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Kentucky sees jump in tech job growth

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New data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics finds that information technology jobs have grown 3.1 percent in Kentucky, compared to just 0.1 percent growth nationally.

The state has added 14,500 technology jobs over the last two years in disciplines like telecommunications, software development, data processing and Internet publishing, according to a news release.

Kentucky Gov. Ernie Fletcher attributes the growth to the state's technology growth plan, Prescription for Innovation, and the work ConnectKentucky, a nonprofit focused on increasing the availability of high-speed Internet and promoting technology literacy, has done throughout the state.

With private investment in infrastructure topping \$667 million, 92 percent of Kentucky homes now have access to broadband. And the state hopes to reach 100 percent of the population by year's end.

More information on ConnectKentucky can be found on its Web site, www.connectkentucky.org.

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