

<b>SHORT TERM IT JOB TRENDS</b>	<b>Connecticut</b>	●
	<b>Massachusetts</b>	●
	<b>New York Metro</b>	▲
	<b>National</b>	▲

The Connecticut IT job market keeps moving into the right direction. Employers posted 850 job openings (daily average, estimate) with work locations in the state in March. This is 18.1%

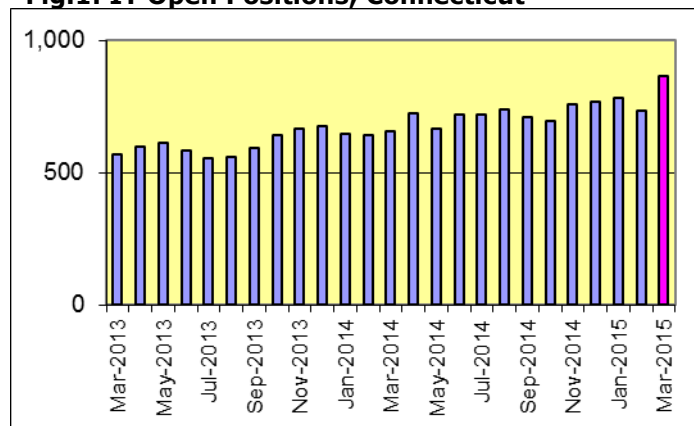
more than in February. Nevertheless, the slow recovery of IT jobs in Connecticut continues. The state is still feeling the aftermath of the last recession. According to statistics published by the Connecticut Department of Labor, payrolls in Financial Services, a large employer of IT professionals has just begun to turn around. Last year, this sector's payroll bottomed out. During the first two months of this year this sector has added jobs for the first time in three years.

Job market growth in Connecticut was supported by all sectors tracked. Specifically employers in HiTech and Financial Services added job opportunities. The national average grew 4.9% in March.

**Table 1: IT Job Openings, Connecticut\***

Mar 15	Feb 15	Jan 15	Mar 14	Mar 13
850	720	780	660	520

**Fig.1: IT Open Positions, Connecticut\***



**Table 2: IT Job Opening Estimates by Category\***

	Mar 15	Mar 14
Total IT Job Market	850	660
IT Management	230	140
IT Architects/Consultants	170	140
Systems Eng./Support	160	160
Software Development	140	120
Systems Administration	50	40
IT Sales and Marketing	50	20
Business/Process Design	40	20
Misc.IT Job Categories	10	10

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

	Mar 15	Mar 14
Business Analysis	300	210
SQL	230	180
Oracle DBMS	200	140
Java	180	120
Flash	160	70
Unix	140	110
Large system technologies	140	150
Linux	110	90
Offshore team coordination	110	100
Windows OS	110	90
C++/VC++	100	100
Web Services	100	80
SOA (Service Oriented Architecture)	90	60
XML	90	90
ETL	90	60



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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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