

SHORT TERM IT JOB TRENDS	Connecticut	●
	Massachusetts	▲
	New York Metro	●
	National	▲

The IT job market in Connecticut returned to the level of labor demand in March. Over the last 30 days employers in the state posted a daily average of 670 daily job openings for professionals with an IT skill set. This represents a drop of 5.7% in May compared to April. Year-over-year the number of job postings has increased 6.5%. Labor demand for IT professionals in Connecticut has been on a slow but steady rise since late 2012. Aberrations in monthly demand occur and should not be taken too seriously. We believe the local IT job market remains in recovery mode and people have to be patient. The repercussions of the last recession still linger here and their effect is stronger than in neighboring job markets Massachusetts and New York City.

The drop in demand in May was across most industries. Only employers in Financial Services / Banking added a few job postings.

The national average increased grew 0.8% in May.

Table 1: IT Job Openings, Connecticut*

May 14	Apr 14	Mar 14	May 13	May 12
670	720	660	620	640

Fig.1: IT Open Positions, Connecticut*

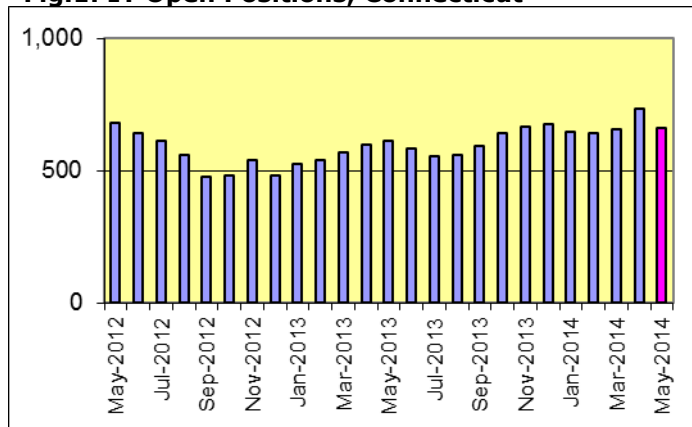


Table 2: IT Job Opening Estimates by Category*

	May 14	May 13
Total IT Job Market	670	620
IT Management	180	90
Systems Eng./Support	160	140
Software Development	130	110
IT Architects/Consultants	120	140
Systems Administration	30	50
IT Sales and Marketing	20	50
Business/Process Design	10	20
Training/Tech Writing	10	10

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

	May 14	May 13
Business Analysis	220	170
Oracle DBMS	180	100
SQL	170	150
Java	150	120
Large system technologies	140	140
Unix	120	80
Linux	110	60
Offshore team coordination	110	90
C++/VC++	100	80
Windows OS	100	100
Mainframe	90	90
Microsoft SQL Server	80	50
XML	80	60
Web Services	70	60
SOA (Service Oriented Architecture)	60	50

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



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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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