

expanse[ɪk'spæns] *n*

1. пространство, протяжение, простор

the expanse of heaven - небосвод

the broad expanse of the ocean - широкий простор /бескрайняя гладь/ океана

2. увеличение, расширение

expanses**ex·panse** [expanse expanses] *BrE* [ɪk'spæns] *NAmE* [ɪk'spæns] noun ~

(of sth)

a wide and open area of sth, especially land or water

• a **wide/vast expanse** of blue sky

• flat expanses of open farmland

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Word Origin:mid 17th cent.: from modern Latin **expansum** ‘something expanded’ , neuter past participle of **expandere** ‘to spread out’, from **ex-** ‘out’ + **pandere** ‘to spread’.Example Bank:

- She stood looking out over the flat expanse of fields.
- a bleak expanse of concrete
- a vast expanse of sand
- the desk's shining expanse of polished wood
- the white expanses of the frozen north
- Above them was a vast expanse of blue sky.
- He gazed out over the huge expanses of open prairie.
- She admired the deck's shining expanse of polished wood.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

ex·panse /ɪk'spæns/ *BrE* *AmE* noun [countable]

a very large area of water, sky, land etc

expanses of

an expanse of blue sky

vast/wide/large etc expanse

the vast expanse of the ocean

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