

## The Oil Drum: Campfire

### Discussions about Energy and Our Future

#### Jobs / Careers of the Future

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What kinds of jobs / careers should we be preparing for in the future?

I am sure the answer to this question depends on how quickly you think things will change, and what that change will be.

Over the very long term, it seems to me that businesses will be much smaller and more local and there will be a great deal more manual labor. There were be differences of opinion on what the world may look like, and what time frames will be. Possible outcomes:

- Electricity / no electricity
- Water / no running water
- Electric cars / solar cars / trains / walking
- Current countries / new country boundaries
- Tractors / Draft animals

Should we be preparing for this change now? What career choices do you see as reasonable ones? What educational choices should people be making now?

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