

**forecast****1.** [ˈfɔːkɑːst] *n***1.** прогноз; предсказание

weather forecast - прогноз погоды

a forecast of the population in 2000 A.D. - прогноз численности населения в 2000 г.

a forecast of next year's trade - прогноз торговли на будущий год

**2.** редк. предвидение**2.** [ˈfɔːkɑːst] *v* (*forecast, forecasted* [-{ˈfɔːkɑːst}ɪd])**1.** предсказывать, делать прогноз, прогнозировать

to forecast weather - предсказывать погоду

to forecast the future - предсказывать будущее

to forecast the winner of a competition - предсказывать /делать прогноз относительно/ победителя соревнования

**2.** служить предзнаменованием, предвещать

these clouds forecast storm - эти облака предвещают бурю

**3.** предусматривать (в *плане* и *т. п.*); заранее готовиться (к *чему-л.*)**forecast**

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**fore-cast** [**forecast forecasts forecasted forecasting**] **noun, verb** *BrE* [ˈfɔːkɑːst]*NAmE* [ˈfɔːrkæst]**noun**

a statement about what will happen in the future, based on information that is available now

- sales forecasts
- It is difficult to make long-term forecasts for a fast-growing industry.
- The forecast said there would be sunny intervals and showers.
- The shipping forecast gave warnings of gales.

**see also** ↑[weather forecast](#)Thesaurus:**forecast** **noun** **C**

- Sales forecasts are encouraging.

**prediction** • • **projection** • • **prophecy** • • **expectation** •(a) forecast/prediction/projection/prophecy/expectations **about** stha forecast/predictions/projections/expectations **for** sth**make** a forecast/prediction/projection/prophecyExample Bank:

- Forecasts about the economy are often misleading.
- Some forecasts suggest that the increase in heart disease will continue for some time.
- The government has issued a pessimistic economic forecast.
- The interest rate is in line with the forecast.
- This morning's weather forecast called for snow.
- This week the company is expected to raise its revenue forecast.
- a long-range weather forecast
- a short-term forecast of the UK economy
- forecasts based on a complicated procedure
- forecasts for different sectors of the industry
- forecasts for earnings in 2015
- forecasts for the year
- forecasts of population growth
- It is difficult to make forecasts for a fast-growing industry.
- It is too early to make firm forecasts about demand.
- The forecast said there would be sunny intervals and showers.
- The sales forecasts are encouraging.
- The weather forecast wasn't too bad.

**verb** (**fore-cast, fore-cast** or **fore-cast-ed, fore-cast-ed**)

to say what you think will happen in the future based on information that you have now

**Syn:** ↑[predict](#)

- ~ **sth** Experts are forecasting a recovery in the economy.
- Snow is forecast for tomorrow.
- It is difficult to forecast the demand for the new train service.
- ~ **sth to do sth** Temperatures were forecast to reach 40°C.
- ~ **that...** The report forecasts that prices will rise by 3% next month.
- ~ **how, what, etc...** It is difficult to forecast how the markets will react.

## Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	forecast
	BrE / 'fɔ:kə:st/
	NAmE / 'fɔ:kæst/
he / she / it	forecasts
	BrE / 'fɔ:kə:stz/
	NAmE / 'fɔ:kæstz/
past simple, past participle	forecast
	BrE / 'fɔ:kə:st/
	NAmE / 'fɔ:kæst/forecasted
	BrE / 'fɔ:kə:stɪd/
	NAmE / 'fɔ:kæstɪd/
-ing form	forecasting
	BrE / 'fɔ:kə:stɪŋ/
	NAmE / 'fɔ:kæstɪŋ/

## Thesaurus:

### forecast verb T

• Snow is forecast for tomorrow.

**predict** • • **foresee** • • **prophesy** • |especially business **project** • |especially spoken **say** •

forecast/predict/foresee/prophesy **that...**

forecast/predict/foresee/prophesy/say **what/how/when/who/where /whether...**

forecast/predict/foresee/prophesy the **future**

**Forecast or predict?** Someone **predicts** what will happen based on the information available, their opinions or using religious or magical powers; someone **forecasts** sth based on the information available and often using scientific methods.

## Collocations:

### The weather

#### Good weather

be **bathed in/bask in/be blessed with/enjoy** bright/brilliant/glorious sunshine

the sun **shines/warms sth/beats down (on sth)**

the sunshine **breaks/streams through sth**

fluffy/wispy clouds **drift across the sky**

a gentle/light/stiff/cool/warm/sea breeze **blows in/comes in off the sea**

the snow **crunches beneath /under sb's feet/boots**

#### Bad weather

thick/dark/storm clouds **form/gather/roll in/cover the sky/block out the sun**

the sky **darkens/turns black**

a fine mist **hangs in the air**

a dense/heavy/thick fog **rolls in**

the rain **falls/comes down (in buckets/sheets)/pours down**

snow **falls/comes down/covers sth**

the wind **blows/whistles/howls/picks up/whips through sth/sweeps across sth**

strong/gale-force winds **blow/gust (up to 80 mph)**

a storm **is approaching /is moving inland /hits/strikes/rages**

thunder **rolls/rumbles/sounds**

(forked/sheet) lightning **strikes/hits/flashs**

a (blinding/snow) blizzard **hits/strikes/blows/rages**

a tornado **touches down /hits/strikes/destroys sth/rips through sth**

**forecast/expect /predict** rain/snow/a category-four hurricane

(NAmE) **pour (down) / (BrE) pour (down) with rain**

**get caught in/seek shelter from/escape the rain**

**be covered/shrouded in mist/a blanket of fog**

**be in for/brave/shelter from a/the storm**

**hear** rolling/distant thunder

**be battered /buffeted by** strong winds

(BrE) **be blowing** a gale

**battle against/brave** the elements

#### The weather improves

the sun **breaks through the clouds**

the sky **clears/brightens (up)/lightens (up)**

the clouds **part/clear**

the rain **stops/lets up/holds off**

the wind **dies down**

the storm **passes**

the mist/fog **lifts/clears**

## Language Bank:

### expect

#### Discussing predictions

▪ The number of people using mobile phones to purchase goods and services is **expected** ▪ / **likely** ▪ to more than double by the end of 2015.

▪ Experts have **predicted** ▪ / **forecast** ▪ that the number of people using their mobile phones to pay for goods and services should exceed 190 million in 2015.

▪ This figure **is set to** ▪ reach 200 million by 2016.

**By** ▪ 2015, 800 million mobile phone users worldwide **will** ▪ be participating in social networks via their phone.

▪ Sales of mobile phones in 2009 were lower **than expected** ▪.

▪ The company's announcement of 1.26 billion handsets sold for the year is **in line with predictions** ▪.

Language Banks at ↑fall, ↑illustrate, ↑increase, ↑proportion

### Example Bank:

- a result that was widely forecast
- higher costs than those originally forecast
- The report forecasts that prices will rise by 3% next month.

## forecast

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

### I. **forecast**<sup>1</sup> /'fɒrkəst/ BrE <sup>ˈ</sup> AmE <sup>ˈ</sup> noun [countable]

a description of what is likely to happen in the future, based on the information that you have now ⇒ **prediction**:

▪ The weather forecast is good for tomorrow.

#### profit/sales/growth forecast

▪ the company's annual sales forecast

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### COLLOCATIONS

#### ADJECTIVES/NOUN + forecast

- **a weather forecast** The weather forecast for the weekend is fine and dry.
- **a shipping forecast** (=a forecast about weather conditions at sea) According to the shipping forecast, strong winds can be expected later today.
- **a sales forecast** The gloomy sales forecast sparked rumours that the company would be making job cuts.
- **a profit forecast** The company has cut its profit forecast by £18m to £570m.
- **a growth forecast** (=one relating to an increase in the value of goods or services produced and sold) The official growth forecasts for the economy are promising.
- **an economic forecast** The Bank of England revised its economic forecast in the wake of the figures.
- **a detailed forecast** A detailed forecast of the industry's prospects has just been published.
- **optimistic** (=expecting good things to happen) In his speech, the President gave an optimistic forecast for the economy.
- **pessimistic/gloomy** (=expecting bad things to happen) Scientists have produced a gloomy forecast on the effects of global warming.

#### verbs

- **make a forecast** It is too early to make a forecast on what will happen.
- **give a forecast** Economists gave an upbeat forecast for the world economy.
- **provide a forecast** Analysts usually provide growth forecasts for no more than two years ahead.
- **revise a forecast** (=change it because of new information) The company has revised its sales forecast.

### II. **forecast**<sup>2</sup> BrE <sup>ˈ</sup> AmE <sup>ˈ</sup> verb (past tense and past participle **forecast** or **forecasted**) [transitive]

[Date: 1400-1500; Origin: fore- + ⇒ 'cast' <sup>1</sup> 'to arrange cleverly' (14-19 centuries)]

to make a statement saying what is likely to happen in the future, based on the information that you have now **SYN predict**:

▪ Rain was forecast for the weekend.

#### forecast (that)

▪ The Federal Reserve Bank forecasts that the economy will grow by 2% this year.

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### THESAURUS

- **predict** to say that something will happen, before it happens: In the future, it may be possible to predict earthquakes. | Scientists are trying to predict what the Amazon will look like in 20 years' time.
- **forecast** to say what is likely to happen in the future, especially in relation to the weather or the economic or political situation: They're forecasting a hard winter. | Economists forecast that there would be a recession.
- **project** to say what the amount, size, cost etc of something is likely to be in the future, using the information you have now: The world's population is projected to rise by 45%.
- **can say especially spoken** be able to know what will happen in the future: No one can say what the next fifty years will bring. | I can't say exactly how much it will cost.
- **foretell** to say correctly what will happen in the future, using special religious or magical powers: The woman claimed that she had the gift of foretelling the future. | It all happened as the prophet had foretold.
- **prophecy** to say that something will happen because you feel that it will, or by using special religious or magical powers: He's one of those people who are always prophesying disaster. | The coming of a great Messiah is prophesied in the Bible. | He prophesied that the world would end in 2012. | Marx prophesied that capitalism would destroy itself.
- **foresee** to know that something is going to happen before it happens: They should have foreseen these problems. | No one foresaw the outcome of the war.
- **have a premonition** to have a strange feeling that something is about to happen, especially something bad, usually just before it happens: Suddenly I had a strange premonition of danger ahead.

## forecast

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RANGE: **3k** FORECAST 7882

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forecasting 1200

forecaster 250

forecasters 674

forecasts 1891

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

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504 **26456**<sup>688</sup> *vv0*

385 **33393**<sup>461</sup> *vvi*

248 **45946**<sup>260</sup> *vvn*

34 **130885**<sup>35</sup> *vvd*

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