

**breakdown****1. ['breɪkdaʊn] n**

- 1) поломка механизма, машины; авария
- 2) нарушение движения (*на железной дороге и т. п.*)
- 3) *эл.* пробой (*изоляция*)

breakdown test - испытание на пробой

**2. (полный) упадок сил**

nervous breakdown - нервное расстройство

**3. развал, распад**

breakdown of the Roman Empire - крушение /распад/ Римской империи

**4. 1) разложение (вещества)****2) разборка (на части)****3) анализ****4) расчленение, разбивка на мелкие группы****5. брейк, стремительный негритянский танец****6. воен. распределение****2. ['breɪkdaʊn] a**

аварийный; ремонтный

breakdown gang - аварийная команда

breakdown crane - аварийный кран

breakdown lorry - ремонтная летучка, ремонтная мастерская на автомобиле

**breakdown**

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**break-down** [breakdown breakdowns] *BrE* ['breɪkdaʊn] <sup>ˈ</sup> *NAmE* ['breɪkdaʊn]

**noun**

- 1. countable** an occasion when a vehicle or machine stops working
  - a breakdown on the motorway
  - a breakdown recovery service
- 2. countable, uncountable** a failure of a relationship, discussion or system
  - the breakdown of a marriage
  - marriage breakdown
  - a breakdown in communications
  - The breakdown of the negotiations was not unexpected.
  - the breakdown of law and order
- 3. countable, usually singular** detailed information that you get by studying a set of figures
  - First, let's look at a breakdown of the costs.
- 4. uncountable (technical)** the breaking of a substance into the parts of which it is made
  - the breakdown of proteins in the digestive system
- 5. countable = ↑nervous breakdown**
  - She's still recovering from her breakdown.

**Example Bank:**

- Most breakdown services give priority to women travelling alone.
- Please provide us with a breakdown of expenditure by department.
- The national breakdown organizations are on hand to help motorists 24 hours a day.
- The only ground for divorce is the irretrievable breakdown of the marriage.
- The stress of her job had brought her to the brink of a nervous breakdown.
- a breakdown in negotiations
- A growing proportion of children are affected by family breakdown.
- Marital breakdown can be followed by debt problems.
- The breakdown of negotiations was not expected.
- There has obviously been a breakdown in communications between the two sides.
- There seems to be a complete breakdown in law and order.

**breakdown**

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**break down** /'breɪkdaʊn/ *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> **noun**

- 1. [uncountable and countable]** the failure of a relationship or system

**breakdown of**

He moved away after the breakdown of his marriage.

A sudden rise in oil prices could lead to a breakdown of the economy.

**breakdown in**

There has been a serious breakdown in relations between the two countries.

**marriage/marital/family breakdown**

Family breakdown can lead to behavioural problems in children.

- 2. [countable]** a serious medical condition in which someone becomes mentally ill and is unable to work or deal with ordinary situations in life:

I was worried he might have a breakdown if he carried on working so hard.

Two years ago he suffered a mental breakdown.

She had already had one nervous breakdown.

3. [countable] an occasion when a car or a piece of machinery breaks and stops working:

Always carry a phone with you in case you have a breakdown on the motorway.

breakdown in

" a breakdown in the cooling system

4. [countable] a list of all the separate parts of something

breakdown of

" Can you give us a breakdown of the figures?

5. [singular] the changing of a substance into other substances:

" the breakdown of glucose in the body to release energy ⇒ **break down** at ↑break<sup>1</sup>

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## COLLOCATIONS

### ■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + breakdown

- **marriage /marital breakdown** problems caused by the increase in marital breakdown
- **family breakdown** A growing proportion of children are affected by family breakdown.
- **communication breakdown** (=when people do not talk or are unable to talk) The misunderstanding was the result of a communication breakdown.
- **complete/total breakdown** The disagreement finally led to a complete breakdown of their relationship.
- **irretrievable breakdown** *formal* (=one that is impossible to put right again) The irretrievable breakdown of a marriage may be grounds for divorce.

### ■ verbs

- **cause/lead to a breakdown** Money problems often cause marriage breakdown.

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