

iceberg

[ˈaɪsbɜːɡ] *n*

1. айсберг
 2. холодная натура, холодный, замкнутый человек
 - ◇ the tip of the iceberg - а) надводная часть айсберга; б) небольшая видимая часть (чего-л.)
- the news article is only the tip of the iceberg, hidden is a serious situation - это сообщение печати только верхушка айсберга, за ним кроется серьёзное положение

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

ice-berg [ˈaɪsbɜːɡ *icebergs*] *BrE* [ˈaɪsbɜːrɡ] *NAmE* [ˈaɪsbɜːrɡ] *noun*

an extremely large mass of ice floating in the sea

- The ship struck a hidden iceberg.

see the tip of the iceberg at **↑tip** *n*.

Word Origin:

late 18th cent.: from Dutch *ijsberg*, from *ijs* 'ice' + *berg* 'hill'.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

ice berg /ˈaɪsbɜːrɡ/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun* [countable]

[Date: 1700-1800; Language: Danish; Origin: Norwegian *isberg* 'ice-mountain']

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⇒ **the tip of the iceberg** at **↑tip**¹⁽⁴⁾

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THESAURUS

- **ice** water that has frozen into a solid state: ice cubes in her Coke | the ice on the lake
- **frost** a thin coating of white powder-like ice that forms on the ground and plants, or the weather conditions in which this powder appears: There was frost on the ground. | Even in May we can sometimes get a late frost.
- **black ice** an area of ice that is very difficult to see on a road: Driving conditions are dangerous, with black ice in many areas.
- **icicle** a long thin pointed piece of ice that hangs from a roof or other surface: There were icicles hanging down from the side of the house.
- **hailstones** frozen balls of ice which fall like rain from the sky: Hailstones as big as marbles flattened the crops.
- **glacier** a large mass of ice which moves slowly down a mountain valley: The high mountain glaciers of South America and Asia are melting at an alarming rate. | the Kangshung glacier
- **iceberg** a very large mass of ice floating in the sea, most of which is under the surface of the water: The ship sank after hitting an iceberg in the North Atlantic.
- **ice cap** an area of thick ice that permanently covers the North and South Poles: We all know that the polar ice caps are melting because of global warming.

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