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## County Records Highest Gas Prices in America

### Description

Connie Lear finds it hard to pay for fuel in June Lake, California. This small town has 300 people and is near Yosemite National Park. It is in Mono County, which has the highest gas prices in the US.

The gas station in her town sells fuel for \$7.50 a gallon. The average price in Mono County is \$6.72, according to AAA. Lyn says they limit their trips to the grocery store, which is 20 miles away. She often rides a bicycle or uses a golf cart instead of driving.

Gas prices are rising in the USA. A war in Iran is making this worse. The prices have gone up \$1.14 since the war began. In California, it is \$1.29 more expensive.

Many small towns in the US pay more for gas than larger cities. This is because of high transport costs and fewer gas stations. Some stations may sell less fuel than those in busier areas. High prices could keep tourists away from June Lake and hurt the town's economy.

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **fuel** /'fju:əl/ (noun): liquid burned to make cars and engines work
2. **rising** /'raɪzɪŋ/ (verb): becoming higher in amount over time
3. **transport** /'trænsɔːrt/ (noun): movement of people or goods between places
4. **tourists** /'tʊərɪsts/ (noun): people who travel for pleasure and sightseeing
5. **economy** /i'kɒnəmi/ (noun): the way money and jobs work in an area
6. **limit** /'lɪmɪt/ (verb): to make something less or smaller in amount

## Comprehension Questions

### Multiple Choice

1. What is the population of June Lake, California?

- Option: 300
- Option: 500
- Option: 250
- Option: 1000



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2. What is the average price of gas in Mono County according to AAA?

Option: \$6.72

Option: \$7.50

Option: \$6.00

Option: \$5.50

3. How much does gas cost per gallon at the gas station in June Lake?

Option: \$7.00

Option: \$7.50

Option: \$6.50

Option: \$8.00

4. How far away is the grocery store from June Lake?

Option: 10 miles

Option: 15 miles

Option: 20 miles

Option: 25 miles

5. By how much have gas prices increased since the war in Iran began?

Option: \$1.00

Option: \$1.14

Option: \$1.29

Option: \$1.50

6. Why do small towns in the US pay more for gas than larger cities?

Option: Higher demand

Option: More gas stations

Option: High transport costs

Option: Lower taxes

### True-False

7. June Lake has a population of over 1000 people.

8. The average gas price in Mono County is lower than the price in June Lake.

9. Many small towns in the US have fewer gas stations compared to larger cities.



10. Lyn uses a bicycle or golf cart to save on fuel costs.
11. Gas prices have decreased since the war in Iran began.
12. Tourists may avoid June Lake due to high gas prices.

### Gap-Fill

13. June Lake is located in \_\_\_\_\_ County.
14. The gas prices in Mono County are the highest in the \_\_\_\_\_ State.
15. Lyn limits her trips to the grocery store, which is \_\_\_\_\_ miles away.
16. Gas prices in California are \_\_\_\_\_ more expensive due to the war.
17. A war in Iran has caused gas prices to rise by \_\_\_\_\_ since it began.
18. Connie finds it hard to pay for \_\_\_\_\_ in June Lake.

### Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. 300 2. \$6.72 3. \$7.50 4. 20 miles 5. \$1.14 6. High transport costs

**True-False:** 7. False 8. False 9. True 10. True 11. False 12. True

**Gap-Fill:** 13. Mono 14. US 15. 20 16. \$1.29 17. \$1.14 18. fuel

## Vocabulary quizzes

### Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )

1. What is the term used to describe the act of leaving a place?  
Option: Arrival  
Option: Departure  
Option: Stay  
Option: Return
2. What term refers to a legal case brought to a court?  
Option: Hearing



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- Option: Lawsuit  
Option: Arbitration  
Option: Mediation
3. What do you call the process of examining something in detail?
- Option: Investigate  
Option: Ignore  
Option: Assume  
Option: Confirm
4. What is the term for acquiring control of a company?
- Option: Merger  
Option: Takeover  
Option: Partnership  
Option: Collaboration
5. What do you refer to as costs incurred in the course of business?
- Option: Profits  
Option: Expenses  
Option: Savings  
Option: Investments
6. Who are individuals that have stopped working after reaching a certain age?
- Option: Students  
Option: Workers  
Option: Retirees  
Option: Job Seekers
7. What term describes an increase in size or economic activity?
- Option: Decline  
Option: Stagnation  
Option: Growth  
Option: Reduction
8. What is a business agreement called?
- Option: Contract  
Option: Deal  
Option: Proposal  
Option: Negotiation
9. What do you call a document that can be redeemed for goods or services?
- Option: Receipt  
Option: Ticket



Option: Voucher

Option: Invoice

10. What is the term for the cost of borrowing money, often expressed as a percentage?

Option: Capital

Option: Investment

Option: Return

Option: Interest

**Gap-Fill ( Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

11. In case of an \_\_\_\_\_, passengers must follow safety protocols.

12. The flight was delayed due to \_\_\_\_\_ difficulties.

13. The train was full of \_\_\_\_\_ waiting to reach their destinations.

14. All \_\_\_\_\_ must be picked up at the baggage claim area after arrival.

15. Many \_\_\_\_\_ visit the city during the summer months.

16. People often rely on their \_\_\_\_\_ for retirement expenses.

17. It's important to know what you can \_\_\_\_\_ before making big purchases.

18. Many musicians find \_\_\_\_\_ opportunities through online platforms.

19. The company \_\_\_\_\_ swiftly to the market changes.

20. The rise in \_\_\_\_\_ prices has affected transportation costs.

**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

21. The lawyer argued that the defendant was falsely accused of the crime.

22. The rising sea levels are a significant concern for coastal cities.

23. Public transport options are vital for reducing traffic congestion.

24. There is a strict limit on the amount of luggage allowed per passenger.



25. Investors showed a keen interest in the company's innovative projects.
26. New regulations provide additional protections for consumers in the market.
27. Individuals may need to borrow money for major purchases such as homes.
28. The economy is expected to grow steadily over the next few years.
29. Emergency services responded quickly to the distress call.
30. The recent takeover has transformed the company's structure and strategy.

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Departure 2. Lawsuit 3. Investigate 4. Takeover 5. Expenses 6. Retirees 7. Growth 8. Deal 9. Voucher 10. Interest

**Gap-Fill:** 11. emergency 12. technical 13. passengers 14. luggage 15. tourists 16. savings 17. afford 18. gig 19. reacted 20. fuel

**Matching sentence:** 1. accused 2. rising 3. transport 4. limit 5. investors 6. protections 7. borrow 8. economy 9. emergency 10. takeover

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