

federation

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English

Etymology

Borrowed from French [fédération](#), from Late Latin [foederatio](#), from Latin [foederare](#); equivalent to [federate](#) + [-ion](#).

Pronunciation

- IPA(key): /fɛdə'reʃən/
- Audio (US) ([file](#))
- Audio (AU) ([file](#))
- Rhymes: -eɪʃən

Noun

federation (*countable and uncountable, plural [federations](#)*)

1. Act of joining together into a single [political entity](#).

*It is 106 years since **federation**.*

2. Array of nations or states that are [unified](#) under one central authority which is elected by its members.
3. Any [society](#) or organisation formed from separate groups or bodies.
4. (*computing, telecommunications*) A collection of [network](#) or [telecommunication providers](#) that offer [interoperability](#).

Alternative forms

- [foederation](#) (*archaic*) [18th–19th C]

Related terms

- [federate](#), [federative](#)
- [federationism](#), [federationist](#); [federalist](#), [federalisation](#), [federalisationist](#)
- [confederation](#); [federal](#)

Descendants

- → Burmese: ဖောင်ဒေရီဂျွဲ (hpaida.re:hrang:)

Translations

array of nations or states

- Afrikaans: federasie
- Albanian: federatë [\(sq\)](#) *f*
- Arabic: اتحاد [\(ar\)](#) *m* (ittihād)
- Armenian: դաշնություն [\(hy\)](#) (dašnutyun) (dašnut'yun)
- Azerbaijani: federasiya, ittifaq
- Belarusian: федэрáцыя [\(be\)](#) *f* (fjederácyja)
- Bengali: ফেডারেশন (phedareśôn)
- Bulgarian: федерация [\(bg\)](#) *f* (federácia)
- Burmese: အော်ချုပ် [\(my\)](#) (a.hpwai.hkyup), ဖွံ့ဖြိုးရင်း [\(hpaida.re:hrang:\)](#)
- Buryat: федераци (fjedjeraci)
- Catalan: federació [\(ca\)](#) *f*
- Chinese:

Mandarin: 联邦 [\(zh\)](#), 联邦 [\(zh\)](#) (liánbāng)

- Czech: federace [\(cs\)](#) *f*
- Danish: føderation [\(da\)](#) *f*
- Dutch: federatie [\(nl\)](#) *f*, bondsstaat [\(nl\)](#) *m*
- Esperanto: federacio
- Estonian: föderatsioon
- Faroese: samgonga *f*
- Finnish: liittovaltio [\(fi\)](#), federaatio [\(fi\)](#)
- French: fédération [\(fr\)](#) *f*
- Georgian: ფედერაცია (pederacia)
- German: Föderation [\(de\)](#) *f*, Bund [\(de\)](#) *m*
- Greek: ομοσπονδία [\(el\)](#) *f* (omospondía)
- Haitian Creole: federasyon
- Hebrew: פִּדְרָצִיה [\(he\)](#) *f* (federátsya)
- Hindi: महासंघ [\(m\)](#) (mahāsaṅgh), फेडरेशन (fedreśan)
- Hungarian: főderáció [\(hu\)](#)
- Icelandic: samband [\(is\)](#) *m*
- Ido: federuro [\(io\)](#)
- Indonesian: federasi [\(id\)](#), negara berserikat
- Ingrian: federaattsoo
- Interlingua: federation
- Irish: cónaidhm *f*, feidearálacht *f*
- Italian: federazione [\(it\)](#) *f*
- Japanese: 連邦 [\(ja\)](#) (れんぽう, renpō), 連盟 [\(ja\)](#) (れんめい, renmei), 同盟 [\(ja\)](#) (どうめい, dōmei)
- Kazakh: федерация (federaciya)
- Khmer: សំបាត់នឹង [\(km\)](#) (sa'ha' pūən)
- Korean: 연방 [\(ko\)](#) (yeonbang) (聯邦 [\(ko\)](#)), 연합 [\(ko\)](#) (yeonhap) (聯合 [\(ko\)](#)), 연맹 [\(ko\)](#) (yeonmaeng), 동맹 [\(ko\)](#) (dongmaeng)
- Kyrgyz: федерация [\(ky\)](#) (federatsiya)
- Lao: ສະຫະພັນ [\(lo\)](#) (sa ha phan), ສະຫະພັນຄັດ (sa ha phan rat)
- Latin: foederatiō *f*

society or organisation formed from separate groups or bodies

- Chinese:

Mandarin: 联合会 [\(zh\)](#), 联合会 [\(zh\)](#) (liánhéhui)

- Dutch: federatie [\(nl\)](#) *f*
- Finnish: liitto [\(fi\)](#)

- Latvian: federācija *f*
- Lithuanian: federacijā *f*
- Low German:

German Low German: Föderatschoon *f*

- Macedonian: федерација *f* (federacija)
- Malay: persekutuan, federasi
- Maltese: federazzjoni *f*
- Mongolian: холбоо [\(mn\)](#) (holboo)
- Norwegian:

Bokmål: föderasjon [\(no\)](#) *m*, forbundsstat *m*
Nynorsk: föderasjon *m*, forbundsstat *m*

- Pashto: فدراسیون [\(ps\)](#) *m* (ferāsyún), اتحاد [\(ps\)](#) *m* (etehād)
- Persian: فدراسیون [\(fa\)](#) (federāsyun), اتحاد [\(fa\)](#) (etehād)
- Polish: federacja [\(pl\)](#) *f*
- Portuguese: federação [\(pt\)](#) *f*
- Romanian: federație [\(ro\)](#) *f*
- Russian: федерация [\(ru\)](#) *f* (federácia)
- Serbo-Croatian:

Cyrillic: федерација *f*
Roman: federacija [\(sh\)](#) *f*

- Slovak: federácia *f*
- Slovene: federacija *f*
- Spanish: federación [\(es\)](#) *f*
- Swedish: federation [\(sv\)](#) *f*
- Tagalog: kalipunan, pederasyon [\(tl\)](#), sampisanan
- Tajik: федерасия (federasiya), иттиҳод (ittihod)
- Tatar: федерация (federatsiya)
- Telugu: సమాఖ్య [\(te\)](#) (samākhya)
- Thai: สหพันธ์รัฐ (sà-hà-pan-tá-rát), สหพันธ์ (sà-hà-pan)
- Tibetan: མණ སྤྱེ (mnyam sbrel)
- Turkish: federasyon [\(tr\)](#), ittifak [\(tr\)](#)
- Turkmen: federasiya
- Tuval: федерация (fädäraciya)
- Ukrainian: federácia *f* (federácia)
- Urdu: اتحاد [\(ur\)](#) (fideareśan), فیڈریشن [\(ur\)](#) (vifāq)
- Uyghur: فەدېراتسىيە (fëdërâtsiye)
- Uzbek: federatsiya [\(uz\)](#), ittifoq [\(uz\)](#)
- Vietnamese: liên bang [\(vi\)](#) (聯邦)
- Volapük: fed [\(vo\)](#)
- Votic: federaattsija
- Yakut: бэдэрэссийэ (bedereessiye), федерация (federatsiya)
- Yiddish: עיגראָעַטַּעַט [\(yid\)](#) *f* (federatsye)
- Zhuang: lenzhang

- Tibetan: མණ སྤྱී (mnyam sbrel)

- Tuval: федерация (fädäraciya), эвилел (ävïläl)
- Vietnamese: liên đoàn [\(vi\)](#), liên hiệp [\(vi\)](#)
- Yiddish: עיגראָעַטַּעַט [\(yid\)](#) *f* (federatsye)

Adjective

federation (*not comparable*)

1. *(Australia)* Of an architectural style popular around the time of federation.

We live in a **federation** house.

- **2000**, Donald Denoon, Philippa Mein Smith, Marivic Wyndham, *A History of Australia, New Zealand, and the Pacific*, page 221 (http://books.google.com.au/books?id=QJQcvoXs6QYC&pg=PA221&dq=%22federation+house%22+australia+-intitle:%22%22+-inauthor%22&hl=en&sa=X&ei=Gi5OT8yZJ6aOiaAea4JBK&redir_esc=y#v=onepage&q=%22federation%20house%22%20australia%20-intitle%3A%22%22%20-inauthor%3A%22%22&f=false),

The **Federation** house claimed a unique place in architecture, even if it offended architects.

- **2002**, Andrew Swaffer, Katrina O'Brien, Darroch Donald, *Australia: Handbook*, page 754 (http://books.google.com.au/books?id=QoHSDeFFetMC&pg=PA754&dq=%22federation+house%22+australia+-intitle:%22%22+-inauthor%22&hl=en&sa=X&ei=Gi5OT8yZJ6aOiaAea4JBK&redir_esc=y#v=onepage&q=%22federation%20house%22%20australia%20-intitle%3A%22%22%20-inauthor%3A%22%22&f=false),

Five Chimneys, 15 Maria St, T8563 0240. Comfortable accomodation [*sic!*] in large **federation house**, spa, swimming pool.

- **2010**, Adrian Franklin, *Collecting the 20th Century*, page 27 (http://books.google.com.au/books?id=Jsmr9T0uIncC&pg=PA27&dq=%22federation+house%22+australia+-intitle:%22%22+-inauthor%22&hl=en&sa=X&ei=VjFOT9G5GPGiiAec8vFb&redir_esc=y#v=onepage&q=%22federation%20house%22%20australia%20-intitle%3A%22%22%20-inauthor%3A%22%22&f=false),

Plaster kookaburras from the 1930s would still look good in a nature-themed **Federation** house; h27 cm.

Danish

Noun

federation *s* (*singular definite **federationen**, plural indefinite **federationer***)

1. *unofficial form of **føderation***

Declension

Declension of federation					
common gender	indefinite federation	Singular	definite federationen	Plural	definite federationerne
nominative	federations		federationens	federationer	federationernes
genitive					

Synonyms

- [forbundsstat](#)

Swedish

Noun

federation *s*

1. *federation*; an array of states or nations

Declension

Declension of federation					
	Singular	Definite	Plural	Indefinite	Definite
Nominative	federation	federationen	federationer	federationer	federationerna
Genitive	federations	federationens	federationers	federationernas	

Related terms

- [federal](#)

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