

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) COVID-19 Questions and Answers

BLS has a tradition of providing extensive information about the methods involved in producing economic statistics, and is transparent in identifying data limitations. This tradition continues during the COVID-19 pandemic, as the BLS website (<https://www.bls.gov/>) is frequently updated. A special page devoted to COVID-19 Questions and Answers (<https://www.bls.gov/bls/bls-covid-19-questions-and-answers.htm>) has been added to the website, with information on all BLS programs, information for survey respondents, and other announcements. In addition, BLS news releases are accompanied by explanatory material on the effect of COVID-19 on data collection, response, data processing, and other issues. More detailed information about the effects on specific BLS programs can be found at:

- Employment and Unemployment Statistics – <https://www.bls.gov/bls/effects-of-covid-19-pandemic-on-employment-and-unemployment-statistics.htm>
- Price Indexes – <https://www.bls.gov/bls/effects-of-covid-19-pandemic-on-bls-price-indexes.htm>
- Productivity and Costs Statistics - <https://www.bls.gov/bls/effects-of-covid-19-pandemic-on-productivity-and-costs-statistics.htm>
- Workplace Injuries and Illnesses, Compensation, and Occupational Requirements Statistics - <https://www.bls.gov/bls/effects-of-covid-19-on-workplace-injuries-and-illnesses-compensation-and-occupational-requirements.htm>

Accurate and timely economic data are needed now more than ever, and despite challenges resulting from the pandemic, BLS continues to meet those needs.