

Percents

To change a percent to a decimal, move the decimal point over two places to the left.

$$\begin{array}{cc} 85\% & 0.1, 15\% \\ \boxed{.85} & \boxed{.0115} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{cc} 125\% & 0.05\% \\ \boxed{1.25} & \boxed{.005} \end{array}$$

To change a decimal to a percent, move the decimal point over two places to the right.

$$\begin{array}{cc} 32 & 1.25 \\ \boxed{32\%} & \boxed{125\%} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{cc} 0.125 & 12500 \\ \boxed{1.25\%} & \boxed{12,500\%} \end{array}$$

To change a percent to a fraction, write the percent over 100.

$$\begin{array}{cc} 85\% & 1.15\% \\ \frac{85}{100} \div 5 = \frac{17}{20} & \frac{1.15}{10000} = \frac{115}{10,000} \div 5 = \frac{23}{2000} \end{array}$$

To change a fraction to a percent, set the fraction equal to $\frac{x}{100}$.

$$\begin{array}{cc} \frac{3}{40} = \frac{x}{100} & \frac{36}{125} = \frac{x}{100} \\ 40x = 300 & 125x = 3600 \\ 40 \quad 40 & 125 \quad 125 \\ \boxed{x = 7.5\%} & x = 28.8 \end{array}$$

Percent Word Problems

English	Math Translation
What	x
Is, are, were	=
What percent	$\frac{x}{100}$
Of	Multiply

Directions: Find each answer.

1. What is 35% of 45?

$$x = \frac{35}{100} \cdot \frac{45}{1}$$

$$\frac{1575}{100}$$

$$\frac{1575}{100} = \frac{1575 \div 25}{100 \div 25} = \frac{63}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{63}{4}$$

$$x = 15 \frac{3}{4}$$

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$$4 \overline{) 63}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 15 \\ -4 \\ \hline 23 \\ -20 \\ \hline 3 \end{array}$$

2. 15 is 70% of what number?

$$15 = \frac{70}{100} \cdot x$$

$$\frac{15}{1} = \frac{7x}{10}$$

$$15x = 150$$

$$\frac{15x}{15} = \frac{150}{15}$$

$$x = 21 \frac{2}{3}$$

$$21 \frac{2}{3}$$

$$7 \overline{) 150}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 21 \\ -14 \\ \hline 10 \\ -7 \\ \hline 3 \end{array}$$

3. What percent of 85 is 17?

$$\frac{x}{100} \cdot 85 = 17$$

$$\frac{85x}{100} = 17$$

$$\frac{85x}{85} = \frac{1700}{85}$$

$$x = 20\%$$

$$85 \overline{) 1700}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 20 \\ -170 \\ \hline 00 \end{array}$$

4. 16 is what percent of 30?

$$16 = \frac{x}{100} \cdot 30$$

$$\frac{16}{1} = \frac{30x}{100}$$

$$\frac{16}{1} = \frac{3x}{10}$$

$$160 = 3x$$

$$\frac{160}{3} = \frac{3x}{3}$$

$$x = 53 \frac{1}{3}\%$$

$$53 \frac{1}{3}$$

$$3 \overline{) 160}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 53 \\ -159 \\ \hline 10 \\ -9 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

5. 9% of 340 is what number?

$$\frac{9}{100} \cdot 340 = x$$

$$\frac{3060}{100}$$

$$\frac{3060}{100} = \frac{3060 \div 20}{100 \div 20} = \frac{153}{5}$$

$$\frac{153}{5} = x$$

$$x = \frac{153}{5}$$

$$x = 30 \frac{3}{5}$$

$$30 \frac{3}{5}$$

$$5 \overline{) 153}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 30 \\ -15 \\ \hline 03 \end{array}$$