

## PERCENTAGE

The word “percent” is derived from the latin words “per centum”, which means “per hundred”.

A **percentage** is a fraction with denominator hundred, It is denoted by the symbol %.

Numerator of the fraction is called the **rate per cent**.

**VALUE OF PERCENTAGE:**

Value of percentage always depends on the quantity to which it refers:

Consider the statement, “65% of the students in this class are boys”. From the context, it is understood that boys from 65% of the total number of students in the class. To know the value of 65%, the value of the total number of student should be known. If the total number of student is 200, then,

$$\text{The number of boys} = \frac{200 \times 65}{100} = 130;$$

It can also be written as  $(200) \times (0.65) = 130$ .

Note that the expressions 6%, 63%, 72%, 155% etc. Do not have any value intrinsic to themselves. Their values depend on the quantities to which they refer.

**To express the fraction equivalent to %:**

Express the fraction with the denominator 100, then the numerator is the answer.

**Example 1:**

Express the fraction  $\frac{11}{12}$  into the per cent.

**Solution:**

$$\frac{11}{12} = \frac{11}{12} \times 100 = \frac{91 \frac{2}{3}}{100} = 91 \frac{2}{3} \%$$

To express % equivalent to fraction:

$$a\% = \frac{a}{100}$$

**Example 2:**

Express  $45 \frac{5}{6} \%$  into fraction.

**Solution:**

$$45 \frac{5}{6} \% = \frac{45 \frac{5}{6}}{100} = \frac{275}{6 \times 100} = \frac{11}{24}$$

**Fraction Equivalents of %**

$1\% = \frac{1}{100}$	$33 \frac{1}{3}\% = \frac{1}{3}$
$2\% = \frac{1}{50}$	$40\% = \frac{2}{5}$
$4\% = \frac{1}{25}$	$50\% = \frac{1}{2}$
$5\% = \frac{1}{20}$	$66 \frac{2}{3}\% = \frac{2}{3}$
$6 \frac{1}{4}\% = \frac{1}{16}$	$60\% = \frac{3}{5}$
$10\% = \frac{1}{10}$	$75\% = \frac{3}{4}$
$11 \frac{1}{3}\% = \frac{17}{150}$	$80\% = \frac{4}{5}$
$12 \frac{1}{2}\% = \frac{1}{8}$	$96\% = \frac{24}{25}$
$16\% = \frac{4}{25}$	$100\% = 1$
$16 \frac{2}{3}\% = \frac{1}{6}$	$115\% = \frac{23}{20}$
$20\% = \frac{1}{5}$	$133 \frac{1}{3}\% = \frac{4}{3}$
$25\% = \frac{1}{4}$	



$$\text{Increase \%} = \frac{\text{Increase value}}{\text{Original value}} \times 100$$

**Example 3:**

Rent of the house is increased from `7000 to `7700. Express the increase in price as a percentage of the original rent.

**Solution:**

$$\text{Increase value} = \text{Rs } 7700 - \text{Rs } 7000 = \text{Rs } 700$$

$$\text{Increase \%} = \frac{\text{Increase value}}{\text{Original value}} \times 100 = \frac{700}{7000} \times 100 = 10$$

∴ Percentage rise = 10%



**Example 4:**

The cost of a bike last year was Rs19000. Its cost this year is Rs 17000. Find the per cent decrease in its cost.

$$\text{Decrease \%} = \frac{\text{Decreases value}}{\text{Original value}} \times 100$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{\% decrease} &= \frac{19000-17000}{19000} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{2000}{19000} \times 100 = 10.5\% \end{aligned}$$

∴ Percentage decrease = 10.5%.

- ❖ If A is x % of C and B is y % of C, then A is  $\frac{x}{y} \times 100\%$  of B.

**Example 5:**

A positive number is divided by 5 instead of being multiplied by 5. By what per cent is the result of the required correct value?

**Solution:**

Let the number be 1, then the correct answer = 5

The incorrect answer that was obtained  $\frac{1}{5}$ .

∴ The required % =  $\frac{1}{5 \times 5} \times 100 = 4\%$

- ❖ If two numbers are respectively x% and y% more than a third number, then the first number is  $\left(\frac{100+x}{100+y} \times 100\right)\%$  of the second and the second is  $\left(\frac{100+y}{100+x} \times 100\right)\%$  of the first.
- ❖ If two numbers are respectively x% and y% less than a third number, then the

first number is  $\left(\frac{100-x}{100-y} \times 100\right)\%$  of the second and the second is  $\left(\frac{100-y}{100-x} \times 100\right)\%$  of the first.

- ❖ x% of a quantity is taken by the first, y% of the remaining is taken by the second and z% of the remaining is taken by third person. Now, if A is left in the fund, then the initial amount 
$$= \frac{A \times 100 \times 100 \times 100}{(100-x)(100-y)(100-z)}$$
 in the beginning.
- ❖ x% of a quantity is added. Again, y% of the increased quantity is added. Again z% of the increased quantity is added. Now it becomes A, then the initial amount 
$$= \frac{A \times 100 \times 100 \times 100}{(100+x)(100+y)(100+z)}$$

**Example 6:**

3.5% income is taken as tax and 12.5% of the remaining is saved. This leaves Rs. 4,053 to spend. What is the income?

**Solution:**

By direct method,

$$\text{Income} = \frac{4053 \times 100 \times 100}{(100-3.5)(100-12.5)} = \text{Rs}$$

4800.

- ❖ If the price of a commodity increases by r%, then reduction in consumption, so as not to increase the expenditure is  $\left(\frac{r}{100+r} \times 100\right)\%$ .
- ❖ If the price of a commodity decreases by r%, then the increase in consumption, so as not to decrease the expenditure is  $\left(\frac{r}{100-r} \times 100\right)\%$ .

**Example 7:**

If the price of coal be raised by 20%, then find by how much a householder must

reduce his consumption of this commodity so as not to increase his expenditure?

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Reduction in consumption} &= \left( \frac{20}{100+20} \times 100\% \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{20}{120} \times 100 \right)\% = 16.67\% \end{aligned}$$

### POPULATION FORMULA

- ❖ If the original population of a town is P, and the annual increase is r%, then the population after n years is  $P\left(1 + \frac{r}{100}\right)^n$  and population before n years =  $\frac{P}{\left(1 + \frac{r}{100}\right)^n}$
- ❖ If the annual decrease be r%, then the population after n years is  $P\left(1 - \frac{r}{100}\right)^n$  and population before n years =  $\frac{P}{\left(1 - \frac{r}{100}\right)^n}$

### Example 8:

The population of a certain town increased at a certain rate per cent annum. Now it is 456976. Four years ago, it was 390625. What will it be 2 years hence?

**Solution:**

Suppose the population increases at r % per annum. Then,  $390625 \left(1 + \frac{r}{100}\right)^4 = 456976$

$$\therefore \left(1 + \frac{r}{100}\right)^2 = \sqrt{\frac{456976}{390625}} = \frac{676}{625}$$

$$\text{Population 2 years hence} = 456976 \left(1 + \frac{r}{100}\right)^2$$

$$= 456976 \times \frac{676}{625} = 494265 \text{ approximately.}$$

### Example 9:

The population of a city increase at the rate of 4% per annum. There is an additional annual increase of 1% in the population due to the influx of job seekers. Find percentage increase in the population after 2 years.

**Solution:**

The net annual increase = 5%

Let the initial population be 100.

- ❖ Then, population after 2 years =  $100 \times 1.05 \times 1.05 = 110.25$

Therefore, % increase in population =  $(110.25 - 100) = 10.25\%$

If a number A is increased successively by x% followed by y% and then z%, then the final value of A will be

$$A \left(1 + \frac{x}{100}\right) \left(1 + \frac{y}{100}\right) \left(1 + \frac{z}{100}\right)$$

In case a given value decreases by a percentage then we will use negative sign before that.

- ❖ **First Increase and then decrease:**

If the value is first increased by x% and then decreased by y% then there is  $\left(x - y - \frac{xy}{100}\right)\%$  increase or decrease, according to the +ve or -ve sign respectively.

If the value is first increased by x% and then decreased by x% then there is only decrease which is equal to  $\left(\frac{x^2}{100}\right)$ .

### Example 10:

A number is increased by 10% and then it is decreased by 10%. Find the net increase or decrease per cent.

**Solution:**

$$\% \text{ change} = \frac{10 \times 10}{100} = 1\%$$

i.e. 1% decrease.

- ❖ Average percentage rate of change over a period.

$$= \frac{(\text{New Value} - \text{Old Value})}{\text{Old Value}} \times \frac{100}{n}\% \text{ where}$$

n = period.

- ❖ The percentage error =  $\frac{\text{The Error}}{\text{True Value}} \times 100\%$

**SUCCESSIVE INCREASE OR DECREASE**

- ❖ In the value is increased successively by x% and y% then the final increase is given by

$$\left(x + y + \frac{xy}{100}\right)\%$$

- ❖ In the value is decreased successively by x% and y% then the final decrease is given by

$$\left(-x - y - \frac{xy}{100}\right)\%$$

**Example 11:**

The price of a car is decreased by 10% and 20% in two successive years. What per cent of price of a car is decreased after two years?

**Solution:**

Put x = -10 and y = -20, then

$$-10 - 20 + \frac{(-10)(-20)}{100} = -28\%$$

∴ The price of the car decreases by 28%.

**STUDENT AND MARKS**

- ❖ The percentage of passing marks in an examination is x%. If a candidate who

scores y marks fails by z marks, then the maximum marks  $M = \frac{100(y+z)}{x}$

- ❖ A candidate scoring x% in an examination fails by 'a' marks, while another candidate who scores y% marks gets 'b' marks more than the minimum required passing marks. Then

the maximum marks  $M = \frac{100(a+b)}{y-x}$

- ❖ In an examination x% and y% students respectively fail in two different subjects while z% students fail in both subjects then the % age of student who pass in both the subjects will be  $\{100 - (x + y - z)\}\%$

**Example 12:**

Vishal requires 40% to pass. If he gets 185 marks, falls short by 15 marks, what was the maximum he could have got?

**Solution:**

If Vishal has 15 marks more, he could have scored 40% marks.

Now, 15 marks more then 185 is  $185 + 15 = 200$

Let the maximum marks be x, then 40% of x = 200

$$\Rightarrow \frac{40}{100} \times x = 200 \Rightarrow x = \frac{200 \times 100}{40} = 500$$

Thus, maximum marks = 500

**Alternate method:**

$$\text{Maximum marks} = \frac{100(185+15)}{40} = \frac{100 \times 200}{40} = 500$$

**Example 13:**

A candidate scores 15% and fails by 30 marks, while another candidate who scores 40% marks, gets 20 marks more than the minimum required marks to pass

the pass the examination. Find the maximum marks of the examination.

**Solution:**

By short cut method:

$$\text{Maximum marks} = \frac{100(30+20)}{40-15} = 200$$

**2-DIMENSIONAL FIGURE AND AREA**

- ❖ If the sides of a triangle, square, rectangle, rhombus or radius of a circle are increased by a%, its area is increased by  $\frac{a(a+200)}{100}\%$
- ❖ If the sides of a triangle, square, rectangle, rhombus or radius of a circle are decreased by a % Then its area is decreased by  $\frac{a(200-a)}{100}\%$ .

**Example 14:**

If the radius of a circle is increased by 10%, what is the percentage increase in its area?

**Solution:**

Let R be the radius of circle.

Area of Circle,  $A = \pi R^2$

Now, radius is increased by 10%

New radius,  $R' = R + 10\% \text{ of } R = 1.1 R$

New Area,  $A' = \pi(1.1R)^2 = 1.21 \pi R^2$

% increase in area =

$$\frac{1.21\pi R^2 - \pi R^2}{\pi R^2} \times 100 = 21\%$$

**Shortcut Method:**

Radius is increases by 10%.

So, Area is increased by  $\frac{10(10+200)}{100} = 21\%$

- ❖ If the both sides of rectangle are changed by x% and y% respectively, then % effect on area =  $x + y + \frac{xy}{100}$  (+/- according to increase or decrease)

**Example 15:**

If the length and width of a rectangular garden were each increased by 20%, then what would be the per cent increase in the area of the garden?

**Solution:**

By direct formula

$$\% \text{ increase in area} = \frac{20(20+200)}{100} = 44\%$$

- ❖ If A's income is r% more than that of B, then B's income is less than that of A by  $\left(\frac{r}{100+r} \times 100\right)\%$
- ❖ If A's income is r% less than that of B, then B's income is more than that of A by  $\left(\frac{r}{100-r} \times 100\right)\%$

**Example 16:**

If A's salary is 50% more than B's, then by what percent B's salary is less than A's salary?

**Solution:**

Let B's salary be Rs x

Then, A's salary =  $x + 50\% \text{ of } x = 1.5x$

B's salary is less than A's salary by

$$\left(\frac{1.5x-x}{1.5x} \times 100\right)\% = \frac{100}{3} = 33.33\%$$

Shortcut method,

B's salary is less than A's salary by

$$\left(\frac{50}{100+50} \times 100\right)\% = \frac{50}{150} \times 100\% = 33.33\%$$

**Example 17:**

Ravi's weight is 25% that of Meena's and 40% that of Tara's. What percentage of Tara's weight is Meena's weight.

**Solution:**

Let Meena's weight be  $x$  kg and Tara's weight be  $y$  kg. Then Ravi's weight = 25% of Meena's weight

$$= \frac{25}{100} \times x \quad \dots(i)$$

Also, Ravi's weight = 40% of Tara's weight

$$= \frac{40}{100} \times y \quad \dots(ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{25}{100} \times x = \frac{40}{100} \times y$$

$$\Rightarrow 25x = 40y$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x = 8y \Rightarrow x = \frac{8}{5}y$$

Meena's weight as the percentage of Tara's weight

$$= \frac{x}{y} \times 100 = \frac{\frac{8}{5}y}{y} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{8}{5} \times 100 = 160$$

Hence, Meena's weight is 160% of Tara's weight.

**Example 18:**

The monthly salaries of A and B together amount to `50,000. A spends 80% of his salary and B spends 70% of his salary. If now their saving are the same, then find the salaries of A and B.

**Solution:**

Let A's salary be  $x$ , then B's salary =  $(50,000 - x)$

A spends 80% of his salary and saves 20%

B spends 70% of his salary and saves 30%

Given that

$$20\% \text{ of } x = 30\% \text{ of } (50,000 - x)$$

$$\frac{20}{100} \times x = \frac{30}{100} \times (50,000 - x)$$

$$\frac{50x}{100} = \frac{30 \times 50,000}{100}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{30 \times 50,000 \times 100}{100 \times 50} = 30,000$$

A's salary Rs 30,000

B's salary = Rs 50,000 - Rs 30,000 = Rs 20,000

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