

**SHORT
TERM
IT JOB
TRENDS**

- Connecticut** ↑
- Massachusetts** ●
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- National** ●

The IT job market in Connecticut continues to grow. Last month, employers posted a daily average of 760 job openings for IT professionals with work location in the state.

This is 10.1% more than in October. This latest update confirms the positive growth trend of IT labor demand in Connecticut. The rise of IT jobs here at home is painfully slow and deserves more support from local companies. Some of the growth may be attributed to the return of some jobs which were outsourced overseas. Another factor is the growing Connecticut economy with companies adding jobs steadily throughout this year.

The largest contributor to last month's gain in IT labor demand was the Financial Services Industry. After dropping job openings for the past two months this sector has recovered to a level reached in August. Openings in Healthcare held steady while opportunities in HiTech and IT Services dropped slightly. The national average grew 1.4% in November.

Table 1: IT Job Openings, Connecticut*

Nov 14	Oct 14	Sep 14	Nov 13	Nov 12
760	690	710	670	550

Fig.1: IT Open Positions, Connecticut*

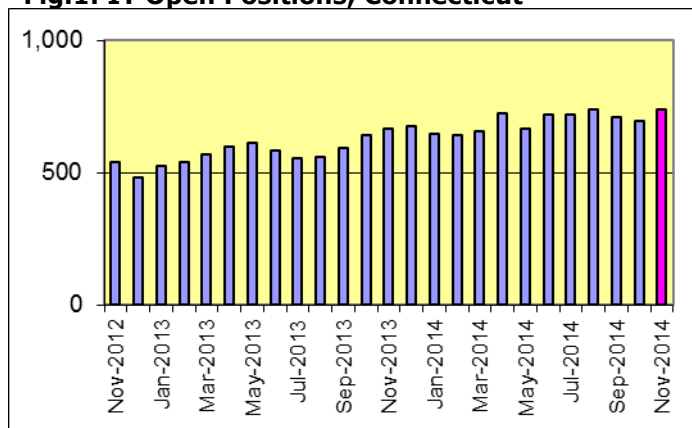


Table 2: IT Job Opening Estimates by Category*

	Nov 14	Nov 13
Total IT Job Market	760	670
IT Management	220	100
Software Development	150	140
IT Architects/Consultants	150	160
Systems Eng./Support	130	130
Systems Administration	40	40
Business/Process Design	30	50
IT Sales and Marketing	20	20
Misc.IT Job Categories	20	20

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

	Nov 14	Nov 13
Business Analysis	240	190
SQL	190	160
Oracle DBMS	180	130
Java	140	140
Unix	110	90
Flash	110	100
Large system technologies	110	150
Offshore team coordination	100	70
Web Services	90	70
C++/VC++	80	100
Linux	80	80
ETL	80	60
Windows OS	80	90
JavaScript	70	50
SOA (Service Oriented Architecture)	60	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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