

swell**1. [swel] n**

1. возвышение, выпуклость, возвышенность; холм(ик); пригорок
swells and valleys - холмы и долины
2. 1) припухлость; вздутие
- 2) опухоль
3. *мк. sing*
- 1) зыбь, волнение
- 2) волна; вал
- 3) *мор.* накат ветровых волн
no swell - совершенно спокойное море
4. 1) нарастание и ослабление (*звука*)
- 2) *муз.* знак ⟨⟩, означающий нарастание и ослабление звука; крещендо - диминуэндо
5. *разг.* франт, щёголь; светский человек
what a swell you are! - ну и франт же ты!
6. *разг.* важная персона, шишка
he is a swell in politics - он важная персона /большой человек/ в политике
to come the heavy swell over smb. - *сл.* напускать на себя важность; из кожи лезть, чтобы произвести впечатление (*на кого-л.*)
7. *разг.* мастер (*в каком-л. деле*); молодец
to be a swell at smth. - быть мастером в каком-л. деле
he is a swell at cricket - он мастерски играет в крикет
8. нарастание, увеличение
a swell in population - (бурный) рост населения
9. педаль органа
10. *геол.* включение пород
11. разбухание (*древесины*)

2. [swel] a разг.

1. щегольской; шикарный
she had a swell wedding - у неё была шикарная свадьба
you look very swell - вы выглядите шикарно /элегантно/
2. *амер.* отличный, превосходный
a swell guy - мировой парень
a swell tennis player - отличный теннисист
we had a swell time - мы здорово провели время

3. [swel] v (swelled [-{swel}d]; swollen)

1. 1) надуваться, раздуваться; набухать; опухать (*мж. swell out, swell up*)
the sails swelled (out) - паруса надулись
wood swells in water - дерево разбухает в воде
his face began to swell out - его лицо начало распухать
buds swell - почки набухают
eyes swollen with tears - глаза, опухшие от слёз
- 2) надувать, раздувать; образовывать припухлость, опухоль (*мж. swell out, swell up*)
the wind swelled the sails - ветер надул паруса
2. возвышаться, подниматься, образовывать возвышенность
here the ground swells into an eminence - здесь поверхность земли образует возвышенность
3. 1) подниматься (*о воде*)
the river is swollen (with melted snow) - река вздулась (от талого снега)
- 2) поднимать (*воду*)
4. 1) увеличиваться, нарастать, усиливаться
the ranks of the unemployed are daily swelling - ряды безработных увеличиваются с каждым днём
the population swelled - население (сильно) выросло
- 2) увеличивать, усиливать (*мж. swell out, swell up*)
all this has helped to swell the ranks of the unemployed - всё это способствовало увеличению рядов безработных
5. 1) быть переполненным чувствами
her heart swelled - сердце её переполнено
to swell with indignation - едва сдерживать гнев
to swell with pride - преисполниться гордости
- 2) переполнять чувствами
6. важничать; чваниться
to swell with importance - надуваться от важности
to swell like a turkey-cock - надуться как индюк
7. нарастать (*о звуке*)
the murmur swelled into a roar - ропот превратился в рёв
8. то усиливаться, то затухать (*о звуке*)
◇ to swell the chorus - присоединить свой голос; присоединиться к мнению других

swell**swell** [swell swells swelled swelling swollen] verb, noun, adjective BrE [swel]

NAme [swel]

verb (swelled BrE [sweld] ; NAmE [sweld] ; NAmE ['swɒləŋ] or swelled, swelled)

1. **intransitive** ~ **(up)** to become bigger or rounder

- Her arm was beginning to swell up where the bee had stung her.
- Bacteria can cause gums to swell and bleed.
- Cook the lentils for 20 minutes until they swell and soften.

2. **intransitive, transitive** to curve out or make sth curve out

- ~ **(out)** The sails swelled (out) in the wind.
- ~ **sth (out)** The wind swelled (out) the sails.

3. **transitive, intransitive** to increase or make sth increase in number or size

- ~ **sth (to sth)** Last year's profits were swelled by a fall in production costs.
- Crowds of commuters were swelled by Christmas shoppers.
- We are looking for more volunteers to **swell the ranks** (= increase the number) of those already helping.
- ~ **(to sth)** Membership has swelled to over 20 000.

Opp: ↑shrink

4. **intransitive** (of a sound) to become louder

- The cheering swelled through the hall.

5. **intransitive** ~ **(with sth)** to be filled with a strong emotion

- to swell with pride
- Her heart swelled as she turned to face him.

see also ↑swollen

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	swell
	BrE /swel/
	NAmE /swel/
he / she / it	swells
	BrE /swelz/
	NAmE /swelz/
past simple	swelled
	BrE /sweld/
	NAmE /sweld/
past participle	swelled
	BrE /sweld/
	NAmE /sweld/
past participle	swollen
	BrE /'swɒlən/
	NAmE /'swɒləri/
-ing form	swelling
	BrE /'swelɪŋ/
	NAmE /'swelɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Old English swellan (verb), of Germanic origin; related to German **schwellen**. Current senses of the noun date from the early 16th cent.; the informal adjectival use derives from noun sense 5 (late 18th cent.).

Example Bank:

- Her feet swelled up after the long walk to the top of the hill.
- Her legs had swollen with the heat.
- His right eye had almost swollen shut.
- His sprained ankle had swollen badly.
- My fingers and thumbs swelled to grotesque proportions.
- His belly swelled out over his belt.
- If the rain continues the river could swell and burst its banks.
- The rain was so fierce that it swelled the river until it burst its banks.
- The wind swelled the sails.

noun

1. **countable, usually singular** the movement of the sea when it rises and falls without the waves breaking

- The boat was caught in a heavy (= strong) swell.

2. **singular (formal)** the curved shape of sth, especially a part of the body

- the firm swell of her breasts

3. **singular** a situation in which sth increases in size, number, strength, etc

- a growing swell of support
- a swell of pride

see also ↑groundswell

4. **singular** (of music or noise) a gradual increase in the volume of sth

Syn: ↑crescendo

5. (old-fashioned, informal) an important or fashionable person

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Example Bank:

- The boat rose and fell with the swell.
- The ship was bobbing up and down like a small boat in a heavy ocean swell.
- The trawler rolled wildly in the heavy swell.

- the gentle swell of her breasts
- Shells had been pounded by the Atlantic swells into fine sand.
- The boat was caught in a heavy swell.
- The tide receded, causing the swell to break.

adjective (old-fashioned, NAmE, informal)

very good, enjoyable, etc

- We had a swell time.

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I. **swell**¹ /swel/ BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ verb (past tense **swelled**, past participle **swollen** /'swɒlən \$ 'swou-/)

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

1. **SIZE** [intransitive] (also **swell up**) to become larger and rounder than normal – used especially about parts of the body ⇒ **swollen**:

- Her ankle was already starting to swell.
- The window frame was swollen shut.

2. **AMOUNT/NUMBER** [intransitive and transitive] to increase in amount or number

swell to

- The crowd swelled to around 10,000.
- The river was swollen with melted snow.

swell the ranks/numbers of something (=increase the number of people in a particular situation)

- Large numbers of refugees have swollen the ranks of the unemployed.

3. **swell with pride/anger etc** to feel very proud, angry etc:

- His heart swelled with pride as he watched his daughter collect her prize.

4. **SHAPE** [intransitive and transitive] (also **swell out**) to curve or make something curve:

- The wind swelled the sails.

5. **SOUND** [intransitive] *literary* to become louder:

- Music swelled around us.

6. **SEA** [intransitive] to move suddenly and powerfully upwards

⇒ ↑groundswell

II. **swell**² BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ noun

1. [singular] the way the sea moves up and down:

- The sea wasn't rough, but there was a heavy swell (=large movements of the water).

2. [singular] a situation in which something increases in number or amount

swell of

- the growing swell of anti-government feeling
- a swell of pride

3. [singular] an increase in sound level, especially in music **SYN** *crescendo*

4. [singular] the roundness or curved shape of something:

- the firm swell of her breasts

5. [countable] *old-fashioned* a fashionable or important person

III. **swell**³ BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ adjective *American English old-fashioned*

very good **SYN** *great*:

- You look swell!

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