

Fraction	Decimal	Prime Factors of Denominator	Recurring or Terminating
$\frac{1}{2}$			
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$\frac{1}{18}$			
$\frac{1}{19}$			
$\frac{1}{20}$			

How to convert a **fraction** to a **decimal**:

Write as a division:	$\frac{3}{11} = 3 \div 11$
Use the 'bus-stop' method with lots of trailing zeroes (make sure the denominator goes on the outside):	$11 \overline{) 3.00000000}$
Begin the division, and continue until the <i>remainders</i> start to be repeated:	$11 \overline{) 3. \overset{0}{3} \overset{2}{0} \overset{7}{8} \overset{2}{0} \overset{7}{8} 0 0 0 0}$
Write the answer in recurring decimal form, with dots over the first and last digits in the repeating sequence:	$\frac{3}{11} = 0.\dot{2}7$

How to convert a '**simple**' recurring decimal to a **fraction**:

Call the decimal x :	$x = 0.\dot{1}8$
Multiply both sides by 10, 100 or 1000, etc, until one whole repeating section is moved to the left of the decimal point:	$100x = 18.\dot{1}8$
Subtract x from one side and your original decimal from the other (we can do this since they are equal):	$99x = 18$
Divide through by the number in front of x to form a fraction with 9, 99 or 999 etc on the bottom:	$x = \frac{18}{99}$
Simplify as far as possible:	$\frac{18}{99} = \frac{2}{11}$

How to deal with more **complicated recurring decimals**:

If you have to simplify a recurring decimal which has a non-recurring part at the beginning, first multiply by a multiple of 10 until the non-recurring part is to the left of the decimal point and subtract the whole number part to leave a 'simple' recurring decimal:

$$0.1\dot{6} \times 10 = 1.\dot{6} \quad 1.\dot{6} - 1 = 0.\dot{6}$$

Convert this 'simple' recurring decimal into a fraction using the standard method:

$$x = 0.\dot{6}$$

$$10x = 6.\dot{6}$$

$$9x = 6$$

$$x = \frac{6}{9} = \frac{2}{3}$$

To find the original complex recurring decimal we need to reverse the steps we took to turn it into a simple one, and finally simplify:

$$\frac{2}{3} + 1 = \frac{5}{3} \quad \frac{5}{3} \div 10 = \frac{5}{3} \times \frac{1}{10} = \frac{5}{30} = \frac{1}{6}$$

Example: 2.04108

$$2.04108 \times 100 = 204.108 \quad 204.108 - 204 = 0.108$$

$$x = 0.108$$

$$1000x = 108.108$$

$$999x = 108$$

$$x = \frac{108}{999} = \frac{12}{111}$$

$$\frac{12}{111} + 204 = \frac{22644}{111} + \frac{12}{111} = \frac{22656}{111}$$

$$\frac{22656}{111} \div 100 = \frac{22656}{111} \times \frac{1}{100} = \frac{22656}{11100} = \frac{11328}{5550} = \frac{5644}{2775} = \frac{1888}{925} \quad \text{or} \quad 2\frac{38}{925}$$

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$\frac{1}{2}$	0.5	2	<i>Terminating</i>
$\frac{1}{3}$	0. $\dot{3}$	3	Recurring
$\frac{1}{4}$	0.25	2^2	<i>Terminating</i>
$\frac{1}{5}$	0.2	5	<i>Terminating</i>
$\frac{1}{6}$	0.1 $\dot{6}$	2×3	Recurring
$\frac{1}{7}$	0. $\dot{1}4285\dot{7}$	7	Recurring
$\frac{1}{8}$	0.125	2^3	<i>Terminating</i>
$\frac{1}{9}$	0. $\dot{1}$	3^2	Recurring
$\frac{1}{10}$	0.1	2×5	<i>Terminating</i>
$\frac{1}{11}$	0. $\dot{0}9$	11	Recurring
$\frac{1}{12}$	0.08 $\dot{3}$	$2^2 \times 3$	Recurring
$\frac{1}{13}$	0. $\dot{0}7692\dot{3}$	13	Recurring
$\frac{1}{14}$	0.0 $\dot{7}1428\dot{5}$	2×7	Recurring
$\frac{1}{15}$	0.0 $\dot{6}$	3×5	Recurring
$\frac{1}{16}$	0.0625	2^4	Recurring
$\frac{1}{17}$	0. $\dot{0}58823529411764\dot{7}$	17	Recurring
$\frac{1}{18}$	0.0 $\dot{5}$	2×3^2	Recurring
$\frac{1}{19}$	0. $\dot{0}5263157894736842\dot{1}$	19	Recurring
$\frac{1}{20}$	0.05	$2^2 \times 5$	<i>Terminating</i>