



Virginia Fire Service Needs Assessment Survey - 2007

This survey will provide updated statistical information to policy makers in Virginia on the needs of Virginia's fire service. It will also provide important resource information that can be used to plan for disaster response. All survey data will be compiled and the results will be published in the 2007 Fire Service Needs Assessment.

Each fire department in Virginia has been issued a password which will allow access to the questionnaire online. Multiple responses from a single department will not be possible. The first submission will be the only response accepted by the survey website.

Also, while completing the survey, you will have the option of saving your answers and can return later to finish completing your response. (Clicking "Next" on each page will save your answers.)

The estimated time needed to complete the entire survey is approximately 20 minutes. If you do not know the answer to a question, you may mark "Don't know", if available. Questions that show a "Key" symbol are required.

Contact Information such as Fire Department Name, Mailing/Street addresses, Phone/Fax numbers, and Email addresses are automatically filled based on your unique logon survey password. Please edit any of the information for corrections.

In addition, at the end of the survey, there is space available for your comments.

Please answer all questions on the survey and submit your response by November 26, 2007.

If you have any questions regarding the completion of this survey, please contact:

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1. Please enter your survey password.

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

2. Fire Department FDID:

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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3. Fire Department Name:

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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4. Fire Department Type:

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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5. Fire Department Status:

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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6. Please select from the following list if your fire department status needs to be updated.

Please pick one of the answers below.

- Career (Fire Service)
- Volunteer (Fire Service)
- Combination (Fire Service)
- No Change Needed

Section I - Identifying Contact Information

7. Name of person completing survey:

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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8. Title of person completing survey:

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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9. Fire Department Phone Number (Non-Emergency):

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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10. Fire Department Fax Number:

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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11. Primary Department Email Address:

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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12. Fire Department Mailing Address:

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

Mailing Address

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City

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State

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Zip

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13. Is your street address the same as your mailing address?

Please pick one of the answers below.

Yes

No

14. Fire Department Street Address:

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

Street Address
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City
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State
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Zip
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15. Name of current fire chief:

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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Section II - General Department Information

16. Is the area your department has primary responsibility to protect (exclude mutual aid areas) primarily urban, suburban, or rural?

Please pick one of the answers below.

Urban

Suburban

Rural

17. Department Population Protected: Number of permanent residents your department has primary responsibility to protect (exclude mutual aid areas):

Please pick one of the answers below.

- 0 - 999
- 1,000 - 2,499
- 2,500 - 4,999
- 5,000 - 9,999
- 10,000 - 24,999
- 25,000 - 49,999
- 50,000 - 99,999
- 100,000 Or More

18. Department Coverage Area: Number of square miles your department has primary responsibility to protect (exclude mutual aid areas):

Please pick one of the answers below.

- 0 - 24
- 25 - 49
- 50 - 74
- 75 - 99
- 100 - 199
- 200 - 299
- 300 Or More

Section III - Department Personnel

19. Please indicate the total number of active firefighters by status in your department. (The total at the bottom should be the total number of firefighters in your department.)

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

Career Firefighter - (full-time paid fire officers and firefighters)

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Volunteer Firefighters - (receives no compensation for services)

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Paid-per-call Firefighters - (part-time paid firefighters)

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Total

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20. What is the average number of fire fighters (career, volunteer, or paid-per-call) on duty and available to respond to a call?

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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21. Please indicate the total number of civilian (non-firefighting) personnel by type with your department. (The total at the bottom should be the total number of civilian employees in your department.)

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

Civilian - Paid (part-time and full-time)

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Civilian - Volunteer (receives no compensation for services)

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Total

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22. Does your department have a program to maintain basic fire fighter fitness and health as required by NFPA 1500?

Please pick one of the answers below.

Yes

No

Don't Know

23. Does your fire department currently have the following personnel programs?

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Does your department have the program?	If "Yes", describe the program.
Recruitment Program	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know
Retention Program	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know

Section IV - Facilities & Apparatus

24. What is your total number of fire stations within your department?

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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25. What percentage (%) of your fire stations are over 40 years of age?

Please pick one of the answers below.

- All Fire Departments (100%)
- Most (75% to 99%)
- More than Half (50% to 74%)
- Some (25% to 49%)
- Few (1% to 24%)
- None

26. What percentage (%) of your fire stations have backup power?

Please pick one of the answers below.

- All Fire Departments (100%)
- Most (75% to 99%)
- More than Half (50% to 74%)
- Some (25% to 49%)
- Few (1% to 24%)
- None

27. Please indicate the total number of each type of apparatus that your department owns. (Complete all that apply.)

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

Aerial Apparatus

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Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) Vehicle

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Ambulance / Other Patient Transport

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Command Vehicle

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Engine / Pumper

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Quint Combination Vehicle

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Rescue / Fire Boat

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Tanker

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Technical Rescue Vehicle

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Wildland Brush Truck

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Other

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28. Please indicate the total number of each type of equipment that your department owns. (Complete all that apply.)

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

Chemical / Biological Sample Analysis Equipment

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Map Coordinate System - GPS

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Mobile Data Terminals

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Personal Alert Safety Systems (PASS)

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Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

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Radios

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Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)

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Technical Rescue Equipment

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Thermal Imaging Cameras

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Other

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29. What are the number of buildings in your area that are 4 or more stories in height?

Please pick one of the answers below.

- None
- 1 - 5
- 6 - 10
- 11 or More
- Don't Know

Section V - Operating Budget Information

30. Does your normal budget cover the costs of apparatus replacement?

Please pick one of the answers below.

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

31. What percentage (%) of your budget is from the following sources? (The total at the bottom should add to 100%.)

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

Fire district or other taxes

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Payments per call

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Local government funding

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State government funding

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Fundraising (e.g., donations, raffles, suppers, events)

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Other

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Total

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32. Do you regularly schedule and plan for the replacement of apparatus/equipment?

Please pick one of the answers below.

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

33. How soon do you expect the need to replace the following apparatus? (Check all that apply.)

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Within 1 Year	Within 5Years	Within 10 Years
Aerial Apparatus	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) Vehicle	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ambulance / Other Patient Transport	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Command Vehicle	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Engine / Pumper	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quint Combination Vehicle	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Rescue / Fire Boat	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tanker	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Technical Rescue Vehicle	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wildland Brush Truck	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

34. How soon do you expect the need to replace the following equipment? (Check all that apply.)

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Within 6 Months	Within 1 Year	Within 5 Years
Chemical / Biological Sample Analysis Equipment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Map Coordinate System - GPS	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mobile Data Terminals	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Personal Alert Safety Systems (PASS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Radios	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Technical Rescue Equipment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Thermal Imaging Cameras	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Section VI - Communications

35. Can you communicate by radio with other agencies in which you regularly need to respond with at an incident scene? (Check all that apply.)

Please check all that apply.

- Local
- State
- Federal
- Don't Know

36. What frequency spectrum does your department operate on?

Please pick one of the answers below or add your own.

- Low Band (30 - 50 Mhz)
- High Band (147 - 174 Mhz)
- Ultra Band (450 - 470 Mhz)
- 700 Mhz
- 800 Mhz

Other

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37. What percentage (%) of your apparatus have portable radios assigned?

Please pick one of the answers below.

- All (100%)
- Most (75% to 99%)
- More than Half (50% to 74%)
- Some (25% to 49%)
- Few (1% to 24%)
- None

38. What percentage (%) of your apparatus has a portable radio assigned to each riding position?

Please pick one of the answers below.

- All (100%)
- Most (75% to 99%)
- More than Half (50% to 74%)
- Some (25% to 49%)
- Few (1% to 24%)
- None

39. What percentage (%) of your radios are water-resistant?

Please pick one of the answers below.

- All (100%)
- Most (75% to 99%)
- More than Half (50% to 74%)
- Some (25% to 49%)
- Few (1% to 24%)
- None

40. What percentage (%) of your radios are intrinsically safe in an explosive atmosphere?

Please pick one of the answers below.

- All (100%)
- Most (75% to 99%)
- More than Half (50% to 74%)
- Some (25% to 49%)
- Few (1% to 24%)
- None

41. Who has primary responsibility for dispatch operations?

Please pick one of the answers below or add your own.

- Fire Department
- Police Department
- Combined Public Safety Agency
- Communication Department
- Private Company

Other

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42. What type of internet access do you currently have at your department?

Please pick one of the answers below or add your own.

- Dial-up
- High Speed Internet
- No Internet Service

Other

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43. Do you have a technology grant that provides computer hardware for reporting incidents to the Virginia Fire Incident Reporting System (VFIRS)?

Please pick one of the answers below.

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

Section VII - Fire Department Roles / Training

44. Please answer the two questions below based on the following listed fire service training areas.

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Is this a role that your department performs?	If "Yes", how many of your personnel who perform this duty have received formal training (not just on-the-job).
Aircraft Rescue & Firefighting (ARFF)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Emergency Medical Services (EMS)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Hazardous Materials Response (HAZMAT)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Structural Firefighting	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Technical Rescue - Confined Space	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Technical Rescue - Rope	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Technical Rescue - Structural Collapse	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Technical Rescue - Trench	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None

<p>Technical Rescue - Vehicle</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None</p>
<p>Technical Rescue - Water</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None</p>
<p>Wildland Firefighting</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None</p>

45. How many active firefighters (career, volunteer, paid-per-call) are certified in the following areas?

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Percent of active fire fighters
Advanced Life Support (EMT-Enhanced, EMT-Intermediate, or EMT-Paramedic)	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Basic Life Support (First Responder or EMT-B)	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Emergency Vehicle Operations	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Fire Apparatus Driver / Operator	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Fire Investigator	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Fire Officer	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Fire Prevention Inspector	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Firefighter Level I	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Firefighter Level II	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%)

	<input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
HAZMAT Awareness	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
HAZMAT Operational	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
HAZMAT Specialist	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
HAZMAT Technician	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None
Public Fire & Life Safety Educator	<input type="radio"/> All Personnel (100%) <input type="radio"/> Most (75% to 99%) <input type="radio"/> More than Half (50% to 74%) <input type="radio"/> Some (25% to 49%) <input type="radio"/> Few (1% to 24%) <input type="radio"/> None

46. Please answer the following questions regarding your activities with a Regional Technical Rescue Response Team.

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Yes	No	Don't Know	If "Yes", how many people are assigned to your team?
Does your department participate in a Regional Technical Rescue Response Team?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

47. Please answer the following questions regarding Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Yes	No	Don't Know	If "Yes" what classification of EMS license does your department hold?
Is your department licensed by the Virginia Department of Health, Office of Emergency Medical Services as an EMS agency?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> Non-Transport First Response, Basic Life Support <input type="radio"/> Non-Transport First Response, Advanced Life Support <input type="radio"/> Ground Ambulance, Basic Life Support <input type="radio"/> Ground Ambulance, Advanced Life Support

Section VIII - Fire Prevention & Code Enforcement

48. Which of the following programs or activities does your department conduct? (Check all that apply.)

Please check all that apply and/or add your own variant.

- Free distribution of home smoke alarms
- Juvenile firesetter program
- Permit approval
- Plans review
- Routine testing of active systems (fire sprinkler, detection/alarm, smoke control)
- School fire safety education program based on a national model curriculum

Other

49. Who conducts fire code inspections in your community? (Check all that apply.)

Please check all that apply and/or add your own variant.

- Building Department
- Full-time Fire Department Inspectors
- In-Service Fire Fighters
- Separate Inspection Bureau
- State Fire Marshal's Office

Other

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50. Who determines if a fire was deliberately set in your area? (Check all that apply.)

Please check all that apply and/or add your own variant.

- Fire Department Fire Investigator
- Incident Commander Or Other First-In Fire Officer
- Police Department
- Regional Arson Task Force Investigator
- State Arson Investigator

Other

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Section IX - Unusually Challenging Incidents

(Each question is based on an example incident. We want to know whether you have enough local resources to handle such an incident, and if not, how far you would have to go to obtain sufficient resources. Both the type and the size of the incident are specified to give you something specific to react to and a challenge that will often need more than local resources.)

51. Please answer the following questions regarding your department's ability to handle unusually challenging incidents.

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Is this a type of incident that is within your department's scope?	If "No", how far would you have to go to obtain enough people with specialized training for this incident?	If "No", how far would you have to go to obtain enough specialized equipment to handle this incident?	Do you have a plan for working with others on this type of incident?
HAZMAT & EMS for an accident involving chemical/biological agents with 10 or more injuries	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Local <input type="radio"/> Regional <input type="radio"/> State <input type="radio"/> National <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Local <input type="radio"/> Regional <input type="radio"/> State <input type="radio"/> National <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Yes (Written Agreement) <input type="radio"/> Yes (Informal) <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know
Hurricane producing wind and rain damage, multiple area power outages and substantial flooding	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Local <input type="radio"/> Regional <input type="radio"/> State <input type="radio"/> National <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Local <input type="radio"/> Regional <input type="radio"/> State <input type="radio"/> National <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Yes (Written Agreement) <input type="radio"/> Yes (Informal) <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know
Major flooding (not associated with ocean surge or hurricane)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Local <input type="radio"/> Regional <input type="radio"/> State <input type="radio"/> National <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Local <input type="radio"/> Regional <input type="radio"/> State <input type="radio"/> National <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Yes (Written Agreement) <input type="radio"/> Yes (Informal) <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know
Technical Rescue & EMS for a building with 50 occupants after structural collapse	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Local <input type="radio"/> Regional <input type="radio"/> State <input type="radio"/> National <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Local <input type="radio"/> Regional <input type="radio"/> State <input type="radio"/> National <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Yes (Written Agreement) <input type="radio"/> Yes (Informal) <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know
Wildland Fire greater than 500 acres	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Local <input type="radio"/> Regional <input type="radio"/> State <input type="radio"/> National <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Local <input type="radio"/> Regional <input type="radio"/> State <input type="radio"/> National <input type="radio"/> Don't Know	<input type="radio"/> Yes (Written Agreement) <input type="radio"/> Yes (Informal) <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Don't Know

Section X - Your Fire Department's Top Needs

52. Please rank your department's Top Needs from 1 to 5 for calendar year 2008. (1 - Most Important Need, 5 - Least Important Need) Each row for Apparatus, Equipment, Facilities, Personnel and Training should only have 1 answer choice. Also, each column (# 1 - # 5) should be used only once.

(For Example, if Apparatus is the Most Important Need with your Fire Department, then select # 1. Then, select the next Top Need, such as Training, as your # 2 choice. Each number should only be used once. You cannot have more than one Top Need listed with # 1.)

Please mark the corresponding circle - only one per line.

	# 1 (Most Important)	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5 (Least Important)
Apparatus	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Equipment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Personnel	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

53. If one of your department's Top Needs is not reflected above, please specify.

Please use the blank space to write your answers.

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54. Please indicate your departments estimated costs for calendar year 2008 for each type of specific department need.

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Estimated Costs
Apparatus	<input type="radio"/> No Funding Needed <input type="radio"/> \$1 - \$24,999 <input type="radio"/> \$25,000 - \$49,999 <input type="radio"/> \$50,000 - \$74,999 <input type="radio"/> \$75,000 - \$99,999 <input type="radio"/> \$100,000 - \$249,999 <input type="radio"/> \$250,000 - \$499,999 <input type="radio"/> \$500,000 - \$749,999 <input type="radio"/> \$750,000 - \$999,999 <input type="radio"/> \$1,000,000 - \$2,499,999 <input type="radio"/> \$2,500,000 - \$4,999,999 <input type="radio"/> \$5,000,000 Or More
Equipment	<input type="radio"/> No Funding Needed <input type="radio"/> \$1 - \$24,999 <input type="radio"/> \$25,000 - \$49,999 <input type="radio"/> \$50,000 - \$74,999 <input type="radio"/> \$75,000 - \$99,999 <input type="radio"/> \$100,000 - \$249,999 <input type="radio"/> \$250,000 - \$499,999 <input type="radio"/> \$500,000 - \$749,999 <input type="radio"/> \$750,000 - \$999,999 <input type="radio"/> \$1,000,000 - \$2,499,999 <input type="radio"/> \$2,500,000 - \$4,999,999 <input type="radio"/> \$5,000,000 Or More
Facilities	<input type="radio"/> No Funding Needed <input type="radio"/> \$1 - \$24,999 <input type="radio"/> \$25,000 - \$49,999 <input type="radio"/> \$50,000 - \$74,999 <input type="radio"/> \$75,000 - \$99,999 <input type="radio"/> \$100,000 - \$249,999 <input type="radio"/> \$250,000 - \$499,999 <input type="radio"/> \$500,000 - \$749,999 <input type="radio"/> \$750,000 - \$999,999 <input type="radio"/> \$1,000,000 - \$2,499,999 <input type="radio"/> \$2,500,000 - \$4,999,999 <input type="radio"/> \$5,000,000 Or More
Personnel	<input type="radio"/> No Funding Needed <input type="radio"/> \$1 - \$24,999 <input type="radio"/> \$25,000 - \$49,999 <input type="radio"/> \$50,000 - \$74,999 <input type="radio"/> \$75,000 - \$99,999 <input type="radio"/> \$100,000 - \$249,999 <input type="radio"/> \$250,000 - \$499,999 <input type="radio"/> \$500,000 - \$749,999 <input type="radio"/> \$750,000 - \$999,999 <input type="radio"/> \$1,000,000 - \$2,499,999 <input type="radio"/> \$2,500,000 - \$4,999,999 <input type="radio"/> \$5,000,000 Or More
Training	<input type="radio"/> No Funding Needed <input type="radio"/> \$1 - \$24,999 <input type="radio"/> \$25,000 - \$49,999 <input type="radio"/> \$50,000 - \$74,999

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- \$500,000 - \$749,999
- \$750,000 - \$999,999
- \$1,000,000 - \$2,499,999
- \$2,500,000 - \$4,999,999
- \$5,000,000 Or More

55. Please check the specific type of apparatus that your department needs for calendar year 2008 and also indicate a quantity needed. (Check and complete all that apply.)

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Apparatus Needed	Quantity Needed
Aerial Apparatus	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ambulance / Other Patient Transport	<input type="checkbox"/>
Command Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>
Engine / Pumper	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quint Combination Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rescue / Fire Boat	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tanker	<input type="checkbox"/>
Technical Rescue Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wildland Brush Truck	<input type="checkbox"/>
No Apparatus Currently Needed	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

56. Please check the specific type of equipment that your department needs for calendar year 2008 and also indicate the quantity needed. (Check and complete all that apply.)

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Equipment Needed	Quantity Needed
Chemical / Biological Sample Analysis Equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Map Coordinate System - GPS	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mobile Data Terminals	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal Alert Safety Systems (PASS)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Radios	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Technical Rescue Equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Thermal Imaging Cameras	<input type="checkbox"/>
No Equipment Currently Needed	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

57. Please check the specific type of facilities that your department needs for calendar year 2008. (Check all that apply.)

Please check all that apply and/or add your own variant.

- Improvements/Remodeling of Existing Station/s
- New Constructed Station/s
- No Facilities Currently Needed

Other

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58. Please check the specific type of personnel that your department needs for calendar year 2008 and also indicate the quantity needed. (Check and complete all that apply.)

Please fill in the answers in the table below (mark appropriate circles and squares and fill in the blank spaces).

	Personnel Needed	Quantity Needed
Firefighter - Paid	<input type="checkbox"/>
Firefighter - Volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Civilian - Paid	<input type="checkbox"/>
Civilian - Volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/>
No Personnel Currently Needed	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

59. Please check the type of training that your department needs for calendar year 2008. (Check all that apply.)

Please check all that apply and/or add your own variant.

- Aircraft Rescue & Firefighting Training
- Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Training
- Emergency Vehicle Operations Training
- Fire Apparatus Driver / Operator Training
- Fire Fighter Training
- Fire Investigator Training
- Fire Officer Training
- Fire Prevention Inspector Training
- Fire Services Instructor Training
- Hazardous Material Incident Training
- Public Fire & Life Safety Education
- Technical Rescue - Confined Space
- Technical Rescue - Rope
- Technical Rescue - Structural Collapse
- Technical Rescue - Trench
- Technical Rescue - Vehicle
- Technical Rescue - Water
- Virginia Fire Incident Reporting System (VFIRS) Training
- Wildland Firefighting Training
- No Training Currently Needed

Other
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Final Comments

60. Do you feel that this survey addresses all of your department needs?

Please pick one of the answers below and add your comments.

Yes

No

Comments

61. Do you think that this survey is beneficial to fire service in Virginia?

Please pick one of the answers below and add your comments.

Yes

No

Comments

62. Please rate if you disagree/agree with the following statements on the overall performance of this survey.

Please mark the corresponding circle - only one per line.

	Disagree			Neutral			Agree
Easy to Understand Questions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Simple to Complete Response On-line	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

63. Please complete any final comments about the survey:

Please write your answer in the space below.

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