

vast1. [vɑːst] *n*

1. *поэт.* простор, ширь
the vast of ocean - океанские просторы
the vast of heaven - небесная ширь
2. *диал.* масса, большое количество
a vast of trouble - куча неприятностей/забот

2. [vɑːst] *a*

1. обширный, огромный, громадный; безбрежный
vast areas - обширные районы /территории пространства/
vast depth - огромная глубина
vast scheme - грандиозный замысел
vast empires - гигантские империи
vast mind - великий ум
a man of vast soul - человек большой души
his vast frame - его массивная фигура
2. многочисленный
vast interests - широкий круг интересов
vast herds of cattle - огромные стада
a vast number (of) - огромное количество
3. значительный, огромный
vast knowledge - обширные познания
a vast amount of money - огромная сумма денег
this gave him vast satisfaction - это принесло ему огромное удовлетворение
his reading was vast - он много читал, он был очень начитанным человеком

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vast [vast vaster vastest] *BrE* [vɑːst] *NAme* [væst] *adjective*

extremely large in area, size, amount, etc.

Syn: †huge

- a vast area of forest
- a vast crowd
- a vast amount of information
- At dusk bats appear **in vast numbers** .
- His business empire was vast.
- In **the vast majority** of cases, this should not be a problem.
- Your help made a vast difference.
- We've hired a marquee at vast expense.

Derived Word †vastnessWord Origin:late Middle English: from Latin *vastus* 'void, immense' .Example Bank:

- In the vast majority of cases this should not be a problem.
- There is a vast amount of information available online.
- To the south lay a vast area of wilderness.
- Vast crowds lined the route of the marathon.
- We've hired a marquee at vast expense.

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vast **S3 W2** /vɑːst væst/ *BrE* *AmE* *adjective*[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: *vastus* 'empty, desolate, very large']1. extremely large **SYN huge****vast amounts/numbers/quantities/sums etc (of something)**

- The government will have to borrow vast amounts of money.
- The refugees come across the border in vast numbers.

vast areas/expanses/tracts etc (of something)

- vast areas of rainforest
- In the past five years, there has been a vast improvement in graduation rates.

2. **the vast majority (of something)** used when you want to emphasize that something is true about almost all of a group of people or things:

- The vast majority of books on the subject are complete rubbish.

—**vastness** *noun* [uncountable]

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■ very big

- **huge/massive/enormous** extremely big: The table was enormous. | a huge explosion | Their house is huge. | There is a huge amount of work to be done. | There has been a massive increase in oil prices. | The company is massive, operating in 150

countries. | A massive fire destroyed more than thirty homes. | He's been under an enormous amount of stress recently. | The changes will have an enormous impact.

- **great** [only before noun] very big – used especially to describe the level or number of something: He achieved great success in America. | The college offers a great number of courses. | a great advantage
- **vast** extremely big – used about areas, distances, numbers, or amounts: vast areas of rainforest | A vast number of tourists visit the island every year.
- **gigantic** extremely big and much bigger than other things of the same type: Gigantic waves crashed onto the beach.
- **colossal** extremely big – used about amounts or objects: James ran up a colossal phone bill. | a colossal statue of Napoleon
- **tremendous** having an extremely big effect: There have been some tremendous changes. | My new job will be a tremendous challenge. | The children were making a tremendous amount of noise.

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