

evidence

1. ['evid(ə)ns] n

1) основание; данные, факт(ы), признак(и); свидетельства

archaeological evidence - археологические свидетельства /находки/

climatological evidence - климатологические данные

historical evidence - исторические факты/свидетельства/

there is little evidence that ... - а) мало оснований думать, что ...; б) не заметно, чтобы ..., нет никаких признаков того, чтобы ...

there is some evidence of recovery - есть некоторые признаки улучшения

speculation from evidence - предположения на основании имеющихся фактов

evidence in favour of a theory - данные, говорящие в пользу теории

despite evidence to the contrary - несмотря на факты, свидетельствующие об обратном

2) доказательство, свидетельство

to bear /to give/ evidence of - свидетельствовать о, подтверждать, показывать

let's have an evidence of good faith - нам нужны доказательства (вашей) добросовестности

to adduce evidence in support of ... - приводить доказательства в поддержку ...

2. очевидность, явность

in evidence - а) наличный, присутствующий; б) заметный [см. тж. 3, 1)]

to be in evidence - а) иметь место; б) присутствовать

he was not in evidence - его нигде не было видно

to be very much in evidence - а) иметь распространение, быть обычным явлением; б) быть постоянно на виду; быть заметным;

≅ мозолить глаза

3. юр.

1) доказательство; улика

circumstantial /indirect/ evidence - косвенные улики; косвенное доказательство

collateral evidence - косвенная улика

conclusive evidence - неоспоримое доказательство

documentary evidence - письменное доказательство

oral and written evidence - устные и письменные доказательства

cumulative evidence - совокупность улик

in evidence - принятый в качестве доказательства [см. тж. 2]

law of evidence - доказательственное право

2) показание свидетеля или обвиняемого

parole evidence - устное показание

hearsay evidence - показания с чужих слов

to call in evidence - вызывать в качестве свидетеля

to give evidence - давать (свидетельское) показание

to take the evidence of smb. - допрашивать кого-л. и протоколировать/фиксировать его показания

3) свидетель

King's /Queen's, *амер.* State's/ evidence - а) обвиняемый, изобличающий своих сообщников (с целью самому избежать наказания); б) показание такого обвиняемого

to turn King's /Queen's, State's/ evidence - изобличать своих сообщников (с целью самому избежать наказания)

4. юр. документ, которым подтверждается какое-л. право

2. ['evid(ə)ns] v

1. свидетельствовать, показывать

to evidence one's appreciation - выказать удовлетворение, засвидетельствовать своё одобрение

expressions evidencing an intention - выражения, свидетельствующие о каком-л. намерении

his pleasure was evidenced by his smile - улыбка показала, что он доволен

their impatience was evidenced in loud interruptions - их раздражение проявлялось в громких репликах

2. служить доказательством, подтверждать

documents evidencing shipment - документы, подтверждающие отгрузку

3. юр.

1) давать показания

her friend evidenced against her - её подруга показала против неё

2) доказывать; служить доказательством

evidence

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evidence AW [evidence evidences evidenced evidencing] noun, verb BrE

['evidəns] ^{us} NAmE ['evidəns] ^{us}

noun

1. **uncountable, countable** the facts, signs or objects that make you believe that sth is true

• ~ **(of sth)** There is convincing evidence of a link between exposure to sun and skin cancer.

• The room bore evidence of a struggle.

• ~ **(for sth)** We found further scientific evidence for this theory.

• ~ **(that...)** There is **not a shred of evidence** that the meeting actually took place.

• ~ **(to suggest, show, etc.)** Have you any evidence to support this allegation?

• **On the evidence of** their recent matches, it is unlikely the Spanish team will win the cup.

• **(technical)** The cave contained evidences of prehistoric settlement.

2. **uncountable** the information that is used in court to try to prove sth

• I was asked to **give evidence** (= to say what I knew, describe what I had seen, etc.) at the trial.

• He was released when the judge ruled there was no evidence against him.

see also †circumstantial

more at (on) the balance of evidence/probability **at** †balance _n.

Word Origin:

Middle English: via Old French from Latin *evidentia*, from *evident-* 'obvious to the eye or mind', from *e-* (variant of *ex-*) 'out' + *videre* 'to see'.

Thesaurus:

evidence **noun** U

• Do you have any evidence to support this allegation?

proof • • **support** • • **demonstration** • |formal **testimony** •

evidence/support **for** sth

evidence/proof/demonstration/testimony **that...**

provide/give evidence/proof/support/a demonstration/testimony

Evidence or proof? **Evidence** is what makes you believe that sth is true; **proof** shows that sth is true in a way that no one can argue against.

Collocations:

Criminal justice

Breaking the law

break/violate/obey/uphold the law

be investigated/arrested/tried for a crime/a robbery/fraud

be arrested/ (*especially* *NAmE*) indicted/convicted on charges of rape/fraud/ (*especially* *US*) felony charges

be arrested on suspicion of arson/robbery/shoplifting

be accused of/be charged with murder/ (*especially* *NAmE*) homicide/four counts of fraud

face two charges of indecent assault

admit your guilt/liability/responsibility (for sth)

deny the allegations/claims/charges

confess to a crime

grant/be refused/be released on/skip/jump bail

The legal process

stand/await /bring sb to/come to/be on trial

take sb to/come to/settle sth out of court

face/avoid/escape prosecution

seek/retain/have the right to/be denied access to legal counsel

hold/conduct/attend/adjourn a hearing/trial

sit on/influence /persuade/convince the jury

sit/stand/appear /be put/place sb in the dock

plead guilty/not guilty to a crime

be called to/enter (*BrE*) the witness box

take/put sb on the stand/ (*NAmE*) the witness stand

call/subpoena/question/cross-examine a witness

give/hear the evidence against/on behalf of sb

raise/withdraw /overrule an objection

reach a unanimous/majority verdict

return/deliver /record a verdict of not guilty/unlawful killing/accidental death

convict/acquit the defendant of the crime

secure a conviction/your acquittal

lodge/file an appeal

appeal (against)/challenge /uphold/overturn a conviction/verdict

Sentencing and punishment

pass sentence on sb

carry/face/serve a seven-year/life sentence

receive/be given the death penalty

be sentenced to ten years (in prison/jail)

carry/impose/pay a fine (of \$3 000)/a penalty (of 14 years imprisonment)

be imprisoned/jailed for drug possession/fraud/murder

do/serve time/ten years

be sent to/put sb in/be released from jail/prison

be/put sb/spend X years on death row

be granted/be denied /break (your) parole

more collocations at †crime

Language Bank:

evidence

Giving proof

There is clear evidence that ▪ TV advertising influences what children buy.

It is clear ▪ from numerous studies **that** ▪ TV advertising influences what children buy.

- Recent research **demonstrates** ▪ that TV advertising influences children's spending habits.
 - Many parents think that TV advertising influences their children. This view **is supported by** ▪ the findings of a recent study, which **show** ▪ a clear link between television advertisements and children's spending habits.
 - The findings also **reveal** ▪ that most children are unaware of the persuasive purpose of advertising.
- There is little evidence that** ▪ children understand the persuasive intent of advertising.
- The results **contradict** ▪ claims that advertising is unrelated to children's spending habits.
 - Manufacturers argue that it is difficult to **prove** ▪ that advertising alone influences what children buy.

Language Banks at ↑[argue](#), ↑[e.g.](#), ↑[illustrate](#)

Example Bank:

- A photo of the victim's injuries was produced in evidence.
- Another team of scientists has come up with conflicting evidence.
- Archaeologists found evidence of a rich and varied culture at the settlement.
- Available evidence points to pilot error as the cause of the crash.
- Evidence is accumulating that a defective gene may be responsible for this disease.
- He cited Australia's sporting success as evidence for his theory.
- He made the accusations without a shred of evidence to back them up.
- He says he's been working hard, but I haven't seen any evidence of it.
- I'll accept this as prima facie evidence that there might be a problem.
- In the light of new evidence, a new enquiry into the crash is likely to take place.
- No new evidence has contradicted this research.
- On present evidence the team will be lucky to make the final.
- On the evidence of his latest exhibition, Miller is an artist who is past his best.
- Prosecutors say they destroyed evidence related to the case.
- Scientists are looking for evidence of life on other planets.
- Scientists have found fresh evidence to suggest that a huge explosion led to the death of the dinosaurs.
- Scientists have found fresh evidence to suggest that a huge explosion led to the extinction.
- She admitted giving false evidence to the court.
- She mulled over these scraps of evidence.
- She was hoping she would not have to give evidence in court.
- The company denies, in the face of overwhelming evidence, that smoking causes cancer.
- The court was shown photographic evidence.
- The defence accused the prosecution of withholding crucial evidence.
- The evidence pointed to the existence of an international smuggling network.
- The figures provide concrete evidence of the bank's claim to provide the best service.
- The first chapter reviews the evidence on how children learn language.
- The judge can decide whether to admit or exclude evidence.
- The kidnapping charge was dropped because of lack of evidence.
- The police officer took a statement which was later used in evidence.
- The rise in crime is often cited as evidence of a general breakdown of authority.
- The scandal is damning evidence of the government's contempt for democracy.
- The tapes provided evidence of her intentions.
- The team cited evidence from a recent earthquake to back up their idea.
- The team have been collecting evidence about war crimes.
- The woman went to court to give evidence against her attacker.
- There is ample evidence that the world is getting hotter.
- There is plenty of anecdotal evidence to suggest that crime is beginning to rise.
- There was a mass of circumstantial evidence linking Watson to the murder.
- They convicted the wrong man on the basis of a signed confession with no corroborative evidence.
- They will weigh this evidence and come to a rational conclusion.
- We do not have the evidence to prove these claims.
- We found no credible evidence to support this allegation.
- We must wait to hear his evidence before we make any judgement.
- What evidence do you have for that claim?
- a trend that has been much in evidence in recent years
- evidence from historical documents
- evidence linking her to the crime
- evidence of growing poverty based on extensive surveys
- He was released when the judge ruled that there was no evidence against him.
- I was asked to give evidence at the trial.
- On the evidence of their recent games, it is unlikely the Spanish team will win the cup.
- The jury heard evidence from 38 witnesses.
- We found further evidence for this theory.

Idioms: ↑[in evidence](#) ▪ ↑[turn King's evidence](#)

verb usually passive ~ sth (formal)

to prove or show sth; to be evidence of sth

Syn: testify to

- The legal profession is still a largely male world, **as evidenced by** the small number of women judges.

Verb forms:

present simple	
I / you / we / they	evidence
	BrE / 'eɪdɪns/
	NA.mE / 'eɪdɪns/
he / she / it	evidences
	BrE / 'eɪdɪnsɪz/
	NA.mE / 'eɪdɪnsɪz/
past simple, past participle	evidenced
	BrE / 'eɪdɪnst/
	NA.mE / 'eɪdɪnst/
-ing form	evidencing
	BrE / 'eɪdɪnsɪŋ/
	NA.mE / 'eɪdɪnsɪŋ/

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See also: ↑turn state's evidence

evidence

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I. **evɪdɪns** ¹ **S2 W1 AC** /'eɪdɪns, 'eɪdɪns/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *noun*

1. **[uncountable]** facts or signs that show clearly that something exists or is true

evidence of

" At present we have no evidence of life on other planets.

evidence for

" There is no evidence for these claims.

evidence that

" Do you have evidence that this treatment works?

2. **[uncountable]** information that is given in a court of law in order to prove that someone is guilty or not guilty:

" Murrow's evidence was enough to convict Hayes of murder.

" He refused to give evidence at the trial.

evidence against

" There was very little evidence against the two men.

in evidence

" The documents may be used in evidence at the trial.

3. **be in evidence** *formal* to be present and easily seen or noticed:

" The police are always in evidence at football matches.

⇒ **KING'S EVIDENCE, QUEEN'S EVIDENCE, STATE'S EVIDENCE**

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GRAMMAR

Evidence is an uncountable noun and has no plural form. Use a singular verb after it:

- Vital evidence was destroyed.

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meanings 1 & 2)

■ verbs

- **have evidence** Do the police have any evidence against him?
- **find evidence** (*also obtain evidence formal*) The authorities failed to obtain enough evidence to convict him.
- **gather/collect evidence** Police experts are still collecting evidence at the scene of the crime.
- **look for/search for evidence** The investigation will look for evidence of financial mismanagement.
- **hide evidence** The killer may have tried to burn the bodies in an attempt to hide the evidence.
- **plant evidence** (=deliberately put evidence somewhere to make someone look guilty) He claims the evidence was planted there by the police.
- **produce evidence** (=find evidence and prepare it for a court case) The case was adjourned to allow the police time to produce further evidence.
- **give evidence** (=tell a court about what you have seen or know to be true) Ms White has agreed to give evidence at their trial.
- **consider/examine /study the evidence** Having considered all the evidence, the court found him not guilty.

■ adjectives

- **good/clear/strong evidence** There is clear evidence that smoking causes heart disease.
- **hard evidence** (=very clear evidence which proves that something is true) They have no hard evidence to support their claim.
- **fresh evidence** (=new evidence) The police say they may have found fresh evidence which proves Tilly was at the scene of the crime.
- **medical/scientific evidence** There isn't any medical evidence to support the claim.
- **reliable /credible** (=which people can trust or believe) Do you think their evidence is reliable?
- **flimsy** (=not good enough to make you believe something) Their conclusions are drawn from some very flimsy evidence.
- **convincing/compelling** (=making you feel sure that something is true) The data provides compelling evidence that the climate is changing.
- **overwhelming** (=when there is so much evidence that you are sure that something is true) The evidence against him was overwhelming.

- **conclusive/incontrovertible/irrefutable evidence** (=very strong evidence which cannot be disproved) We need irrefutable evidence before making an arrest. | The government claims it has conclusive evidence of the country's nuclear weapons programme.
- **conflicting evidence** (=pieces of evidence that support different conclusions) With so much conflicting evidence, it's almost impossible to make a decision.
- **incriminating evidence** (=making someone seem guilty of a crime) The robbers were careful not to leave any incriminating evidence behind.
- **damning evidence** (=proving that someone has done something wrong) Her testimony proved to be the most damning evidence against him.
- **circumstantial evidence** (=evidence which makes something seem likely, but does not prove it) His barrister claims the case against him is based on circumstantial evidence.
- **anecdotal evidence** (=based on what people believe, rather than on facts) Anecdotal evidence suggests that gang-related violence is on the increase.
- **empirical evidence** (=based on scientific testing or practical experience) Where is the empirical evidence to back up these claims?
- **admissible evidence** (=acceptable in a court of law) Her lawyer advised that the tape would not be admissible evidence in court.

■ phrases

- **a piece of evidence** The study produced one interesting piece of evidence.
- **not a scrap/shred of evidence** (=no evidence at all) There is not one scrap of evidence against our client.

■ COMMON ERRORS

- ▶ Do not say '*true evidence*'. Say **reliable evidence**.

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THESAURUS

- **sign** [countable] an event, fact etc that shows that something is happening or that something is true or exists: The curtains were still drawn and there was no sign of activity. | A score of 80 or more is a sign that you are doing very well.
- **indication** [countable] a sign. **Indication** is more formal than **sign**: Recently there have been several indications of improving relations. | There was no indication the killings were related to the drug trade.
- **evidence** [uncountable] facts or signs that show clearly that something exists or is true, especially something that you are trying to prove: Scientists are hoping to find evidence that there was once life on Mars. | There was not enough evidence to convict him of the murder.
- **symptom** [countable] a sign that someone has an illness or that a serious problem exists: The first symptoms are tiredness and loss of weight. | Is this a symptom of the decay of Western civilization?
- **indicator** [countable] a sign that shows you what is happening or what is true – used about a process, or about the state or level of something: There are a number of indicators of economic slowdown. | The tests are considered a good indicator of intelligence.
- **signal** [countable] a sign that shows that you should do something, or that you have a particular attitude: Severe chest pain is a warning signal that cannot be ignored. | Legalizing drugs could send the wrong signal to young people.
- **mark** [countable] a sign, especially that you respect or honour someone: People stood in silence as a mark of respect. | It was a mark of her popularity that so many colleagues and friends attended the presentation.

II. evidence ² BrE ^{AmE} verb [transitive usually passive]

formal to show that something exists or is true:

“The volcano is still active, as evidenced by the recent eruption.”

evidence

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