

# Quantitative Reasoning



## Mathematics – Quantitative Reasoning

**This course was created in conjunction with the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission (HEPC) and is intended to be a dual credit course.**

All West Virginia teachers are responsible for classroom instruction that integrates content standards and mathematical habits of mind. Quantitative Reasoning prepares students to reason, model, and draw conclusions or make decisions with mathematical, statistical, and quantitative information. Students will compare, analyze, and synthesize of multiple forms or sources of quantitative information. Students will use appropriate mathematical and statistical language in oral, written, and graphical forms; read and interpret authentic texts such as advertisements, consumer information, government forms, and newspaper articles containing quantitative information, including graphical displays of quantitative information. Students will develop an answer to an open-ended question requiring analysis and synthesis of multiple calculations, data summaries, and/or models. Students will draw conclusions or make decisions in quantitatively based situations that are dependent upon multiple factors and analyze how different situations would affect the decisions. Students will be able to critique and evaluate quantitative arguments that utilize mathematical, statistical, and quantitative information. Students will evaluate the validity and possible biases in arguments presented in authentic contexts based on multiple sources of quantitative information (e.g., advertising, internet postings, consumer information, political arguments). Mathematical habits of mind, which should be integrated in these content areas, include: making sense of problems and persevering in solving them, reasoning abstractly and quantitatively; constructing viable arguments and critiquing the reasoning of others; modeling with mathematics; using appropriate tools strategically; attending to precision, looking for and making use of structure; and looking for and expressing regularity in repeated reasoning. Students will continue developing mathematical proficiency in a developmentally-appropriate progressions of standards. Continuing the skill progressions from previous courses, the following chart represents the mathematical understandings that will be developed:



<b>Logical Reasoning</b>	<b>Algebraic Modeling and Number Sense</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make inferences and justify conclusions from sample surveys, experiments, and observational studies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create and analyze mathematical models to make decisions related to earning, investing, spending and borrowing money.</li> </ul>
<b>Descriptive Statistics</b>	<b>Probability</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make decisions based on understanding, analysis and critique of reported statistical information and summaries.</li> <li>• Use basic rules of counting and probability to analyze and evaluate risk and return in the context of everyday situations.</li> <li>• Interpret categorical and quantitative data, make inferences and justify conclusions.</li> <li>• Create and analyze mathematical models to make decisions related to earning, investing, spending and borrowing money.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make conclusions based on understanding, analysis and critique of probabilities. (e.g., Compare the chance of having lung cancer if you are a smoker with the chance of being a smoker if you have lung cancer.)</li> <li>• Develop a probability distribution. (e.g., Find the theoretical probability distribution for the number of correct answers obtained by guessing on all five questions of a multiple-choice test where each question has four choices, and find the expected grade under various grading schemes.)</li> </ul>

### Numbering of Standards

The following Mathematics Standards will be numbered continuously. The following ranges relate to the clusters found within Quantitative Reasoning:

<b>Logical Reasoning</b>	
Math as a language.	Standards 1-2
Tools for problem solving.	Standard 3
<b>Algebraic Modeling and Number Sense</b>	
Understand ratio concepts and use ratio reasoning to solve problems.	Standard 4
Work with integer exponents, scientific notation, and radicals.	Standards 5-7
Reason quantitatively and use units to solve problems.	Standard 8
Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically.	Standard 9
Explain volume formulas and use them to solve problems.	Standard 10
Understand financial models.	Standards 11-13
Reason quantitatively and use units to solve problems.	Standards 14-15
Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.	Standards 16-17
Construct and compare linear, quadratic, and exponential models and solve problems.	Standard 18
Build a function that models a relationship between two quantities.	Standard 19
Interpret linear models.	Standard 20

<b>Descriptive Statistics</b>	
Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables.	Standard 21
Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable.	Standards 22-24
Conduct statistical analysis.	Standard 25
Communicate statistical information.	Standards 26-27
<b>Probability</b>	
Analyze information using probability and counting.	Standards 28-29
Use probability to evaluate outcomes of decisions.	Standard 30
Manage uncertainty.	Standard 31
Understand independence and conditional probability and use them to interpret data.	Standards 32-36
Use the rules of probability to compute probabilities of compound events in a uniform probability model.	Standards 37-40
Use probability to evaluate outcomes of decisions.	Standards 41-42

### *Logical Reasoning*

<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Math as a language</b>
M.QR.1	Demonstrate reasoning skills in developing, explaining, and justifying sound mathematical arguments and analyze the soundness of mathematical arguments of others.
M.QR.2	Communicate with and about mathematics orally and in writing as part of independent and collaborative work, including making accurate and clear presentations of solutions to problems.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Tools for problem solving</b>
M.QR.3	Gather data, conduct investigations and apply mathematical concepts and models to solve problems in mathematics and other disciplines.

<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Understand ratio concepts and use ratio reasoning to solve problems.</b>
M.QR.4	Use ratio and rate reasoning to solve real-world and mathematical problems. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make tables of equivalent ratios relating quantities with whole number measurements, find missing values in the tables, and plot the pairs of values on the coordinate plane. Use tables to compare ratios.</li> <li>Solve unit rate problems including those involving unit pricing and constant speed. (e.g., If it took 7 hours to mow 4 lawns, then at that rate, how many lawns could be mowed in 35 hours? At what rate were lawns being mowed?)</li> <li>Find a percent of a quantity as a rate per 100 (e.g., 30% of a quantity means 30/100 times the quantity); solve problems involving finding the whole, given a part and the percent.</li> <li>Use ratio reasoning to convert measurement units; manipulate and transform units appropriately when multiplying or dividing quantities.</li> </ol>
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Work with integer exponents, scientific notation, and radicals.</b>
M.QR.5	Know and apply the properties of integer exponents to generate equivalent numerical expressions.
M.QR.6	Perform operations with numbers expressed in scientific notation, including problems where both decimal and scientific notation are used. Use scientific notation and choose units of appropriate size for measurements of very large or very small quantities. (e.g., Use millimeters per year for seafloor spreading.) Interpret scientific notation that has been generated by technology.
M.QR.7	Rewrite expressions involving radicals and rational exponents using the properties of exponents.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Reason quantitatively and use units to solve problems.</b>
M.QR.8	Define appropriate quantities for the purpose of descriptive modeling.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically.</b>
M.QR.9	Understand that the graph of an equation in two variables is the set of all its solutions plotted in the coordinate plane, often forming a curve (which could be a line).
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Explain volume formulas and use them to solve problems.</b>
M.QR.10	Give an informal argument for the formulas for the circumference of a circle, area of a circle, volume of a cylinder, pyramid, and cone.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Understand financial models</b>
M.QR.11	Determine, represent and analyze mathematical models for loan amortization and the effects of different payments and/or finance terms (e.g., Auto, Mortgage, and/or Credit Card).
M.QR.12	Determine, represent and analyze mathematical models for investments involving simple and compound interest with and without additional deposits. (e.g., Savings accounts, bonds, and/or certificates of deposit.)

M.QR.13	Research and analyze taxes including payroll, sales, personal property, real estate and income tax returns.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Reason quantitatively and use units to solve problems.</b>
M.QR.14	Use units as a way to understand problems and to guide the solution of multi-step problems; choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays.
M.QR.15	Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement when reporting quantities.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.</b>
M.QR.16	Create equations and inequalities in one variable and use them to solve problems. Include equations arising from linear and quadratic functions and simple rational and exponential functions.
M.QR.17	Rearrange formulas to highlight a quantity of interest, using the same reasoning as in solving equations.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Construct and compare linear, quadratic, and exponential models and solve problems.</b>
M.QR.18	Construct linear and exponential functions, including arithmetic and geometric sequences, given a graph, a description of a relationship, or two input-output pairs (include reading these from a table).
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Build a function that models a relationship between two quantities.</b>
M.QR.19	Write a function that describes a relationship between two quantities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Combine standard function types using arithmetic operations. For example, build a function that models the temperature of a cooling body by adding a constant function to a decaying exponential, and relate these functions to the model.</li> <li>b. Compose functions. For example, if <math>T(y)</math> is the temperature in the atmosphere as a function of height, and <math>h(t)</math> is the height of a weather balloon as a function of time, then <math>T(h(t))</math> is the temperature at the location of the weather balloon as a function of time.</li> </ul>
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Interpret linear models.</b>
M.QR.20	Interpret the slope (rate of change) and the intercept (constant term) of a linear model in the context of the data.

### *Descriptive Statistics*

<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables.</b>
M.QR.21	Summarize categorical data for two categories in two-way frequency tables. Interpret relative frequencies in the context of the data (including joint, marginal, and conditional relative frequencies). Recognize possible associations and trends in the data.

<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable.</b>
M.QR.22	Represent data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, and box plots).
M.QR.23	Use statistics appropriate to the shape of the data distribution to compare center (median, mean) and spread (interquartile range, standard deviation) of two or more different data sets.
M.QR.24	Interpret differences in shape, center, and spread in the context of the data sets, accounting for possible effects of extreme data points (outliers).
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Conduct statistical analysis</b>
M.QR.25	Create data displays for given data sets to investigate, compare, and estimate center, shape, spread and unusual features.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Communicate statistical information</b>
M.QR.26	Report results of statistical studies to a particular audience, including selecting an appropriate presentation format, creating graphical data displays and interpreting results in terms of the question studied.
M.QR.27	Communicate statistical results in both oral and written formats using appropriate statistical and nontechnical language.

### Probability

<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Analyze information using probability and counting</b>
M.QR.28	Use the Fundamental Counting Principle, Permutations and Combinations to determine all possible outcomes for an event; determine probability and odds of a simple event; explain the significance of the Law of Large Numbers.
M.QR.29	Determine and interpret conditional probabilities and probabilities of compound events by constructing and analyzing representations, including tree diagrams, Venn diagrams, two-way frequency tables and area models, to make decisions in problem situations.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Use probability to evaluate outcomes of decisions.</b>
M.QR.30	Use probabilities to make and justify decisions about risks in everyday life.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Manage uncertainty</b>
M.QR.31	Calculate expected value to analyze mathematical fairness, payoff and risk.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Understand independence and conditional probability and use them to interpret data.</b>
M.QR.32	Describe events as subsets of a sample space (the set of outcomes) using characteristics (or categories) of the outcomes, or as unions, intersections, or complements of other events (“or,” “and,” “not”).
M.QR.33	Understand that two events A and B are independent if the probability of A and B occurring together is the product of their probabilities, and use this characterization to determine if they are independent.

M.QR.34	Recognize the conditional probability of A given B as $P(A \text{ and } B)/P(B)$ , and interpret independence of A and B as saying that the conditional probability of A given B is the same as the probability of A, and the conditional probability of B given A is the same as the probability of B.
M.QR.35	Construct and interpret two-way frequency tables of data when two categories are associated with each object being classified. Use the two-way table as a sample space to decide if events are independent and to approximate conditional probabilities. For example, collect data from a random sample of students in your school on their favorite subject among math, science, and English. Estimate the probability that a randomly selected student from your school will favor science given that the student is in tenth grade. Do the same for other subjects and compare the results. Instructional Note: Build on work with two-way tables from Algebra I to develop understanding of conditional probability and independence.
M.QR.36	Recognize and explain the concepts of conditional probability and independence in everyday language and everyday situations. For example, compare the chance of having lung cancer if you are a smoker with the chance of being a smoker if you have lung cancer.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Use the rules of probability to compute probabilities of compound events in a uniform probability model.</b>
M.QR.37	Find the conditional probability of A given B as the fraction of B's outcomes that also belong to A, and interpret the answer in terms of the model.
M.QR.38	Apply the Addition Rule, $P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$ , and interpret the answer in terms of the model.
M.QR.39	Apply the general Multiplication Rule in a uniform probability model, $P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A)P(B A) = P(B)P(A B)$ , and interpret the answer in terms of the model.
M.QR.40	Use permutations and combinations to compute probabilities of compound events and solve problems.
<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Use probability to evaluate outcomes of decisions.</b>
M.QR.41	Use probabilities to make fair decisions (e.g., drawing by lots and/or using a random number generator).
M.QR.42	Analyze decisions and strategies using probability concepts (e.g., product testing, medical testing, and/or pulling a hockey goalie at the end of a game).