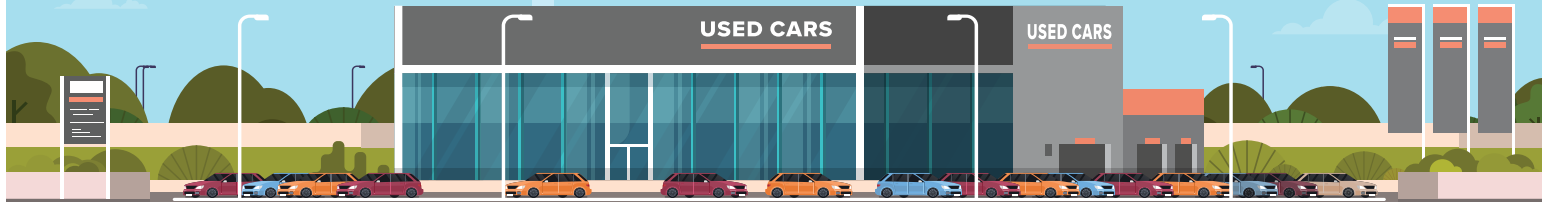




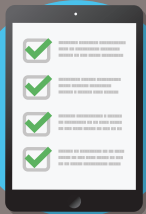
# IMPORTANT TIPS



# BUYING A PRE-OWNED VEHICLE



According to a 2020 car and transportation report, **Americans bought 40.8 million pre-owned vehicles in 2019.** Georgia's Clean Air Force, in partnership with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD), offers **eight important tips** to help motorists expertly choose a pre-owned vehicle.



## Set Guidelines.

Create a list of specific needs, familiarize yourself with vehicles you're interested in and establish a budget.



## Make Contact and Schedule a Test Drive.

Calling the seller is a great way to verify the car's information and schedule a test drive. A test drive provides further insight into the vehicle's condition.



## Get a Free Vehicle Inspection Report (VIR).

Georgia's Clean Air Force's website provides a summary of the vehicle's latest emissions inspection results.



## Obtain a Pre-Purchase Inspection.

Hire a trusted professional to perform a pre-purchase inspection.



## Request a Carfax Report.

Carfax reports provide the vehicle's history including whether the vehicle has been involved in an accident or another negative event.



## Complete an On-Board Diagnostic Test.

An on-board diagnostic test determines what kind of repairs need to be performed on the vehicle. The test scans for codes that are linked to specific damage services and any preventative maintenance services.



## Research the Dealer.

By researching dealers, you can eliminate untrustworthy sellers or those with negative comments.



## Factor in Location.

Sellers that reside outside of metro Atlanta's 13-county testing area are not required to provide a passing emissions test at the time of sale, but 13-county sellers are required to.

For more information, please visit [www.cleanairforce.com](http://www.cleanairforce.com).

