Operators

Operators carry out operations on variables and values.



Arithmetic Operators

Arithmetic operators work with numeric values to perform common arithmetical operations.

Operator	Name	Example
+	Addition	\$x + \$y
-	Subtraction	\$x - \$y
*	Multiplication	\$x * \$y
/	Division	\$x / \$y
%	Modulus	\$x % \$y

Example:

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Modulus

The **modulus** operator, represented by the % sign, returns the remainder of the division of the first operand by the second operand:

```
<?php
$x = 14;
$y = 3;
echo $x % $y; // 2
?>
```

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If you use floating point numbers with the modulus operator, they will be converted to integers before the operation.

Increment & Decrement

The increment operators are used to increment a variable's value.

The decrement operators are used to decrement a variable's value.

```
$x++; // equivalent to $x = $x+1;
$x--; // equivalent to $x = $x-1;
```

Increment and decrement operators either precede or follow a variable.

```
$x++; // post-increment
$x--; // post-decrement
++$x; // pre-increment
--$x; // pre-decrement
```

The difference is that the post-increment returns the original value **before** it changes the variable, while the pre-increment changes the variable first and then returns the value. **Example:**

```
$a = 2; $b = $a++; // $a=3, $b=2
$a = 2; $b = ++$a; // $a=3, $b=3
```

The increment operators are used to increment a variable's value.

Assignment Operators

Assignment operators are used to write values to variables.

```
$num1 = 5;
$num2 = $num1;
```

\$num1 and \$num2 now contain the value of 5.

Assignments can also be used in conjunction with arithmetic operators.

Assignment	Same as	Description
x+=y	x = x + y	Addition
x-=y	x = x - y	Subtraction
x*=y	x = x * y	Multiplication
x/=y	x = x / y	Division
x%=y	x = x % y	Modulus

Example:

```
<?php

$x = 50;

$x += 100;

echo $x;

// Outputs: 150

?>
```

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Tap Try It Yourself to play around with the code!

Comparison Operators

Comparison operators compare two values (numbers or strings). Comparison operators are used inside conditional statements, and evaluate to either **TRUE** or **FALSE**.

Operator	Name	Example	Result
==	Equal	\$x == \$y	Returns true if
			\$x is equal to \$y
===	Identical	\$x === \$y	Returns true if \$x is equal to \$y,
			and they are of the same type
!=	Not equal	\$x != \$y	Returns true if
			\$x is not equal to \$y
<>	Not equal	\$x <> \$y	Returns true if
			\$x is not equal to \$y
!==	Not identical	\$x !== \$y	Returns true if \$x is not equal to \$y,
			or they are not of the same type

Be careful using == and === ; the first one doesn't check the type of data.

Comparison Operators

Additional comparison operators:

Operator	Name	Example	Result
>	Greater than	\$x > \$y	Returns true if \$x is greater than \$y
<	Less than	\$x < \$y	Returns true if \$x is less than \$y
>=	Greater than or equal to	\$x >= \$y	Returns true if \$x is greater than or equal to \$y
<=	Less than or equal to	\$x <= \$y	Returns true if \$x is less than or equal to \$y

The PHP comparison operators are used to compare two values (number or string).

Logical Operators

Logical operators are used to combine conditional statements.

Operator	Name	Example	Result
and	And	\$x and \$y	True if
			both \$x and \$y are true
or	Or	\$x or \$y	True if
			either \$x or \$y is true
xor	Xor	\$x xor \$y	True if
			either \$x or \$y is true, but not both
&&	And	\$x && \$y	True if
			both \$x and \$y are true
П	Or	\$x \$y	True if
			either \$x or \$y is true
!	Not	!\$x	True if
			\$x is not true

You can combine as many terms as you want. Use parentheses () for precedence.

