

Transportation Jeopardy Quiz:

1. The Virginia Department of Transportation is responsible for how many miles of highways?

- a) 14,000
- b) 42,000
- c) 58,000

2. In the last 20 years or so, travel on Virginia highways measured as “vehicle miles traveled” has increased approximately:

- a) 15 percent
- b) 25 percent
- c) 50 percent
- d) 80 percent

3. In the same period, the number of “lane miles” of roadway has increased:

- a) 30 percent
- b) 20 percent
- c) Less than ten percent

4. Virginia’s state transportation dollars are also invested in which of the following modes of transportation? (You may check more than one).

- a) Rail
- b) Mass transit (buses and rail)
- c) Virginia’s ports
- d) Airports
- e) All of the above

5. By law, the highest priority for spending in the state’s transportation program is:

- a) Public mass transit
- b) Maintenance
- c) Primary routes
- d) Interstate

6. Circle the correct words to complete this statement accurately:

Maintenance costs are rising (faster / slower) than the growth in revenue, which means Virginia has (more / less) money each year for highway construction and investment in the other modes of transportation.

7. Revenue dedicated to maintenance was once in surplus and the excess was transferred to the construction program. In what year did that trend reverse, and revenue dedicated to construction had to be used for maintenance.

- a) 1995
- b) 2003
- c) Maintenance revenue is still running a surplus

8. If the trend continues, Virginia will have no construction program at all in:

- a) 2040 (about when Social Security runs dry, too.)
- b) 2018
- c) 2009
- d) Virginia will not run out of construction money.

9. When did the General Assembly last increase taxes and fees for transportation?

- a) 2001
- b) 1994
- c) 1986
- d) 2005

10. Since the General Assembly last raised taxes and fees for transportation, about how much has inflation increased the general cost of goods and services?

- a) 40 percent
- b) 15 percent
- c) 60 percent

11. If you buy 1,000 gallons of gasoline per year (which is fairly typical), how much Virginia state gasoline tax do you pay per year?

- a) \$350
- b) \$225
- c) \$175

12. How much more gasoline tax do you pay on 1,000 gallons of fuel compared with what you paid in 1987?

- a) \$50 more
- b) No more
- c) \$100 more

13. The tax per gallon you pay at the pump is a user fee. True/False