

concern**1. [kən'sɜ:n] n****1. отношение, касательство**

to have no concern with - не иметь никакого отношения /касательства/ к

it's no concern of mine - это меня не касается; это не моё дело

what concern is it of yours? - что вам до этого?

2. 1) беспокойство, забота, тревога

to express deep concern - выражать большую озабоченность /-ое беспокойство/

to feel concern about one's future - беспокоиться о будущем

to feel no concern for smth. - быть равнодушным к чему-л.

to cause concern - вызывать беспокойство /тревогу, озабоченности/

2) участие, интерес

to show concern for an invalid - заботиться о больном

he has little concern with politics - он мало интересуется политикой

3. дело, фирма, предприятие; концерн

paying concern - прибыльное /доходное/ предприятие

going concern - функционирующее предприятие

family concern - семейная фирма

4. доля, пай; участие (в предприятии)

to have a concern in a business - быть участником /пайщиком, акционером/ предприятия /партнёром в фирме/

5. важность, значение

matter of great concern - дело большой важности

6. pl дела

meddling in smb.'s concerns - вмешательство в чьи-л. дела

7. арх. разг. вещь, штука

the hackney-coach is a great square concern - шестиместная карета - это такая огромная квадратная штукавина

2. [kən'sɜ:n] v**1. касаться (в рассказе); описывать**

the story concerns a good girl and a wicked fairy - в сказке говорится о хорошей девочке и злой фее

2. касаться, затрагивать, иметь касательство, отношение

as concerns - что касается

as far as I am concerned - что касается меня

where the children are concerned - когда речь, идёт о детях

to whom it may concern - тем, кого это касается; ≅ справка, удостоверение (заголовок справки, удостоверения и т. п.)

the problem concerns us all - вопрос этот касается нас всех

that doesn't concern you at all - это вас совсем не касается

he is said to have been concerned in the crime [in the plot, in the conspiracy] - говорят, что он замешан в преступлении [в интриге, в заговоре]

3. беспокоить, волновать; заботить

to be concerned about smb.'s health - беспокоиться о чьём-л. здоровье

don't let my illness concern you - пусть моя болезнь не беспокоит вас

everybody was concerned at the news - все были встревожены /взволнованы/ известием

4. refl интересоваться, заниматься

to concern oneself with literature [politics] - интересоваться /заниматься/ литературой [политикой]

concern

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con-cern [concern concerns concerned concerning] verb, noun BrE [kən'sɜ:n] n

" NAmE [kən'sɜ:rɪ] "

verb

AFFECT/INVOLVE**1. often passive ~ sb/sth to affect sb/sth; to involvesb/sth**

• Don't interfere in what doesn't concern you.

• The loss was a tragedy for **all concerned** (= all those affected by it) .

• Where our children's education is concerned, no compromise is acceptable.

• The individuals concerned have some explaining to do.

• **To whom it may concern** ... (= used for example, at the beginning of a public notice or of a job reference about sb's character and ability)

• Everyone who **was** directly **concerned in** (= had some responsibility for) the incident has now resigned.

• Please pay attention because this information concerns all of you.

BE ABOUT**2. ~ sth (also be concerned with sth) to be about sth**

• The story concerns the prince's efforts to rescue Pamina.

• The book is primarily concerned with Soviet-American relations during the Cold War.

• This chapter concerns itself with the historical background.

• One major difference between these computers **concerns the way** in which they store information.

WORRY SB

3. to worry sb
- ~ **sb** What concerns me is our lack of preparation for the change.
 - ~ **sb that...** It concerns me that you no longer seem to care.

see also †concerned

TAKE AN INTEREST

4. ~ yourself with/about sth to take an interest in sth

- He didn't concern himself with the details.

CONSIDER IMPORTANT

5. be concerned to do sth (formal) to think it is important to do sth

- She was concerned to write about situations that everybody could identify with.

see as/so far as sb/sth is concerned at †far adv.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	concern
	BrE /kənˈsɜːn/
	NAme /kənˈsɜːrn/
he / she / it	concerns
	BrE /kənˈsɜːnz/
	NAme /kənˈsɜːnz/
past simple, past participle	concerned
	BrE /kənˈsɜːnd/
	NAme /kənˈsɜːnd/
-ing form	concerning
	BrE /kənˈsɜːnɪŋ/
	NAme /kənˈsɜːnɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from French **concerner** or late Latin **concernere** (in medieval Latin 'be relevant to'), from **con-** (expressing intensive force) + **cernere** 'sift, discern'.

Thesaurus:

concern verb

1. T, often passive

- Don't interfere with what doesn't concern you.

involve • • **affect** •

be concerned/involved in sth

directly/indirectly concern/involve/affect sb/sth

Concern or involve? **Involve** suggests a greater degree of physical activity. **Concern** suggests a greater degree of interest or responsibility.

2. T

- The story concerns the prince's efforts to rescue Pamina.

be concerned with sth • • **be about sth** • • **deal with sth** • • **have/be to do with sth** • • **relate to sb/sth** • • **refer to sb/sth** • • **treat** •

a **chapter/poem** concerns/is concerned with/is about/deals with/refers to sth

a **book/film** concerns/is concerned with/is about/deals with sth

a **rule/law** concerns/is concerned with/deals with/relates to/refers to sth

Concern, be about sth or deal with sth? **Be about sth** is the most general of these expressions; **concern** and **deal with sth** both suggest a formal, serious or thorough discussion of a subject.

3. T

- What concerns me is our lack of preparation.

worry • • **trouble** • • **disturb** • • **alarm** • • **bother** •

It concerns/worries/troubles/disturbs/alarms/bothers **sb that...**

concern/worry/trouble/bother **yourself about sth**

sth **doesn't** concern/worry/bother sb **in the slightest/least**

Which word? **Concern** is the most formal of these words and is not usually used in the progressive tenses. **Bother** is the most informal, especially in spoken phrases like **It doesn't bother me.** and **I'm not bothered.**

Example Bank:

- Everyone who was directly concerned in the incident has now resigned.
- Everyone who was directly concerned in= had some responsibility for the incident has now resigned.
- It really concerns me that he doesn't eat properly.
- The letter is for both of us, but it mainly concerns you.
- Don't interfere in what doesn't concern you.
- The individuals concerned will have some explaining to do.
- The issue here concerns the way in which lexis and grammar relate to each other.
- The meetings were often embarrassing for all concerned.
- The story concerns the prince's efforts to rescue Pamina.
- To whom it may concern....
- Where our children's education is concerned, no compromise is acceptable.

- You shouldn't be concerned with what they think.

noun

WORRY

1. **uncountable, countable** a feeling of worry, especially one that is shared by many people
 - ~ **(about sth/sb)** There is growing concern about violence on television.
 - In the meeting, voters raised concerns about health care.
 - Don't hesitate to ask if you have any queries or concerns about this work.
 - ~ **(for sth/sb)** She hasn't been seen for four days and there is concern for her safety.
 - ~ **(over sth/sb)** The report expressed concern over continuing high unemployment.
 - ~ **(that...)** There is widespread concern that new houses will be built on protected land.
 - Stress at work is **a matter of concern to** staff and management.
 - The President's health was giving serious **cause for concern**.

compare ↑unconcern

DESIRE TO PROTECT

2. **uncountable** a desire to protect and help sb/sth
 - parents' concern for their children
 - I appreciate everyone's concern and help at this difficult time.

STH IMPORTANT

3. **countable** something that is important to a person, an organization, etc
 - What are your main concerns as a writer?
 - The government's primary concern is to reduce crime.

RESPONSIBILITY

4. **countable, usually singular (formal)** something that is your responsibility or that you have a right to know about
 - This matter is their concern.
 - How much money I make is none of your concern.

COMPANY

5. **countable** a company or business

Syn: ↑firm

- a major publishing concern

see a going concern **at** ↑going adj.

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concern noun

1. U, C

- There is concern for her safety.

anxiety • • **worry** • • **apprehension** • • **unease** •

concern/anxiety/worry/apprehension/unease **over/about** sth

express concern/anxiety/your worries/apprehension/unease

cause concern/anxiety/apprehension/unease

Concern, anxiety or worry? **Worry** is a more informal word than **concern** and **anxiety**. **Worry** and **anxiety** are used to refer to personal matters; a **concern** often affects many people.

2. U

- I appreciate your concern at this difficult time.

sympathy • • **compassion** • • **understanding** •

concern/sympathy/compassion **for** sb/sth

do sth **with** concern/sympathy/compassion/understanding

show (sb) concern/sympathy/compassion/understanding

3. C

- What are your main concerns as a writer?

issue • • **matter** • • **question** • • **theme** • • **topic** • • **subject** •

a/an **important/key/major/serious/general** concern/issue/matter/question/theme/topic/subject

a/an **political/ethical** concern/issue/matter/question/theme/topic/subject

a/an **technical/practical** concern/issue/matter/question/topic/subject

discuss/consider/deal with/tackle/examine/explore/focus on a/an concern/issue/matter/question/theme/topic/subject

Example Bank:

- He demonstrated genuine concern for others.
- He felt some concern for her safety.
- How much we paid is none of your concern.

- I have other, more pressing concerns.
- I was surprised by her lack of concern.
- Increased use of drugs is of great concern to parents.
- Out of concern for her health, we suggested she take a week off work.
- Practical necessity overrides any other concerns.
- She expressed her deep concern about conditions at the factory.
- She forgot her own worries in her concern for him.
- The lack of firefighting equipment has caused concern.
- The president's health is giving serious cause for concern.
- There is particular concern about the use of pesticides.
- They sold the business as a going concern.
- This new technology brings with it security concerns.
- a common concern for new parents
- a successful publishing concern
- public concern about increased taxes
- Censorship reflects the social concerns and even fears of society and government at the time.
- Environmental concerns have been thrust to the head of the party agenda.
- I appreciate everyone's concern and help at this difficult time.
- She hasn't been seen for four days and there is concern for her safety.
- The government's primary concern is to reduce crime.
- The overriding concern of the organizers is the safety of the participants.
- The scheme has been set up by a major publishing concern.
- parents' concern for their children

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I. **concern**¹ **S1 W1** /kən'sɜːn/\$-3ɹhBrE[Ⓜ] AmE[Ⓜ] *noun*

[Word Family: **verb**: ↑concern; **noun**: ↑concern; **adjective**: ↑concerned ≠ ↑unconcerned]

1. WORRY

a) **[uncountable]** a feeling of worry about something important:

" The recent rise in crime is a matter of considerable public concern.

concern for

" our concern for human rights

concern about/over/with

" the rise of concern about the environment

" the growing concern over inflation

" concern with worsening law and order

concern that

" increased concern that the war could continue for a long time

be a cause for concern/cause concern

" The activities of the far right have been a cause for concern for a while now.

" In her last days the poet expressed concern for her father.

b) **[countable]** something that worries you:

" One of the concerns that people have is the side effects of treatment.

" Education remains the electorate's main concern.

" the concerns expressed by parents

2. **SOMETHING IMPORTANT** **[uncountable and countable]** something that is important to you or that involves you:

" His main concern is to be able to provide for his family.

concern for

" The consumer has become a major concern for this government.

of concern to somebody

" topics of concern to television viewers

3. **FEELING FOR SOMEBODY** **[singular, uncountable]** a feeling of wanting someone to be happy and healthy:

" He was moved by her obvious concern.

concern for

" parents' loving concern for their children

4. **sb's concern** if something is your concern, you are responsible for it:

" The money side of the business is your concern.

5. **not sb's concern/none of sb's concern** if something is not your concern, you are not interested in it and you do not need to worry about it or become involved in it:

" His affairs were none of her concern.

6. **BUSINESS** **[countable]** a business or company:

" The restaurant is a family concern.

" We will continue to run the company as a going concern (=a business that is financially successful).

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 1)

■ verbs

- **cause concern** The announcement will cause concern in the Middle East.
- **feel concern** A lot of people felt some concern about the proposal.

- **express concern** Police officials expressed concern about robberies, which have increased by 23%.
- **voice concern** *formal* (=express concern) Some people have voiced concern about the state of the president's health.
- **raise concerns** *formal* The incident has raised concerns over safety at the power station.

phrases

- **be of concern** Of course, this is of great concern to parents.
- **be a cause for concern** Rising global temperatures are a cause for serious concern.
- **be a matter of concern** Elderly people in particular feel that crime is a matter of concern for them.
- **amid concern that/over something** (=because there is concern about something) Shares fell slightly amid concern that the economy is slowing.

adjectives

- **great/serious/considerable concern** The spread of the disease is an issue of considerable concern.
- **grave concern** (=very great concern) This disagreement was a matter of grave concern to the US.
- **a real/genuine concern** Pensions are a genuine concern to many people.
- **a particular concern** Noise is a particular concern of those living near the airport.
- **growing/mounting concern** Growing concern has been expressed over the pollution of the North Sea.
- **a common concern** (=one that many people share) Rising food prices are a common concern.
- **public concern** (=felt by the public) Public concern about the destruction of the rain forests could harm the timber business.
- **national concern** The lack of good cheap public transport is a matter of national concern.
- **widespread concern** There seems to be widespread concern about the state of our hospitals.

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

adjectives

- **somebody's main/biggest concern** My main concern is my children.
- **somebody's primary/chief/principal concern** The president said his primary concern was the welfare of the American people.
- **somebody's central concern** Our organization's central concern is to help people at all levels of society.
- **somebody's overriding concern** (=much more important than anything else) An artist's overriding concern is to achieve the highest standard possible.
- **somebody's only/sole concern** Rick's only concern was having a good time at the weekend.
- **somebody's present/immediate concern** Her two immediate concerns were to find a home and a job.

II. concern² W3 BrE AmE verb [transitive]

[Word Family: verb: ↑concern; noun: ↑concern; adjective: ↑concerned ≠ ↑unconcerned]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: French; Origin: concerner, from Late Latin concernere 'to mix together', from Latin com- (⇒ COM-) + cernere 'to sift']

1. [not in passive] if a story, book, report etc concerns someone or something, it is about them:

- This study concerns couples' expectations of marriage.
- The report concerns the drug traffic on the Mexican-US border.

REGISTER

In everyday English, people usually say something **is about** something or, in British English, **is/has to do with** something, rather than say it **concerns** something:

- The book is about women's experiences of war.

2. to make someone feel worried or upset:

- Issues like food additives do concern me.

3. [not in passive] if an activity, situation, rule etc concerns you, it affects you or involves you:

- The tax changes will concern large corporations rather than small businesses.

4. **concern yourself with/about something** *formal* to become involved in something because you are interested in it or because it worries you:

- He told them not to concern themselves about him.
- He loved his wife, and concerned himself with her needs and desires.

5. **to whom it may concern** an expression written at the beginning of a formal letter when you do not know the name of the person you want to communicate with

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