PROPORTIONS

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- Fractions

- Other ways we represent and manipulate proportions
- Proportions and other mathematical constructs in epidemiology

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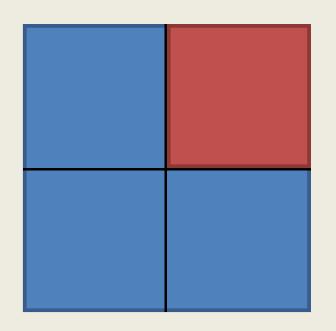
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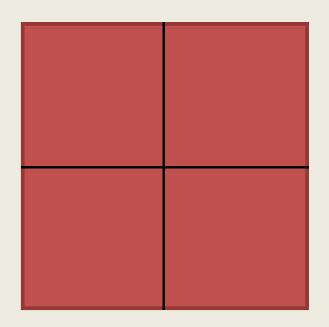
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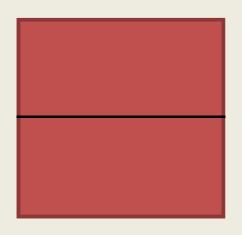
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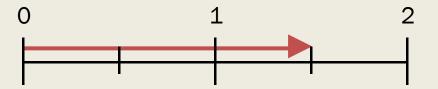
$$\frac{4}{4} = 1$$



Fractions



$$2=\frac{3}{2}$$



Fraction Terminology

$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{numerator}{denominator}$$

Manipulating fractions

- Comparing[PRO-TIP] Matching denominators will make this easier
- Addition & subtraction
 [RULE] Denominators must match, perform operation on numerators
- Multiplication & division
 [RULE] Numerator and denominator operate separately

- Same denominator? YES!
 - Ignore the denominator, work through the numerator

$$\frac{2}{8} + \frac{5}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\frac{3}{5} + \frac{4}{5} = \frac{7}{5} = 1\frac{2}{5}$$

$$\frac{10}{12} - \frac{4}{12} = \frac{6}{12} = \frac{1}{2}$$

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 - 1. Find the least common denominator

Least Common Multiple

4: 4, 8, 12, 16, 20...

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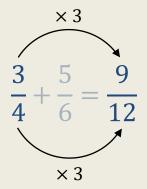
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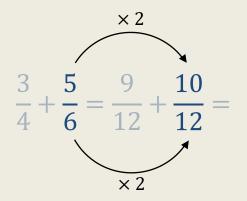
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$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{6} = \frac{9}{12} + \frac{10}{12} = \frac{19}{12} = 1\frac{7}{12}$$

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$$\frac{3}{7} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{9}{21} + \frac{14}{21} = \frac{23}{21} = 1\frac{2}{21}$$

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$$-\frac{3}{7} - \left(-\frac{4}{4}\right) = -\frac{12}{28} - \left(-\frac{7}{28}\right)$$

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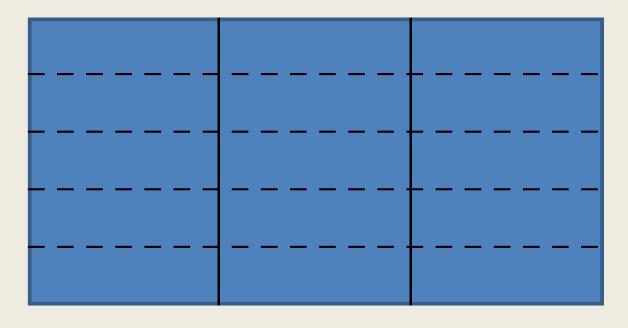
YOU TRY

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$$1\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$$

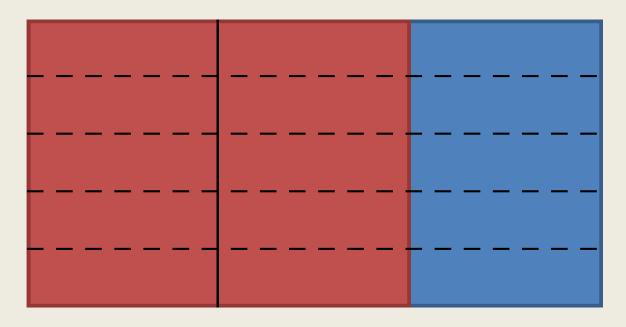
2.
$$\frac{1}{6}$$
? $\frac{2}{9}$

3.
$$\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{5} = ?$$



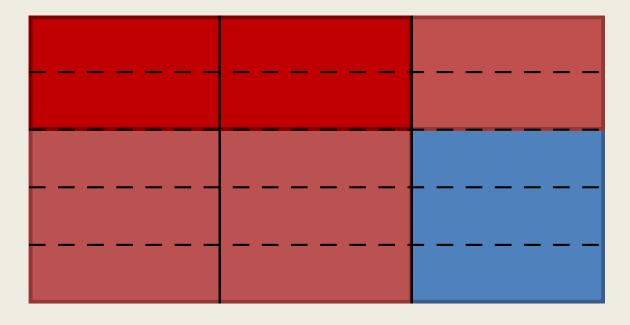
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$$\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{2 \times 2}{3 \times 5} = \frac{4}{15}$$

YOU TRY

$$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{4}{5} =$$

$$\frac{7}{8} \times \frac{5}{6} =$$

Dividing Fractions

Multiply by the reciprocal

$$\frac{\frac{4}{5}}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{4}{5} \div \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{12}{10} = 1\frac{1}{5}$$

YOU TRY

$$\frac{\frac{14}{100}}{\frac{3}{200}}$$

REMINDER: Don't do this!

$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{6} \neq \frac{3+5}{4+6}$$

$$1\frac{7}{12} \neq \frac{8}{12}$$

$$\frac{3}{4a} + \frac{4}{5b} \neq \frac{7}{4a + 5b}$$

$$\frac{X}{Y} + \frac{X}{Z} \neq \frac{X}{Y + Z}$$

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Other ways to represent proportions

Percentage

- Just a fraction with a denominator equal to 100

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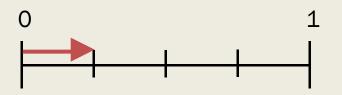
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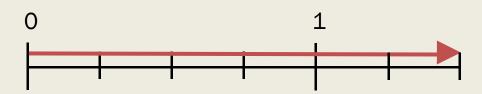
Decimal

- Just a percentage rendered on the number line

$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{25}{100} = 0.25$$

$$\frac{3}{2} = \frac{150}{100} = 1.5$$





Percentage $\leftarrow \rightarrow$ Decimal

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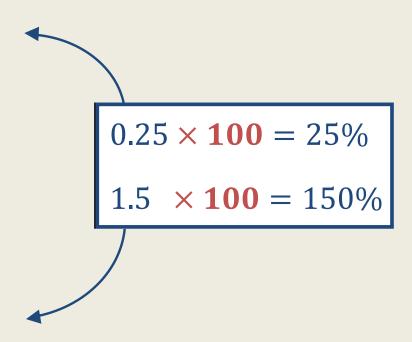
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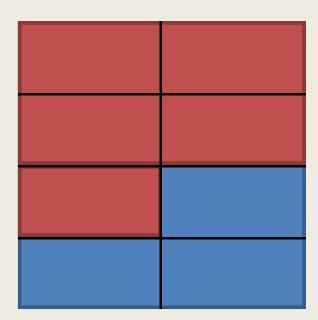
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YOU TRY

■ What percent of the square is shaded red?



YOU TRY

- 1. 12 is what percent of 40?
- 2. $\frac{0.012}{0.4}$
- 3. Compare: 0.05 ? 0.011
- 4. Compare: -0.078 ? -0.035

Mathematical constructs in epi

- Proportion: a part, share, or number considered in comparative relation to a whole
 - Represented by fraction, percentage or decimal
 - These have units!

Example: Proportion of deaths due to heart disease, 23.5%

- Rate: a measure, quantity, or frequency measured against some other quantity or measure
 - Represented by fraction, percentage or decimal
 - Usually measuring something in relation to time

Example: mortality rate of heart disease, 193 deaths per 100,000 person-years

- Ratio: the relationship of two comparable amounts
 - Often represented in the form, number:number (e.g. 3:1)
 - BUT also represented by fraction, percentage or decimal (e.g. 3/1 = 3)
 - Unitless!

Example: Sex ratio at age 60 is 81 males: 100 females