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1. [pʊʃ] *n*
 - 1) толчок
give the door a hard push - толкните дверь посильнее
 - 2) толкание
 2. давление, нажим, напор
the push of a crowd - натиск толпы
 3. удар (*острым оружием или рогами*)
 4. быстрое продвижение, бросок
the big scientific push into the south-polar region - крупные научно-исследовательские работы, стремительно разворачивающиеся в районе Южного полюса
 5. **воен. разг.** наступление; продвижение вперёд; энергичная атака
the big push began in May - в мае началось мощное наступление
 6. **разг.** поддержка, покровительство, протекция
to give smb. a push - оказать кому-л. протекцию [*ср. тж.* 11]
 7. решительная минута, критические обстоятельства
at a push - в критический момент [*см. тж.* ◇]
when it came to the push I found I had forgotten all I intended to say - оказалось, что в решающий момент я забыл всё, что хотел сказать
 8. **разг.**
 - 1) энергия, решительность, предприимчивость; напористость
he hasn't enough push to succeed - он недостаточно предприимчив /энергичен/, чтобы преуспеть
a man of push and go - энергичный, предприимчивый и самоуверенный человек
he's got push - он пробивной
 - 2) усилие, энергичная попытка
we must make a push to get it done - мы должны поднажать /поднатужиться/, чтобы сделать это
 9. рекламирование, проталкивание (*товара*)
 10. побуждение, импульс
inner push - внутренний стимул
 11. **разг.** увольнение
to give the push - уволить [*ср. тж.* 6]
to get the push - быть уволенным
 12. *сл.*
 - 1) **австрал.** шайка, банда хулиганов *или* преступников
 - 2) влиятельная группировка, клика
political push - влиятельная политическая группировка
 13. 1) нажимная кнопка; кнопка (*звонка и т. п.*)
2) кнопка включения
◇ to be put to the push - подвергнуться тяжёлому испытанию
to be in the push - **зруб.** быть в курсе дела
at a push - если повезёт, если всё пойдёт хорошо [*см. тж.* 7]
2. [pʊʃ] *v*
 1. толкать, пихать (*тж. push aside, push back, push down и т. п.*)
to push smb. out of the way - оттолкнуть /отпихнуть/ кого-л.
to push smb. into the room - втолкнуть кого-л. в комнату
 - Push•• - «От себя» (*надпись на двери*)
somebody pushed me - кто-то толкнул меня
don't push! - не толкайтесь
I pushed the plug into the socket - я воткнул штепсель в розетку
to push back - а) отбрасывать, отталкивать назад; оттеснять; the police pushed back the crowd - полиция оттеснила толпу; б) отодвигать; he pushed back his chair - он отодвинул свой стул; в) **спорт.** «отжать» противника (*борьба*)
to push aside, to push away - а) отталкивать; he pushed her away angrily - он сердито оттолкнул /отпихнул/ её; she pushed away her plate - она отодвинула свою тарелку; б) отбрасывать, отстранять
to push aside all obstacles - устранять /сметать/ все препятствия
to push down, to push over - опрокидывать, валить
to push past the flank - **воен.** обходить, направлять в обход фланга
 2. (*тж. push through*)
 - 1) проталкивать
to push a cork into a bottle - протолкнуть пробку в бутылку
the chest was wide but we managed to push it through - ящик был широкий, но нам удалось втащить его
 - 2) проталкиваться
to push one's way - а) проталкиваться, протискиваться, с трудом прокладывая себе дорогу; б) пробивать дорогу в жизни, делать карьеру
to push one's way into a job - добиться работы, вырвать себе работу
he pushed through the crowd - он протиснулся сквозь толпу
the boy pushed in front of us and got to the ticket office first - мальчик протиснулся вперёд и оказался первым у кассы
he pushed (himself) into the queue - **разг.** он влез без очереди
 - 3) **разг.** помочь кому-л., чему-л. пройти какое-л. испытание (*тест, утверждение и т. п.*)

they pushed the matter - они протолкнули это дело

3. 1) подгонять, подталкивать (*тж.* push on)

2) ускорять; увеличивать скорость

to push the vessel - ускорить ход корабля

3) усиливать

to push the sound - форсировать звук

4. нажимать, надавливать

to push the button - нажать кнопку

don't push against the fence, it will give way - не наваливайтесь на забор, иначе он рухнет

5. 1) осуществлять нажим, оказывать давление (*на кого-л.*); настаивать; приставать

we do not wish to push him for payment - мы не хотим принуждать его уплатить деньги

he pushed his son to pursue a musical career - он заставил сына заниматься музыкой

we are pushed for an answer - с нас настоятельно требуют ответа

don't push him too far - не доводите его до крайности

I don't want to push you - я не хочу давить на вас

2) (for) *pass* не хватать

he is pushed for money - он крайне стеснен в деньгах, у него туго с деньгами

he is pushed for time - у него мало времени

6. настойчиво продвигать, добиваться; домогаться

to push one's claims - настаивать на своих требованиях

unions pushing for higher wages - профсоюзы, добивающиеся повышения заработной платы

to push oneself - стараться выдвинуться; добиваться повышения /продвижения/

7. 1) оказывать поддержку, протезировать (*кому-л.*), продвигать, проталкивать кого-л. (*тж.* push forward, push on, push up)

to push a friend - составить протекцию приятелю

2) проталкивать (*что-л.*; *тж.* push through)

they pushed the bill through Congress - они протолкнули законопроект через конгресс

8. 1) распространять, продвигать

to push the war into the enemy's country - перенести войну на территорию противника

2) продвигаться

to push as far as Paris - дойти /продвинуться/ до Парижа

9. продвигать, развивать (*идею, систему и т. п.*)

he pushed the argument one step further - он несколько развил свой довод

10. рекламировать

to push one's wares - рекламировать свои товары

11. давать ростки, пускать корни (*тж.* push forth, push out)

12. *амер. разг.* приближаться к определённому возрасту *или* к определённой цифре

you're pushing fifty - вам скоро стукнет пятьдесят

the crowd is pushing 2000 - толпа насчитывает около 2000 человек

13. *амер. разг.* торговать наркотиками, продавать наркотики (*на улице и т. п.*)

14. *разг.* жарить, наяривать вовсю (*о джазе*)

◇ to push to the wall - припереть к стене; довести до крайности

to push one's advantages - преследовать личную выгоду

to push one's luck - поступать рискованно, испытывать судьбу

to push one's fortune - делать карьеру

to push a pen - *амер.* работать в канцелярии

to push smb.'s face in - *сл.* дать кому-л. по морде

to push up daisies - ≅ лежать в земле, кормить червей

II

[pʊʃ] *n диал.*

прыщ, угорь

push

push [push pushes pushed pushing] *verb, noun* *BrE* [pʊʃ] ^ɹ *NAmE* [pʊʃ] ^ɹ
verb

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USING HANDS/ARMS/BODY

1. intransitive, transitive to use your hands, arms or body in order to make sb/sth move forward or away from you; to move part of your body into a particular position

- We pushed and pushed but the piano wouldn't move.
- Push hard when I tell you to.
- You push and I'll pull.
- ~ **at sth** She pushed at the door but it wouldn't budge.
- ~ **sth** He walked slowly up the hill pushing his bike.
- ~ **sb/sth + adv./prep.** She pushed the cup towards me.
- He pushed his chair back and stood up.
- He tried to kiss her but she pushed him away.
- She pushed her face towards him.
- ~ **sth + adj.** I pushed the door open.

2. intransitive, transitive to use force to move past sb/sth using your hands, arms, etc

- People were **pushing and shoving** to get to the front.

- + **adv./prep.** The fans pushed against the barrier.
- ~ **your way + adv./prep.** Try and push your way through the crowd.

AFFECT STH

- 3. transitive ~ sth + adv./prep.** to affect sth so that it reaches a particular level or state
- This development could push the country into recession.
 - The rise in interest rates will push prices up.

SWITCH/BUTTON

- 4. transitive ~ sth** to press a switch, button, etc, for example in order to make a machine start working
- I pushed the button for the top floor.

PERSUADE

- 5. transitive** to persuade or encourage sb to do sth that they may not want to do
- ~ **sb (into sth/into doing sth)** My teacher pushed me into entering the competition.
 - ~ **sb to do sth** No one pushed you to take the job, did they?

WORK HARD

- 6. transitive ~ sb/yourself** to make sb work hard
- The music teacher really pushes her pupils.
 - Lucy should push herself a little harder.

PUT PRESSURE ON SB

- 7. transitive ~ sb (+ adv./prep.) (informal)** to put pressure on sb and make them angry or upset
- Her parents are very tolerant, but sometimes she pushes them too far.

NEW IDEA/PRODUCT

- 8. transitive ~ sth (informal)** to try hard to persuade people to accept or agree with a new idea, buy a new product, etc
- The interview gave him a chance to push his latest movie.
 - She didn't want to **push the point** any further at that moment.

SELL DRUGS

- 9. transitive ~ sth (informal)** to sell illegal drugs

OF ARMY

- 10. intransitive + adv./prep.** to move forward quickly through an area
- The army pushed (on) towards the capital.

more at press/push all the right buttons **at** ↑**button** n., press/push the panic button **at** ↑**panic button**

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	push
	BrE /pʊʃ/
	NAme /pʊʃ/
he / she / it	pushes
	BrE /pʊʃɪz/
	NAme /pʊʃɪz/
past simple, past participle	pushed
	BrE /pʊʃt/
	NAme /pʊʃt/
-ing form	pushing
	BrE /pʊʃɪŋ/
	NAme /pʊʃɪŋ/

Word Origin:

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Thesaurus:

push **verb**

- 1. T, I** (often used with an adverb or preposition)

• He pushed the key into the lock.

stick • **drive** • **force** • **ram** • **poke** • **press** • |informal **shove** • |written **thrust** •

Opp: pull

push/stick/drive/force/ram/poke/press/shove/thrust sth **into** sth

push/stick/drive/force/ram/poke/shove/thrust sth **through** sth

push/force/shove/thrust sb/sth **away**

- 2. I, T** (usually used with an adverb or preposition)

• A boy pushed his way through the crowd.

shove • **barge** • **shoulder** • **elbow** • **jostle** •

Opp: pull

push/shove/barge/shoulder/elbow **past** sb

push/barge/elbow **through** sb/sth

push/shove/shoulder/elbow sb **aside/out of the way**

3. T

- Push the red button to open the door.

press • • **squeeze** •

push/press/squeeze **on** sth

push/press a **bell/button/key/switch**

push/press/squeeze (sth) **hard/gently**

Which word? Press is the most general word. You can **press** sth with your finger, hand or foot. **Push** is mostly used with the word **button**. You **squeeze** sth by bending your finger(s) around it.

4. T

- No one pushed you to take the job, did they?

press • |BrE **pressurize** • |especially AmE **pressure** • |informal **twist sb's arm** • |formal **coerce** •

push/press/pressurize/pressure/coerce sb **into** (doing) sth

push sb/press sb/pressurize sb/pressure sb/coerce sb/twist sb's arm **to do sth**

push/press sb **for** sth

5. T (usually approving)

- Lucy should push herself harder.

work • |sometimes **disapproving drive** • |disapproving **overwork** •

push/work/drive sb **hard**

push/drive sb **too far/to the limit**

Example Bank:

- A man pushed his way to the front of the crowd.
- Don't allow yourself to be pushed around by that bully.
- He felt he was being pushed to the limit of his self-control.
- He managed to push the window open a few inches.
- He pushed her roughly out of the door.
- He was deliberately pushed into the path of the vehicle.
- Her parents pushed her into accepting the job.
- I began to push my way through the crowd.
- Jack flung himself at Steve, but he simply pushed him away.
- She found a note pushed under the door.
- She leaned on the box and pushed it aside.
- She leaned on the door and pushed the bolt home.
- She pushed blindly past him and made for the door.
- The surplus has helped push world prices to as little as 55 euros per tonne.
- The two governments are pushing for economic reform in the region.
- The woman had been pushed violently to the ground.
- They pushed the two desks together.
- They're pushing hard for a ban on GM foods.
- You'll have to push harder if you want it to move.
- pushing through the crowd
- A woman pushed her way through the crowd.
- Ellie stood up, pushing her plate away.
- He made it clear that he would resist any attempt to push him into early retirement.
- He pushed past the other people waiting.
- He pushed the door open with his foot.
- He walked slowly up the hill, pushing his bike.
- I had to push several bystanders aside to get to her.
- I pushed the key into the lock.
- Marty tried to kiss her but she pushed him away.
- Please don't push in front of other customers.
- Push the red button to open the doors.
- Sales promotion is designed to push certain products.
- She claimed she had been pushed into posing for the photographs.
- She didn't want to push the point any further at that moment.
- Stop pushing me!
- The doctor pushed a needle into my arm.
- The old man pushed his face towards me.
- There's no need to push!
- They were pressing/pushing the minister for a decision.
- We pushed and pushed, but the door wouldn't move.
- You push and I'll pull.

Idioms: ↑at a push ▪ ↑give/get the push ▪ ↑push it ▪ ↑push something to the back of your mind ▪ ↑push the boat out ▪ ↑push the envelope ▪ ↑push your luck ▪ pushing 40/50 ▪ ↑pushing up daisies ▪ ↑when push comes to shove

Derived ↑push ahead ▪ ↑push for something ▪ ↑push forward ▪ ↑push in ▪ ↑push off ▪ ↑push on ▪ ↑push somebody about ▪ ↑push somebody for something ▪ ↑push somebody out ▪ ↑push somebody over ▪ ↑push something aside ▪ ↑push something back ▪ ↑push something out ▪ ↑push something through ▪ ↑push yourself forward

USING HANDS/ARMS/BODY

1. an act of pushing sth/sb
 - She gave him a gentle push.
 - The car won't start. Can you give it a push?
 - **At the push of a button** (= very easily) he could get a whole list of names.

OF ARMY

2. a large and determined military attack
 - a final push against the enemy
 - (figurative) The firm has begun a major push into the European market.

EFFORT

3. ~ **for sth** a determined effort to achieve sth
 - The push for reform started in 2007.
4. encouragement to do sth
 - He wants to open his own business, but needs a push in the right direction to get him started.

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Example Bank:

- The company is making a strong push to expand its distribution.
- The machine washes and dries at the push of a button.
- There has been a big push for better public transport.
- There has been a big push for higher standards in schools.
- a push towards organic food
- the final push against the enemy
- The push for reform started in 1989.

See also: ↑cut in

push

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I. **push**¹ **S1 W2** /pʊʃ/ *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ *verb*

[Word Family: noun: ↑push, ↑pusher, ↑pushiness; adjective: ↑pushed, ↑pushy; verb: ↑push]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: *poulsare* 'to hit, push', from Latin *pulsare*, from *pellere* 'to drive, hit']

1. **MOVE** [intransitive and transitive] to make someone or something move by pressing them with your hands, arms etc **OPP** pull:

- It didn't move, so she pushed harder.
- I promised to push him on the swings for as long as he wanted.
- shoppers pushing their grocery carts

push somebody/something away/back/aside etc

- She pushed him away.
- Maria pushed her hair back from her forehead.

push somebody/something towards/into etc something

- Philip pushed him towards the door.

push something open/shut

- I slowly pushed the door open.

2. **BUTTON/SWITCH** [intransitive and transitive] to press a button, switch etc in order to make a piece of equipment start or stop working **SYN** press:

- I got in and pushed the button for the fourth floor.
- Push the green button to start the engine.

3. **TRY TO GET PAST** [intransitive] to use your hands, arms etc to make people or things move, so that you can get past them:

- Don't push. Everyone will get a turn.

push (your way) past/through/into etc

- A fat man pushed past me in his rush to leave.
- She pushed her way to the front.

4. **ENCOURAGE** [transitive] to encourage or force someone to do something or to work hard:

- Encourage your kids to try new things, but try not to push them too hard.
- athletes who push their bodies to the limit

push yourself

- He's been pushing himself too hard, working 12-hour days.

push somebody into (doing) something

- My husband pushed me into leaving the job.

push somebody to do something

- The teachers pushed the students to achieve.

5. **PERSUADE** [intransitive and transitive] to try to persuade people to accept your ideas, opinions etc in order to achieve something:

The president is trying to push his agenda in Congress.

push for

He was pushing hard for welfare reform.

push to do something

Company representatives are pushing to open foreign markets to their products.

push something on somebody

We don't try to push our religion on anyone.

6. CHANGE [transitive always + adverb/preposition] to change someone's situation, or to make a situation change, especially when some people do not want it to change:

The law would push even more children into poverty.

attempts to push the peace process forward

7. INCREASE/DECREASE [transitive always + adverb/preposition] to increase or decrease an amount, value, or number

push something up/down

Slow sales have pushed down orders.

push something higher/lower

New technology has pushed the cost of health care even higher.

8. ARMY [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] if an army pushes somewhere, it moves in that direction:

The army was pushing north.

We pushed deep into enemy territory.

9. ADVERTISE [transitive] *informal* to try to sell more of a product by advertising it a lot:

Sports stars earn big bucks for pushing everything from shoes to soft drinks.

10. DRUGS [transitive] *informal* to sell illegal drugs ⇒ ↑pusher

11. be pushing 40/50 etc *informal* to be nearly 40, 50 etc years old

12. push your luck/push it *informal* to do something or ask for something, especially something you have done or asked for before, when this is likely to annoy someone or involve a risk:

If she doesn't want to go, don't push it.

It's 26 miles, so you're pushing your luck if you try to hike it in a day.

13. push something out of your mind (also **push something to the back of your mind**) to try not to think about something, especially something bad or worrying:

He pushed the thought out of his mind and tried to concentrate.

14. push (sb's) buttons *informal* to make someone feel strong emotions:

Movies shouldn't be afraid to push a few buttons.

15. push the boat out *British English informal* to spend more money than you usually do, on something special:

Push the boat out and get tickets to the theatre or ballet.

16. push the point to keep trying to make someone accept your opinion in a way that they think is annoying

17. push the envelope *American English* to do something that is new and that goes beyond the limits of what has already been done in a particular area of activity

push the envelope of/on

ideas that push the envelope of design and construction

18. be pushing up (the) daisies *informal* to be dead – used humorously

⇒ ↑pushed, ↑pushing

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THESAURUS

- **push** to make something or someone move by pressing them with your hands, arms etc: Push the door, don't pull it. | She pushed him away and walked out.
- **shove** to push someone or something in a rough or careless way: People were shoving to get to the front of the queue. | Tom shoved his suitcase under the bed.
- **stuff** *informal* to push something quickly and carelessly into a small space: She stuffed a few clothes into a bag and left.
- **poke** to push someone or something with your finger or something sharp: I poked the snake with a stick but it was dead.
- **nudge** to push someone beside you gently with your elbow to get their attention: Toby nudged me and pointed out of the window.
- **roll** to push something round or something on wheels so that it moves forward: They rolled the logs down the hill. | The car still didn't start so we tried to roll it off the road.
- **wheel** to push something with wheels, for example a bicycle or a ↑trolley, so that it moves forward, while guiding it with your hands: Rob wheeled his bike round the back of the house.

push ahead *phrasal verb*

to continue with a plan or an activity, especially in a determined way

push ahead with

Quinlan decided to push ahead with the deal.

push along *phrasal verb*

must/should etc be pushing along *British English spoken* used to say that you think it is time for you to leave a place:

It's getting late – I think we should be pushing along.

push somebody around (also **push somebody about** *British English*) *phrasal verb*

to tell someone what to do in an impolite or threatening way:

Europeans sometimes feel the Americans are trying to push them around.

push somebody/something aside *phrasal verb*

1. push something ↔ **aside** to try to forget about something, especially something unpleasant, so that you can give your attention to what you are doing:

She pushed aside her anger, forcing herself to focus on her work.

2. to force someone out of their job or position, taking the job in their place:

Primakov was pushed aside but later became head of Intelligence.

push yourself forward *phrasal verb*

British English to try to make other people notice you:

" Rupert was a quiet type, not one to push himself forward.

push in *phrasal verb*

British English informal to go in front of other people who are already waiting in a line for something, instead of going to the back of the line:

" A couple of boys pushed in at the head of the queue.

push off *phrasal verb*

1. to start moving in a boat, on a bicycle, or when swimming or jumping, by pushing against something with your arms, legs etc:

" Dad pushed off and jumped into the rowboat.

2. *British English spoken* used to tell someone rudely to go away

push on *phrasal verb*

1. to continue travelling somewhere, especially after you have had a rest:

" We decided to push on a little further.

2. to continue doing an activity

push on with

" Nixon pushed on with the weapons development program.

push somebody/something ↔ over *phrasal verb*

to make someone or something fall to the ground by pushing them:

" He went wild, pushing over tables and chairs.

push something ↔ through (also push something through something) *phrasal verb*

to get a plan, law etc officially accepted, especially quickly:

" The planning application was pushed through as quickly as possible.

II. push² *BrE* *AmE* *noun*

[Word Family: *noun*: ↑push, ↑pusher, ↑pushiness; *adjective*: ↑pushed, ↑pushy; *verb*: ↑push]

1. **PUSHING MOVEMENT** [countable] when someone pushes something **OPP pull**:

" Jodi had stopped swinging. 'Want a push?' her dad asked.

" If the door's stuck, just give it a push.

at/with the push of a button (=used to emphasize how easy a machine is to use)

" Files can be attached to your email at the push of a button.

2. **EFFORT** [countable] when someone, especially a business, tries to get or achieve something:

" the pre-Christmas advertising push

push into

" The company has recently made a big push into the Japanese market.

push for

" the push for improved productivity

push to do something

" a push to attract new members

3. **ENCOURAGEMENT** [singular] if someone gives someone else a push, they encourage or persuade them to try something:

" She just needed a gentle push to get her to join in.

4. **ARMY** [countable] a planned military movement into the area where the enemy is

push into

" The army has made another big push into enemy territory.

5. **give somebody the push/get the push** *British English informal*

a) if your employer gives you the push, they make you leave your job:

" I was scared I'd get the push.

b) if someone you are having a romantic relationship with gives you the push, they tell you that they no longer want to continue the relationship

6. **when/if push comes to shove** (also **if it comes to the push** *British English*) *spoken* if a situation becomes very difficult or action needs to be taken:

" If push comes to shove, you can always sell the car.

7. **at a push** *British English informal* if you can do something at a push, it will be difficult, but you will be able to do it:

" We have room for five people, maybe six at a push.

8. **it'll be a push** *British English spoken* used to say that something will be difficult because you do not have enough time to do it:

" I'll do my best, but it'll be a bit of a push.

push

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