

infection[ɪnˈfɛkʃ(ə)n] *n*

- 1) инфекция загрязнение, заражение
to spread by infection - распространяться путём инфекции
 - 2) зараза, инфекция микроб, вызывающий заболевание
infection may be carried through the air - инфекция может передаваться по воздуху
to be susceptible /predisposed/ to infection - быть восприимчивым /предрасположенным/ к инфекции
to catch /to get, to take/ an infection from smb. - заразиться от кого-л.
2. заразительность
the infection of an evil example - заразительность дурного примера
the infection of enthusiasm - заразительность энтузиазма

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in·fec·tion [infection infections] *BrE* [ɪnˈfɛkʃn] [■] *NAmE* [ɪnˈfɛkʃn] [■] **noun**

1. **uncountable** the act or process of causing or getting a disease
 - to be exposed to infection
 - to increase the **risk of infection****see also** ↑cross-infection
2. **countable** an illness that is caused by bacteria or a virus and that affects one part of the body
 - an **ear/throat, etc. infection**
 - to spread an infection**compare** ↑contagion

Word Origin:late Middle English: from late Latin *infectio(n)-*, from Latin *inficere* ‘**dip in, taint**’, from *in-* ‘**into**’ + *facere* ‘**put, do**’.Thesaurus:**infection** **noun** C

- He's off work with a throat infection.
- illness** • • **disease** • • **ailment** • |informal **bug** • • **virus** •
a **serious/chronic/minor** infection/illness/disease/ailment
catch/contract/get/pick up a/an infection/illness/disease/bug/virus
a/an infection/illness/disease/virus **spreads**

Synonyms:**disease**

illness • disorder • infection • condition • ailment • bug

These are all words for a medical problem.

disease • a medical problem affecting humans, animals or plants, often caused by infection: ▫ He suffers from a rare blood disease.**illness** • a medical problem, or a period of suffering from one: ▫ She died after a long illness.**disease or illness?****Disease** is used to talk about more severe physical medical problems, especially those that affect the organs. **Illness** is used to talk about both more severe and more minor medical problems, and those that affect mental health: heart/kidney/liver illness ◇ mental disease. **Disease** is not used about a period of illness: she died after a long disease**disorder** • (rather formal) an illness that causes a part of the body to stop functioning correctly: ▫ a rare disorder of the liver.A **disorder** is generally not infectious. **Disorder** is used most frequently with words relating to mental problems, for example **psychiatric**, **personality**, **mental** and **eating**. When it is used to talk about physical problems, it is most often used with **blood**, **bowel** and **kidney**, and these are commonly **serious**, **severe** or **rare**.**infection** • an illness that is caused by bacteria or a virus and that affects one part of the body: ▫ a throat infection**condition** • a medical problem that you have for a long time because it is not possible to cure it: ▫ a heart condition**ailment** • (rather formal) an illness that is not very serious: ▫ childhood ailments**bug** • (informal) an infectious illness that is usually fairly mild: ▫ a nasty flu bugto **have/suffer from** a(n) disease/illness/disorder/infection/condition/ailment/bugto **catch/contract/get/pick up** a(n) disease/illness/infection/bugExample Bank:

- Almost all the sheep on the farm carried the infection.
- Goats appear to be more susceptible to the infection than sheep.
- He's suffering from an acute infection of the lower respiratory tract.
- He's suffering from an acute lung infection.
- Heavy lung infections may result in pneumonia.
- If the primary infection is not treated further outbreaks may occur.
- In acute infections of the urinary tract the patient may suffer severe pain.
- Normally, white blood cells fight off and kill infections.
- Over 90% of all new infections occur in the developing world.
- She's always getting chest infections.
- Taking vitamin C builds up your resistance to infection.
- The drug must be taken from the onset of the infection.

- The infection is passed on through the horse feed.
- The urethra was the primary site of infection.
- The virus affects the body's immune system so that it cannot fight infection.
- They want to prevent the infection spreading to other parts of the body.
- Vaccination is essential to protect people exposed to hepatitis B infection.
- We are trying to trace the source of infection.
- an infection that occurs in swans
- infection from sewage water
- infection of people by the virus
- infection through unsafe sex
- infection with bacteria
- to protect the body from infection
- He's been off work with a throat infection.
- Sneezing is the most common way of spreading an infection.

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in·fec·tion **W3** /ɪnˈfɛkʃən/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *noun*

[**Word Family**: **noun**: ↑infection, ↑disinfectant; **adjective**: ↑infectious, ↑infected; **verb**: ↑infect ≠ ↑disinfect; **adverb**: ↑infectiously]

1. [**countable**] a disease that affects a particular part of your body and is caused by ↑bacteria or a ↑virus:

" The baby had an ear infection.

infection of/in

" an infection of the bladder

2. [**uncountable**] when someone is infected by a disease:

" Always sterilize the needle to prevent infection.

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COLLOCATIONS

■ verbs

- **have an infection** I think you've got an infection, so you need to rest.
- **suffer from an infection** He was suffering from an infection of the lungs.
- **get/develop an infection** She got a nasty throat infection which meant she couldn't sing.
- **treat an infection** Antibiotics are used to treat the infection.
- **fight/combat an infection** A new drug is being developed to combat the infection.
- **spread an infection** (*also* **transmit an infection** *formal*) Pregnant women can transmit the infection to their unborn child.
- **an infection spreads** The infection spread to her chest.
- **an infection clears up** (=goes away) Although the infection cleared up, he still felt weak.
- **be exposed to an infection** He was exposed to the infection while he was travelling in India.

■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + infection

- **serious/severe** He was admitted to hospital with a serious infection.
- **slight/minor** (=not serious) She's suffering from a slight infection.
- **nasty** *informal* (=a serious infection) He's got a really nasty infection.
- **acute** *medical* (=a serious infection that develops suddenly) The disease usually occurs as an acute infection of the throat.
- **an ear/eye infection** She was given antibiotics for an ear infection.
- **a chest infection** (=an infection in the lungs) I've got a bad cough, but the doctor says it isn't a chest infection.
- **a throat/kidney etc infection** He developed a severe throat infection.
- **a bacterial/viral/fungal infection** (=caused by bacteria, a virus, or a fungus) Antibiotics are not effective against viral infections.
- **a secondary infection** *medical* (=an additional infection that happens as a result of the main illness) Often, scratching the skin because it is itchy results in secondary infection.

■ phrases

- **the source of an infection** Doctors are trying to locate the source of the infection.

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- **illness** something wrong with your health which makes you feel ill: Her husband was in hospital for six months with a serious illness.
- **disease** a particular illness, especially one that spreads to other people easily or that affects one part of your body: childhood diseases such as measles and chickenpox | heart disease
- **infection** an illness that is caused by ↑bacteria or a ↑virus: His cough got worse and worse and became a chest infection.
- **condition** a health problem that affects you permanently or for a long time: a medical condition such as asthma | a heart condition
- **problem** [**usually after a noun**] something that is wrong with a particular part of your body or your health in general: a serious back problem | health problems
- **trouble** [**singular, only after a noun**] illness or pain that affects a particular part of your body: I've had a bit of stomach trouble.
- **disorder** *formal* an illness that prevents a particular organ of your body from working properly, or affects the way you behave: a liver disorder | a blood disorder | Anorexia nervosa is an eating disorder.

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