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| SHORT TERM IT JOB TRENDS | Connecticut ● |
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One step forward, one step back. That is what the IT job market has delivered over the past 60 days. Employers pulled some of the job openings they had in February leaving IT professionals with 540 daily openings (estimate). This is 8.5% less than in March. According to payroll data from the Connecticut Department of Labor, IT strong industry sectors like Financial Activities and Information have not recovered to levels before the Great Recession. On the upside, the Professional Services sector which includes some technical and scientific jobs is growing well and reached a level not seen since 2001.

Labor demand (job postings) from employers in Technical Services and Health Care declined in March. At the same time the Financial Services sector posted more job openings. The net result from all tracked industries was a decline.

The national average increased 0.5% in March.

Table 1: IT Job Openings, Connecticut*

| Mar 16 | Feb 16 | Jan 16 | Mar 15 | Mar 14 |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 540 | 590 | 570 | 850 | 660 |

Fig.1: IT Open Positions, Connecticut*

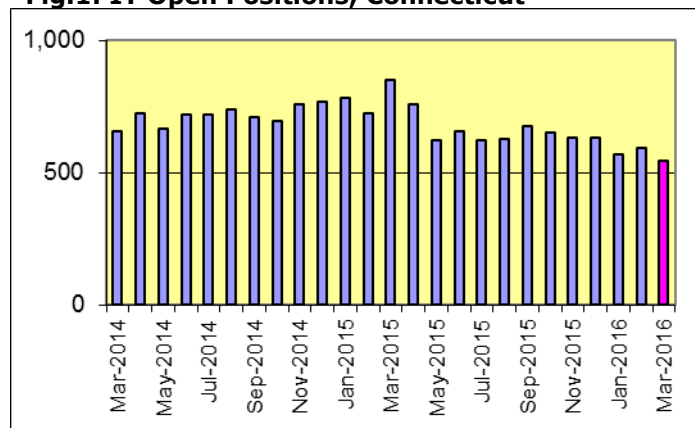


Table 2: IT Job Opening Estimates by Category*

| | Mar 16 | Mar 15 |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Total IT Job Market | 540 | 850 |
| Software Development | 150 | 140 |
| IT Architects/Consultants | 110 | 170 |
| Systems Eng./Support | 100 | 160 |
| IT Management | 80 | 230 |
| Systems Administration | 40 | 50 |
| IT Sales and Marketing | 30 | 50 |
| Business/Process Design | 20 | 40 |
| Misc.IT Job Categories | 10 | 10 |

Table 3: Top 15 Needed Skills (Job Openings*)

| | Mar 16 | Mar 15 |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|
| SQL | 170 | 230 |
| Business Analysis | 160 | 300 |
| Oracle DBMS | 140 | 200 |
| Java | 110 | 180 |
| Unix | 100 | 140 |
| Large system technologies | 90 | 140 |
| Windows OS | 80 | 110 |
| Linux | 80 | 110 |
| Web Services | 80 | 100 |
| Flash | 80 | 160 |
| JavaScript | 70 | 60 |
| Microsoft SQL Server | 70 | 80 |
| Offshore team coordination | 70 | 110 |
| XML | 70 | 90 |
| HTML | 50 | 40 |



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*) Estimated monthly averages are based on actual count of job openings.

METHODOLOGY

SkillPROOF surveys the inventories of job openings at large, regional and nationwide direct employers. Job openings are counted and verified every 24 hours. All data sources have been verified for timely removal of filled or closed positions. No data from job boards or search firms are included.

For this report SkillPROOF estimates the counts of job openings. Estimates are calculated directly from SkillPROOF's actual daily counts of job openings. As a base for its calculations, SkillPROOF uses data and findings from reports of the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) <http://www.bls.gov>.



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