Sample BI Career Pathway

DIBS

Decision Insights for Business & Society

This is a simplified example of a BI career ladder that may help orient new entrants to the BI field. It does not capture all BI careers or pathways. There may also be a wide range of roles, job titles, skill levels, and training at each level.

Senior Behavioural Scientist

- Role: Lead design of complex BI solutions/trials and manage complex BI projects
- Job titles: Senior Behavioural Scientist, Behavioural Science Consultant, Academic Researcher, etc.
- Skills: Expert Behavioural & Decision Science knowledge + research & data skills
- *Training:* Behavioural science PhD or several years of direct relevant experience

Junior Behavioural Scientist

- Role: Design complex BI solutions/trials with support
- Job titles: Junior Behavioural Scientist, Researcher, Analyst, etc.
- Skills: Advanced Behavioural & Decision Science knowledge + research & data skills
- Training: Behavioural science Masters degree or a few years of direct relevant experience

Practitioner: BI is Core

- Role: Design simple BI solutions/trials with support
- Job titles: BI Practitioner, Methods Specialist, Researcher, Analyst, etc.
- Skills: Intermediate Behavioural & Decision Science knowledge + research & data skills
- Training: Advanced Professional Certificate in Behavioural Insights or a year of experience

BI Team Lead

- Role: Manage BI teams
- Job titles: Team Lead, Head, Director, etc.
- Skills: Intermediate Behavioural & Decision Science knowledge + research & data skills + expert leadership skills
- Training: Business or policy degree + Advanced Professional Certificate in Behavioural Insights or other direct relevant training or experience

May require • additional training

Practitioner: BI is Supplementary

- Role: Apply a BI lens to work portfolio
- Job titles: BI Practitioner, Researcher, Analyst, Knowledge Translation Strategist, marketing & consumer insights roles, customer experience roles, or any role involving people and decisionmaking!
- Skills: Intermediate Behavioural & Decision Science knowledge + research & data skills
- Training: Advanced Professional Certificate in Behavioural Insights or a year of experience

BI Enthusiast

- Role: Participate in co-design of solutions/trials with support and/or champion BI projects
- Job titles: Policy Analyst, Research Analyst, Knowledge Translation Strategist, marketing & consumer insights roles, customer experience roles, or any role involving people and decisionmaking!
- Skills: Novice familiarity with BI concepts (e.g., EAST, nudge for good, system 1 vs. system 2)
- Training: Fundamentals of BI course, BI boot camp / policy school, BI webinars, edX course, etc.

