

MOST IMPORTANT PROBLEM OR GREATEST NEED

Q3 - Considering what's important to you personally, what is the single MOST important problem or greatest need facing the City of Chesapeake today?

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Property taxes are too high	41	13.3%
Issues with roads (maintenance/condition/need more/build faster)	40	13.0%
Traffic congestion/delays	37	12.0%
Too much growth/Need better planning for growth	25	8.1%
School crowding/Need to build more schools	20	6.5%
Bridges are old and need better maintenance	17	5.5%
Other school issues (safety/class sizes/need more funding)	13	4.2%
There's too much crime/Fear of crime/Fear of gangs	9	2.9%
Closing the Jordan Bridge will cause serious traffic delays	9	2.9%
Poor water quality or taste	8	2.6%
The City needs other sources of revenue	8	2.6%
Need more police presence	6	1.9%
The cost of living is too high	6	1.9%
Just improve the efficiency of government	5	1.6%
Drainage problems (ditches and on roadways)	4	1.3%
Need to expand or improve City services	4	1.3%
There's not enough affordable housing	4	1.3%
Keep our youth busy and out of trouble	3	1.0%
Need more public transportation	3	1.0%
Need to find a way to reduce gasoline prices in Chesapeake	3	1.0%
Improve the trash collection program	3	1.0%

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There needs to be more focus on environmental issues	3	1.0%
Need better mosquito control	2	0.6%
We need better elected officials	2	0.6%
There are not enough jobs/good jobs	2	0.6%
Need to pay City employees more	2	0.6%
Concerns about excessive building on green space	2	0.6%
Need another hospital	1	0.3%
There's not enough code enforcement	1	0.3%
There are not enough cultural events and activities	1	0.3%
There's not enough street lighting	1	0.3%
The trash collection system has too many rules	1	0.3%
They charge too much to hook up to City water	1	0.3%
Need more help for seniors	1	0.3%
Improve the recycling program	1	0.3%
Need to recover faster after a storm	1	0.3%
Avoid the negative publicity that reflects poorly on our City	1	0.3%
Bring light rail into Chesapeake	1	0.3%
I think everything is fine	<u>16</u>	<u>5.2%</u>
	308	100.0%