

# robber barons *(rob-ber-bar-ons)*

## Definition

plural n. A term used to describe unscrupulous and monopolistic industrialists and financiers in the United States during the late 19th century who were perceived to have used exploitative practices to amass their wealth.

## Example Sentence

The **robber barons** of the Gilded Age were known for their ruthless business tactics.

## More Example Sentences

Critics argue that the **robber barons** contributed to economic inequality during their time.

## Synonyms

industrialists; magnates; tycoons

## Antonyms

philanthropists; benefactors; altruists

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