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n. pl. **bi·en·ni·ums** or **bi·en·ni·a** (-ĕn ē-ə)

A two-year period.

[Latin : *bi-*, two; see [bi-](#)¹ + *annus*, year; see *at-* [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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