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Occupational Employment and Wages, May 2022

31-9011 Massage Therapists

Perform therapeutic massages of soft tissues and joints. May assist in the assessment of range of motion and muscle strength, or propose client therapy plans.

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National estimates for Massage Therapists:

Employment estimate and mean wage estimates for Massage Therapists:

| Employment (1) | Employment RSE (3) | Mean hourly wage | Mean annual wage <u>(2)</u> | Wage RSE (3) |
|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| 86,270 | 2.7 % | \$ 27.43 | \$ 57,060 | 1.6 % |

Percentile wage estimates for Massage Therapists:

| Percentile | 10% | 25% | 50% (Median) | 75% | 90% |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Hourly Wage | \$ 13.96 | \$ 18.79 | \$ 23.97 | \$ 32.36 | \$ 43.52 |
| Annual Wage (2) | \$ 29,040 | \$ 39,080 | \$ 49,860 | \$ 67,300 | \$ 90,530 |

Industry profile for Massage Therapists:

Industries with the highest published employment and wages for Massage Therapists are provided. For a list of all industries with employment in Massage Therapists, see the <u>Create Customized Tables</u> function.

Industries with the highest levels of employment in Massage Therapists:

| Industry | Employment (1) | Percent of industry employment | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
|---|----------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Personal Care Services | 44,160 | 6.22 | \$ 27.05 | \$ 56,260 |
| Offices of Other Health Practitioners | 27,630 | 2.59 | \$ 28.92 | \$ 60,150 |
| <u>Traveler Accommodation</u> | 7,410 | 0.44 | \$ 22.74 | \$ 47,290 |
| Other Amusement and Recreation Industries | 2,520 | 0.20 | \$ 30.53 | \$ 63,500 |
| Offices of Physicians | 1,110 | 0.04 | \$ 27.86 | \$ 57,940 |

Industries with the highest concentration of employment in Massage Therapists:

| Industry | Employment (1) | Percent of industry employment | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
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| Personal Care Services | 44,160 | 6.22 | \$ 27.05 | \$ 56,260 |
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| <u>Traveler Accommodation</u> | 7,410 | 0.44 | \$ 22.74 | \$ 47,290 |
| Technical and Trade Schools | 390 | 0.28 | \$ 23.76 | \$ 49,420 |
| Other Amusement and Recreation Industries | 2,520 | 0.20 | \$ 30.53 | \$ 63,500 |

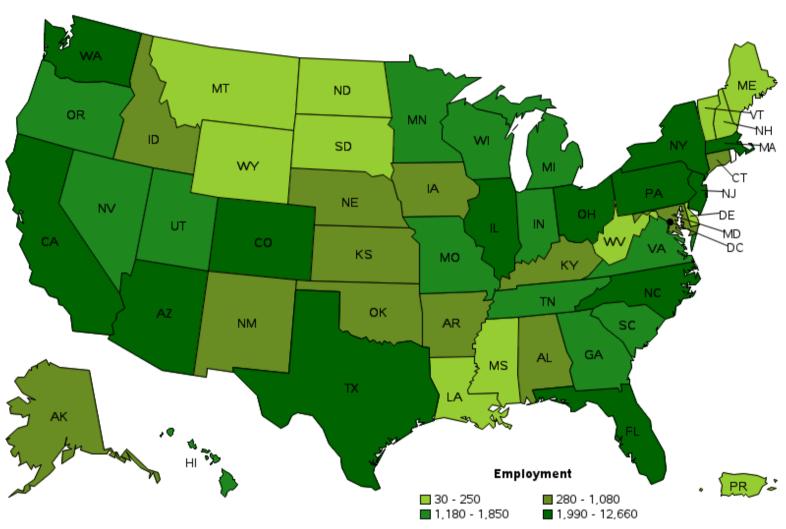
Top paying industries for Massage Therapists:

| Industry | Employment (1) | Percent of industry employment | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
|--|----------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Other Schools and Instruction | 80 | 0.02 | \$ 45.40 | \$ 94,420 |
| Health and Personal Care Retailers | <u>(8)</u> . | <u>(8)</u> . | \$ 39.65 | \$ 82,470 |
| <u>Spectator Sports</u> | 60 | 0.04 | \$ 35.46 | \$ 73,750 |
| <u>Specialty (except Psychiatric and Substance Abuse)</u> <u>Hospitals</u> | <u>(8)</u> . | <u>(8)</u> | \$ 34.47 | \$ 71,700 |
| Management of Companies and Enterprises | <u>(8)</u> | <u>(8)</u> | \$ 33.79 | \$ 70,280 |

Geographic profile for Massage Therapists:

States and areas with the highest published employment, location quotients, and wages for Massage Therapists are provided. For a list of all areas with employment in Massage Therapists, see the <u>Create Customized Tables</u> function.

Employment of massage therapists, by state, May 2022

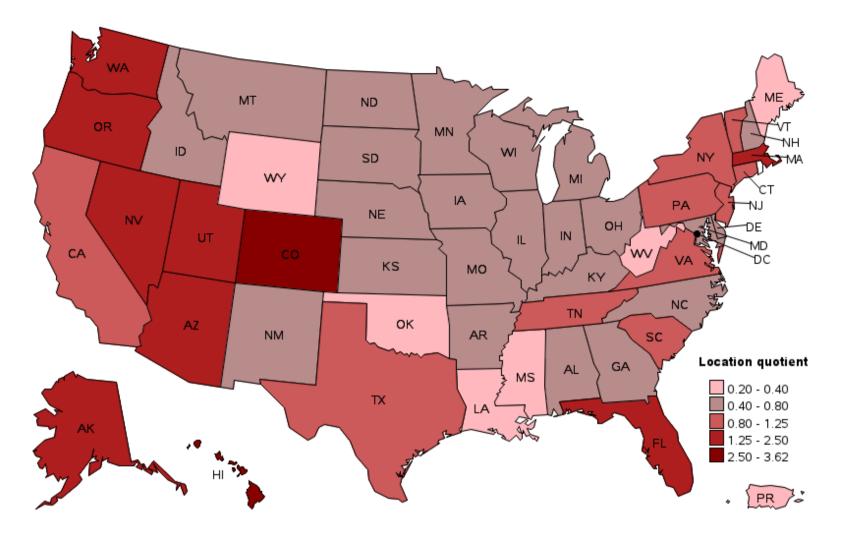


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States with the highest employment level in Massage Therapists:

| State | Employment (1) | Employment per thousand jobs | Location quotient <u>(9)</u> | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
|-------------------|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| <u>California</u> | 12,660 | 0.72 | 1.23 | \$ 30.94 | \$ 64,350 |
| <u>Florida</u> | 7,980 | 0.87 | 1.48 | \$ 24.31 | \$ 50,560 |
| <u>Texas</u> | 6,580 | 0.51 | 0.87 | \$ 23.77 | \$ 49,430 |
| <u>Colorado</u> | 4,980 | 1.80 | 3.08 | \$ 25.57 | \$ 53,180 |
| <u>New York</u> | 4,660 | 0.51 | 0.88 | \$ 32.52 | \$ 67,640 |

Location quotient of massage therapists, by state, May 2022

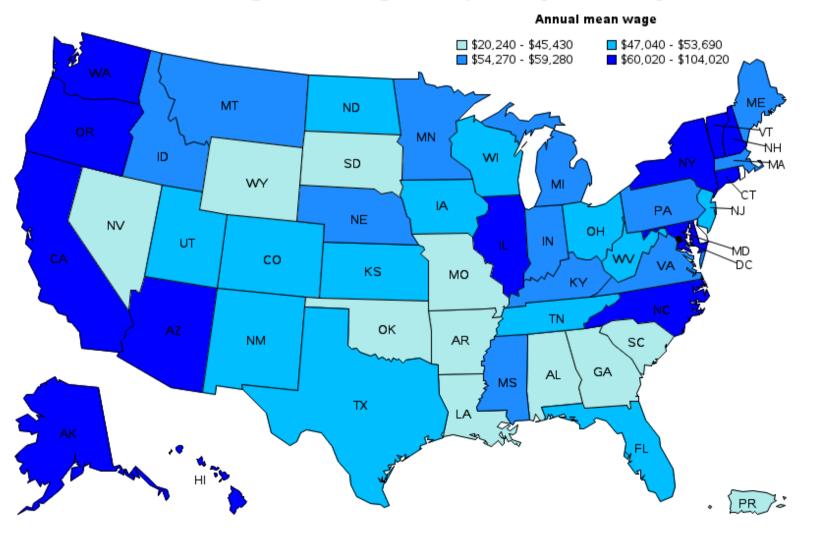


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States with the highest concentration of jobs and location quotients in Massage Therapists:

| State | Employment (1) | Employment per thousand jobs | Location quotient <u>(9)</u> | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
|----------------------|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| <u>Hawaii</u> | 1,260 | 2.11 | 3.62 | \$ 30.79 | \$ 64,030 |
| <u>Colorado</u> | 4,980 | 1.80 | 3.08 | \$ 25.57 | \$ 53,180 |
| <u>Alaska</u> | 430 | 1.40 | 2.39 | \$ 50.01 | \$ 104,020 |
| <u>Nevada</u> | 1,650 | 1.17 | 2.00 | \$ 19.71 | \$ 40,990 |
| <u>Massachusetts</u> | 3,870 | 1.08 | 1.86 | \$ 27.98 | \$ 58,200 |

Annual mean wage of massage therapists, by state, May 2022

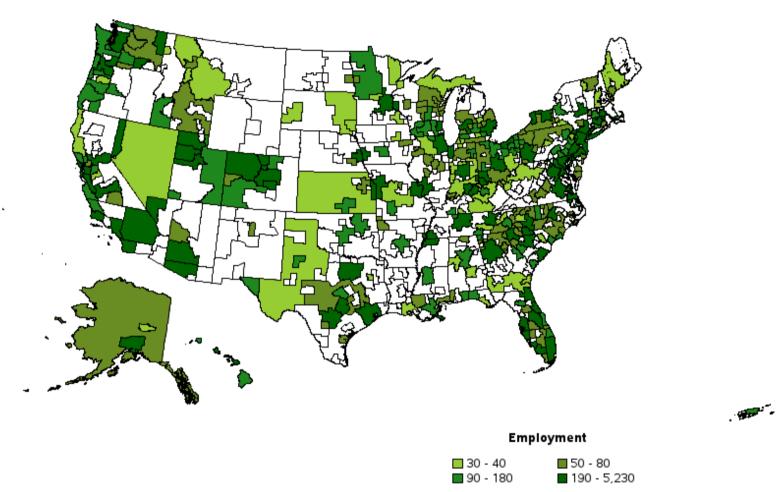


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Top paying states for Massage Therapists:

| State | Employment (1) | Employment per thousand jobs | Location quotient <u>(9)</u> | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
|-------------------|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| <u>Alaska</u> | 430 | 1.40 | 2.39 | \$ 50.01 | \$ 104,020 |
| <u>Vermont</u> | 150 | 0.52 | 0.88 | \$ 37.59 | \$ 78,190 |
| <u>Washington</u> | 3,140 | 0.92 | 1.58 | \$ 34.89 | \$ 72,560 |
| <u>Oregon</u> | 1,690 | 0.89 | 1.52 | \$ 34.37 | \$ 71,490 |
| <u>Maryland</u> | 1,080 | 0.41 | 0.70 | \$ 32.61 | \$ 67,820 |

Employment of massage therapists, by area, May 2022

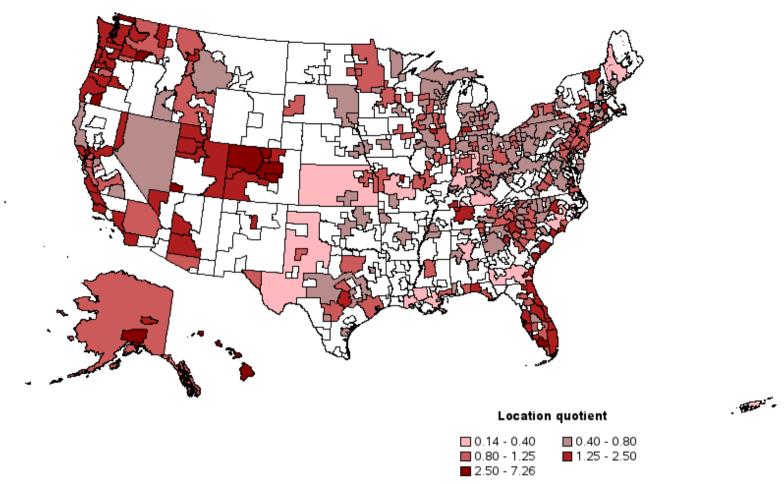


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Metropolitan areas with the highest employment level in Massage Therapists:

| Metropolitan area | Employment (1) | Employment per thousand jobs | Location quotient <u>(9)</u> | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
|---|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA | 5,230 | 0.86 | 1.47 | \$ 30.92 | \$ 64,320 |
| New York-Newark-Jersey City, NY- NJ-PA | 5,220 | 0.57 | 0.97 | \$ 30.58 | \$ 63,610 |
| <u>Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO</u> | 2,820 | 1.82 | 3.12 | \$ 25.88 | \$ 53,820 |
| Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, FL | 2,440 | 0.93 | 1.60 | \$ 24.39 | \$ 50,720 |
| Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, IL-IN-WI | 2,210 | 0.50 | 0.86 | \$ 30.68 | \$ 63,820 |
| <u>Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX</u> | 2,100 | 0.55 | 0.94 | \$ 23.09 | \$ 48,040 |
| Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ | 1,900 | 0.86 | 1.47 | \$ 29.51 | \$ 61,390 |
| Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX | 1,780 | 0.58 | 1.00 | \$ 26.00 | \$ 54,070 |
| <u>Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA</u> | 1,670 | 0.82 | 1.40 | \$ 36.54 | \$ 76,010 |
| <u>Philadelphia-Camden-</u> <u>Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD</u> | 1,590 | 0.57 | 0.98 | \$ 30.81 | \$ 64,080 |

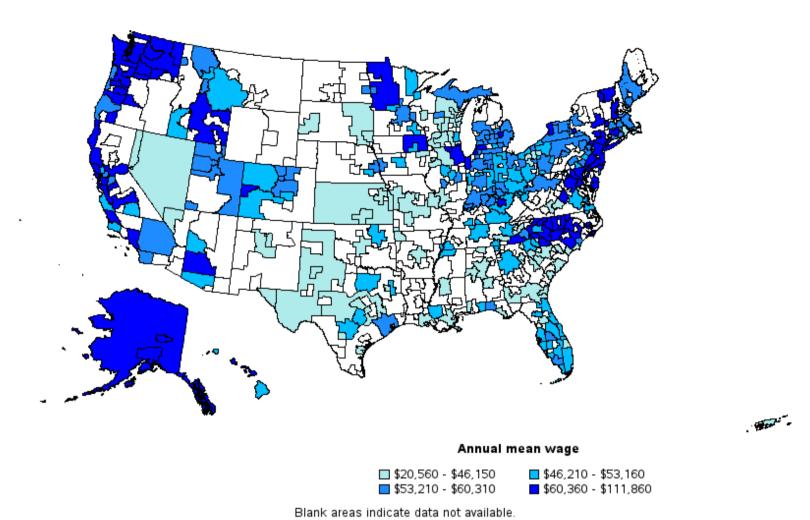
Location quotient of massage therapists, by area, May 2022



Blank areas indicate data not available.

Metropolitan areas with the highest concentration of jobs and location quotients in Massage Therapists:

| Metropolitan area | Employment (1) | Employment per thousand jobs | Location quotient <u>(9)</u> | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Kahului-Wailuku-Lahaina, HI | 310 | 4.24 | 7.26 | \$ 35.47 | \$ 73,770 |
| Colorado Springs, CO | 840 | 2.79 | 4.77 | \$ 23.52 | \$ 48,910 |
| <u>Napa, CA</u> | 150 | 2.08 | 3.57 | \$ 24.25 | \$ 50,440 |
| Fort Collins, CO | 340 | 2.02 | 3.47 | \$ 25.62 | \$ 53,280 |
| <u>Pittsfield, MA</u> | 80 | 2.00 | 3.43 | \$ 29.55 | \$ 61,460 |
| <u>Anchorage, AK</u> | 320 | 1.94 | 3.33 | \$ 49.04 | \$ 102,000 |
| <u>Urban Honolulu, HI</u> | 780 | 1.85 | 3.17 | \$ 30.24 | \$ 62,890 |
| <u>Bellingham, WA</u> | 160 | 1.84 | 3.15 | \$ 32.85 | \$ 68,330 |
| St. George, UT | 150 | 1.84 | 3.15 | \$ 26.32 | \$ 54,750 |
| Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO | 2,820 | 1.82 | 3.12 | \$ 25.88 | \$ 53,820 |



Top paying metropolitan areas for Massage Therapists:

| Metropolitan area | Employment (1) | Employment per thousand jobs | Location quotient <u>(9)</u> | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| <u>Fairbanks, AK</u> | 40 | 1.17 | 2.00 | \$ 53.78 | \$ 111,860 |
| <u>Anchorage, AK</u> | 320 | 1.94 | 3.33 | \$ 49.04 | \$ 102,000 |
| <u>Salisbury, MD-DE</u> | 60 | 0.35 | 0.60 | \$ 42.05 | \$ 87,460 |
| San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward, CA | 1,570 | 0.66 | 1.12 | \$ 37.60 | \$ 78,210 |
| <u>Kingston, NY</u> | 70 | 1.26 | 2.15 | \$ 37.50 | \$ 78,000 |
| Bremerton-Silverdale, WA | 70 | 0.73 | 1.25 | \$ 37.28 | \$ 77,550 |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA | 1,670 | 0.82 | 1.40 | \$ 36.54 | \$ 76,010 |
| Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk, CT | 290 | 0.73 | 1.25 | \$ 36.52 | \$ 75,960 |
| Salem, OR | 140 | 0.80 | 1.37 | \$ 35.87 | \$ 74,600 |
| San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA | 680 | 0.60 | 1.03 | \$ 35.86 | \$ 74,600 |

Nonmetropolitan areas with the highest employment in Massage Therapists:

| Nonmetropolitan area | Employment (1) | Employment per thousand jobs | Location quotient <u>(9)</u> | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
|--|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Northwest Colorado nonmetropolitan area | 300 | 2.43 | 4.16 | \$ 24.99 | \$ 51,990 |
| Hawaii / Kauai nonmetropolitan area | 160 | 1.67 | 2.87 | \$ 24.55 | \$ 51,070 |
| Southwest Colorado nonmetropolitan area | 140 | 1.42 | 2.43 | \$ 24.09 | \$ 50,110 |
| North Northeastern Ohio nonmetropolitan area (noncontiguous) | 120 | 0.37 | 0.63 | \$ 27.57 | \$ 57,340 |
| South Central Wisconsin nonmetropolitan area | 110 | 0.54 | 0.92 | \$ 17.72 | \$ 36,860 |

Nonmetropolitan areas with the highest concentration of jobs and location quotients in Massage Therapists:

| Nonmetropolitan area | Employment (1) | Employment per thousand jobs | Location quotient <u>(9)</u> | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
|--|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Northwest Colorado nonmetropolitan area | 300 | 2.43 | 4.16 | \$ 24.99 | \$ 51,990 |

| Hawaii / Kauai nonmetropolitan area | 160 | 1.67 | 2.87 | \$ 24.55 | \$ 51,070 |
|--|-----|------|------|----------|-----------|
| Southwest Colorado nonmetropolitan area | 140 | 1.42 | 2.43 | \$ 24.09 | \$ 50,110 |
| Eastern Utah nonmetropolitan area | 100 | 1.13 | 1.94 | \$ 27.48 | \$ 57,160 |
| Coast Oregon nonmetropolitan area | 100 | 0.89 | 1.53 | \$ 27.70 | \$ 57,620 |

Top paying nonmetropolitan areas for Massage Therapists:

| Nonmetropolitan area | Employment (1) | Employment per thousand jobs | Location quotient <u>(9)</u> | Hourly mean wage | Annual mean wage <u>(2)</u> |
|--|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Alaska nonmetropolitan area | 60 | 0.61 | 1.04 | \$ 53.02 | \$ 110,280 |
| <u>Northern Vermont</u> <u>nonmetropolitan area</u> | 60 | 0.86 | 1.47 | \$ 41.30 | \$ 85,910 |
| Southeast-Central Idaho nonmetropolitan area | 50 | 0.52 | 0.89 | \$ 39.27 | \$ 81,680 |
| Eastern Washington nonmetropolitan area | 60 | 0.63 | 1.08 | \$ 34.17 | \$ 71,070 |
| North Coast Region of California nonmetropolitan area | 30 | 0.30 | 0.52 | \$ 33.58 | \$ 69,850 |

About May 2022 National, State, Metropolitan, and Nonmetropolitan Area Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates

These estimates are calculated with data collected from employers in all industry sectors, all metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas, and all states and the District of Columbia. The top employment and wage figures are provided above. The complete list is available in the <u>downloadable XLS files</u>.

The percentile wage estimate is the value of a wage below which a certain percent of workers fall. The median wage is the 50th percentile wage estimate—50 percent of workers earn less than the median and 50 percent of workers earn more than the median. More about percentile wages.

- (1) Estimates for detailed occupations do not sum to the totals because the totals include occupations not shown separately. Estimates do not include self-employed workers.
- (2) Annual wages have been calculated by multiplying the hourly mean wage by a "year-round, full-time" hours figure of 2,080 hours; for those occupations where there is not an hourly wage published, the annual wage has been directly calculated from the reported survey data.
- (3) The relative standard error (RSE) is a measure of the reliability of a survey statistic. The smaller the relative standard error, the more precise the estimate.
- (8) Estimate not released.
- (9) The location quotient is the ratio of the area concentration of occupational employment to the national average concentration. A location quotient greater than one indicates the occupation has a higher share of employment than average, and a location quotient less than one indicates the occupation is less prevalent in the area than average.

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