

rampant['ræmpənt] *a*

1. *геральд.* вздыбленный; стоящий на задних лапах
2. 1) свирепствующий; грозный, угрожающий
famine is rampant in the land - в стране свирепствует голод
superstition [ignorance] was rampant - царило суеверие [невежество]
crime is rampant - преступность принимает угрожающие размеры
- 2) неистовый; ярый; безудержный
he was simply rampant at the delay - опоздание привело его просто в бешенство
3. буйный, пышный (*о растительности*)
4. *архит.* с устоями, расположенными на разных уровнях (*о своде*)
rampant arch - ползучая арка
5. *фин.* галопирующий (*об инфляции*)

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ram-pant *BrE* ['ræmpənt] ^m *NAmE* ['ræmpənt] ^m *adjective*

1. (*of sth bad*) existing or spreading everywhere in a way that cannot be controlled

Syn: ↑unchecked

- rampant inflation
 - Unemployment is now rampant in most of Europe.
2. (*of plants*) growing thickly and very fast in a way that cannot be controlled

Derived Word ↑rampantlyWord Origin:

[**rampant rampantly**] Middle English (as a heraldic term): from Old French, literally crawling, present participle of **ramper** 'creep, crawl', of unknown origin. From the original use describing a wild animal, arose the sense 'fierce', leading to the current notion of 'unrestrained'.

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ram |pant /'ræmpənt/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *adjective*[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Language:** French; **Origin:** present participle of ramper 'to climb, crawl']

1. if something bad, such as crime or disease, is rampant, there is a lot of it and it is very difficult to control ⇒ **rife**, **widespread** :
 - Pickpocketing is rampant in the downtown area.
 - rampant inflation
2. a plant that is rampant grows and spreads quickly, in a way that is difficult to control
—rampantly *adverb*

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