



# THINK YOU KNOW STATISTICS? THINK AGAIN!

Statistics is a fulfilling and rewarding profession. With a career in statistics — the science of learning from data — you can **make a difference**, **have fun**, **satisfy your curiosity**, and **make money**.

## Why Study Statistics?

- » Statistical analysis and data mining were listed among the **“hottest skills of 2014”** by **LinkedIn**.
- » The **McKinsey Global Institute** predicts a shortage of up to **190,000 people** with the skills needed to run Big Data projects.
- » Online jobs site **CareerCast** named statistician a top job for **women**.
- » **Fortune** magazine ranked statistics and biostatistics among the top graduate degrees based on **salary**, **growth** and **job satisfaction**.

## Statisticians Work in Many Interesting Fields

### Sports

Working with professional or college sports teams using statistics to inform draft picks for the most competitive players.

### Medicine and Health

Helping medical researchers understand the prevalence of disease among various populations.

### Data Science

Contributing to advancements in the computing industry through machine learning, speech recognition and artificial intelligence.

### Ecology and the Environment

Conducting analyses that lead to better management of the earth's natural resources.

### Business and Finance

Helping industry improve efficiency in business processes; working with banks to identify risk and opportunity.

### Politics and Government

Improving voter targeting and assessing the success of government policies and programs.

Learn more about careers in statistics at [www.ThisIsStatistics.org](http://www.ThisIsStatistics.org)