

Writing About Percentages

When writing about percentages or fractions it is important to use words that accurately relate to the amount specified. Use words such as

- Less than
- Under
- Just under
- Nearly
- Almost
- More than
- Over
- Just over

The following chart shows how words relate to percentages. For example, if the percentage given is 49%, which is close to 50% (half), you could write **almost half**. If the percentage given is less than 50%, then you could write **a minority**. Likewise, if more than 50%, you could write **most** or **a majority**.

