in the explosion.

2. **countable** a large, sudden or rapid increase in the amount or number of sth

• a population explosion

• an explosion of interest in learning Japanese

• an explosion in oil prices

3. **countable (formal)** a sudden, violent expression of emotion, especially anger**Syn:** ↑outburst

• Do you know what brought on that explosion?

• Demonstrators clashed with riot police in an explosion of anger at live animal exports.

Word Origin:early 17th cent.: from Latin *explosio(n-)* 'scornful rejection', from the verb *explodere* 'drive out by clapping, hiss off the stage', from *ex-* 'out' + *plaudere* 'to clap'.Thesaurus:**explosion** noun **C**

• The explosion destroyed the building.

journalism blast •a **loud/deafening/powerful/massive/huge** explosion/blasta **bomb/gas/chemical/nuclear** explosion/blasta/an explosion/blast **rips through/rocks** sthExample Bank:

- 3 people were injured in the explosion.
- A huge explosion rocked the entire building.
- A loud explosion echoed around the valley.
- A massive explosion erupted behind him.
- A massive explosion ripped through the chemical works.
- An explosion blew out the front windows.
- Bomb disposal experts carried out a controlled explosion on the suspect package.
- How can we keep up with the information explosion?
- I believe we will see an explosion in lawsuits of this kind.
- If no action is taken, the country runs the risk of a social explosion.
- In the 1860s a veritable explosion of major scientific publications took place.
- The build-up of gas caused a small explosion.
- The explosion came 20 minutes after a coded warning to the police.
- The explosion caused major structural damage.
- The explosion occurred just after midday.
- The explosion shook nearby homes.
- The floor shook with a distant explosion.
- The shock waves of this political explosion engulfed the whole of Europe.
- There was a muffled explosion somewhere on their right.
- a great explosion of creativity
- a nuclear test explosion

- a sudden explosion in the number of students
- a sudden explosion of anger
- The explosion sent a large cloud of smoke and dust into the air.
- The world changed with the explosion of the first atomic bomb.

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[Word Family: adjective: exploding, ↑explosive, ↑exploded, ↑unexploded; noun: ↑explosion, ↑explosive; verb: ↑explode; adverb: ↑explosively]

1. ^ˈ [countable] a loud sound and the energy produced by something such as a bomb bursting into small pieces ⇒ **explode**

bomb/gas/nuclear explosion

ˈ Several people were injured in a bomb explosion.

ˈ We heard a loud explosion.

huge/massive etc explosion

ˈ A massive explosion ripped through the building.

2. [uncountable and countable] a process in which something such as a bomb is deliberately made to explode:

ˈ Police carried out a controlled explosion of the device.

3. [countable] a sudden or quick increase in the number or amount of something:

ˈ the population explosion in India

explosion of

ˈ the recent explosion of interest in Latin music and dance

4. [countable] a sudden expression of emotion, especially anger **SYN outburst**

5. [countable] a sudden very loud noise

explosion of

ˈ an explosion of laughter

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meanings 1 & 2)

■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + explosion

- **a big explosion** There has been a big explosion in the centre of Paris.
- **a huge/massive/enormous explosion** An enormous explosion tore the roof off the building.
- **a tremendous explosion** (=very big and powerful) The torpedo struck the side of the ship, followed by a tremendous explosion.
- **a powerful explosion** The powerful explosion was heard from Portland, Maine to Albany, New York.
- **a major explosion** *formal* We are getting reports of a major explosion at the oil refinery.
- **a loud explosion** We heard several loud explosions followed by an eerie silence.
- **a deafening explosion** (=extremely loud) The building collapsed in a deafening explosion.
- **an almighty explosion** *old-fashioned* (=extremely loud) There was an almighty explosion and I was knocked to the ground.
- **a muffled explosion** (=one that is not heard very clearly) We could just make out a muffled explosion from deep inside the mine.
- **a nuclear/atomic explosion** This is the site of the first ever nuclear explosion.
- **a gas explosion** Firefighters say that a gas explosion destroyed the building.
- **a volcanic explosion** (=one caused by a volcano) You could see where a volcanic explosion had blown the mountain peak away.

■ verbs

- **cause an explosion** The police do not yet know what caused the explosion.
- **set off/trigger an explosion** (=cause an explosion) Investigators believe a fuel leak may have triggered the explosion.
- **carry out an explosion** (=cause one deliberately) By 1942, the United States had carried out test explosions with nuclear bombs.
- **hear an explosion** Marie was reading in bed when she heard the explosion.
- **an explosion takes place/happens** The largest explosion took place at the main post office.
- **an explosion occurs** *formal* The explosion occurred just off the coast of Greece.
- **an explosion shakes something** A series of explosions shook the building.
- **an explosion destroys something** Seven people died when the explosion destroyed the bus.
- **an explosion kills somebody** Last year, an underground explosion killed 82 miners.

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 3)

■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + explosion

- **a sudden explosion** Henry thought she was going to laugh, but then there was a sudden explosion of sobbing.
- **a population explosion** The decision not to plant the fields led to a population explosion in rabbits.

■ phrases

- **an explosion of interest in something** There has been an explosion of interest in networking websites in the last few years.
- **an explosion of violence** The army had to cope with the explosion of violence that followed the elections.
- **an explosion of anger** The verdict was greeted by an explosion of public anger.
- **an explosion of colour** *literary* After the rain, the desert bloomed in an explosion of color.

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■ a very big increase

- **explosion** *noun* [countable] a sudden very large increase in the amount or number of something: There has been an explosion in the number of fast food restaurants. | The country experienced a population explosion. | The book caused an explosion of interest in Renaissance Italy.

- **boom** *noun* [singular] a sudden large increase in trade, profits or sales, with the result that a country, company, or industry becomes very successful. **Boom** is also used about a sudden increase in interest in something, with the result that it becomes very popular: the German economic boom of the 1960s | the Internet boom | There has been a boom in sales of diet books and videos.

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