

From the report *Show Us the Stimulus (Again)*, online at <http://www.goodjobsfirst.org/stimulusweb.cfm>.

STATE: Virginia <http://www.stimulus.virginia.gov/>

CATEGORY	SCORING SYSTEM (* shows component of actual score)	MAXIMUM POSSIBLE SCORE	ACTUAL TOTAL SCORE
SPENDING (ALLOCATIONS OR ACTUAL) BY PROGRAM AREAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Broad categories only: 5 - Narrow categories only: 5 - Both broad and narrow categories: 10* - No breakdown by program areas: 0 	10	10
SPENDING (ALLOCATIONS OR ACTUAL) BY COUNTY OR OTHER RELEVANT GEOGRAPHIC UNIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - County/geographic unit overall totals only: 10 - County/unit totals for individual programs only: 10 - County/unit totals for both individual programs and overall spending: 15* - No county/geographic unit breakdowns: 0 	15	15
SPENDING (ALLOCATIONS OR ACTUAL) COMPARED TO ECONOMIC DISTRESS (unemployment, home foreclosure, poverty, etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - County or other relevant geographic unit distribution compared to two or more variables: 15 - Compared to one variable: 10 - No comparisons to economic needs: 0 EXTRA CREDIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -percentage of contracts given to disadvantaged business enterprises: 5 	15 (plus 5 potential extra credit)	0
CONTRACT/GRANT DETAILS (via maps or lists)	ADD SCORES TO GET TOTAL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Descriptions of individual contract/ grant projects: 3 * - Dollar amount: 3 * - Name of recipient entity: 3 - Text of contract or grant document: 3 - Status of project/portion completed: 3 	15	6
RECIPIENT JOBS DATA	ADD SCORES TO GET TOTAL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Actual job data for individual contract and grants: 7 - Job totals for program areas: 5 - Job totals for the entire state: 3* EXTRA CREDIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - data on job quality (wage rates): 5 - demographics of workers: 5 	15 (plus 10 potential extra credit)	3
MAPPING OF CONTRACT AND GRANT PROJECTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interactive map with significant details on projects: 15 - Interactive map with limited details on projects: 10* - Static map: 5 - No mapping: 0 	15	10
USER AIDS	ADD SCORES TO GET TOTAL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - search box (including coverage of data): 5 - data downloadability: 5 * - machine-readable data feed: 5 	15	5
TOTALS		100 (plus 15 potential extra credit)	49

Notes: Virginia's Recovery Act site is a little difficult to navigate and doesn't do a great job of organizing the information. To improve the site, the state should, for example, disclose more contract and grant details, display job creation by project and program categories and fix the search box to scour contract and grant data.

Spending by broad category is posted on the "Where is your money going" box on the main page at <http://www.stimulus.virginia.gov/> Spending by narrow category appears when you click on the broad category bar. Narrow categories of spending also available as a spreadsheet at http://bi.cao.virginia.gov/RecoveryVA-01/rdPage.aspx?rdReport=rpts_From_SQL_Database.rpt_Excel_Programs&rdRequestForwarding=Form

By clicking on a county on the map from the main page, county-specific summaries of funding appear. Locality-specific funding is at http://bi.cao.virginia.gov/RecoveryVA-01/rdPage.aspx?rdReport=rpts_From_SQL_Database.rpt_Locality_Export_By_Program

A larger version of the map is at http://bi.cao.virginia.gov/RecoveryVA-01/rdPage.aspx?rdReport=rpts_From_SQL_Database.rpt_County_Apportionments

Project-specific contract and grant data are at <http://www.stimulus.virginia.gov/projects/>

By scrolling down and clicking on a county, projects are summarized for that county.

All projects are available in spreadsheet form by clicking Export to Excel at http://bi.cao.virginia.gov/VaStimulusPublicReports/rdPage.aspx?rdReport=rpt_Stimulus_StateWide_AG&locality=000&rdShowWait=True&rdWaitCaption>Loading

A statewide job creation number is hidden in a presentation at <http://www.stimulus.virginia.gov/docs/EconomicStimulusPresentationOct2009.ppt>