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Home screen calculations
On the home screen of the graphing calculator, calculate the percent change in the number of West Nile cases in the United States from 2002-2003

1. When you turn on your calculator you may have something on the screen as shown at the right.
To clear this from the screen, press CLEAR and you should now see a blank screen with a flashing cursor. The home screen is where you enter problems and see results.

2. To remove the previous work from the home screen and have a blank screen press CLEAR each time you begin a new calculation. Press 2nd [QUIT]to leave a menu and return to the home screen.
3. To calculate the percent change of West Nile cases from 2002-2003 on the home screen press $\square 6657 \square 2530 \square \div 2530$ ® 100 ENTER.


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4.The mode settings determine how entries are interpreted and how answers are displayed. To change the mode setting for decimals so the answer will display 0 decimal places. Press MODE $\square$ ENTER 2nd [QUIT]

6.Press ENTER to calculate the value now that the mode has been changed. Remember that the number of decimal places has been changed to 0 and the calculator will remain at that setting until changed. You may have to change the decimal place mode setting to reflect how you want the numbers in the problem to be displayed.


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By what percent did the number of West Nile cases decrease from 2003 to 2004.
7. Change the decimal mode setting to 1 .

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8. Calculate the percentage decrease.

9. The remaining questions in the activity can be answered using the same procedure as described in steps 1-8.
