

Practice Task 3

The staff of a company decreased from 55 to 25. What was the percent decrease?

The decrease was 30 out of 55 ($\frac{30}{55}$). We can see this is more than half, so the percentage will be > (greater than) 50%.

Use your calculator to work out the quotient $30 \div 55$.

$$30 \div 55 = 0.545$$

The decrease was **54.5%**