

equilibrium

[ˌiːkwɪˈlɪbrɪəm] *n* (*pl* *мж.* *-ia*)

1. равновесие
 - stable equilibrium - устойчивое равновесие
 - a political equilibrium - политическое равновесие
 - a perfect equilibrium of forces - абсолютное равновесие сил
2. уравниовешенность, самообладание
 - to maintain one's equilibrium - сохранять спокойствие
 - to lose one's equilibrium - выйти из равновесия; выйти из себя

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equi-lib-ri-um [equilibrium equilibria equilibriums] *BrE* [ˌiːkwɒlɪbrɪəm]

NAmE [ˌiːkwɒlɪbrɪəm] *BrE* [ˌekwɪˈlɪbrɪəm] *NAmE* [ˌekwɪˈlɪbrɪəm] **noun uncountable, singular**

1. a state of balance, especially between opposing forces or influences
 - The point at which the solid and the liquid are **in equilibrium** is called the freezing point.
 - Any disturbance to the body's state of equilibrium can produce stress.
 - We have achieved an equilibrium in the economy.
2. a calm state of mind and a balance of emotions
 - He sat down to try and recover his equilibrium.

Word Origin:

early 17th cent. (in the sense 'well-balanced state of mind'): from Latin **aequilibrium**, from **aequi-** 'equal' + **libra** 'balance' .

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equi-lib-ri-um /ˌiːkwəˈlɪbrɪəm, kwɒlɪbrɪəm/ *BrE* *AmE* **noun** [singular, uncountable]

[**Date:** 1600-1700; **Language:** Latin; **Origin:** aequilibrium, from aequi- (**EQUI-**) + libra 'weight, balance']

1. a balance between different people, groups, or forces that compete with each other, so that none is stronger than the others and a situation is not likely to change suddenly:
 - The government is anxious not to upset the economic equilibrium.
2. a state in which you are calm and not angry or upset:
 - She struggled to recover her equilibrium.

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