Transportation Fuel Costs

1. Since January 1, 2008 has the cost	of transportation fuels increased for your local government?		
		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		98.7%	468
No		1.3%	6
	answered question		474
	skipped question		6

2. If "yes," what has been the percentage increase in the cost of transportation fuels in your community since January 1, 2008?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Under 10%		7.1%	33
11%-15%		33.3%	154
16%-20%		28.7%	133
21%-25%		22.9%	106
More than 25%		8.0%	37
If more than 25%, please provide the %		45	
	answered question		463
	skippe	ed question	17

3. What is your local government's annual operating budget?		
	Response Count	
	470	
answered question	470	
skipped question	10	

4. What percentage of your local government's budget is spent on transportation costs for fleet vehicles, public works, and other governmental services?

other governmental services :		
	Response Count	
	414	
answered question	414	
skipped question	66	

5. Do you anticipate exceeding your transportation fuel budget for the year?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		86.1%	408
No		13.9%	66
	answered question		474
skipped question		6	

6. If "yes," how will the overage be covered?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Reallocating funds in the existing budget		63.6%	267
Contingency funds set aside for unexpected emergencies		18.6%	78
Additional funds added to the current budget		6.7%	28
Service reductions		2.9%	12
Other (please describe)		8.3%	35
	answered question		420
	skippe	ed question	60

7. Which of the following steps is your local government taking to mitigate increasing transportation fuel costs?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Buying futures of gasoline and/or diesel fuels		6.7%	24
Increasing fees for local government run buses and other transportation services (e.g., senior citizen shuttle buses)		4.2%	15
Reducing the frequency of some local services (e.g.,reducing trash collection from twice to once a week)		8.4%	30
Purchasing alternative fuel vehicles		29.6%	106
Replacing vehicles with poor fuel efficiency		33.8%	121
Limiting employee use of local government owned cars in off hours (e.g., take-home cars)		17.3%	62
Other (please describe)		154	
	answere	ed question	358
	skippe	ed question	122

8. Please rate the impact that rising fuel prices have on your local government's ability to provide services.			
		Response Percent	Response Count
None		7.8%	37
Minimal		34.6%	165
Moderate		43.4%	207
Significant		12.6%	60
Major		1.7%	8
	answered question		477
	skipp	ed question	3

9. Please share any thoughts or comments you have on the topic of transportation fuel costs.		
	Response Count	
	140	
answered question	140	
skipped question	340	