- a. Estimate the result of each computation using scientific notation.
  - b. Compute with the aid of a calculator. See Example 12.

89. 
$$\frac{0.6 \times 0.00082 \times 0.091}{0.00019 \times 0.00028}$$
90. 
$$\frac{0.0054 \times 0.05 \times 300}{0.0016 \times 0.27 \times 8200}$$
91. 
$$\frac{4,200,000 \times 0.0017 \times 61,000}{0.0028 \times 12,000,000 \times 23}$$
92. 
$$\frac{0.004 \times 27,000 \times 620,000}{2700 \times 0.0001 \times 0.009}$$

- 93. The speed of light is approximately 300,000,000 meters per second.
  - a. Express this number in scientific notation.
  - b. Express the speed of light in inches per second (1 inch equals 2.54 centimeters, and 1 meter equals 100 centimeters).
- 94. In 1985 the public debt of the United States was \$1,823,103,000,000.
  - a. Express this number in scientific notation.
  - b. If the population of the United States in 1985 was 238,631,000, what was the per capita debt for that year?
- 95. One light-year is the number of miles traveled by light in 1 year (365 days), and the speed of light is approximately 186,000 miles per second.
  - a. Express in scientific notation the number of miles in 1 light-year.
  - b. The star nearest to the sun is Proxima Centauri, at a distance of 4.3 light-years. How long would it take the *Pioneer 10* (the first space vehicle to achieve escape velocity from the solar system), traveling at 32,114 miles per hour, to reach Proxima Centauri?
- 96. Lake Superior has an area of 31,700 square miles and an average depth of 483 feet.
  - a. Find the approximate volume of Lake Superior in cubic feet.
  - b. If 1 cubic foot of water is equivalent to 7.48 gallons, how many gallons of water are in Lake Superior?
- 97. On November 6, 1923 the circulation of Reichsbank marks in Germany was 400,338,326,350,700,000,000.
  - a. Express this number in scientific notation.
  - b. Assume that each note is approximately 15 square inches in area. How large an area, in square feet, would that many one-mark notes cover?
  - c. The total surface area of the earth is 196,937,400 square miles. How many times could you paper the earth with that many one-mark notes?
- 98. The mass of the earth is 6,585,600,000,000,000,000,000 tons, and its volume is 259,875,300,000 cubic miles.
  - a. Express these numbers in scientific notation.
  - b. Find the average density of the earth in tons per cubic mile. (Density is defined to be mass per unit volume.)
  - c. Find the density of the earth in pounds per cubic foot.