

compulsive

1. [kəm'pʌlsɪv] *n* **психол.**
человек, испытывающий непреодолимое влечение к чему-л.; больной, страдающий навязчивыми состояниями
2. [kəm'pʌlsɪv] *a*
 1. = compulsory
 2. **психол.**
 - 1) непреодолимый; навязчивый; маниакальный
compulsive urge - непреодолимое влечение
compulsive idea - навязчивая мысль; маниакальная идея
 - 2) страдающий навязчивой идеей, непреодолимым влечением *и т. п.* :
compulsive smoker - заядлый курильщик
compulsive talker - человек, безостановочно говорящий
compulsive eater - человек, который вечно что-то жует

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

com-pul-sive *BrE* [kəm'pʌlsɪv] ^u *NAmE* [kəm'pʌlsɪv] ^u **adjective**

1. (of behaviour) that is difficult to stop or control
 - **compulsive eating/spending/gambling**
 2. (of people) not being able to control their behaviour
 - a **compulsive drinker/gambler/liar**
 3. that makes you pay attention to it because it is so interesting and exciting
 - The programme made compulsive viewing.
- Derived Word ↑ **compulsively**

Word Origin:

[**compulsive compulsively**] late 16th cent. (in the sense 'compulsory'): from medieval Latin **compulsivus**, from **compuls-** 'driven, forced', from the verb **compellere**, from **com-** 'together' + **pellere** 'drive'. Sense 1 (originally a term in psychology) dates from the early 20th cent.

Example Bank:

- He was a compulsive gambler.
- His family had been unaware of his compulsive gambling.
- She went through periods of compulsive overeating
- The accused had a compulsive urge to drive at excessive speed.
- The book offers advice and help for compulsive eaters.
- We are able to put compulsive spenders in touch with debt counsellors.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

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1. compulsive behaviour is very difficult to stop or control, and is often a result of or a sign of a mental problem ⇒ **obsessive**
compulsive gambling/overeating/spending etc
^u Compulsive overspending in these days of credit cards has become more common.
 2. **compulsive overeater/gambler/spender/liar etc** someone who has such a strong desire to eat too much etc that they are unable to control it:
^u a help group for compulsive overeaters
 3. a book, programme etc that is compulsive is so interesting that you cannot stop reading or watching it
compulsive reading/viewing
^u 'Gardening World' is compulsive viewing for gardeners.
- **compulsively** *adverb*
— **compulsiveness** *noun* [uncountable]

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