



STEM Career

VAL

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPER
AND
INNOVATION CENTER
DATA ANALYST**

**US DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE
RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

CORE TASKS

- Analyze raw data
- Identify trends and measure community impact for federal investments
- Find ways to "visualize" the data and add stories to help users understand information
- Set up data analysis tools to assist staff across the country in making decisions

OUTLOOK



**Increase in
job demand**

**Check out other
occupations like
Economic Analyst
or Sales Engineer**



ANNUAL SALARY RANGE

**\$66,167–\$86,021
UNITED STATES**



**THERE AREN'T MANY FEDERAL
ANALYSTS IN NORTHWESTERN
MICHIGAN, BUT AT THE FEDERAL
LEVEL THE NEED FOR DATA TO
DRIVE GROWTH IS INCREASING**

- Salary information from [O*net](#)

Val's thoughts on pursuing a career in any area:

Learn ALL the things, and stay curious! There is NOTHING you can't learn. The best advice I can give is to learn as much as you can about a variety of things as early in your career as you can. Then when you find a subject that "sets your soul on fire" follow that path to gain more proficiency/expertise, but right now, today, focus on learning how you learn best. It's the most important thing you can know about yourself because successful professionals keep learning and growing.

HIGH SCHOOL CAREER TECH OPTIONS



**ECONOMIC DEVELOPERS USUALLY
HAVE A BACHELORS DEGREE, BUT
YOU CAN START WITH AN
ASSOCIATES DEGREE**

- [Charlevoix Emmet ISD Career Tech Programs](#): Agriscience and Natural Resources; Information Technology
- [Northwest Education Services Career Tech Center](#): Agriscience; Information Technology; Engineering Academy;
- [Wexford Missaukee ISD Career Tech Center](#): Agriscience; Computers, Networking and Electronics Technology

- [Baker College](#)
- [Kirtland Community College](#)
- [North Central Michigan College](#)
- [Northwestern Michigan College](#)
- [Westshore Community College](#)
- [University Center \(NMC\)](#):
 - [Davenport University](#) (Business)
 - [Ferris State University](#) (Business)

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