

CONCEPT: RATIOS – DEBT TO ASSET RATIO

- The **Debt-to-Asset Ratio (Debt Ratio)** helps analyze how a company's assets are financed

- ☐ The Debt Ratio is a common _____ ratio
- ☐ Remember that Assets = Liabilities + Equity

$$\text{Debt Ratio} = \frac{\text{Total Liabilities}}{\text{Total Assets}}$$

Analysis: The debt ratio tells us the proportion of the company's assets that are financed with debt

Comparison: A _____ debt ratio is safer than a _____ one. _____ liabilities → _____ debt payments → Less risk

PRACTICE: On its December 31 balance sheet, XYZ Company reported total assets of \$880,000 and total equity of \$320,000. What is the company's debt ratio?

- a) .64
- b) .36
- c) .57
- d) Not enough information.

PRACTICE: At the beginning of the year, ABC Company had total assets of \$600,000, Total Liabilities of \$360,000, and Total Equity of \$240,000. At the end of the year, total assets had increased to \$800,000, Total Liabilities decreased to \$320,000 and Total Equity increased to \$480,000. What was the change in the company's debt ratio during the year?

- a) Increase by 0.20
- b) Increase by 0.83
- c) Decrease by 0.20
- d) Decrease by 0.83
- e) No change in the debt ratio