Tips on Landing a Job According to Bureau of Labor and Industries Latest Statistics

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The results are in on the Bureau of Labor and Industry’s latest statistical studies of the fastest growing occupations. The study not only assists job seekers in choosing majors that will almost guarantee a viable income upon program completion, but also gives us a glance at the changes occurring in our society.

The shift in the demographics and trends in our society require a responsive labor market that takes these changes into consideration; “Our population is aging, ailing and awash in technology.” Our population will also need assistance with finances and probably require more mental health, family and drug and alcohol counselors as the pressures of change unfold. Due to our increasing love affair with technology there will also be a demand for database and network analysts, and software specialist.

The results of the Bureau of Labor and Industry study follow.

Forecast percentage of growth from 2006-2016.

1. Network/data analysts 53% growth
2. Personal and Home Care Aides 51% growth
3. Home Health Aides 49% growth
4. Software Engineers 45% growth
5. Veterinary Technicians 41% growth
6. Personal Finance Advisors 41% growth
7. Theatrical Makeup Artists (who knew:) 40% growth
8. Medical Assistants 35% growth
9. Veterinarians 35% growth
10. Substance Abuse/Behavioral Counselors 34% growth

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