

***audagaz** Runic: ᚱᚰᚱᚦᚰᚦᚰᚦᚰ Pronunciation: /'aυ.ð̥a.ɣaz/

adjective · a-stem

Meanings

1. wealthy, rich; prosperous
2. fortunate, happy; blessed

Etymology

From **audaz* + **-gaz*, literally ‘possessing wealth or prosperity’ (Kroonen 2013: 40, s.v. **auda-*). The suffix continues Proto-Indo-European **-ko-s*. Gothic ᚱᚰᚰᚦᚰᚦᚰᚦᚰ (*audags*), Old English *ēadig*, Old Saxon *ōdag*, and Old High German *ōtag* support its reconstruction (Kluge 1899: 99; Lehmann 1986a: 47, s.v. *audags*). Old Norse *auðigr* may continue a parallel **audigaz*, as Orel (2003: 28–29) reconstructs, or reflect later remodeling with productive **-igaz*. ‘Wealthy, prosperous’ is probably primary; ‘fortunate, happy, blessed’ developed through the association of prosperity with good fortune (Pimenova 2022: 957–58).

Declension

Strong declension

Case	Sg. Masc.	Sg. Fem.	Sg. Neut.	Pl. Masc.	Pl. Fem.	Pl. Neut.
Nom.	audagaz	audagō	audaga, -atō	audagai	audagōz	audagō
Acc.	audaganō	audagō	audaga, -atō	audaganz	audagōz	audagō
Gen.	audagas, -is	audagaizōz	audagas, -is	audagaizô	audagaizô	audagaizô
Dat.	audagammai	audagaizôi	audagammai	audagaimaz	audagaimaz	audagaimaz
Inst.	audaganō	audagaizō	audaganō	audagaimiz	audagaimiz	audagaimiz

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Nom.	audagô	audagō	audagô	audaganiz	audagōniz	audagōnō
Acc.	audaganų	audagōnų	audagô	audaganunz	audagōnunz	audagōnō
Gen.	audaginiz	audagōniz	audaginiz	audaganô	audagōnô	audaganô
Dat.	audagini	audagōni	audagini	audagammaz	audagōmaz	audagammaz
Inst.	audaginē	audagōnē	audaginē	audagammiz	audagōmiz	audagammiz

Descendants

- *audag (Proto-West Germanic)
 - ōtag (Old High German)
 - ōdag (Old Saxon)
 - *audag (Proto-West Germanic)
 - ēadiġ, ēadeġ (Old English)
 - edy, hedy, eadi, eædi, eddi, edi (Middle English)
 - auðigr (Old Norse)
 - auðugur (Icelandic)
 - 𐌰𐌿𐌳𐌰𐌿𐌸 (audags) (Gothic)
 - *autugas (Proto-Finnic)
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