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The BLS Unemployment Rate

Use the links below from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) website to answer the following questions.

<https://www.bls.gov/cps/>

What is the national unemployment rate for April of 2020?

How much did the unemployment rate change from March 2020 to April 2020?

What was the unemployment rate for 2019?

<https://www.bls.gov/lau/>

What is your state's unemployment rate?

Is it above or below the national average?

<https://www.bls.gov/news.release/empsit.a.htm>

Use the *Employment Situation Summary Table A*. to fill in the following information.

	April 2020 Unemployment Rates
Adult Men	
Adult Women	
Teenagers (16-19 years old)	
White	
Black or African American	
Asian	
Hispanic or Latino	

The BLS Occupational Outlook Handbook

<https://www.bls.gov/oooh/>

Browse the BLS Occupational Outlook Handbook and answer the following questions:

What is one of the *highest paying jobs* that interests you?

What is one of the fastest growing occupations that interests you?

What is one of the newest jobs that interests you?

The BLS Career Exploration

<https://www.bls.gov/k12/students/careers/career-exploration.htm>

Look at the BLS Career Exploration and pick a category and a career that interests you.

Occupation:

Median Pay

Typical Entry level of Education

Work Experience

On the Job training

Number of Jobs

Jobs Outlook

Employment change

Click on the *How to Become One* link.

List three additional occupations you'd like to explore.

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