# Answers Batter Up! Compare Batting Averages of Major League Baseball Players 

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

| Rank | Player | Team | Batting Avg. |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 1 | Avisail Garcia | CHW | .474 |
| 2 | Nomar Mazara | TEX | .417 |
| 3 | Yunel Escobar | LAA | .414 |
| 4 | Andrelton Simmons | LAA | .400 |
| 5 | Jorje Polanco | MIN | .389 |

NATIONAL LEAGUE

| Rank | Player | Team | Batting Avg. |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 1 | J.T. Realmuto | MIA | .500 |
| 2 | Daniel Murphy | WSH | .480 |
| 3 | Brandon Drury | ARI | .476 |
| 4 | Zack Cozart | CIN | .450 |
| 5 | Gerardo Parra | COL | .440 |

Use the batting average tables at the top to answer the questions below. When you are done, generate two of your own word problems requiring subtraction to the thousandths.

| Show your work | Solution in a <br> complete sentence |  |
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| 1. Avisail Garcia was trash <br> talking J. T. Realmuto, saying <br> he was a better hitter. Whose <br> batting average is actually <br> better and by how much? |  | Realmuto's <br> average is .026 <br> higher so his is <br> better. |
| 2. Last season Murphy's <br> batting average was .347. <br> How much has his batting <br> average improved? |  | Murphy's <br> average <br> improved by 133 |

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| 3. Yunel Escobar, a Cuban born player for the Los Angeles Angels started in the major leagues in 2007 with a batting average of .326. How much has his average improved since then? |  | Escobar's average has improved by .088 since he started in MLB |
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| 4. How much does Gerardo Parra have to improve his average to tie with the best average in the major leagues? |  | To tie for the best average, Parra's average needs to increase by .060 |
| 5. Jorge Polanco of the Minnesota Twins wants to have a better batting average than Nomar Mazara on the Texas Rangers. How much does he need to improve his batting average to be better than Mazara? |  | To be better than Mazara, Polanco needs to improve his average by .029 |
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