

Percentage

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Percentage Formula

- ❑ To determine the percentage, we have to divide the value by the total value and then multiply the resultant to 100.
- Percentage formula = $(\text{Value} / \text{Total value}) \times 100$
- Example: $2/5 \times 100 = 0.4 \times 100 = 40 \%$

How to calculate the percentage of a number?

❑ To calculate the percentage of a number, we need to use a different formula such as:

- $P\% \text{ of Number} = X$
- where X is the required percentage.
- If we remove the % sign, then we need to express the above formulas as;
- $P/100 * \text{Number} = X$

➤ **Example: Calculate 10% of 80.**

- Let $10\% \text{ of } 80 = X$
- $10/100 * 80 = X$
- $X = 8$

Percentage Increase and Decrease

- The percentage increase is equal to the subtraction of original number from a new number, divided by the original number and multiplied by 100.
- **% increase = [(New number – Original number)/Original number] x 100**
- where,
- increase in number = New number – original number
- Similarly, percentage decrease is equal to subtraction of new number from original number, divided by original number and multiplied by 100.
- **% decrease = [(Original number – New number)/Original number] x 100**
- Where decrease in number = Original number – New number
- So basically if the answer is negative then there is percentage decrease.

Percentage Difference Formula

- The percentage difference is:
The **difference** between two values divided by the **average** of the two values. Shown as a **percentage**.
- As if 2 numbers are given as X and Y. Then percentage difference can be calculated as
$$= [(X - Y) / ((X + Y) / 2)] * 100$$

Example

- Juice costs \$4 in one shop and \$6 in another shop, what is the percentage difference?

Example

- Let a bag contain 2 kg of apples and 3kg of grapes. Find the ratio of quantities present, and percentage occupied by each.

Solution

- The number of apples and grapes in a bag can be compared in terms of their ratio, i.e. **2:3**.
- The actual interpretation of percentages can be understood by the following way:
- The same quantity can be represented in terms of percentage occupied, which is given as:
- Total quantity present = 5 kg
- Ratio of apples (in terms of total quantity) = $2/5$
- $= (2/5) \times (100/100)$
- From the definition of percentage, it is the ratio that is expressed per hundred,
- $1/100 = 1\%$
- Thus, Percentage of Apples = $(2/5) \times 100 = 40$
- Percentage of Grapes = $(3/5) \times 100 = 60$

Percentage Chart

Fractions	Percentage
1/2	50%
1/3	33.33%
1/4	25%
1/5	20%
1/6	16.66%
1/7	14.28%
1/8	12.5%
1/9	11.11%
1/10	10%
1/11	9.09%
1/12	8.33%
1/13	7.69%
1/14	7.14%
1/15	6.66%

Converting Fractions to Percentage

- A fraction can be represented by $\frac{a}{b}$.
- Multiplying and dividing the fraction by 100, we have
- $\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{100}{100}$
- $= (\frac{a}{b} \times 100) \frac{1}{100} \dots\dots\dots (i)$
- From the definition of percentage, we have $\frac{1}{100} = 1\%$
- Thus equation (i) can be written as:
- $= \frac{a}{b} \times 100\%$
- Thus fraction can be converted to percentage simply by multiplying the given fraction by 100.

Percentage Tricks

- To calculate the percentage, we can use the given below tricks.
- $x \% \text{ of } y = y \% \text{ of } x$
- Example- Prove that 10% of 30 is equal to 30% of 10.
- Solution- $10\% \text{ of } 30 = 3$
- $30\% \text{ of } 10 = 3$
- Therefore they are equal i.e. $x \% \text{ of } y = y \% \text{ of } x$ holds true.

SSC CHSL

- Suman has a monthly salary of \$1200. She spends \$280 per month on food. What percent of her monthly salary does she save?

Solution

- Suman's monthly salary = \$1200
- Savings of Suman = $\$(1200 - 280) = \$ 920$
- Fraction of salary she saves = $920/1200$
- Percentage of salary she saves
= $(920/1200) \times 100$
= 76.66%

Some quicker methods:

- If a number is $r\%$ more than the second number, the second number will be $(\frac{r}{100+r} * 100)\%$ less than the first number, e.g. If A's income is $r\%$ more than B's income, B's income is $(\frac{r}{100+r} * 100)\%$ less than A's income.
- If a number is $r\%$ less than the second number, the second number will be $(\frac{r}{100-r} * 100)\%$ more than the first number.
- If a value is increased by $x\%$ and later decreased by $x\%$, net change in the value is always a decrease which is equal to $x\%$ of x or $\frac{x^2}{100}$.

Some quicker methods:

- If two values are respectively $x\%$ and $y\%$ more than a third value, the first value is $(\frac{100+x}{100+y} * 100)\%$ of the second value. And, the second value is $(\frac{100+y}{100+x} * 100)\%$ of the first value.
- If two values are respectively $x\%$ and $y\%$ less than a third value, the first value is $(\frac{100-x}{100-y} * 100)\%$ of the second value. And, the second value is $(\frac{100-y}{100-x} * 100)\%$ of the first value.

Some quicker methods:

- If the price of a commodity increases by $x\%$, the reduction in consumption so as not to increase the expenditure is given by;

$$= \left(\frac{x}{100 + x} * 100 \right) \%$$

- If the price of a commodity decreases by $x\%$, the increase in consumption so as not to decrease the expenditure is given by;

$$= \left(\frac{x}{100 - x} * 100 \right) \%$$

TCS

- ✓ If the height of Ramesh is less by 20% than Suresh, the height of Suresh will be greater than that of Ramesh by how many percent?
 - 25%
 - 30%
 - 32%
 - 28%

RRB JE

- ☐ Ram spends 70% of his salary and deposits 15 % of his salary in the bank. If he is left with Rs. 1500, what is his monthly salary?
- a) Rs.9000
 - b) Rs.9500
 - c) Rs.10000
 - d) Rs.10500

UPSC

□ If A's income is 12 % more than B's income, B's income is how much less than A's income?

- a) 9.7%
- b) 10.7%
- c) 11.7 %
- d) 12.7%

GATE 2007

- ☐ If the price of sugar increases by 10%, by what percentage a housewife should reduce the consumption of sugar so that expense is not increased?
- a) 5.5%
 - b) 7.1%
 - c) 9.1%
 - d) 10%

UPSC

- The price of chair , Table and stool are in the ratio 5:3:2. The price of chair is increased by 20%, the price of table is increased by 33.33% and the price of stool is increased by 10%. The new price of these article is how much percent increased or decreased from present price.

GATE 1999

- A man spends 20% of his salary on house rent. Rest of 10% on food and rest 5.55% on travelling allowance. He saves Rs 20400. Find his Salary.

UPPSC AE

- If the ratio of income: Expenditure = 5:3. If his income is increased by 20% and his expenditure is increased by 10% then the saving will be increased or decreased by what percent.

CAT

- Each edge of a cube is increased by 20%. What is the percentage increase in the volume of a cube?

Solution

- Let edge of a cube is x unit. Its volume = x^3 units³.
- New edge = $x + 20\%$ of $x = \frac{6x}{5}$ units.
- New volume of the cube = $(\frac{6x}{5})^3 = \frac{216x^3}{125}$ units³
- Increase in volume = $\frac{216x^3}{125} - x^3 = \frac{91x^3}{125}$ units³
- Percentage increase in the volume of a cube = $(\frac{91x^3}{125}) \times 100 / x^3$
- = $(91 \times 100) / 125 \% = \frac{364}{5} \% = 72.8 \%$. Answer.

CAT

- If the length of cuboid is increased by 20%, breadth of cuboid decreased by 12.5% and height is increased by 25%. Find net percentage effect on volume of cuboid.
- A. 125%
- B. 37.5%
- C. 31.25%
- D. 36.4%

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