

**worrying****worrying** [wɒrɪŋ] *BrE* ['wɒrɪŋ] *AmE* ['wɒrɪŋ] *adjective*

that makes you worry

- a worrying development
- It must be worrying for you not to know where he is.
- It is particularly worrying that nobody seems to be in charge.
- It's been a **worrying time** for us all.
- The most worrying thing is that she won't let us help.

Derived Word ↑worryinglyExample Bank:

- a worrying development/sign/trend

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something that is worrying makes you feel anxious or worried:

- The situation is extremely worrying.
- This is a worrying development for small businesses.
- It's been a worrying few weeks for us all.

—worryingly *adverb*:

- Levels of some pollutants are worryingly high.

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