

**steer**

I

1. [stiə] *n*
  1. *амер. разг.* совет; намёк  
to give smb. a friendly steer - дать кому-л. дружеский совет; по-дружески дать понять кому-л. (*что-л.*)
  2. = steerer
2. [stiə] *v*
  1. 1) править, управлять рулём  
to steer a car [a ship] - вести машину [судно]
  - 2) слушаться руля, управления  
this boat steers easily - этой лодкой легко управлять
  2. следовать (*по какому-л. пути*); держаться (*какого-л. курса*)  
to steer one's way - идти своим путём  
to steer a steady course - неуклонно следовать по избранному пути  
we steered (our course) for the railway station - мы направились на вокзал
  3. направлять, руководить  
to steer a country to peace and prosperity - вести к миру и процветанию
  4. *амер. сл.* заманивать, заводить (*особ. в игорный притон, публичный дом и т. п.*)  
◇ to steer clear of smb., smth. - избегать кого-л., чего-л.  
to steer clear of anything risky or dangerous - не браться ни за какое рискованное или опасное дело  
to steer a middle course - избегать крайностей, держаться золотой середины

II

- [stiə] *n*
1. кастрированный бычок; молодой вол
  2. *амер.* вол

II

- [stiə] *v шотл.*
- мешать; наносить вред, ущерб

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**steer** [steer steers steered steering] *verb, noun* BrE [stiə(r)]<sup>а</sup> NAmE [stɪr]<sup>а</sup>

*verb*

1. **transitive, intransitive ~ (sth /sb) (+ adv./prep.)** to control the direction in which a boat, car, etc. moves
  - He steered the boat into the harbour.
  - (figurative) He took her arm and steered her towards the door.
  - You row and I'll steer.
2. **transitive, intransitive ~ (sth) (+ adv./prep.)** (of a boat, car, etc.) to move in a particular direction
  - The ship steered a course between the islands.
  - The ship steered into port.
3. **transitive ~ sth + adv./prep.** to take control of a situation and influence the way in which it develops
  - He managed to steer the conversation away from his divorce.
  - She steered the team to victory.
  - The skill is in steering a middle course between the two extremes.
  - Schools no longer steer girls towards arts subjects.

**see** keep/stay/steer clear **at** ↑clear *adv.*

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	steer
	BrE /stiə(r)/
	NAmE /stɪr/
he / she /it	steers
	BrE /stiəz/
	NAmE /stɪrz/
past simple, past participle	steered
	BrE /stɪəd/
	NAmE /stɪrd/
-ing form	steering
	BrE /stɪərɪŋ/
	NAmE /stɪrɪŋ/

Word Origin:

- v.* Old English stīeran Germanic Dutch **sturen** German **steuern**  
*n.* Old English stēor Germanic Dutch **stier** German **Stier**

Example Bank:

- He told the pilot to steer due north.
- Johnson managed to steer the plane away from the town and crash-land in a nearby field.
- Pilots need to learn to steer on the ground as well as in the air.
- The boat was being steered by an elderly man.
- The canoe steered north for two thousand miles.
- The captain steered the boat into the narrow harbour.

- The car steered off the cliff.
- The ship steered into the harbour.

## noun

- singular** (BrE) a piece of advice or information that helps you do sth or avoid a problem
  - Can anyone give me a steer on this?
  - Do you know somebody working there who could give you a steer?
  - I'd really appreciate a steer in the right direction.
- countable** a **♂bull** (= a male cow) that has been **castrated** (= had part of its sex organs removed), kept for its meat  
**compare** **♂bullock**, **♂ox**

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### I. **steer**<sup>1</sup> /strə \$ str/ BrE <sup>ˈ</sup> AmE <sup>ˈ</sup> verb

[Language: Old English; Origin: *stieran*]

- CAR/BOAT ETC** [intransitive and transitive] to control the direction a vehicle is going, for example by turning a wheel:

He was steering with only one hand.

#### steer for/towards etc

Steer towards the left.

- CHANGE SOMEBODY/SOMETHING** [transitive] to guide someone's behaviour or the way a situation develops

#### steer somebody towards/away from/through etc something

Teachers try to steer pupils away from drugs.

Helen tried to steer the conversation away from herself.

- BE IN CHARGE OF** [transitive always + adverb/preposition] to be in charge of an organization, team etc and make decisions that help it to be successful, especially during a difficult time

#### steer something through/to etc something

McKinney steered the company through the recession.

- GUIDE SOMEBODY TO A PLACE** [transitive] to guide someone to a place, especially while touching them

#### steer somebody towards/to etc something

Joel steered Don and Louise towards the backyard.

- steer clear (of somebody/something)** *informal* to avoid someone or something unpleasant or difficult:

Jo tried to steer clear of political issues.

- steer a course** to choose a particular way of doing something:

Managers were allowed to steer their own course.

The government chose to steer a middle course between the two strategies (=chose a strategy that was not extreme).

### II. **steer**<sup>2</sup> BrE <sup>ˈ</sup> AmE <sup>ˈ</sup> noun [countable]

[Language: Old English; Origin: *steor*]

a young male cow whose sex organs have been removed ⇒ **bullock**, **heifer**

## steer

Freakuency Pack

12500 **5458**<sup>MCW</sup>

15000 **2765**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **3k** STEER <sup>9958</sup>

steer <sup>2915</sup>

steers <sup>758</sup>

steering <sup>4817</sup>

steered <sup>1468</sup>

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

<sup>1657</sup> **14442**<sup>1802</sup> *vvi*

<sup>641</sup> **26034**<sup>708</sup> *vv0*

<sup>198</sup> **41753**<sup>311</sup> *nn1*

<sup>70</sup> **78376**<sup>94</sup> *np1*