

ELASTICITY OF DEMAND[Frequently Asked Questions]

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Frequently Asked Questions

- Q-1. Define demand and state the law of demand.
- A-1. Demand: it is the amount of goods or services the consumers are willing and able to buy given the income and at a price

Law of demand: keeping other factors constant, with the rise in price the quantity demanded for a product falls and vice-versa.

- Q-2. Which two effects explain the law of demand?
- A-2. The inverse relation between demand and price of a product are; the income effect and the substitution effect.
- Q-3. Define elasticity of demand;
- A-3. Elasticity of demand is the measure of responsiveness of quantity demanded to the change in its determinants.
- Q-4. Name the types of demand elasticity.
- A-4. Types of demand elasticity are;

Price elasticity of demand Income elasticity of demand Cross elasticity of demand

- Q-5. Enlist the types of price elasticity.
- A-5. Price elasticity are as follows;

Elastic demand (e>1)
Inelastic demand (e<1)
Unitary elastic demand (e=1)
Perfectly elastic demand (e=∞)
Perfectly inelastic demand (e=0)

- Q-6. Which methods are commonly used for measuring price elasticity of demand?
- A-6. The three methods used for measuring price elasticity are as;

Percentage or ratio method Total outlay method Point or geometric method

- Q-7. What do you mean by total outlay?
- A-7. Total outlay is the product of price per unit and total quantity sold or bought.
- Q-8. Define Marginal Revenue.
- A-8. Marginal revenue is the increase in the total revenue by selling one additional unit of a product.