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Dictionary

1 retail

verb re·tail

ˈrē-tāl, especially for 2 also riˈtāl

: to sell (something) to customers for their own use
: to be sold to the final customer for a specified price
: to tell (something) to one person after another : to tell (something) again

Full Definition of RETAIL

transitive verb

1 : to sell in small quantities directly to the ultimate consumer

2 : TELL, RETELL

intransitive verb

: to sell at retail

— re·tail·er noun

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Examples of RETAIL

We retail clothing at the best possible prices.

jewelry that retails from $100

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First Known Use of RETAIL

15th century

Related to RETAIL

Synonyms
deal (in), merchandise (also merchandize), put up, market, sell, vend

Antonyms
buy, purchase

Rhymes with RETAIL

abseil, airmail, all hail, assail, avail, bake sale, bangtail, blackmail, blacktail, bobtail, broadscale, broadtail, bucktail, bud scale, ...

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noun re·tail 
ˈrē-tāl

: the business of selling things directly to customers for their own use

Full Definition of RETAIL

: the sale of commodities or goods in small quantities to ultimate consumers; also : the industry of such selling

— at retail

1 : at a retailer’s price

2 : 4 RETAIL

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Examples of RETAIL

She has a job in retail.

Origin of RETAIL

Middle English, from Anglo-French retaile cutting, deduction, retail, from retailler to cut out, from re- + tailler to cut — more at TAILOR

First Known Use: 15th century

Other Business Terms

amortize, caveat emptor, clearinghouse, divest, due diligence, emolument, green-collar, marque, overhead, perquisite

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adjective re·tail 
ˈrē-tāl

http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/retail
: relating to the business of selling things directly to customers for their own use

Full Definition of RETAIL

: of, relating to, or engaged in the sale of commodities at retail <retail trade>

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Examples of RETAIL

Is that price retail or wholesale?

First Known Use of RETAIL

1601

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adverb  re·tail  [rēˈtāl]

: in a store that sells things directly to customers for their own use : from a retailer

Full Definition of RETAIL

: in small quantities : from a retailer

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Examples of RETAIL

You usually have to pay more if you buy something retail than if you buy it wholesale.

The product sells retail for about $100.

First Known Use of RETAIL

1784

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