

STANJE: state vs. condition; situation vs. position

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State vs. condition: Broadly speaking the two nouns refer to the particular material/physical situation in which something or someone currently exists. In terms of precision *condition* gives a more detailed description, *state* is more general. You can see this difference in these examples: *the state of the economy/nation/country - the condition of the building/of the patient/the car.*

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Situation, position and condition: All three nouns are similar in meaning, but they have different nuances or shades of meaning and are used in different contexts in different ways.

Condition describes the **physical state** of something or some one.

Situation refers to a **set of conditions** that are in place at a particular time and in a particular place.

Position is used in a wider variety of contexts than situation or condition. First and foremost, it refers to **the way** or **where** somebody or something is **placed**. However, **position** can also describe a **general situation** and in this context can sometimes be replaced by **situation**.

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- "state" means "existing condition or position of a person or thing". (example: He is really bad now, if he can't improve this state, he will be unemployed.)

- "condition" means "ailment, abnormality" (Ex: heart condition) or "circumstances especially those affecting the functioning or existence of something" (Ex: good working condition)

- "situation" means "place and its surroundings" or "circumstances, position, state of affairs" (ex: He went to work late and missed the most important meeting this morning...this situation seemed serious for his level up in our office)...

... **state** = a condition or way of being that exists at a particular time (state of affairs, state of mind)

... **condition** = the particular state that something or someone is in; the physical situation that someone or something is in and affected by (in no condition to do something, a medical condition, in perfect condition)

... **situation** = the set of things that are happening and the conditions that exist at a particular time and place (a difficult situation)