

ambivalent[æmˈbɪvələnt] *a*

1. раздвоенный, раздвоённый (о *чувстве и т. п.*); двойственный (об *отношении и т. п.*)
2. *психуатр.* амбивалентный

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am·biva·lent *BrE* [æmˈbɪvələnt] ^ˈ *NAmE* [æmˈbɪvələnt] ^ˈ **adjective** ~
(**about/towards sb/sth**)

having or showing both good and bad feelings about sb/sth

- She seems to feel ambivalent about her new job.
- He has an ambivalent attitude towards her.

Derived Words ↑ **ambivalence** ▪ ↑ **ambivalently**

Word Origin:

early 20th cent.: from ambivalence (from German *Ambivalenz*), on the pattern of equivalent

Example Bank:

- In his latest film, he plays a sexually ambivalent bartender.
- The party's position on nuclear weapons is deeply ambivalent
- She feels ambivalent about her new job.
- She is deeply ambivalent about her feelings for him.

Example Bank:

- She feels a profound ambivalence about her origins.
- She felt a certain ambivalence towards him.
- She viewed her daughter's education with ambivalence.
- The document expressed some ambivalence over the doctrine of predestination.
- There is a sexual ambivalence in her public image.
- his ambivalence over money
- their ambivalence about supporting the government

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am·biv·a·lent /æmˈbɪvələnt/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ **adjective**

[**Date:** 1900-2000; **Origin:** ambi- + -valent '*having a particular value*' (from Latin *valere* ⇒ *VALOR*)]

not sure whether you want or like something or not

ambivalent about

^ˈ We are both somewhat ambivalent about having a child.

ambivalent attitude/feelings etc

—**ambivalence** *noun* [singular, uncountable]:

^ˈ O'Neill had a genuine ambivalence toward US involvement in the war.

—**ambivalently** *adverb*

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